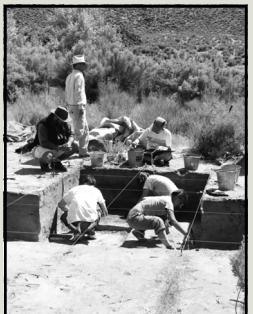
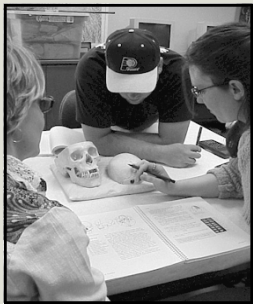


Department of Anthropology Newsletter

College of Social Sciences
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Fall 2008



Chair's Welcome

As we begin a new fall semester, I am pleased to introduce this issue of the Anthropology Department newsletter. As always, the newsletter affords us an opportunity to highlight the many individual and collective accomplishments of the past year. One of the significant developments of the past year was the implementation of the Master of Arts and Master of Applied Anthropology degrees. The department admitted seven students to its fall 2007 class and have admitted three additional students for fall 2008. The department provides support to all incoming graduate students who serve as teaching assistants and as research assistants with faculty. Our support of students ensures prompt completion of degree requirements. I am pleased to note that the program graduated its first M.A. in August 2008. Graduate students are actively engaged in research and have participated individually and collectively with faculty in their attendance and presentations at a number of conferences including the Arctic Conference, Northwest Anthropological Conference, the meeting of the American Association of Physical Anthropologists, and the Idaho Academy of Sciences meeting.

During the past year, faculty have been active in research, publication, and receipt of external funding. The faculty published 34 scholarly works including books, book chapters, journal articles and monographs, presented 11 papers at professional meetings, provided eight journal reviews, and reviewed 31 grant proposals. Their work was supported by the receipt of grants and contracts totally more than \$215,000. Faculty conducted field research in Idaho, Missouri, Siberia, and northeastern South America. The department conducted its second annual archaeological field school with the University of Guyana at sites in the Iwokrama Rainforest Reserve and is signing a new MOA for cooperative archaeological research and teaching with the Walter Roth

Museum of Anthropology. Working collaboratively within the university, the department has in conjunction with faculty in the Department of Geosciences seen the first enrollments in the new Geoarchaeology major, and with the departments of Geosciences and Computer Sciences continue work on an interactive Geo-Archaeology Data Base for the Intermountain West. Margaret Streeter (Anthropology), Greg Hampikian (Biology) and Charles Honts (Psychology) are developing an interdisciplinary Forensic Justice Institute to promote cooperation between BSU faculty and law enforcement agencies. In addition, the department has joined a consortium of departments that include Biology, Chemistry and Geosciences committed to the development of a common Mass Spectrometry Laboratory. The Environmental Studies Program, coordinated by Dr. Christopher Hill (Anthropology) and housed within the department has seen the number of majors grow to 90. The department continues to expand the activities of the Center for Applied Archaeological Science, having signed a new cooperative agreement with the Boise National Forest and



*Mark Plew, Chair of the Boise
State Department of Anthropology*

two new agreements with the Bureau of Land Management, Klamath Falls, Oregon.

The faculty continue to make contributions to the college and university, students, and community by their service on numerous committees, advisory boards, and working groups. This year the faculty had 91 service commitments. Professionally the faculty serve as officers in state, regional, and national organizations and as editors of major state, national, and international journals.

The faculty continue to provide an innovative and outstanding curriculum, to conduct basic and applied research across varied geographic and topical areas, and to inform students within the university and community of the diverse nature of the human experience.

The Department of Anthropology presently serves 168 majors and 16 minor students. In addition, faculty serve on a number of Interdisciplinary Studies and Environmental Studies graduate committees. During the past year the department offered 47 courses and/or sections of classes and 36 workshops. The faculty has provided oversight on 25 Independent Study projects and 4 Internships. An emphasis upon good teaching sees the department receiving high marks by its alumni. The department has a very high service enrollment, which totaled over 2,700 students for the past year—proportionately, one of the highest service loads in the university. The Department of Anthropology graduated 9 Baccalaureate students. The department houses the Center for Applied Archaeological Science and co-directs the Desert Studies Institute and the Ethnographic Archive.

