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## National Coalition for Heritage Areas

The National Coalition for Heritage Areas (NCHA) is a nonprofit organization established in 1993 when 60 concerned individuals met to discuss what heritage areas are, how they work, and their benefits to the surrounding community as well as the general public. From this initial meeting a steering committee was formed that consequently developed into NCHA's board of directors. Currently the NCHA consists of more than 100 individuals and organizations working to preserve, interpret, develop, and promote the special resources of their respective regions. The coalition serves as a means for information exchange, technical assistance, and policy development in heritage areas issues.

Before proceeding, one might ask "What is a heritage area?" Heritage areas are most often regions with a distinctive sense of place unified by large-scale resources: rivers, lakes or

streams, canal systems, historic roads or trails, or railroads. They may include both rural and urban settlement, and are cohesive, dynamic environments where private ownership predominates, and will continue to predominate, but where change can be creatively guided to benefit both people and place. Basic components of heritage areas include:

- \* A sense of place and identity
- \* Large-scale natural or artificial resources that unify the region
- \* A variety of land uses
- \* Predominantly private ownership of land and resources
- \* Local, regional, state, or national significance
- \* A common goal.

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## SIRIS: Smithsonian's Telnet Access

*The following information about the Smithsonian's Telnet access was posted on the Internet by George Bowman. The Grapevine has reprinted the posting in its entirety.*

We have enabled TELNET access to our database! Our address is SIRIS.SI.EDU - both VT100 and TN3270 are available.

The Smithsonian Institution Research Information System (SIRIS) is a computerized collection of research catalogs maintained by the Smithsonian Institution's Libraries, Archives, and Research Units.

Presently there are four catalogs available on SIRIS:

LIB: The Smithsonian Library Catalog

The collections are particularly

strong in Natural History, Tropical Biology, African American Ethnology and Culture, Astrophysics, Astronomy and Planetary Sciences, American History, the History of Science and Technology, Aviation and Space Flight, Postal History, Fine Arts and Design, African Art, Horticulture, Conservation Science, Chesapeake Bay Area Ecology, and Museum Administration. In addition, the Library holds a large collection of manufacturers' trade literature and catalogs and historically important rare books and manuscripts. This database contains approximately 500,000 records.

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**Smithsonian Telnet***..continued from page 1***ARI: The Art Inventories Catalog**

Data for the Art Inventories Catalog is designed to assist researchers in locating American paintings and sculpture. Data has been compiled from reports supplied by private collectors, museums, corporate collectors, and public art programs. The database is divided into two subcatalogs for paintings and sculpture which can be searched together or separately.

The Inventory of American Paintings Executed before 1914 is a national census of paintings created by American artists working prior to 1914. There are approximately 300,000 paintings represented. The Inventory of American Sculpture is a national census of works created by artists born or active in the United States up through the 20th century. There are approximately 50,000 sculptures represented.

**ARC: The Archives and Manuscripts Catalog**

This database consists of approximately 90,000 records contributed by five archival units of the Smithsonian. The subcatalogs listed below can be searched together or separately.

The Archives of American Art (AAA) catalog describes papers of artists, art dealers, art historians, collectors, and others; records of art galleries, museums, and art organizations; videos; and interviews from AAA's oral history project.

The Archives Center of the National Museum of American History (ACAH)

catalog describes hundreds of collections of manuscripts and visual, magnetic and electronic documents related to the mission of the National Museum of American History, especially the history of advertising, history of technology, and social and cultural history, as well as selected individual items.

The Human Studies Film Archives (HSFA) catalog describes film and video collections of historical, archeological, and ethnographic significance, including edited ethnographic films, unique research footage produced as part of anthropological research, and travelogues by amateur and professional filmmakers.

The National Anthropological Archives (NAA) catalog describes collections of historical manuscripts relating to North American natives; administrative records of the Dept. of Anthropology; professional papers of anthropologists; records of anthropological organizations; art work; and photographs.

