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### Alabama

#### Stacye Hathorn-Davis Joins the Staff of the AHC.

In May, Stacye Hathorn-Davis joined the staff of the Alabama Historical Commission as their Section 106 Archaeologist. Besides conducting 106 review, she will also develop educational programs for public outreach. A graduate of Auburn University, Hathorn-Davis holds a M.A. in sociology and is the 1997 recipient of the Bradley Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Achievement in the Humanities.

#### Moundville Native American Festival September 22-26, 1998 Moundville Archaeological Park

Moundville is an internationally known National Historic Landmark on the banks of the Black Warrior River, on Highway 69, 15 miles south of Tuscaloosa. The 320-acre park contains more than 20 prehistoric Indian mounds. Open daily, park hours are 8 a.m.- 8 p.m. Festival admission is: \$4 for adults, \$2 for children. For information call: 205-371-2234.

#### Alabama's Annual Historic Preservation Conference October 30-31, 1998

Downtown revitalization is the theme for this year's annual preservation conference to be held at the Cultural Arts Center in Gadsden. The conference is sponsored by the Alabama Historical Commission and the Alabama

Preservation Alliance. For registration materials and more information contact the Alabama Historical Commission at 468 South Perry Street, P.O. Box 300900, Montgomery, AL 36130-0900; 334-242-3184.

### Arizona

#### Historic Artifact Identification Workshop: A Review

On May 29, as part of its Spring Meeting at Pueblo Grande Museum, the Arizona Archaeological Council held a workshop on historical artifact identification. Presenters were John Goodman (SWCA-Flagstaff) on metal, Terry Majewski (Statistical Research) on ceramics, and Stewart Deats (Zuni Cultural Resource Enterprise) on glass.

Fifty-six paid registrants from three states attended the 4-hour workshop aimed at providing archaeologists not trained in historical archaeology with basic information needed to do informed, in-field recording of historic(al) artifacts.

A highlight of the workshop was handouts from each of the presenters providing essential information needed for in-field identification of glass, metal, and ceramics. Copies of the handouts have already been sent by request to archaeologists in Texas and South Africa.

The workshop was important because of the information it provided and because it brought together a wide range of people with a variety of interests and expertise. It also exposed many people to the activities of the Arizona Archaeological Council (40% of the registrants were non-members).

The AAC board is open to ideas for future workshops — format, timing, and location are open. The possibility of a workshop on protohistoric-historic Native

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# Conference Calendar

**September 19-20, 1998 - South Central Historical Archaeology Conference (SCHAC)** will be held in Jackson, MS. Contact: Amy L. Young, Department of Anthropology and Sociology, P.O. Box 5074, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS 39406-5074; 601-266-6180; E-mail: [ayoung@whale.st.usm.edu](mailto:ayoung@whale.st.usm.edu).

**October 1-4, 1998 - 10th Mogolion Archaeology Conference** - will be held in Silver City, New Mexico. Contact: Cynthia Ann Bettison, Director & Archaeologist, Western New Mexico University Museum, PO Box 680, Silver City, NM 88062; 505-538-6386; FAX 505-538-6178; E-mail: [BettisonC@iron.wnmu.edu](mailto:BettisonC@iron.wnmu.edu).

**October 14-17, 1998 - The Plains Conference** will meet at the Radison Inn at Bismark, ND.

**October 16-18, 1998 - Midwest Bioarchaeology and Forensic Anthropology** meeting will be held at The University of Iowa, Iowa City. Contact: Office of the State Archaeologist, 700 Clinton

St., Bldg., University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242; 319-384-0740; Fax 319-384-0768; E-mail: [shirley-schermer@uiowa.edu](mailto:shirley-schermer@uiowa.edu)

**October 20-25, 1998 - National Trust for Historic Preservation** will hold its annual meeting in Savannah, GA. This year's theme is "The Art and Economics of Preservation." Contact: The National Trust for Historic Preservation at 800-944-6847 or visit the Trust's web site at [www.nationaltrust.org](http://www.nationaltrust.org).