Department of Anthropology Faculty News

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DEPARTMENT of ANTHROPOLOGY

FACULTY

Mark Plew, Professor and Chair
Christopher Hill, Assoc. Professor
Margaret Streeter, Asst. Professor
John Ziker, Assoc. Professor
Kendall House, Adj. Asst. Professor
T. Virginia Cox, Assoc. Professor Emerita
Leonard Klikunas, Lecturer
Jake Fruhlinger, Lecturer
Tommi White, Lecturer
Chris Willson, Lecturer

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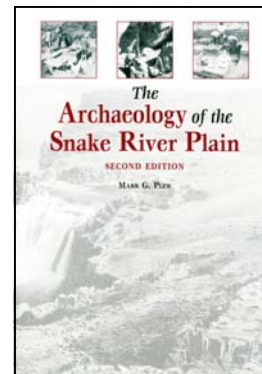
Christopher Hill

During 2008 Christopher Hill collaborated with students on several research projects and participated in a professional conference and three workshops or institutes. In addition, several papers were published or accepted for publication. Students were involved in research that has led to two papers accepted for publication. "Variability in a Pleistocene Climate Sequence from Bir Tarfawi, Egypt," was written with graduate student Cynthia Bradbury and accepted for publication in the *Journal of the Idaho Academy of Science*. A paper written with undergraduate Sean Prall and Dr. Margaret Streeter entitled, "Paleohistological Study of Pleistocene Mammoth (*Mammuthus*) Bone," was accepted for publication in *Current Research in the Pleistocene*. Dr. Hill team taught a course in Environmental Studies that was partly used as the basis for Boise State's Greenhouse Gas Inventory by the Office of Energy Research, Policy, and Campus Sustainability. Institute/workshop participation included the Earth Science Literacy Initiative Workshop, Teaching Climate Change with Ice Core Data (Teaching Climate Change: Lessons from the Past) at Pennsylvania State University (June 2-3) and the Science Education for New Civic Engagements and Responsibilities (SENCER) Institute at Santa Clara University. "Late Glacial Environments and Paleoecology at Blackwater Draw, Near Clovis, New Mexico, U.S.A.," was published in *Man-Millennia-Environment* by the Institute of Archaeology and Ethnology, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw, Poland. Two posters were presented at the *American Quaternary Association* meeting at Pennsylvania State University and three posters were presented at the *Focus the Nation Research Symposium: The Science Behind Climate Change*. Book reviews of "Cenozoic Climatic and Environmental Changes in Russia" and "Human Ecology of Beringia" were published in *Siberica: Interdisciplinary Journal of Siberian Studies*. Dr. Hill also served on the local arrangements committee for the American Society for Environmental History and as chair for the Geoarchaeology Interest Group's Kellogg Award. He is serving as scientific advisor for the study of a mammoth skeleton found this summer in western Idaho. In 2008 Dr. Hill was elected Fellow of the Geological Society of America.



Mark Plew

Mark Plew conducted several archaeological projects including a fifth field season at an Late Archaic (2000-1750) period site near Melba, Idaho. Along with Chris Willson, he co-directed the Archaeological Field School that conducted excavations at Three Island Crossing State Park near Glens Ferry, Idaho. In July, Plew directed the second annual Boise State University-University of Guyana Denis Williams Archaeology Field School at Kurupukari Falls, southern Guyana. During the past year he published two books, *Archaeological Investigations at 10-EL-110: A Late Archaic Occupation Near King Hill, Idaho* and *The Archeology of the Snake River Plain, Second Edition*. In addition, he contributed a book chapter entitled, "Pleistocene-Early Holocene Environmental Change: Implications for Human Adaptive Responses in the Guianas," for the *Anthropology of the Guianas* edited by Neil Whitehead and Stephanie



Alleman, University of Arizona Press, published five articles including "A Radiocarbon Date for the Rupununi Phase, Southern Guyana," *Kacike, Center for Caribbean Amerindian Studies* and "Archaeobotanical Remains from Southern Idaho" in the *Journal of the Idaho Academy of Sciences*, three monographs including

"Archaeological Excavations of the Kabakaburi Shell Mound, Northwestern Guyana," *Monographs in Archaeology* No. 1, University of Guyana, four abstracts, four technical reports and one book review. Among the technical reports is *Archaeological Investigations a Cow Hollow State Park, Nyssa, Oregon* (with Chris Willson)—an evaluation of the location of the first CCC and Japanese internment camp in Oregon. Plew gave nine paper presentations at regional, national, and international meetings and received more than \$66,000 in external funding of his research during the past year. His paper, "Observations Regarding Legal Protections of Archaeological Sites and Remains in Guyana" was presented at the annual meeting of the Association for the Study of Law, Culture and the Humanities, Georgetown University Law School. He continued his involvement with the Spirit Cave Man case preparing responses for the Fallon Paiute Tribe to amicus briefs by Friend's of America's Past and the Ohio Archaeological Council.

