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Membership:

Provide the most recent membership numbers.

Number of Members: 863

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

The membership number reported, 863, is as of the end of September 2013. Membership numbers fluctuated throughout the previous year, reaching a low of 843 in January 2013, and a high of 950 in April. We calculated the average at 877, down 17 from the previous year. From previous member surveys, we know that one of the main reasons that archaeologists either allow membership to lapse, or do not join, is the cost of participation in the Annual Meeting, which is seen as one of the main benefits received through membership. Since archaeologists routinely also belong to at least one, and as many as three other professional associations, they may be more sensitive to marginal cost than AAA members from other subdisciplines. The AD has continued its efforts to publicize the large amount of archaeological on the annual meeting program, and to increase participation by graduate students and new PhDs, both efforts we believe are keeping membership from eroding more quickly.

Finances:

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

Financial Balance: 110,850.63

Publication Sponsored budgets.

19,671.39 balance for Archeological Papers of the AD AAA in hand as of September, 2013. We had projected $23,120 for expenditures in 2013; due to delays in editorial processes, those expenses were still pending.

List any factors you think are affecting your Section's finances.

The AD continues to have sufficient resources to cover the present activity. Since member dues constitute a major source of income, declines in member numbers are undesirable, and will affect the capacity to carry out additional activities in the near future.
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: Once You See It, You Can't Un-See It (A. Roy): Negotiating Inequality and Coloniality in Anthropological Epistemology and Archaeological Practice

Session Type: Invited
Session: Uneven Terrain: Archaeologies of Political Ecology in Comparative Perspective

Session Type: Special Events
Session: Patty Jo Watson Distinguished Lecture: Robert L. Kelly, "The Abyss: An Archaeologist Looks to the Future"

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Signifying the Social: Language, Objects, and Materiality

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: The Distress of Things: Materiality, Agency, and Ethics

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: You and What Army? Papers in Honor of Lawrence H. Keeley

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Food: It's What's For Dinner

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Colonial and Capitalist Legacies in the Archaeological Record

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: This Must Be the Place: An Archaeology of Homemaking

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Poster session: North American Archaeology

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Engagements with Industrial Heritage and Archaeology in Michigan's Copper Country and Beyond: Publics, Professionals, Stakeholders, and Scholars

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Poster Session: World Archaeology

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: One Step Further: Community Archaeology, Descendant Communities and the Public
Session: Bodies in Motion: Making a Place for Archaeological Migration

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Poster Session: Archaeology of Deathways and Lifeways

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Ceramic Ecology XXVII: Honoring Charles C. Kolb

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: What's New in Maya Archaeology?

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Archaeologies of Intersectionality

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Landscape, Seascape, Settlement, Environment

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: The Archaeology of Religion and Politics in the Americas

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Andean Archaeologies

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Archaeology of Africa and Diaspora Communities

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Material Semeiotics: Anthropological Engagements

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Ceramics, Technology, and People

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Interpreting the Past, Constructing the Future: Archaeological Engagement with Material Culture and Public Heritage

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: More Than an Utterance: Indecipherable Scripts and the Materiality of Communication

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Household Strategies and Chronologies

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Divergent Mortuary Traditions and Analytics

Awards

List awards presented this year on behalf of your Section.
Award: Gordon R. Willey Prize  
Date: 11/22/2013  
Recipient: Charles R. Cobb and Chester B. DePratter  
Affiliation: University of South Carolina  

Award: Student Diversity Travel Grant  
Date: 11/22/2013  
Recipient: Tiffany Cain  
Affiliation: University of Pennsylvania  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Valuing Intangible Heritage: Contemporary Heritage Practice and the Durability of Heritage Artifacts

Award: Student Diversity Travel Grant  
Date: 11/22/2013  
Recipient: Lynn Kim  
Affiliation: University of Texas, San Antonio  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: The Tiwanaku and Inka in Perspective: Intra-site change and variation in the Charazani Valley

Award: Student Diversity Travel Grant  
Date: 11/22/2013  
Recipient: David McCormick  
Affiliation: University of South Florida  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Pottery, People, and pXRF: Toward the Development of Intraregional Provenance Assays for Southeast Mesoamerican Ceramics