The Smithsonian Institution Archives (SIA) catalog describes records documenting the history of the Smithsonian Institution since its founding in 1846; research in the fields of science, art and history; papers of staff; records of scientific, historical, and museum organizations; and audiovisual material from research, exhibits, and its oral history and video-history programs.

**BIB: The Research/Bibliographies****Catalog**

This database describes specialized research bibliographies. Currently references are limited to two subject areas:

The Center for Museum Studies' Museum Studies Database which includes theses and dissertations in the area of Museum Studies, articles indexed from the ALI-ABA proceedings and course of study in Museum Administration, and from the Journal of Museum Education.

**COMING SOON:**

The Cephalopod Bibliographic Catalog describes publications about cephalopods (squid, octopus, cuttlefish, etc.) and cephalopod-related subjects (predators, prey, etc.). The bibliography comprises publications located at the Division of Mollusks of the National Museum of Natural History. This bibliography is an ongoing effort which actively solicits input from users.

We are still adding functionality as well as data. In the near future we will have our Z39.50 gateway running, and hopefully at some point after that we will turn our attention to presenting multimedia via the MARC 856 tag and possibly Web access to the catalog. More archival units will probably be added, and additional focused Research/Bibliographies will be added.

That's SIRIS.SI.EDU.

**Georgia On the Internet**

The Anthropology Program and the Antonio J. Waring Laboratory of Archaeology at West Georgia College have established a Georgia Archaeology List (GAARCH-L). This new service is available to anyone interested in the archaeology of Georgia and has access to the Internet or Peachnet. Subscribe to GAARCH-L by sending an e-mail message to: [listserv@sun.cc.westga.edu](mailto:listserv@sun.cc.westga.edu). The content of the message that is sent is: `subscribe gaarch-l your name.`

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# HERITAGE AREA WORKSHOP JUNE 12 -16, 1995

## Major Themes

- A. Identification of a Heritage Area
- B. Heritage Area Planning and Comprehensive Design
- C. Community Involvement in Heritage Area Development
- D. Implementing an Interdisciplinary, Integrated Approach in Heritage Area Development

The workshop will present the on-going Heritage Area project in Natchitoches Parish as an example and for experiential learning opportunities. Field trips and presentations will demonstrate the application of an integrated, multi-cultural, and multi-disciplinary approach to understanding Natchitoches Parish's Native-American, French, Spanish, African, Anglo, and Creole heritages.

This workshop is sponsored by the Department of Social Sciences of Northwestern State University of Louisiana and funded through the National Park Service's National Center for Preservation Technology and Training. The fee for the workshop is \$25.00, with on-campus housing provided for a small additional charge. For further information, contact Susan E. Dollar, Department of Social Sciences, Northwestern State University, Natchitoches, LA 71497; phone 318-357-5941; FAX 318-357-6153; E-Mail: DollarS@Alpha.NSULA.edu.

## NCHA

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Why have heritage areas? Heritage areas promote the protection of environmental, scenic, and cultural resources, and sustainable development for tourism and other economic opportunities. They serve to educate the general public about community history, traditions, and the environment, as well as provide outdoor recreation.

Currently there are six recognized heritage areas around the country, including Blackstone River National Heritage Corridor in Rhode Island and Massachusetts, and Wheeling National Heritage Area in West Virginia. If a bill in Congress that passed the House is reintroduced and enacted by the 104th Congress, 10 more zones from Georgia to Washington will be designated National Heritage Areas and become eligible for federal matching funds.

NCHA's initial focus has been the promotion of a national program to support the grassroots efforts in heritage areas. A national program will result in the conservation of resources in the nation's distinctive regions, representative of the diverse origins of uniquely American character and vital to national heritage and identity. Limited federal investment and involvement will stimulate innovative partnerships and economic development across geographic regions.

During the NCHA's first national conference in March 1994, more than

400 area-enthusiasts came together from all over the United States, Canada, and Europe to address this topic. During the past year the Board of Directors has been dealing with many heritage bills, especially the emerging national legislation in which the perspectives of NCHA members have been so important.