Department of Anthropology Faculty News

John Ziker

This past year was the second year of Home, Hearth, and Household in Siberia and Northern Canada, a research project supported by the National Science Foundation. As part of the research, John organized and supported ethno-archaeological research in July 2008



among Evenki reindeer herders along the Upper Angara River 250 km from its endpoint at Lake Baikal. The work, conducted by a crew headed by Dr. Artur Kharinskii from Irkutsk State Technical University, included surveys and test pits at two indigenous encampments documented in the 1926/27 Polar Census. Another component of the research was a participatory research exchange with members of the Tlicho First Nation, Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Museum, and Smithsonian Institution. In May, Ziker organized and supported the Canadian representatives' visit to Washington D.C. to complete their study of the Tlicho lodge covering held at the National Museum of the American Indian. As part of the NSF research in May 2008, Ziker conducted fieldwork in Kyzyl and Bai-Taiga, Tuvan Republic, Russian Federation. This region is located in Southern Siberia, and the republic is home of our graduate student Tayana Arakchaa. Along with Tayana's husband, Orlan Arakchaa, his cousin Kombu, and Rebecca Ziker, Dr. Ziker visited a number of nomadic herding households in Western Tuva. He also gave a public lecture at Tuvan State University, and met with ethnographers and ecology faculty in Kyzyl. John wrote an article, "Chronological insights, cultural change, and resource exploitation on the west coast of Sweden during the Late Palaeolithic/early Mesolithic transition" along with colleagues from Sweden, Poland, and Germany, now in press for the *Oxford Journal of Archaeology*. He contributed a case study to a textbook *Medical Anthropology in Ecological Perspective, Fifth Edition* (Westview Press). His contribution, "Stress, Alcohol, and Demographic Change in Northern Siberia," provides a diachronic analysis of demographic health and economic processes in his main field site, Ust'-Avam, over 15 years of study. John submitted "Rational Choice and Individual Agency in Siberia: Norms of Reciprocity among the Dolgan and the Nganasan" to the *Zeitschrift für Ethnologie*, Germany's leading ethnographic journal. He also submitted several book chapters, "Ethnodemographics and Identity of Indigenous People in the Central Taimyr Lowlands," and "The History and Economy of the Putoran Uplands-Taimyr Lowlands" on the 1926-1927 Polar Census of Siberia. He is revising "Subsistence and Sharing in Northern Siberia: Experimental Economics with the Dolgan and the Nganasan," a chapter for *Fairness and Punishment in Cross-Cultural Perspective*. This book includes a series of chapters presenting the results of cross-cultural experimental games conducted in 15 different societies. Over the past year, John gave several conference papers including "Kinship and Gender in Taimyr, Russia" in Cesvaine, Latvia at the workshop *Gender Shift in Northern Communities of Russia*, sponsored by the Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology and the Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research. John gave a paper on "Food Distribution among Hunter-Gatherers in Northern Siberia:

Tests of Evolutionary Hypotheses" at the Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Invited Session: New Research in the Evolutionary Ecology of Food Transfer, Washington, DC. He gave an overview of his 2007 field research at the 15th Arctic Conference in Pocatello, ID: "Homes, Hearths, and Households in the Lena Goldfields and Taimyr Lowlands, Russia, and Rae-Edzo, Canada." At the same conference, he co-authored a paper with Nikki Gorrell and Tayana Arakchaa entitled, "The History and Economy of the Taimyr Lowlands." This paper has evolved into a chapter for an edited book by David G. Anderson, mentioned above. He presented a co-authored poster with Christopher Hill on "Global Change in Siberia: Past and Present Human-Caribou/Reindeer Interaction" as part of BSU's Focus the Nation Research Symposium held on campus. In May, 2008 John received a library enhancement grant for \$3000 to augment the anthropology collection at Albertson's Library. The goal of the grant is to acquire recent and available volumes of *Research in Economic Anthropology*, as well as a number of other publications and visual materials which have already begun to appear in the catalogue. In early October he will be attending a Home, Hearth, and Household project meeting and conference in Tromso, Norway. The conference is titled, "Exploring Domestic Spaces in the Circumpolar North." He will also be attending the annual AAA meeting in San Francisco, CA in November 2008.