**October 21-24, 1998 - The Midwest Archaeological Conference**, hosted by the Department of Anthropology of Ball State University, will be held at the Radison Hotel Roberts in Muncie, IN. Contact: Ball State University at 765-285-2443; FAX 765-285-2163; E-mail: [OOrehicks@bsu.edu](mailto:OOrehicks@bsu.edu).

**November 11-14, 1998 - Southeastern Archaeological Conference** will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Greenville, South Carolina. Contact: Kenneth E. Sassaman, SEAC Program Chair,

SCIAA-Savannah River Archaeological Research Program, P.O. Box 600, New Ellenton, SC 29809; 803-725-1130; FAX 803-725-9723; E-mail: [sassamank@garnet.cla.sc.edu](mailto:sassamank@garnet.cla.sc.edu).

**November 12-14, 1998 - Whither Industrial Archaeology** is holding a conference on the current state of practice in the field of industrial archaeology and on the future direction for this discipline, and will be held in Lowell, MA. Contact Gray Fitzsimons, Park Historian, Lowell National Historic Park, 67 Kirk Street, Lowell, MA 01852-1029; 978-275-1724; FAX 978-275-1762; E-mail: [gray\\_fitzsimons@nps.gov](mailto:gray_fitzsimons@nps.gov).

**May 23, 1999 - International Rock Art Congress** will hold its 1999 meetings on the Ripon College campus in Ripon, WI. Contact ARARA, Donna L. Gilette, 1642 Tiber Ct., San Jose, CA 95138; E-mail: [rockart@ix.netcom.com](mailto:rockart@ix.netcom.com); FAX 408-223-2248.

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American ceramics has been suggested, but we need someone to take the lead in making it happen. Contact: Arizona Archaeological Council, P.O. Box 27566, Tempe, AZ 85282.

### Iowa

#### Iowa State Archaeologist's Web Page

The Iowa Office of State Archaeologist (OSA) has a web page which places a wealth of information at the reader's fingertips. Content includes the OSA site reporting form, a contact list of OSA staff, local Iowa Archeological Society chapter information, and links to related web sites. Contact the OSA web site:  
<http://www.uiowa.edu/~osa/index.html>.

### Kentucky

#### Personnel Changes at the Office of State Archaeology and William S. Webb Museum.

The University of Kentucky Department of Anthropology recently has restructured the organization of the William S. Webb Museum of Anthropology and the Office of State Archaeology.

As of August 17, 1998, Dr. Sissel Schroeder, an Assistant Professor in the Department of Anthropology, is the Director of the William S. Webb Museum of Anthropology and has taken over the duties of the Office of State Archaeology.

Kate Hesseldenz, the former W. S. Webb Museum Assistant, has departed for graduate school in Colorado, and we anticipate hiring her replacement in the next several weeks. Nancy O'Malley, formerly the interim Director, is now Curator of the W. S. Webb Museum of Anthropology and Senior Staff Archaeologist with the University of

Kentucky Program for Archaeological Research. Lynne Webb remains with the Office of State Archaeology. The operations of the Office of State Archaeology are now located at 1020A Export St., Lexington, KY 40506-9854. The phone number of the Office of State Archaeologist and the W. S. Webb Museum of Anthropology is 606-257-8208 and the FAX for both offices is 606-323-3686.

#### The Kentucky Civil War Sites Association Newsletter

The Kentucky Civil War Sites Association newsletter is now available on line. The address is:

<http://campus.murraystate.edu/academic/faculty/Bill.Mulligan/Clarion1a.html>

### Maine

#### Maine Preservation's Annual Meeting

Maine Preservation's 26th Annual Meeting will be held at the Sewall House, 963 Washington Street, Bath, ME. The Fall Celebration and Silent Auction begins immediately after the annual meeting, at a cost of \$20 per person. Contact: 207-775-3652.