At the board's retreat early last summer, much thought was given to what other topics the NCHA should focus on. The results are as follows:

First of all, the Coalition's leadership should be more diverse. To this end, the board size was nearly doubled and aggressive recruitment was conducted outside the Washington, D.C., Beltway. Furthermore, board meetings in 1995 will be held around the country in city such as Wilkes-Barre, PA, and Saratoga Springs, NY.

Secondly, focus was given to the creation of the Coalition's Heritage Forum, which is a new program of outreach to key federal agencies whose participation could be vital to

many of the heritage areas.

Third, the NCHA should be strategic in their use of resources. Instead of holding a 1995 national conference, emphasis has been shifted to supporting regional conferences. Board members have made well-received presentations to the annual meetings of several groups, including the National Association of Development Organizations and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Fourth, NCHA should continue efforts to create a national framework for heritage areas -- via national legislation. Although the changes on Capitol Hill rearrange the familiar territory, the board is finding the climate for heritage areas to be bipartisan and is optimistic about progress on this front.

Finally, NCHA should work to strengthen the efforts of those who are creating and managing heritage areas. Through expanded technical assistance, networking, and potentially even demonstration programs, NCHA enters its second year of existence determined to be responsive to grassroots needs, and to be a national voice for this growing movement.

These efforts are working. Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt has designated heritage areas as one of his top three priorities. The roster of active heritage areas - whether or not they are seeking national status -- is growing daily.

For further information on the National Coalition for Heritage Areas, contact NCHA, PO Box 33011, Washington, DC 20033-0011, or call 202-673-4204.

[Edited from information provided by NCHA.]

## Heritage Area Legislative Update

Two bills have been introduced in the House: H.R. 1301 by Rep. Vento (D-Minnesota) and H.R. 1280 by Rep. Hefley (R-Colorado.) Vento's bill is the same as legislation that passed the House last year. It provides a process for designating heritage areas and funding for grants and technical assistance, and it designates a number of new heritage areas. Hefley's bill provides only technical assistance and places a number of restrictions on the reach of the program. It does not designate any new areas, but requires action by the Congress. A hearing was held on March 28. Markup is not expected until May or thereafter.

[Update provided by CEHP, Inc., 1627 K Street, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20006.]



## Conference Calendar

**April 22-23, 1995 - Pathways to American Culture -- Conference on Transportation Community and Settlement Patterns** - A national conference on transportation choices, community, and settlement patterns will examine structures. For information, contact Michael McMahon, Department of History, West Virginia University, Woodburn Hall 202, Morgantown, WV 26506-6303. Ph. (304) 293-2421, ext. 5242; E-mail: MMCAHO@WVNM.WVNET.EDU

**April 21-23, 1995 - Missouri's 10th Annual Preservation Conference** will be held at the St Louis County Government Center, Clayton, MO. For further information, call 314-751-7959.

**May 3-7, 1995 - Society for American Archaeology** will hold its annual meetings in Minneapolis, MN. Contact: SAA, 900 2nd Street, NE #12, Washington DC 20002, 202-789-8200.

**May 5-7, 1995 - Second Annual Interdisciplinary Conference on Food and Culture** will be sponsored by Boston University. Contact Rebeca Alssid, Director of Special Programs, Boston University 808 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, MA 02215, 617-353-9852, fax 617-353-4130.

**May 11-14, 1995 - Society for Industrial Archaeology** will hold its annual meeting in Baltimore, MD. For conference information, contact Dennis Zembala 410-727-4808, FAX 410-547-6838.

**May 24-28, 1995 - American Fur Trade Conference** will be held in Halifax, Nova Scotia. For information contact Barry Moody and Bill Wicken, 7th NAFTC, Gorsebrook Research Institute, St Mary's University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada B3H 3C3.

**June 2-3, 1995 - Mining History Association** will hold its annual meeting in Nevada City, CA. For further information, contact William H. Mulligan, Jr., 502-762-6571 or 502-762-2231.