Margaret Streeter

Margaret Streeter received funding from Canadian Studies for travel to the University of Missouri Department of Anatomy to collect bone samples for a collaborative project with Michelle Drapeau of the Department of Anthropology, University of Montreal, Quebec, Canada. She was accompanied by graduate student Katherine Cross who analyzed an archaeological sample from a Civil War era cemetery housed in the anthropology department. A histology project with graduate student Cynthia Bradbury and Jane Buikstra of Arizona State University involved the



investigation of patterns of growth and development in children's bones from ancient Peru. Representation of our department is growing at state and national professional meetings. Dr. Streeter presented posters at meetings and graduate and undergraduate students attended the meetings of the Idaho Archaeological Society, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, and the American Association of Physical Anthropologists. Dr. Streeter collaborated with Christopher Hill and former undergraduate student Sean Prall (now a graduate student in anthropology at Indiana University) on a paper examining the bone histology of several mammoth fossils, which has been accepted for publication by the journal *Current Research in the Pleistocene*. Margaret's forensic work with state and local law enforcement officials included supervision of a team of students in the excavation of a modern horse skeleton from a Boise location at 19th and Idaho streets last fall.

Lecturer and Research Affiliate Staff Activities

Chris Willson

In addition to his adjunctive responsibilities as an instructor with the Department of Anthropology, Chris Willson is responsible for the field and laboratory operations for the Center for Applied Archaeological Science at Boise State University. Ongoing research includes analysis and reporting of archaeological evidence recovered from cultural resource compliance work and field school projects. This research resulted in two co-authored monographs and several technical reports. In January of 2007, Mr. Willson began a comprehensive re-evaluation of X-Ray fluorescence (XRF) data analysis for 2,033 artifacts recovered from 96 archaeological sites located on the Snake River Plain. The scope of his research was to determine the value of the XRF results to broader anthropological discussions regarding human behaviors such as mobility in the prehistoric period. This year-long research project was completed and published in the *Idaho Archaeologist* in the fall of 2007. Stemming from this initial research, Mr. Willson has initiated further investigations regarding the geochemical variations contained within individual obsidian sources located in Idaho and southeastern Oregon. His preliminary analysis suggests that his research and comprehensive database will greatly assist in the understanding of spatial configurations of toolstone resources in the region especially as they relate to resource acquisition behaviors. With the aid of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) software, Mr. Willson is currently developing a complete spatial database as a method for examining major archaeological research conducted in Idaho and southeastern Oregon. Portions of this database will be available online through the Center for Applied Archaeological Science in the summer of 2008. The results of this study is intended to aid researchers conducting resource acquisition studies including faunal, floral, as well as toolstone resources as they relate to the environmental conditions and ecological configurations on the prehistoric Snake River Plain. He authored/co-authored a number of monographs and technical reports including Archaeological Investigations at 10-EL-110: A Late Archaic Occupation Near King Hill, Idaho, *Monographs in Archaeology* No. 4.

Leonard Klikunas

Mr. Klikunas, an applied anthropologist working with the Idaho Department of Corrections teaches cultural anthropology courses and is responsible for the Cultural Awareness Training Program (CAT). His research has focused upon statistical analysis of gender and crime group demographics in Idaho and the development of classification taxonomies in prison cultures. He has initiated a study of Asian Mall culture in British Columbia, Canada and developed a research report series on adult offenders for the Idaho State Legislature.

Kendall House

In addition to teaching lower division cultural anthropology, Dr. House taught a number of upper division courses including Kinship and Social Organization. He has begun to outline a new book entitled, *Kinship: An Historical Introduction*. He continues research in areas of interest that include the evolution of exploitative social relations and the capacity for work in humans. He is also continuing his studies of the historical development of cultural theory and the viability of cultural theory in evolutionary anthropology and the emergence of the German tradition in anthropology (1750-1939). He is seeking funding to support travel to Germany for archival studies in summer 2009.

