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Membership:

**Provide the most recent membership numbers.**

Number of Members: 854

**List any factors you think may be increasing or decreasing your Section membership.**

December to December membership numbers show a decline of 59, from 913 to 854. Peak membership for the year (948) came in April. AD surveys and other forms of investigation suggest there are two main reasons for the decline in membership: cost; and a perception that there is little archaeology content in the annual meeting. The peak membership falling in April is, we believe, related to decisions by archaeologists to join or rejoin the AAA in order to participate in the annual program, demonstrating the importance of the annual meeting as a motivation for membership. Unlike most other sections, for AD members, AAA is not the sole or even primary professional organization: all AD members likely also belong to the Society for American Archaeology. Thus, the decision to be an AD member is an added cost, one subject to discontinuation if there is no perceived motivation for the added professional participation. The perception that the annual meeting program has little archaeology content is relevant to this decision, since it reflects a lack of interest in subdiscipline-spanning content, or reflects difficulty in finding relevant sessions. To try to improve member recruitment and retention, the AD has taken the following steps: grants to encourage student members; making the annual Distinguished Lecture a community building event; the assembly and circulation by the Program Editor of a guide to archaeological content (whether sponsored by the AD or not) at the annual meeting; and an ad in the SAA Archaeological Record. Still, any advances from these efforts can be easily reversed if a development, like the claim of a supposed elimination of science from the mission of the AAA, reinforces the perception of those who choose not to join the AAA.

Finances:

**Provide the most recent financial balances for Section budgets (and publication sponsored budgets).**

Financial Balance: 106,607.99

Publication Sponsored budgets.
Although the AD had projected expenditures for publications, due to problems with submissions (see below) no volume entered production in 2012. The summary below shows publication budgeted revenues and expenditures for 2012, compared to actuals, as of December 31.

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<th>REVENUE:</th>
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| EXPENDITURES:             |         |        |     |               |
| Academic Editorial Office | 0.00    | 22,220.00 |     |               |
| Subtotal Print Publication Expense | 0.00 | 22,220.00 |     |               |

List any factors you think are affecting your Section's finances.
AD net assets grew by $4,773.72, as of December 31, 2012. While projected income from membership declined, and leaving aside the issue of publications, other categories of projected expenditures were kept lower than originally projected.

Sessions:
List the titles of your Section's AAA meeting invited sessions, co-sponsored sessions, and any special events your Section sponsored or in which it participated.
Session Type: Invited
Session: Immigration Past and Present: Archaeology in Action

Session Type: Invited
Session: Households Shape History in Ancient Mesoamerica
Session Type: Invited Co-Sponsored with Council for Museum Anthropology
Session: An Undisciplined Study of Sudan

Session Type: Special Events
Session: The Archaeology Division's Patty Jo Watson Distinguished Lecture: "The Entanglement of Jade and the Rise of Mesoamerica" by Susan D. Gillespie

Session Type: Special Events
Session: Archaeology Division Business Meeting, Awards Ceremony, and Reception

Awards

List awards presented this year on behalf of your Section.

Award: AD Distinguished Lecturer
Date: 11/16/2012
Recipient: Susan D. Gillespie
Affiliation: University of Florida
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: The Entanglement of Jade and the Rise of Mesoamerica

Award: Gordon R. Willey Prize
Date: 11/16/2012
Recipient: Kathryn Weedman Arthur
Affiliation: University of South Florida
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Feminine Knowledge and Skill Reconsidered: Women and Flaked Stone Tools

Award: AD-RPA Field School Award
Date: 04/10/2012
Recipient: Wendy Teeter
Affiliation: UCLA
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Pimu Catalina Island Archaeological Field School

Award: Student Membership Award
Date: 11/16/2012
Recipient: Dana Bardolph
Affiliation: UCSB
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Partial Perspectives: Situating Gender in Contemporary Archaeological Practice

Award: Student Membership Award
Date: 11/16/2012
Recipient: Teresa Bulger
Affiliation: UC Berkeley
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Ties of Intimacy and Bonds of Responsibility: Family in 19th- and 20th-Century Nantucket

Award: Student Membership Award
Date: 11/16/2012
Recipient: Colleen Morgan  
Affiliation: UC Berkeley  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: A Digital Ecology of Sharing Archaeology  
Award: Student Membership Award  
Date: 11/16/2012  
Recipient: Allison Mickel  
Affiliation: Stanford University  
Award: Student Membership Award  
Date: 11/16/2012  
Recipient: Sarah Rowe  
Affiliation: University of Illinois  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Nostalgia and the Materialization of the Invisible: Social Memory and Community Practices In the Valdivia Occupation of Buen Suceso, Ecuador  
Award: Student Membership Award  
Date: 11/16/2012  
Recipient: Guy Duke  
Affiliation: University of Toronto  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Preliminary Report on the Cuisine at the Late Moche Sites of JE-335 and Huaca Colorada, Jequetepque Valley, Peru  
Award: Student Membership Award  
Date: 11/16/2012  
Recipient: Whitney Goodwin  
Affiliation: Southern Methodist University  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Pottery Designs As Sources of Information about Past Environments On Roat?n Island, Honduras (co-authored with E. Christian Wells)  
Award: Student Membership Award  
Date: 11/16/2012  
Recipient: Flavio Silva de la Mora  
Affiliation: UC Berkeley  
Award: Student Membership Award  
Date: 11/16/2012  
Recipient: Kim Salyers  
Affiliation: UC Berkeley  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Illuminating Social Landscapes: Unearthing Life of the Mayan Commoner Through Household Excavation and Catchment Analysis  
Award: Student Membership Award  
Date: 11/16/2012
Recipient: Annelise Morris  
Affiliation: UC Berkeley  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: "Everyone Lived in That House Together?: Material Resonances of Homeplace

