A Message from Executive Director, Dr. Edward Liebow

The past few weeks have seen a flurry of engaged conversations in the media and across the blogosphere about anthropology. We have been working closely with President Mullings and the other officers to make sure the public is aware of our keen interest in responsible scientific research and engagement. We encourage you to join in the conversation.

Last week, the U.S. President's Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) released a policy memorandum to further public access to federally funded research results. AAA applauds OSTP's collaborative approach, and we encourage members to influence the future of increased public access.

The month of March is a busy one for us. The Section Invited Sessions and Public Policy Forum proposals for the 112th Annual Meeting are due on March 15, as well as nominations for several awards.

I am particularly excited for the AAA Summer Internship Program this year. In its third consecutive year, the program will provide the opportunity for two students to gain first-hand experience in applied anthropology. In addition, the Association for Feminist Anthropology (AFA) will be hosting an intern to author an annotated history of the AFA for its 25th Anniversary.

AAA members have a distinctive opportunity to advocate to the U.S. Congress this month during the NHA's Humanities Advocacy Day. As we face complex problems of social justice, climate change, global inequalities, and sustainable development, to name a few, it has never been a more critical priority to maintain public support for anthropology research and training programs.

With warm wishes,

Ed

Science and Engagement Shine

There is no doubt that responsible science and engagement go hand-in-hand with Anthropology in the Huffington Post article Science, Advocacy and Anthropology. President Mullings responds to The New York Times for their misinterpretation of the AAA in a series of Letters to the Editor. Several members have also shared their opinions through news articles and blog posts.

OSTP Policy Memorandum to Increase Public Access

The U.S. President's Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) recently released a policy memorandum directing each Federal agency with over $100 million annually in research expenditures to develop a plan to support increased public access to federally funded research results. How does this impact anthropology? What can you do to encourage increasing public access? Click here to read AAA's Statement on OSTP.
2013 Annual Meeting Call for Papers
The deadline for Section Invited Sessions and Public Policy Forum proposals is **March 15**. All other session proposals are due April 15. Click here for details. The **112th AAA Annual Meeting** will be held November 20-24 at the Chicago Hilton, Chicago, IL.

AAA Summer Internship Program
AAA is pleased to offer two internship opportunities funded by member donations and one internship opportunity funded by the Association for Feminist Anthropology for the summer of 2013. Internships are six weeks in length from June 30 to August 17, 2013. These opportunities are unpaid; however, interns will be provided housing and a meal/travel stipend. Submit your application before the March 15 deadline.

This program relies solely on member donations. Please support this valuable opportunity for students to experience careers in anthropology by making your financial contribution today.

Award Deadlines Approaching
The following awards have deadlines quickly approaching:
March 15 -
**Anthropology in Public Policy** (deadline extended from February 1)
**AAA Leadership Mentoring Award**
**Margaret Mead Award**
May 1 -
**CoGEA Award**
June 1 -
**David M. Schneider Award**

NHA's Humanities Advocacy Day
Join the Alliance of humanities advocates this year to communicate the value of the humanities to Members of Congress on Tuesday, March 19. The National Humanities Alliance will have their **Annual Meeting** on Monday, March 18 which features speakers such as Former U.S. Ambassador to Afghanistan Karl Eikenberry and Senators Richard Durbin (IL) and Elizabeth Warren (MA). AAA provides free registration to a limited number of interested members. Contact Damon to register today.