Jake Fruhlinger

Mr. Fruhlinger teaches introductory courses in archaeology and physical anthropology. In his capacity as Cultural Resource Specialist for the Idaho Army National Guard he has provided internship and research opportunities to undergraduate and graduate students in the department. He continues his interest in the development of predictive models for use by federally mandated stewardship programs. He chaired a symposium on federal archaeology programs at the Society for American Archaeology Meetings in San Juan, Puerto Rico. He serves as a member of the Idaho Archaeology Working Group.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Christopher Hill has been elected a Fellow of the Geological Society of America.
- The department is presently developing an MOA with the Walter Roth Museum of Anthropology, Guyana, South America.
- Margaret Streeter, Greg Hampikian (Biology), and Charles Honts (Psychology) are developing an interdisciplinary Forensic Justice Institute to promote cooperation between BSU faculty and law enforcement agencies.
- The department has joined a BSU departmental consortium that includes the Departments of Biology, Chemistry and Geosciences committed to the development of a mass spectrometry laboratory.
- The Center for Applied Archaeological Science developed new cooperative programs with the Boise National Forest and with the Klamath Falls District, Bureau of Land Management, Oregon. Students and faculty produced 17 papers and publications associated with center activities.
- The Crossroads Museum Project, a joint effort between Canyon County Parks and Recreation and the Department of Anthropology, is scheduled for completion in 2009. The new facility will have a library, laboratory, classroom space, a 16-bed dormitory and full kitchen facilities. It will serve as a field station for archaeology and as the operational base for the Desert Studies Institute.

Student/Faculty Publications and Presentations

The department has historically engaged students as active participants in faculty research. This year several students published with faculty and traveled to professional meetings to present their research:

- Margaret Streeter, **Sean Prall** and Christopher Hill, "Paleohistological Study of Pleistocene Mammoth (*Mammotbus*) Bone." Accepted for publication in *Current Research in the Pleistocene*.
- **Jessica Dougherty**, "Historic Ceramics," In Archaeological Survey and Test Excavations of the Kabakaburi Shell Mound, Northwestern Guyana by Mark G. Plew, Gerard Pereira and George Simon. *Mono-graphs in Archaeology* No. 1. University of Guyana.
- **Brian Wallace**, Mark G. Plew and Chris A. Willson, "Archaeological Investigations at Cow Hollow Park: A 1930's CCC Camp, and a 1940's Japanese Internment Camp." Paper presented at the 34th Annual Meeting of the Idaho Archaeological Society, Boise.
- **Jessica Dougherty**, Christopher Willson and Mark Plew, "Archaeological Investigations at Cow Creek." Poster presented at the 34th Annual Meeting of the Idaho Archaeological Society, Boise.
- **Tedd Jacobs** and Jacob Fruhlinger, "Resource Reconstruction and Site Density on the Orchard Training Area, Idaho." Paper presented at the 34th Annual Meeting of the Idaho Archaeological Society, Boise.
- **Nikki Gorrell**, **Tayana Arakchaa** and John Ziker, "The History and Economy of the Taimyr Lowlands." Paper presented to the 15th Annual Arctic Conference, Pocatello.
- **Kersti Harter** and John Ziker, "Latter-Day Saints Child Care Networks in Boise, Idaho." Poster presented to Human Behavior and Evolution Society Annual Meeting, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia.
- **Sean Prall**, Margaret Streeter and Christopher Hill, "Histomorphometric Analysis of Fossil Proboscideans." Poster presented at the Boise State University Undergraduate Research Conference, Boise.
- **Angela Kezele** and Margaret Streeter, "Bone Remodeling Rates in a Sample of Adult Human Femurs." Poster presented at the Boise State University Undergraduate Research Conference, Boise.
- **Cynthia Bradbury** and Christopher Hill, "Variability in a Pleistocene Climate Sequence from Bir Tarfawi, Egypt." Paper presented at the 50th Annual Meeting of the Idaho Academy of Science, Nampa. Accepted for publication in *The Journal of the Idaho Academy of Science*.