**June 2-4, 1995 - Mid-South Archaeological Conference** will be held in Jackson, Mississippi. For further information, contact Sam Brooks, 601-965-5518 or Evan Peacock, 601-285-3264.

**July 24-29 - 16th International Congress for Caribbean Archaeology** will be held in Basse Terre, Guadeloupe, French West Indies. Contact Gerard Richards, Mission Archeologie et Patrimoine, Consell Regional de la Guadeloupe, Avenue Paul Jacave 97100 Basse Terre, Guadeloupe, French West Indies, 590-804-079, fax 590-807-308.

**August 17-20, 1995 - Rural Sociology Society** will hold its annual meeting in Washington, DC. This year's theme is "Restructuring Rural Society and Rural Sociology." Contact: Max Pfeffer, Department of Rural Sociology, Warren Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853; 607-255-1676.

**September 15-16, 1995 - Durango Conference on Southwest Archaeology** will be held in Durango, CO. Contact: David Phillips, SWCA Inc., 8100 Mountain Road, NE, Suite 109, Albuquerque, NM 87110, 505-254-1115.

**November 8-11, 1995 - Southeastern Archaeological Conference** will hold its annual meeting at the Hilton Hotel, Knoxville, TN. Deadline for abstracts is August 1, 1995. Local arrangements coordinator is Dr. Jefferson Chapman. Program Chair is Dr. Gerald Schroedl. Contact: SEAC Conference, Department of Anthropology, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN 37996-0720; 615-974-4408; FAX 615-974-2686.

**January 2-7, 1996 - the Society for Historical Archaeology** will hold the 29th Annual Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology in Cincinnati, OH. Abstract deadline is May 1, 1995. For more information, contact Marlesa A. Gray, general chair, at Gray & Pape, Inc., 1318 Main Street, Cincinnati, OH 45210-2314, 513-665-6707, fax 513-287-7703, e-mail 76554.3313@compuserv.com

*If you have a meeting you would like to include on our calendar, The Grapevine will be glad to list it for you. Please remember to submit your listing by the tenth of each month.*

## Call for Proposals

### *The Public Historian* Wants American Indian Articles

*The Public Historian* is planning a special issue focusing on the intellectual, ethical, and practical issues surrounding the representation of Native American history. Co-editors are Clara Sue Kidwell, National Museum of the American Indian, and Ann Plane, University of California, Santa Barbara.

We welcome proposals on these and related topics:

- \* the role of historical research and public historians in federal recognition and land claims cases
- \* NAGPRA and the repatriation of sacred objects
- \* the preservation of sacred and historic native sites
- \* the representation of native history in museums, films, CD-ROMs and other public media
- \* history education in native communities
- \* community-based public history programs
- \* building a historical context for the interpretation of native art
- \* public history and native history in either North American or global contexts
- \* ethics and the public history of native communities
- \* recent trends in American Indian history of particular interest to public historians

Proposal deadline: May 15, 1995. Authors will be notified by June 1 whether their proposals have been accepted.

Article deadline: December 1, 1995

Send proposals to: Professor Ann Plane, Department of History, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA 93106,

## Job Openings

### M.A. or Ph.D. Level Archaeologist

**Requirements:** This position requires an individual with prehistoric expertise and at least a working knowledge of historic archaeology to the extent that it can be applied to the Phase I level of investigation. The candidate must be capable of understanding and applying geomorphological concepts to archaeological investigations. Two years of field experience is a requirement for this position. Basic analytical skills regarding natural site formation processes and artifacts are necessary. Word processing and database experience (IBM and MacIntosh) is beneficial; a background or knowledge of Geographic Information Systems is a plus. An interest in the prairie Peninsula, the Eastern Plains, the Upper Mississippi River Valley, archival research, and the ability to assess site significance within current state and federal guidelines is necessary. Mapping and photographic competence is very important. Good interpersonal skills, the ability to supervise small crews, manage projects, assess scopes-of-work, and prepare proposals are imperative.