### Maryland

#### Changes Ahead for Maryland Historical Trust's Annual Conference

There are big changes ahead for Maryland Historical Trust's annual fall preservation and revitalization conference. First of all, it will no longer be a *fall* conference. Starting in the Spring of 1999, this conference will be organized by Preservation Maryland, Maryland's

non-profit heritage preservation organization. Partially funded by a grant from the Maryland Historical Trust, Preservation Maryland will look to many cosponsors for assistance in developing the conference program.

The Conference will now be held the first weekend in May as the kickoff for Maryland Preservation Month. For more information, contact Kathleen Kreul at Preservation Maryland, 410-685-2886 or E-mail: [PM@preservemd.org](mailto:PM@preservemd.org).

### Massachusetts

#### 1998 Massachusetts Statewide Historic Preservation Conference

Massachusetts will hold its annual Historic Preservation Conference Friday, September 25, 1998, at the Bunker Hill Community College in Boston. This year's theme, "Making Connection," reflects the preservation movement's ever-expanding understanding of historic resources and their stewardship. Over time, historic resources have come to be viewed not as single objects, but integral pieces of a much larger framework, one that includes greatly expanded physical contexts, ethnographic considerations, socio-economic histories, and an increasingly diverse range of resources types. Similarly, what was once the purview of a few has grown to incorporate a broad array of practitioners and committed volunteers who work together in partnerships to create a future for the Commonwealth's unparalleled historical legacy. Advanced registration is required due to limited seating and must be received by September 18, 1998. For further information, contact Bill Steelman, Conference Planner, Massachusetts Historical Commission at 627-727-8470, ext. 361. Visit their web-site at: [www.state.ma.us/sec/mhc](http://www.state.ma.us/sec/mhc).

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### Minnesota

#### Minnesota Historical Society Research Grants

##### Research Grants Available 1998-99

The Minnesota Historical Society's Research Department each year makes available grants in several categories to support original research and writing leading to interpretive works on the history of Minnesota by academicians, independent scholars, and professional and nonprofessional writers. Preference is given to projects that will produce article- or book-length manuscripts to be considered for publication in *Minnesota History*, the Society's quarterly, or by the Minnesota Historical Society Press. Especially encouraged are projects that add a multicultural dimension to the area's history and that cover subjects not well represented in the published record, including agriculture, urban history, workers and work, historic preservation, and sports.

##### Applications May Be Made in One of Four Categories:

1. Mini-grants up to \$500 for research expenses.
2. Visiting Scholar grants up to \$1,000 for published scholars whose projects require research in MHS collections.
3. Article grants up to \$1,500 for expenses of conducting research planned to result in an article to be submitted to *Minnesota History*.
4. Major grants up to \$5,000 for expenses in conducting research planned to result in a large-scale project such as a book.

Grants are not awarded to support work on dissertations or theses or to assist in the purchase of computers or other equipment.

Applications consist of a completed

Application Form plus supplementary materials specifically requested. Application deadlines during the year are September 1, January 2, and April 1; awards are announced by November 1, March 1, and June 1. Applications for mini-grants may be submitted at any time and will generally require one month to review. The grant program is funded on a fiscal year basis, and the amount of funds available may vary from year to year.

For a copy of the Research Grants Program Information and Guidelines and an Application Form, write to Deborah L. Miller, Research Department, Minnesota Historical Society, 345 Kellogg Blvd. West, St. Paul, MN 55102, send E-mail to [debbie.miller@mnhs.org](mailto:debbie.miller@mnhs.org), or call Forence Regan at 651-297-2221.

### Missouri

#### The Preservation of Architectural Terra Cotta

The Preservation of Architectural Terra Cotta workshop will be held on September 25, 1998, in Jefferson City, Missouri. The 1-day workshop is co-sponsored by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Historic Preservation Program and the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Mid-Missouri.

The sessions are directed towards architects, planners, designers, crafts specialists, preservation advocates, and professionals and caretakers of terra cotta construction. The workshop will discuss and provide information concerning the historic uses, manufacturing, maintenance, restoration, and replacement of terra cotta buildings among several other preservation topics. Class size is unlimited.

Architects who complete the workshop will have their names placed on a state-maintained list which will be distributed to potential clients upon their request. In addition, members of AIA will receive 14 AIA Continuing Education Learning Units (CELUs).