Boise State's Anthropology Graduate Degree Programs

The Department of Anthropology offers two distinct anthropology graduate degree programs. The program leading to the *Master of Arts in Anthropology* is a thesis-based program designed to prepare students to conduct research and for further study at the doctoral level. The *Master of Applied Anthropology* is an application-based program that prepares students for professional employment at the master's level. Boise State's graduate programs in anthropology emphasize ecological and biosocial perspectives in the study of humans. The department strives to provide all graduate students some level of support. During the past year all incoming graduate students received financial assistance. The department saw its first graduate in summer 2008.



Master of Arts in Anthropology		Master of Applied Anthropology	
Course Number and Title	Credits	Course Number and Title	Credits
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Elective Courses Electives must be approved by the supervisory committee. Application of independent study to the elective requirement is limited to 6 credits. Pass/fail credits, workshop credits, and practicum/internship credits are not applicable to elective requirements.	12	Elective Courses Electives must be approved by the supervisory committee. Application of independent study and practicum/internship is limited to 6 credits (combined). Application of non-ANTH courses is limited to 6 credits.	15
Preliminary Examination ANTH 600 Assessment-Preliminary Examination	1	Preliminary Examination ANTH 600 Assessment-Preliminary Examination	1
Culminating Activity ANTH 593 Thesis	6	Culminating Activity ANTH 591 Project	6
TOTAL	31	TOTAL	34

2008 Archaeology Field Schools

The 2008 Archaeological Field School conducted excavations at Three Island Crossing State Park near Glenns Ferry, Idaho. A well known Late Archaic period site investigated in the 1980's, the summer excavations shed considerable light on the geomorphic history of the locality. In addition, the field school mapped and inventoried the homestead of Idaho author Vardis Fisher. Students participating in the field school included Rhett Atagi, Dianna Bentley, Mary Bybee, Corey Davis, Jon Dugmore, Brady Guthrie, Ashley Neubrand, Sam Stapleton, Sam Smith, and Julie



Field excavations at Three Island Crossing State Park, Glenns Ferry, Idaho



Field excavations in the Iwokrama Rainforest Reserve, southern Guyana, South America

Walker. Mark Plew and Chris Willson co-directed the field school. Graduate student Brian Wallace and Josh Preminger assisted with field school activities. In July, Plew directed the second annual Boise State University-University of Guyana Denis Williams Archaeology Field School at Kurupukari Falls, southern Guyana, South America. Located within the Iwokrama Rainforest Reserve, excavations failed to confirm the presence of an early polychrome horizon earlier described by Williams (2004). Findings support Evans and Meggers' description of the Taruma Phase pattern.

2007-2008 Lecture Series in Review

DEPARTMENT LECTURE SERIES:

- Dr. M. Anne Katzenberg, Professor, Department of Archaeology, University of Calgary, gave a lecture on "Hunter-Gatherer Dietary Adaptations in Northern Regions."

FRIENDS OF ANTHROPOLOGY:

- Matt Vennemeyer, of St. Louis, Missouri, spoke on the challenges of being a forensic anthropologist in Iraq.
- Dr. Greg Hampikian, Biology Department, spoke on "Molecular Identity: Anthropological and Forensic Applications of DNA."
- Dr. Sabine Klahr, Director, International Programs, gave a talk on "International Programs and Internationalization at Boise State."

Donations to the Department

The department greatly appreciates donations to its study collections and equipment capacities. In 2008 Roger and Leslie Knapp donated a prehistoric sandal from Owyhee County, Idaho. Micron Technology, Inc. donated a Buhler grinder/polisher which will be used to make histological slides.

Faculty Publications, External Funding, and Service

During the past year faculty published 34 books, monographs and journal articles, sought grants and contracts totaling over \$215,000, and provided extensive service by serving on 91 university and college committees, community advisory boards, and working groups. In addition, the faculty provided professional services as editors, as reviewers, and as consultants.

2008-2009 Anthropology Lectures

DEPARTMENT LECTURE SERIES:

Dr. Christyann Darwent, Associate Professor in the Department of Anthropology at the University of California, Davis, will speak on "Inughuit and Explorers in Northwest Greenland: The Archaeology of Contact" Thursday, October 23, 2008 at 2:00 PM in the SUB Lookout Room.



Dr. Christyann Darwent



Dr. Robert Quinlan

Dr. Robert Quinlan, Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Washington State University, will speak on "Environmental Risk, Parenting and Human Reproductive Development," Thursday, March 12, 2009 at 2:00 PM in the SUB.

