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Membership:
Provide the most recent membership numbers.
Number of Members: 504

List any factors you think may be increasing or decreasing your Section membership.
The most recent statement I have is Sept 2013. That's approx the same as Sept 2012 (515).

Finances:
Provide the most recent financial balances for Section budgets (and publication sponsored budgets).
Financial Balance: 178,574

Publication Sponsored budgets.
The balance above and numbers below are taken from the financial statements of 9/30/13.

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<td>Section Dues subsidy</td>
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<td>W-B royalties</td>
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<td>TOTAL REVENUE</td>
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List any factors you think are affecting your Section's finances.
Ethos has been successful in attracting downloads, which has increased WB royalties. Our editors have been fortunate to have received support from their universities and have not needed much from SPA.

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: CHARISMA, AUTHENTICITY, EMOTION, AND the FUTURE: PAPERS in HONOR of CHARLES LINDHOLM

Session Type: Invited
Session: INSTITUTIONAL PUBLICS AND FUTURES: HOW SOCIAL SUPPORT EMERGES FROM FRIENDSHIP AND GENDERED PEERHOOD

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: PRIVILEGED SITES for UNDERSTANDING AGENCY: NEW DEVELOPMENTS in CONCEPTUALIZING AGENCY FROM the LAB AND the FIELD

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: CHANGE/STRANGE, RELEASE/RELIEVE, LONG/BELONG: CULTURAL DYNAMISM AND AFFECT

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: CULTURAL MEANING AND THE LIFE COURSE IN ZONES OF ADVANCED MARGINALITY

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: ANTHROPOLOGY of IDENTITY: GENDER, SEXUALITY, AND PARENTHOOD

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: METHODS THAT MATTER: MIXED METHODS RESEARCH IN ANTHROPOLOGY

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: IMAGINING ONE ANOTHER: TOWARDS AN ANTHROPOLOGY OF THE IMAGINATION THROUGH INTERSUBJECTIVITY

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: ANTHROPOLOGY of PSYCHOLOGY: EXPLORING NEW SITES of the PSYCHOTHERAPEUTIC

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: ANTHROPOLOGIES of the BODY: WORK, PLAY, AND SUBJECTIVITY
session: sports fans and improv: liminal spaces of embodied power and identity

awards
list awards presented this year on behalf of your section.

award: lifetime achievement award
date: 04/13/2013
recipient: anthony wallace
affiliation: university of pennsylvania (emeritus)
project/paper/accomplishment: n/a

award: lifetime achievement award
date: 04/13/2013
recipient: jean lave
affiliation: uc berkeley
project/paper/accomplishment: n/a

award: stirling prize, best published article, psych anth
date: 11/22/2013
recipient: talia weiner
affiliation: u chiago
project/paper/accomplishment: "the (un)managed self: paradoxical forms of agency in self-management of bipolar disorder;"

award: condon prize, best student essay, psych anth
date: 11/22/2013
recipient: jing xu
affiliation: washington u, st louis
project/paper/accomplishment: "becoming a moral child amidst china's moral crisis"

award: boyer prize for contributions to psychoanalytic an
date: 11/22/2013
recipient: john borneman
affiliation: princeton
project/paper/accomplishment: "daydreaming, intimacy, and the intersubjective third in fieldwork encounters in syria;"

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 SPA held its biennial meeting April 4-7 in San Diego. The meeting was held jointly with the Anthropology of Children and Youth Interest Group. There were 261 registered attendees and the meeting garnered favorable feedback, including from a donor who increased his donation to SPA because he'd been so impressed with the meeting.

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.

Thanks to a generous donation from Robert Lemelson, SPA has been able to offer grants for pre-dissertation fieldwork. These awards help students prepare for their dissertation research and make them more competitive for grants to support that research.

At the AAA meetings the SPA sponsored mentoring workshops, which were opportunities for graduate students to meet senior scholars over lunch or coffee (paid by SPA). The faculty mentors and their topics were as follows:

1. Elizabeth Fein
   Topic: Clinical Ethnography and Practice in Mental Health
2. Claudia Strauss (Pitzer College)
   Topic: Political Selves
3. Eileen Anderson-Fye (Case Western Reserve University)
   Topic: Employing Multiple Methods in Psychological Anthropology Research
4. Neely Meyers (George Washington University)
   Topic: Global Mental Health
5. Ted Lowe, (Soka University of America; Editor, Ethos)
   Topic: Getting Your Work Through Peer Review
6. Allen Tran (Bucknell University)
   Topic: Transitioning to a Post-Graduate Career

Finally, we have been encouraging graduate students to come to the SPA business meeting at the AAA (by offering the first 10 or so free drink tickets). That is a great opportunity for networking, as is our biennial meeting, which had special activities for graduate students.

Early career scholars.

Thanks to an anonymous donor, the SPA has launched the International Early Career Scholar Travel Grant. Here is the description:

The purpose of the program is to provide funding for international scholars who are early in their careers to travel to the United States to participate in conferences affiliated with the SPA. In addition to receiving travel funding, arrangements will be made for each grant recipient to meet with a senior psychological anthropologist in the applicant’s area of study.
at the conference for the purpose of mentoring and networking.

The grants will provide funding to pay for all transportation costs, room and board, and conference registration fees for the scholar to present his or her paper or poster at SPA Biennial meetings (held in odd numbered years), and, in alternating years, to present scholarly papers or posters in SPA-sponsored sessions at the AAA Annual Meetings.

To be eligible for the travel grant, the individual must: (1) be presenting a paper or poster at the meeting in question, (2) have received a master’s level graduate degree but be no greater than five years post-PhD, and (3) be a non-United States citizen who is currently working in an academic or applied capacity related to anthropology or attending a graduate school located outside of the United States. Individuals may apply for the grant as many times as they wish, but they may only receive the grant twice. The applicant need not be a member of the SPA or the AAA.

**Independent scholars.**

N/A

**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.**

Our biennial meeting this spring was held jointly with the Anthropology of Children and Youth Interest Group. On the committee about Sections and Interest Groups it was cited as a model collaboration.

**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 SPA maintains a website (http://www.aaanet.org/sections/SPA/), a listserv, and a Facebook page. The website has information on our journal, book series, funding opportunities, meetings, prizes, syllabi, and contact information for board and committee members. Our journal, Ethos, maintains a website as well. The listserv is used for announcements and questions (e.g., postdocs, panels looking for participants, help with scholarly references, etc.). The FB page has announcements and opportunities for members to post their comments.

**Governance:**

**Changes in bylaws or governance structure.**

No changes in 2013.

**Initiatives:**

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

My term ended at the AAA in November, so if new initiatives were formulated at the board meeting, I'm not aware of them. The main ones that were under discussion during my term were improvements in our book series, including outreach to nonacademics who might be interested (e.g., in culture and mental health or childhood studies) and updates to our online teaching resources.
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.

I understand that there are concerns about the sustainability of the publishing program and that some of the journals may not be worth the AAA's investment in them. However, I hope the new accounting requirements will not be too burdensome. I had a terrible time finding a new editor for Ethos during my term as SPA president because some of my picks could not get university support. Our current editor has no course release from his institution. If the new requirements are too time consuming, it will become even more difficult to recruit top scholars to these positions.

A separate issue is whether models of the sustainability of the publishing program that were developed during the recession are a good basis for future projections.

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

See above.

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

I know the staff are burdened, but I'd appreciate faster turnaround time than we get from some of the departments.