### Field Archaeologist

**Requirements:** This position requires a B.A. in Archaeology/Anthropology. Two years field experience, and demonstrated computer expertise (IBM and MacIntosh) is required. Selected candidate will be responsible for field work, archival research, laboratory analysis, and report writing. Experience in lithic analysis, computer graphics, photography, mapping, and geomorphology preferred.

Submit cover letter and vita to:

Deborah Crown, Office Manager  
Bear Creek Archeology, Inc.  
PO Box 347  
Cresco, IA 52136  
No phone calls, please !

practices of museum administration; skill in photography, A/V equipment, personal computers; effective oral and written communication; ability to plan, organize and supervise; knowledge of historical preservation and restoration techniques; working knowledge of naval history, operations and terminology.

Requires MA (or BA plus year for year experience may substitute plus 4 years experience), 2 years curatorial work, experience in program management, administration and coordination of volunteer programs. Salary \$2095/month plus state benefits. Submit applications by Feb 15, 1995, to:

Charles Davenport  
Ship's Manager  
Battleship TEXAS SHP  
3523 Hwy 134  
LaPorte, TX 77571

A TPWD application form is required; if interested, call me or send a message to have one mailed or faxed to you. Joanne Avant, Chief Curator, (512) 389-4885, czbb133@access.texas.gov

### Archaeologist and Archaeological Technician Positions

Marienville, Ridgway and Sheffield Districts  
Allegheny National Forest

The Allegheny National Forest is planning to fill 8 seasonal Heritage Resources positions on three districts for the 1995 field season. The ANF is recruiting individuals who meet the X-118 qualifications for the following positions:

GS 102-3 Archaeological Aides  
GS 102-4 Archaeological Technician  
GS 102-5 Archaeological Technician  
GS 102-5 Archaeologist  
GS 102-7 Archaeologist

Salary Range: \$7.40 to \$11.51 per hour

**Term of Employment:** These are temporary positions which are not to exceed 1039 hours (approximately 6 months or less). Approximate dates of employment are from May 1, 1995, through September or October of 1995.

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### Archaeological Field and Lab Positions

Archaeology crew members and leaders needed for archaeological surveys in southern Idaho. Field work begins May,

1995, and ends in October. For further information, contact Dr. Bill Fawcett, Anthropology Program, Utah State University, Logan, UT 84322-0730, Fax 801-797-1240.

### Search Reopened for SHIP'S CURATOR

Responsible for implementation of a comprehensive collection management and interpretive program for the Battleship TEXAS State Historical Park, LaPorte (Houston), Texas. Responsibilities include management, training, and supervision of interpretative and curatorial staff and programs; coordinating volunteer activities and programs; providing visitor services and public relations activities; assist in preparation of ship's budget and coordinate ship's preservation and restoration activities between ship's staff, regional office and headquarters staff. Selection Criteria include skill in personnel and program management; knowledge of principles and

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**Principal Investigator**

Gray & Pape, Inc., has an immediate position open for a Principal Investigator - Archaeology in their Cincinnati, Ohio, office. Minimum requirements include an M.A. in Anthropology (Ph.D. preferred) and extensive experience in cultural resource management (CRM) project management at the Principal Investigator level, including an ability to incorporate appropriate research goals into a CRM context. This person may be either a prehistoric or a historic archaeologist, but should possess sufficient knowledge of the other to be able to evaluate resources at the Phase II level of investigation. The ability to write clear, concise, and thorough CRM technical reports without extensive editing is required, as is the ability to manage multiple projects simultaneously.

This person will also be asked to assist in marketing and in the preparation of proposals. Communication skills and an ability to effectively supervise people are a must. Knowledge of WordPerfect is essential; familiarity with database, spreadsheet, and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) applications is preferred. Other skills that will be given serious consideration include knowledge of geomorphology, prehistoric artifact analysis, and/or faunal/floral analysis.