FRIENDS OF ANTHROPOLOGY LECTURE SERIES:

- Brian Wampler, Department of Political Science, Boise State University, will speak on "When Does Participatory Democracy Deepen the Quality of Democracy: Lessons from Brazil," on Thursday, October 16, 2008 at 3:00 PM in the SUB.
- Dr. Matt Kohn, Department of Geosciences, Boise State University, will speak on "Applications of Stable Isotopes to Anthropological Research," date and time TBA.
- Dr. Kenneth Reid, State Archaeologist, Idaho State Historical Society, will speak on "Geophysics and the Search for Sergeant Ordway in Hells Canyon, Idaho," date and time TBA.

Donations Needed for Scholarships

If you are interested in making a donation, please make your inquiries to:

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You may designate your gift to the Anthropology Department Scholarship fund (#SR026), the Cultural Learning Project (#SR035), the Wesley Hurt Endowed Scholarship (#SR105), the Native American Scholarship (#SR050), or the Canyon County Crossroads Museum Project (SR081). Your donation is tax deductible and will be used to build principal in scholarship accounts so that the interest may be used for student awards. In this way your gift will form the basis of financial aid for many years. No amount is too small; please do not hesitate to participate.

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John Ziker

In Memoriam

The department sadly reports the passing of William Yehle, a graduate of the program. Bill's primary interest was in archaeology. Prior to retirement he worked as an archaeologist with the Bureau of Land Management.

Alumni In Action

- **Andy Williamson** ('00) has recently been named Utah State Archaeologist for the Natural Resources Conservation Service.
- **Brian McCabe** ('93) is serving as District Archaeologist, the Bureau of Land Management, Boise District.
- **Shelby Day** ('05) is now the Idaho State Co-Chair for the American Association for State and Local History and is presently working on a certificate in community and regional planning.
- **Sean Prall** ('08) is attending graduate school at Indiana University.
- **Jennifer Bedford** ('03) has been accepted into the Public Administration Ph.D. program at the University of North Texas for Fall 2009.

We Want to Hear From You!

What have you done since graduation? Do you have any news or an event you would like to contribute to the department newsletter? Please fill in the information coupon and attach it to your news story. Send it to: Department of Anthropology, 1910 University Drive, Boise State University, Boise, ID 83725-1950. Or, E-mail your news to fbrigha@boisestate.edu

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Vice-President—Brady Guthrie
Treasurer—Samuel Smith
Secretary—Dianna Bentley

Archaeological Students Association

The officers for 2008-2009 are:
Director—Reed McDonald
Events Coordinator—Jessica Dougherty
Secretary—Niki Nickoloff
Treasurer—Rachel Wong

2007-2008 Anthropology Graduates

Amelia Berg, Jenny Selby, Teaona Hasbrouck, Susan Hawkins, Margaret Kecskes, Sean Prall, Kimberly Ritz, David Seng, Betsy Venard

Susan Hawkins presented a poster, "Impacts of Moisture and Temperature on Stored Seeds in Subterranean Pits," at the 50th Annual Meeting of the Idaho Academy of Science, Nampa. Her paper has been accepted for publication in the *Idaho Archaeologist*.

Katherine Cross spent two weeks during the summer analyzing a skeletal collection housed at the University of Missouri. The remains of young children and adolescents were from a 19th century cemetery located in Jefferson City, Missouri.

Dean's List Fall 2007

Highest Honors: Alicia Cowger, Noel Herrick.
High Honors: Kayla Dawson, Margaret Kecskes, Holli Newman, Bill Howe. **Honors:** Ed Deckys, Amy Ludwig, Reed McDonald, Ashley Neubrand, Sean Prall, Chastity Shaw, Samuel Smith, Betsy Venard, Rachel Worthington, Blair Devlin.

Dean's List Spring 2008

Highest Honors: Kayla Dawson, Margaret Kecskes, Noel Herrick, Rachel Worthington, Bill Howe. **High Honors:** Alex Blake, Ashley Neubrand, Betsy Venard, Carissa Nicholson, Jade Jesser, Jeffrey Sharp, Joe Hackman, Karl Knight, Kathleen Zeck, Peggy Green, Michael Stadther. **Honors:** Alicia Fairbrother, Charles Gilbert, Daniel Christie, Emilee Kottcamp, Paige Fetzer, Rose Saxton.

2008-2009 Scholarship Recipients

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