For additional information, contact

Karen Grace, the preservation education coordinator at the Department of Natural Resources' Historic Preservation Program, at 573-751-7959 or write P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102.

### New Jersey

#### Applied Preservation II Saturday September 26, 1998

The New Jersey Historic Preservation Office and the Township of Middletown, New Jersey, are pleased to announce availability of training for members of Historic Preservation Commissions and participants in the Certified Local Government (CLG) program.

This year's workshop, entitled "Applied Preservation II," will deal with how to correctly apply the New Jersey and National Register of Historic Places criteria for eligibility. In addition, we will provide guidance on how to get what you want from applicants before the Historic Preservation Commission and how to protect your commission from litigation. Space is limited and seating priority will be given to CLG's.

For further information, please contact Genny Guzman at 609-984-0543.

#### Bernard Olsen to Speak on Archives Day

At the Archives Day event to be held at the Monmouth County Library, 125 Symmes Drive, Manalapan, New Jersey, on October 17, 1998, historian Bernard Olsen will address the topic of New Jersey in the Civil War in a panel session on New Jersey and Military History at 3 p.m.

Olsen's slide lecture is based on his book, *Upon the Tented Field*, an account of the war based on the letters home of six young New Jersey soldiers. Using the actual correspondence written by the soldiers over a 4-year period, Olsen has detailed the human element of the war from the tragedy of suffering and loss to the dedication and determination of the army's volunteers. The local interest of the book and Mr. Olsen's slide/lecture

presentation is centered on the 14th New Jersey Volunteer Infantry, the unit to which all six the young soldiers belonged. According to Princeton professor and Pulitzer Prize winning author James McPherson, Olsen's book is one of the best collections of Civil War soldiers' letters that has been published. McPherson added:

*"Many books focus on the social, economic and political transformations it (the War) wrought. An even larger number deal with military strategy, leadership, campaigns and battles. But none of these things was the 'real war' as (Walt) Whitman meant it. The real war was experienced every day by those who fought it and by the families of the one-fifth of the soldiers who never came home. These letters. . . [come] as close as we will ever come to the story of the 'real war.'"*

Bernard Olsen teaches Advanced Placement History at Marlboro High School, where he has been on the staff for more than 25 years. He has given numerous lectures and televised presentations on the subject of the Civil War.

For additional information on Archives Day events, please contact the Monmouth County Archives, 732-308-3772, or via E-mail at [gsaretkz@shore.co.monmouth.nj.us](mailto:gsaretkz@shore.co.monmouth.nj.us). Gary D. Saretsky, Coordinator, Public History Internship Program, Rutgers University; Archivist, Monmouth County, New Jersey; Chair, NJ Caucus, Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference.

Monmouth County Archives Web Page: [http://shore.co.monmouth.nj.us/01171\\_archives](http://shore.co.monmouth.nj.us/01171_archives)

Rutgers Public History Internships Web Page: <http://history.rutgers.edu/under/internships.html>

Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference Web Page: <http://www.itd.umd.edu/MARAC/marac-hp.htm>

Saretsky Online Photo History Web Page: <http://pluto.njcc.com/~bananaj/>

## New Mexico

### New Mexico Historic Preservation Division Sponsors Archaeology Workshops

[Taken from the New Mexico Preservation Summer 1998. Written by Carol J. Ellick]

Does the New Mexico Historic Preservation Division's (HPD) sponsorship of archaeology workshops for teachers through New Mexico Project Archaeology (NMPA) really make a difference? After three years and nearly 200 educators, we finally have an answer! Following its third year of operation by Statistical Research, Inc., (RI), the NMPA program was evaluated during the 1996-1997 HPD contract year, and previous participants were asked some very pointed questions.

The goals of the evaluation were three-fold: (1) determine if the workshops sufficiently prepared participants to teach NMPA, (2) determine whether participants went on to use Project Archaeology with their students, and (3) assess the outcomes of the program.