Gray & Pape, Inc., offers a competitive pay and benefits package, including paid holidays, paid vacation and sick leave, and health and disability insurance. After one year of employment, regular employees are eligible for a profit-sharing retirement plan. Send a current resume, three references from persons in the CRM field, and an example of recent CRM technical writing (not to be returned) to Gray & Pape, Inc., 1318 Main Street, Cincinnati, OH 45210. An Equal Opportunity Employer

**Housing:** A limited amount of government housing may be available (at cost to employee). Housing is located in Sheffield. Incumbent will be responsible for providing own transportation to and from duty stations.

**Employee Benefits:** Incumbent is entitled to at least 4 hours of annual leave per pay period (biweekly) and is entitled to holiday pay on national holidays that occur during the incumbent's term of employment (incumbent must be in pay status). Incumbent is not entitled to health insurance, life insurance or retirement programs. Moving expenses are the responsibility of the incumbent.

**Miscellaneous Requirements:** Incumbent must have a valid state drivers license.

For more information about specific duties and qualifications for these positions, please contact Leslie Ann Dyer at (814) 927-6628 or Rick Kandare at (814) 723-5150.

**Research Associate**  
**and**  
**Research Assistants**

Archaeological Services NAGPRA Project, Archaeological Services at Indiana University of Pennsylvania announces a search for 1 Research Associate and 3 Research Assistants. The project will take place at the State Museum of Pennsylvania in Harrisburg, PA, and involves the Museum's compliance with NAGPRA. Salaries and benefits are competitive, and the project will take approximately 5-6 months. Hiring is contingent on final funding approval. Applications should include a cover letter, vitae, and names, addresses, and phone numbers of 3 references. For more information, or to apply, contact:

Dr. Todd Koetje  
Department of Anthropology  
IUP  
Indiana, PA 15701  
(412) 357 2733  
TKOETJE@grove.iup.bitnet

**Senior Archeologist/Assistant Manager**

Established consulting firm seeks SOPA-certified archaeologist for salaried, full-time position as Senior Archaeologist/ Assistant Manager - Western Division. The successful applicant will have: >4 years of progressively responsible experience in CRM; demonstrated skills in research design, project management, report writing, and technical editing; and proven success in new business development, including marketing and preparation of technical cost proposals. Submit c.v., names of 3-5 references, and letter of interest to: INFOTEC Research, Inc. Attention Personnel Manager, 5088 N. Fruit Avenue, Suite 101, Fresno, CA 93711-3061. EOE

# ACRA News

**April 1995**

**American Cultural Resources Association**

## *Minutes of the First Meeting of the Board of Directors, April 8 and 9, 1995*

The first meeting of the ACRA Board of Directors was called to order at 9:00 AM, Saturday, April 8, 1995, at the Courtyard by Marriott at Northlake, Atlanta, Georgia, by Tom Wheaton.

The following Directors formed a quorum: Duane Peter; Patrick O'Bannon; Chuck Niquette; Kevin Pape; Loretta Neumann; Dan Roberts; Tom Wheaton; Mike Polk; David Ketz; Charissa Wang; and Dana McGowan. Also in attendance were Jeanne Harris of Gray & Pape, Inc., and John Kissane of The Jaeger Company.

The first order of business was a review of recent developments in Washington, D.C., by Loretta Neumann and Chuck Niquette. This report was sobering and made everyone aware of the urgency of our mission to support cultural resources legislation and funding. Loretta Neumann noted that even the Republican House staffers are afraid of the consequences of the rapid movement on legislation and the lack of understanding of the purpose and functions of existing legislation by new members of Congress and their staffs. This topic will remain our main area of concentration this year, although we do not want to forget our other goals.

Several changes were then made to the Bylaws. These included consolidating the Individual and Small Business entities into a single Small Business category. This resulted in three categories of Board of Directors representation: Small, Medium and Large, rather than the original four. Also, two more Director positions were added to the board to provide seven Directors for each business size

category. The dues structure was not changed. To promote continuity and stability during the first two critical years of the association, the first election of new Directors will be for 1997, at which time the staggered three-year terms for Directors will begin.

