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Membership:
Provide the most recent membership numbers.
Number of Members: 288
List any factors you think may be increasing or decreasing your Section membership.
do not understand monthly timing differences

Finances:
Provide the most recent financial balances for Section budgets (and publication sponsored budgets).
Financial Balance: 13,704.27
Publication Sponsored budgets.
not applicable
List any factors you think are affecting your Section's finances.
do not have anything to report

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: Complex Systems Approaches to Long-Term Change

Session Type: Invited
Session: Cognitive Anthropology: Current and Future Engagements

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: How Do Social Relationships Offset Household Vulnerability in the Context of Rapid Change?

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Current Research in Anthropological Sciences
Session Type: Volunteered
Session: The Future of Research on Cultural Models

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Current Research in Anthropological Sciences: Cognition

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Thinking and Talking About Metalanguage and Metacognition

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: Quality of Life, Well-Being, and an Engaged Anthropology: An Interdisciplinary Dialogue

Session Type: Other
Session: Workshop: Introduction to Social Network Analysis

Session Type: Other
Session: Workshop: Text Analysis: Systematic Methods for Analyzing Qualitative Data

Session Type: Other
Session: SAS Board Meeting

Session Type: Other
Session: SAS Business Meeting

Awards
List awards presented this year on behalf of your Section.
Award: SAS Best Student Paper Prize
Date: 02/23/2013
Recipient: Izabel Duarte Olson
Affiliation: Northwestern University
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Inequality in Levels: Navigating Everyday Complexity

Award: SAS Best Student Presentation
Date: 02/23/2013
Recipient: Bethany Ojalehto
Affiliation: Northwestern University
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Multiple Folk Models, One Ecology: Ngobe, Latino, and Euro-American Folk Theories and Causal Models of a Shared Caribbean Island Ecosystem

Award: Best Student Paper in Cognitive Science
Date: 02/23/2013
Recipient: Michael H. Thomas
Affiliation: Wayne State University
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Bounded Speculation: Creative Anticipation and Practice

Award: SAS Travel Award
Date: 02/23/2013
Recipient: Caitlyn D. Placek
Affiliation: Washington State University
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Pica as an Adaptation: Investigations of a Potential Mechanism to Buffer Immunological Stress

Award: SAS Travel Award
Date: 02/23/2013
Recipient: Max J. Stein
Affiliation: University of Alabama
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Blood, Sweat, and/or Tears: Comparing Symptoms of Nervios in Rural and Urban Honduras

Award: SAS Travel Award
Date: 02/23/2013
Recipient: Brian P. Tyler
Affiliation: University of Florida
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Cultural Consensus and Variation in Cultural Models of Social Suffering in Post-Conflict Guatemala

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
The winter/spring meeting was with the Society for Cross-Cultural Research in Las Vegas

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.
not applicable
Early career scholars.
not applicable
Independent scholars.
not applicable

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.
For our winter/spring meeting met with Society for Cross-Cultural Research in February 2013 in Las Vegas, NV

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.

Our website http://anthrosciences.org was transformed into a wiki so that officers and others could post and update content.

We continue to have a list-serv for communication.

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?
no current plans

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.
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   a) We don't understand why the program is not computerized to avoid conflicts
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**What issues would you like raised or recommendations would you like to make to the AAA Staff? Please be specific.**

We understand that the program is very difficult. However, we really hope you can transition to a computerized system for program planning. See other suggestions above for minimizing conflicts.