The response was overwhelmingly positive. According to the teachers, "students gained an understanding for the need to protect our archaeological sites and how scientists use artifacts to learn about ancient cultures." A general conclusion was that "we all need to stress archaeology of historic sites as well as prehistoric sites and the protection of both."

NMPA also publishes two newsletters, sponsored a mini-workshop using NMPA materials at the National Trust for Historic Preservation's 1997 Annual Conference held Santa Fe, and this year a paper on NMPA was presented at the Society for American Archaeology's 1998 Annual Conference in Seattle, Washington. If you are interested on more information about Project Archaeology or would like to receive a copy of the program evaluation, please contact Carol J. Ellick, Statistical Research, Inc., P.O. Box 31865, Tucson, AZ 85751; 520-721-4309; [sriarc@aol.com](mailto:sriarc@aol.com).

## Ohio

### Ohio Archaeological Council Annual Conference

The sixth Ohio Archaeological Council Conference will be held October 9-10, 1998, in Toledo, Ohio, at the Ramada Hotel and Conference Center. Presentations will focus on The Archaeology of History in the Ohio Region, discussing current archaeological research concerning historic contact with native cultures in relation to archaeological methods and theories.

Pre-registration is open through Friday, September 18, 1998. The conference is limited to a 350 attendant capacity. For more information, contact Mike Pratt at 419-448-2070 (w) or 419-874-0591 (h).

## Pennsylvania

### 1998 Curation Symposium

The Section of Archaeology of The State Museum of Pennsylvania will hold its seventh annual curation seminar for archaeological consultants on Monday, September 21, 1998, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The meeting will be held on the first floor in the Village Square area. Topics include: archaeological survey guidelines, Act 70, concerns of the BHP in project reviews, curation requirements for the Carnegie Museum, and State Museum curation guidelines.

Cost is \$15/person if received by September 15, 1998; \$25/person at the door. Make checks payable to: Friends of the State Museum. Send RSVP and check to: Janet Johnson, Section of Archaeology, The State Museum of Pennsylvania, Box 1026, Harrisburg, PA 17108-1026; 717-705-0869; FAX: 717-783-4558.

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# Call for Papers

## Texas

### Confedrate Blockade-Runner Denbigh

The Institute of Nautical Archaeology's project on the wreck of the Denbigh at Galveston, Texas, is proceeding. Initial dives revealed that the frames of the paddle wheels are exposed above the bottom from the hubs up. Some of the machinery between the paddle wheels is also visible. Another large protruding structure seems to be part of the boiler and exhaust system. Thanks to EdgeTech and Survey Systems, Inc., both of Houston, we have conducted a side-scan sonar survey and a sub-bottom sonar survey. We also plan a magnetometer survey to check for scattered wreckage. The Denbigh's trinomial site designation is 41GV143. For background information on the history of the ship and for progress reports on the fieldwork, please visit our web site at <http://nautarch.tamu.edu/PROJECTS/denbigh/denbigh.html> or search on the term Denbigh Project.

[Barto Arnold, Institute of Nautical Archaeology, Texas A&M Univeristy]

The New England American Studies

Association (NEASA) will sponsor its Spring 1999 conference, "Erasures, Evasions, and Absences: Contestations for Control of the Public Record, Past and Present," at Suffolk University in Boston, Massachusetts, May 15-16, 1999.

The 1999 NEASA Conference will focus on contestations and contradictions in the making of a public record. How is an event named? How does one version of history, or the present, displace another? How do some cultural phenomena achieve prominence while others remain obscure? What is the relation between power and presence, power and memory? We welcome papers and panel proposals that address any aspect of this broad topic, but as always we are particularly interested in those with a New England focus.

Some of the specific issues we hope to see addressed include: the erasure of deindustrialization in the recreation of New England's industrial past; the invisibility of underemployment in a "boom" economy of full employment; disemployment, "outsourcing," and the degradation of work; military base closures, hospital shutdowns, and prison construction; what counts as "crime" in the war against crime; what counts as "drugs" in the war against drugs; state gambling, lotteries, and what counts as "taxation"; the marketing of adolescence, athleticism, and race; the meanings of "health" and "care" and "managed"; the definition of "childhood" and the role of children in the marketplace; educational "reform" and the downsizing of universities; "accountability" and tenure; the definition of "family" and of "family marketplace"; and the definition of "family" and of "family values."