The following Directors will have one-year terms after 1997: Lee Cox of Dolan Research; Dana McGowan of Jones and Stokes; Kevin Pape of Gray & Pape; Daniel Roberts of John Milner Associates; Judith Robinson of Robinson & Associates; Kathryn Toepel of Heritage Research Associates; and Charissa Wang of Hardlines: Design & Delineation. Those Directors having two-year terms are: Shelley Bookspan of PHR Environmental Consultants; David Heisler of Computer Sciences Corporation; Dale Jaeger of The Jaeger Company; David Ketz of The 106 Group; Thomas Lennon of Western Cultural Resource Management; Carol Mehls of Western Historical Studies; and Loretta Neumann of CEHP Incorporated. Those Directors having three-year terms are: Charles Niquette of Cultural Resource Analysts; Patrick O'Bannon of Kise Franks and Straw; Duane Peter of Geo-Marine; Michael Polk of Sagebrush Archaeological Consultants; and Thomas Wheaton of New South Associates; and two unfilled Director positions. The last two positions will be filled this year by a special election.

Kevin Pape volunteered the services of Gray & Pape to design and produce a prototype display stand and to print fourfold ACRA brochures. New South Associates proposed to manage the association for the first year at cost (i.e., salaries and direct labor overhead) with no fee. This proposal was accepted. A proposal by Gray & Pape to allow the use of the Grapevine newsletter by ACRA was also accepted, and this insert is the first result of that decision. A proposal by CEHP Incorporated to provide governmental relations

services to ACRA was also accepted. This proposal involved, among other things, a computerized information network for use by Directors and members to keep abreast of legislation and regulations, where and how to affect legislation, and to communicate rapidly and securely with one another, etc. Hookups to the system will cost \$15.00 a month for six free hours of connect time and \$2.00 an hour over six hours. A final budget of \$76,550 was agreed upon on Sunday morning. This budget does not include the costs of a national conference. The board decided to wait until the beginning of May to make a final decision on whether to go ahead on such a conference. This will allow time to see how well the membership drive is proceeding before committing to the added expense of a conference.

Elections for association officers were then held. Various names were placed in nomination prior to the meeting by mail and at meeting. Many variables were taken into consideration and discussed, including geographic location of the candidate's firm, discipline of the candidate, gender, etc. The final results of the election were:

**President**  
Charles Niquette

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Patrick O'Bannon

**Vice President for Administration -**  
Dana McGowan

**Secretary -**  
Michael Polk

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## Congressional Update

Congress is in recess. The Senate will return April 24. The House of Representatives will return May 1. Following are some issues of key concern to the preservation community that have seen recent Congressional action.

### Contract with America

The "Contract with America" has provisions that could affect federal programs relating to archaeology and historic preservation. Bills have passed the House and are now before the Senate. Following is a brief update on each.

### Regulatory Moratorium

The House passed H.R. 450, a bill that would place a moratorium on most new federal regulations from November 20, 1994, to December 31, 1995 (including, for example, regulations by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and the National Park Service). The full Senate approved S.219 on March 29 that gives Congress 45 days to review rules before they become final and to pass a resolution of disapproval, subject to a presidential signature. The bills will now go to a House-Senate conference, probably in May.