Award: Student Membership Award  
Date: 11/16/2012  
Recipient: Charlotte Marie Cable  
Affiliation: Michigan State University  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Permanence and Impermanence: Structuring Social and Spatial Identity In Ancient Oman

Award: Student Membership Award  
Date: 11/16/2012  
Recipient: Jill Bierly  
Affiliation: U Mass Amherst  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Strategic Pairs: Phoenician Economic Tactics in Ancient Cyprus

Award: Student Membership Award  
Date: 11/16/2012  
Recipient: Manuel Perales  
Affiliation: Universidad Nacional del Centro del Peru  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Ancestors and Animal Herds: Evidence of Funerary Architecture Associated with Corrals From Late Prehispanic Sites In the Ricra?n Valley, Central Peru

Award: Student Membership Award  
Date: 11/16/2012  
Recipient: Leah Grant  
Affiliation: UC Berkeley  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Obsidian Use in Formative Period Honduras

Award: Student Membership Award  
Date: 11/16/2012  
Recipient: Abbey White  
Affiliation: UC Berkeley  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Obsidian and gender at Chinikiha, Mexico

Award: Student Diversity Travel Award  
Date: 11/16/2012  
Recipient: Annelise Morris  
Affiliation: UC Berkeley  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: 'Everyone Lived in That House Together?: Material Resonances of Homeplace
Recipient: Paulette Steeves  
Affiliation: Binghamton University  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: attendance at AAA meeting  

Meetings  
Did your section request a meeting registration waiver or community engagement grant?  
No  
If granted, who/what was it/they used for?  
Incomplete  
List spring meeting activities  
AD Executive Committee meeting at the Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Memphis TN  

Mentorship:  
Mentorship efforts (at or beyond the AAA meetings) to any of the following (e.g., special activities, funding, awards, guidance/advising on professional matters, etc.)  
Undergraduate and/or graduate students.  
Our main efforts are through the Student Diversity Travel Awards and the Student Membership awards, which encourage both graduate and undergraduate students to attend the meetings and present papers. Sixteen graduate and undergraduate students were supported in participating in the annual meeting through these awards.  
Early career scholars.  
Cathy Costin, editor of the Archaeological Papers of the American Anthropological Association, has made a sustained effort to work with the young scholars who submit volume proposals and articles for inclusion in that series. This mentorship effort has been mutually productive in that the early career scholars gain publication experience and the AAA gains the opportunity to publish their cutting-edge research. We regard these publications as one of the signal accomplishments of the Archaeology Division.  
Independent scholars.  
No systematic efforts.  

Outreach:  
Additional outreach efforts (at or beyond the AAA meetings) to other sections, interest groups, and scholarly societies, government agencies, public education/community engagement, and underrepresented minorities.  
The AD continued its longstanding collaboration with the Register of Professional Archaeologists to sponsor a field school scholarship. This year’s selected field school is distinguished by its integration of the participation of members of the Tongva tribe.  

Communications:  
Status and use of Section internal communications such as a website, list serve, or newsletter (if applicable): Please list internal communication tools you use and what they are used for.
The AD web page serves as the principle means of communicating permanent information, such as recipients of awards, award application procedures, and the like. Email is used to communicate regularly to the membership.

**Governance:**

*Changes in bylaws or governance structure.*

No changes.

**Initiatives:**

*What Initiatives does your Section have underway or planned for the coming year: membership, publication annual meeting, mentorship, other?*

Membership remains the central focus of section initiatives. This includes continued effective use of the Student Membership and Student Diversity Travel Awards, with earlier application deadlines; continued use of paid advertising to reach a broader community of archaeologists with news of planned special events and major awards; and implementation of a new membership benefit. Revamping the AD website is central to this effort.

The AD previously formally requested the establishment of a quasi-endowment entitled Patty Jo Watson Distinguished Lecture in Archaeology. This fund will provide the basis for a funding campaign to raise monies for paying honoraria and travel expenses for distinguished speakers. We will continue to pursue approval of this fund.

In addition to continuing publication of the AAA-AD papers, the AD has agreed to participate in the launch of Open Anthropology.

The AD plans to strengthen its relationship with the Registry of Professional Archaeologists.

**Ask AAA:**

*Please tell us what your chief concerns and issues are, especially if they are not previously noted.*

None.

*What issues would you like raised or recommendations would you like to make to the Section Assembly Executive Committee (SAEC)? Please be specific.*

None.

*What issues would you like raised or recommendations would you like to make to the AAA Executive Board? Please be specific.*

None.

*What issues would you like raised or recommendations would you like to make to the AAA Staff? Please be specific.*

None.