We also hope to receive proposals

that would address the ways such contestations over the naming of events and phenomena have occurred in the past. Field involved with the history of labor, women, religion, recreation, family, education, race, ethnicity, popular culture, literature and literary reputation, museums, philanthropy, urban development, and rural landscapes are pertinent to this year's conference theme.

As always, NEASA warmly invites participation by public intellectuals and activists without university affiliations (e.g., secondary school teachers, journalists, community organizers, archivists, curators, and independent scholars).

Proposals of not more than 250 words and a 1-page c.v. must be received by January 4, 1999.

Send to the NEASA president: Nicholas Bromell, English Department, Bartlett Hall, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 01002; E-mail: [nbromell@english.umass.edu](mailto:nbromell@english.umass.edu); phone: 413-545-2973. Additional information about the conference will be published in the Fall newsletter issue of NEASA INK, and may also be obtained at the above address.



# Job Announcements

## Senior Archaeologist

Multidisciplinary engineering and planning firm seeks key archaeological professional for our Harrisburg office. Advanced degree in anthropology/archaeology with a minimum of three years experience in cultural resources management. Knowledge of the SHPO archaeological procedures and the Section 106 process required. Must be able to work with consultants and federal and state agencies in reviewing all documents required for cultural resource compliance. Send a resume to:

McCormick, Taylor & Associates, Inc.  
Gateway Corporate Center  
6380 Flank Drive, Suite 300  
Harrisburg, PA 17112  
Attn: Greta Ulanoski  
717-540-6040  
FAX: 717-540-6049

## Historic Preservation Specialist

Multidisciplinary engineering and planning firm seeks professional for our Harrisburg office. Undergraduate or advanced degree in historic preservation or related field. Knowledge of the Section 106 and Section 4(f) processes preferred. Must be able to work with consultants, and federal and state agencies in preparing and reviewing all documents required for cultural resource compliance. Send resume to:

McCormick, Taylor & Associates, Inc.  
Gateway Corporate Center  
6380 Flank Drive, Suite 300  
Harrisburg, PA 17112  
Attn: Greta Ulanoski  
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FAX: 717-540-6049

## Position Available at the LaGuardia and Wagner Archives

### College Assistant Starting immediately

The LaGuardia and Wagner Archives of LaGuardia Community College, The City University of New York, seeks a person with background in urban history, city government, and/or archives to process historic documents and photographs, to research the role of the City Council in New York City, and to write short assignments quickly.

A bachelor's degree in history or related field is required. A master's degree and knowledge of New York City history and government strongly preferred. Graduate students are encouraged to apply.

The LaGuardia and Wagner Archives concentrates on twentieth-century New York City political and social history.

Position is for 20 hours per week, at \$11.50 per hour, with benefits.

Send resume to:

Richard K. Lieberman  
Director  
LaGuardia and Wagner Archives  
LaGuardia Community College/CUNY  
31-10 Thomson Avenue, #E238  
Long Island City, NY 11101  
Ph: 718-482-5065  
Fax: 718-482-5069

Please specify "City Council Researcher" in your application.

## Senior Archaeologist Opening

Greenhorne & O'Mara, Inc., a nationally recognized engineering and consulting firm is recruiting a Senior Archaeologist (Principal Investigator) to work out of either our Greenbelt, Maryland, or Fairfax, Virginia, office. The successful candidate will have a master's degree in archaeology or anthropology and 10+ years archaeological experience, 3+ years experience with pipeline surveys in the Midwest and/or Mid-Atlantic regions desired. Proven ability to complete assignments within budget and schedule requirements. Must have excellent written and oral communication skills.