### Risk Assessment/Cost Benefit Analysis

A House-passed bill, H.R. 1022, requires agencies to conduct risk assessments and prepare cost benefit analyses of all regulations costing \$25 million or more. It would supersede existing environmental laws and regulations (including historic preservation). Agencies would have to show that the benefits of regulations exceed their costs. On March 23, the Senate's Government Affairs Committee unanimously approved a bill by Sen. William Roth (R-Delaware), S. 291. Less onerous than the House's, it requires agencies to do cost benefit analyses for rules costing over \$100 million. It does not forbid all new rules that cost industry more than the

benefits and it would not override existing laws. But it requires review of rules every 10 years or they expire. Another bill, S. 333 by Sen. Frank Murkowski (R-Alaska), was approved by the Energy Committee; it would make it easier for industries to take rules to court. Sen. Robert Dole (R-Kansas) has an even more sweeping bill, S.343, that was marked up in the Judiciary Committee April 5 and 6. It would apply to all rules that cost the economy over \$50 million. Cost-benefit analyses would supersede existing laws and businesses would have many chances to mount court challenges. Floor action on the legislation is expected after the recess. It is unclear which one will be the final vehicle.

### Takings/Private Property

So-called "takings" legislation has two components -- a payment to property owners if a government action "takes" property, and/or a mandate that federal agencies analyze the effect of regulations on private property and pick the one with the least effect. The House passed the Private Property Protection Act, H.R. 925, a payment bill. It would allow owners to receive payments if a portion of their property were diminished in value by 20% or more; if devalued 50%, the agency could be required to purchase it. The bill is limited, however, to rules on endangered species, wetlands and water rights. H.R. 925 went to the Senate Environment Committee, headed by Sen. John Chafee (R-Rhode Island), who tended not to favor such legislation. On March 23, Senators Dole, Phil Gramm (R-Texas) and 30 other senators introduced new legislation, S.605. It is both a payment and an assessment bill. It requires federal agencies to pay owners if property has been taken for public use, if they lose the economic benefits of their land or if a piece of property is diminished one-third in value as a result of federal rules. Agencies must perform a taking impact analysis of the rules and select the alternative that minimizes taking of private property. S.605 went to the Judiciary Committee, which held hearings April 6.

Other housekeeping chores were then resolved. A checking account was approved, a membership drive was organized, and committees were established. Each Director has committed to bring in 10 new members as soon as possible. Each was asked to take a region of the country. Dan Roberts (610-436-9000) was assigned Pennsylvania, New Jersey and the Northeast; Tom Wheaton (404-498-4155) was assigned the Southeast and the Caribbean; Chuck Niquette (606-252-4737) was assigned Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia, Arkansas, and Missouri; Kevin Pape (513-287-7700) was assigned Virginia, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, and Michigan; David Ketz (612-290-0977) was assigned Minnesota, Wisconsin, and North and South Dakota; Duane Peter (214-423-5480) was assigned the Plains states below South Dakota and including New Mexico; Mike Polk (801-394-0013) and Tom Lennon (303-449-1151) were assigned the Intermountain West; Kathy Toepel (503-485-0454) was assigned the Northwest and Alaska; Dana McGowan (916-737-3000) was assigned California and Hawaii; Loretta Neumann (202-293-1774) was assigned the Washington D.C. area; Charissa Wang (614-784-8733) was assigned the remainder of the Mid-Atlantic and architectural firms nationwide; Patrick O'Bannon (215-561-1050) was assigned historians nationwide; and Dale Jaeger (404-534-0506) was assigned landscape architects and historic preservationists nationwide. If you wish to join or know someone who wishes to join, please contact the Director from your region.

Charles Niquette appointed Daniel Roberts to chair the Ethics Committee; Loretta Neumann to chair the Government Relations Committee; Judy Robinson to chair the Conference Committee (if a conference is held); and Michael Polk to act as Newsletter Liaison with Jeanne Harris, editor of the Grapevine.

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## Proposed Amendment to National Historic Preservation Act

Rep. Herger (R-California) introduced legislation that will amend the National Historic Preservation Act to prohibit unimproved or unmodified natural landscape features that do not contain artifacts or other physical evidence of human activity that have unique significance in history or prehistory from being on or eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places or considered to be a historic property or resource under Federal law. Specifically noted is the case of the historic Mt. Shasta area in California, which is thought to have prompted this proposed amendment. The bill will prohibit Mt. Shasta area from being designated a historic district, site, or national monument. The bill went to the Resources Committee and hearings will be scheduled later this year.



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