Award: Student Diversity Travel Grant  
Date: 11/22/2013  
Recipient: Davina Two Bears  
Affiliation: Indiana University  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Engaging With the General Public Using Hands-On Activities: A Four-Field Approach

Award: Student Membership Award  
Date: 11/22/2013  
Recipient: Rebecca Friedel  
Affiliation: University of Texas, San Antonio  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Reconceptualizing Maya Identity: Diversity Through Archaeology

Award: Student Membership Award  
Date: 11/22/2013  
Recipient: Lynn Kim  
Affiliation: University of Texas, San Antonio  
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: The Tiwanaku and Inka in Perspective: Intra-site change and variation in the Charazani Valley
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**Award:** Student Membership Award  
**Date:** 11/22/2013  
**Recipient:** Katy Meyers  
**Affiliation:** Michigan State University  
**Project/Paper/Accomplishment:** When Bones are Lost Can Gender Be Found? A Spatial Examination of Gender in an Anglo-Saxon Cemetery

**Award:** Student Membership Award  
**Date:** 11/22/2013  
**Recipient:** Emily Shepard  
**Affiliation:** Portland State University  
**Project/Paper/Accomplishment:** Quantification and Implications of Cedar Utilization in Plankhouses On the Southern Northwest Coast of North America

**Award:** Student Membership Award  
**Date:** 11/22/2013  
**Recipient:** Christopher Shephard  
**Affiliation:** College of William and Mary  
**Project/Paper/Accomplishment:** Acting Right in Tsenacommacah: The Materiality of Authority and Subjection on the Southern Middle Atlantic Coast (A.D. 900-1622)

**Award:** Patty Jo Watson Distinguished Lecture  
**Date:** 11/22/2013  
**Recipient:** Robert L. Kelly  
**Affiliation:** University of Wyoming  
**Project/Paper/Accomplishment:** The Abyss: An Archaeologist Looks to the Future

**Award:** RPA Field School Award  
**Date:** 04/05/2013  
**Recipient:** Wendy Teeter  
**Affiliation:** CSU Northridge  
**Project/Paper/Accomplishment:** Pimu-Catalina Field School

**Meetings**

Did your section request a meeting registration waiver or community engagement grant?  
No

If granted, who/what was it/they used for?  
Not applicable.

List spring meeting activities

Archaeology Executive Board meeting in conjunction with annual meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, April 5, 2013, Honolulu, Hawaii

Archaeology Division sponsored session at the annual meeting of the Society for American Archaeology: "Archaeology of the Human Experience" (Honolulu, Hawaii, April 2013)
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.
The AD awarded travel funding to four graduate students, and member awards (a matching year of membership) to five students. One student received both awards, meaning in 2013, the AD supported participation in AAA by eight graduate students. At the 2013 Annual Meeting, the outgoing and incoming editors of the Archeological Papers of the AAA held an open forum for graduate students interested in getting involved in editing publications. This continues our long-term commitment to developing publication expertise of junior scholars, through their participation in our publication series. The AD also continues its sponsorship (with the RPA) of a summer fieldschool, a program that provides financial support for undergraduate participation in archaeological fieldwork, a necessary step towards graduate education and/or professional employment.

Early career scholars.
No special efforts.

Independent scholars.
No special 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. The AD also uses Twitter and Facebook to reach members and potential members. Since joining Facebook in April, 2011, the AD has received 348 "likes".

Governance:

Changes in bylaws or governance structure.
Not applicable

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 new membership benefits (see below).

In 2013, the AD approved and began to advertise a **Grant Program for Archiving Digital Data** and a **Grant Program for Archiving Legacy Digital Data**. Both provide funds to support inclusion of archaeological data in tDAR (the Digital Archaeological Record http://core.tdar.org), an international digital repository. These are both restricted to AD members, and we hope will be seen as significant membership benefits.

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 will continue to participate in Open Anthropology.

Finally, in common with other sections, the Archaeology Division will invest major effort in projecting plans for its publication in the next phase of AAA publications.

**Ask AAA:**

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

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.