To confidentially explore this opportunity, send resume via E-mail to: [awilkinson@G-and-O.com](mailto:awilkinson@G-and-O.com) or FAX to 301-220-1897 or mail to: 9001 Edmonston Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770, Attn: Anne Wilkinson/GJS. For additional information on our company, please visit our website at: [www.G-and-O.com](http://www.G-and-O.com).

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an opening for a

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[kluce@graypape.com](mailto:kluce@graypape.com).



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# Lithic Analysis And The World Wide Web

By Patrick M. Bennett

Over the past few months, I have been traveling the world wide web in search of cybersites dealing with lithic analysis. With the increasing numbers of technical publications, software, databases, and virtual libraries going online, nearly everything you ever wanted in the realm of lithic analysis will soon be available in cyber-version.

With this in mind, my first thought was that this should be fairly straightforward. Type LITHIC ANALYSIS into the search engine and just sit back and reap the rewards from this wonderful new technology". I have to admit, I have been through some pretty strange places professing to be lithic sites (Michael's Scrawl Wall was one my favorites). There are many web sites under the heading of lithic analysis which contain little more than personal musings or observations about one's favorite site, artifact, or dog named "Clovis."

In the interest of saving others from fruitless searches, I've decided to share some the research I have done recently in an attempt to sift through the melange of overwhelmingly mediocre sites on this topic. The following sites represent some of the more memorable, in a good way, of hundreds of cybersites on the topic of lithics I have visited over the last few months.

**THE LITHICS SITE**, a resource for archaeological lithic analysts: <http://wings.buffalo.edu/go?lithics>

You will definitely want to visit this website, run by Hugh Jarvis at SUNY Buffalo, which features a little "lithics guy" banging away at a piece of raw material ad infinitum.

This is by far the most comprehensive cybersite for the serious lithic analysts. It features numerous links to other web sites, some more use than others. The links to related institutional sites, geological source information, downloadable lithic software, and lithic databases are particularly informative. The following links are a distillation of a few of the more useful web sites.

**GLENN A. BLACK** Laboratory of Archaeology:  
<http://www.gbl.indiana.edu>

The Glenn A. Black Laboratory of Archaeology, is on the Bloomington campus of Indiana University as an independent research group. This web site is particularly useful in that it offers a wide array of online publications and monographs, many dealing specifically with lithic topics.

**THE FIRE CRACKED ROCK PAGE**  
<http://members.aol.com/dcsilson/FCRpage.html>

This cybersite is an experiment in online publication. It is an interesting presentation of some first class experimental archaeology. It deals with the reduction of rock in

a camas roasting oven. This site demonstrates that a piece of FCR is not just a piece of FCR.

**ARCHNET** Lithics Area: stone tools and technology  
<http://archnet@www.lib.uconn.edu>

This is a large web site with links to other web sites and is worth a look. A few of the more notable offerings of this site include the following:

**NELD** The Northeast lithics database workgroup  
<http://www.lib.uconn.edu/NELD/>

The mission of the NELD Workgroup is to provide improved communication among lithic researchers and to develop a "user friendly lithic sourcing database on the World Wide Web." This is still in the evolutionary stage but already offers a very useful searchable bibliography, geological and map images, a glossary of geological terms, and a members database. This is a good site to monitor as new developments are imminent.

**POINT** Projectile Point Classification Program  
<http://www.archnet.uconn.edu/software/pointp.html>

For those of you interested in projectile point typology, this site run by Tara Prindle is definitely worth a look. Downloadable software enables you to run this type/matching program which provides type names and date ranges for diagnostic projectile points. This is a serious research tool which requires input of comprehensive metric and morphological attributes. The only limitations are that it was designed for New England and may not be appropriate for your area of interest. At any rate the "classification approach" employed by this program will be of interest to all lithic analysts.

**APPLIED ARCHAEOLOGICAL SERVICES, INC.**  
<http://www.netset.com/~applied/antquiz.html>

For some surfing on the lighter side why not try your hand on the projectile point quiz offered by Applied Archaeological Services, Inc., on ARCHNET. (I got them all right!)

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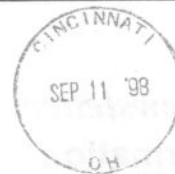
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