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Hello NAPA Members:

With the SfAA meetings coming up soon, spring should be on the horizon. Of course you might not know it from the weather. For those of you who will be in Albuquerque, I look forward to seeing you there and suggest you look for your NAPA colleagues at the booth (or volunteer to spend time at the booth), in the various sessions, or during the U. North Texas reception on Thursday night starting at 6:30.

The big news is that NAPA is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year! We are planning some special activities for the annual AAA meeting in Washington, DC in early December. Be sure to mark your calendars and let us know if you have any ideas or suggestions or if you want to play a role in any of the activities. Remember that panels and sessions have to be submitted by April 15, so let us know NOW if you have specific session suggestions.

In the meantime, be sure to keep up with NAPA. In this issue of *NAPA Notes* you will see announcements about our podcast pilot and the continuation of our professional interview series. As ever, you can follow NAPA news and activities through Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, the online and print editions of *Anthropology News*, and the listserv. Of course YOU are NAPA, so please participate in our media. You can also join a committee, give a workshop, contribute to the *Annals*, etc. NAPA has many points of engagement for those interested in the application and practice of anthropology.

See you in New Mexico!



President-Elect John Massad and President Lenora Bohren during the NAPA Business Meeting in Chicago, November 2013.

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Following the NAPA business meeting during last November's AAA meeting in Chicago, the Washington Association of Professional Anthropologists (WAPA) announced the recipient of its biennial Praxis Award. In an unusual outcome, three additional Honorable Mentions were also bestowed along with the overall award recipient.

Mark Edberg, Associate Professor of the School of Public Health and Health Services at George Washington University, received the 2013 Praxis Award for his project entitled *Using the Concept of Social Well-Being to Develop and Implement a Framework for UNICEF Planning and Evaluating Efforts to Achieve Rights and Development Goals for Children and Families*.

The three Honorable Mentions were:

Laurie Schwede (Principal Researcher, Center for Survey Measurement, U.S. Census Bureau), **Rodney Terry**, and a team of 16 independent ethnographers and 12 Census staff, for the 2010 Census evaluation titled *Comparative Ethnographic Studies of Enumeration Methods and Coverage across Race/Ethnic Groups*.

The Department of Anthropology of the Denver Museum of Nature & Science, led by **Chip Colwell-Chanthaphonh** and **Stephen E. Nash**, for its work on *The Repatriation Initiative*.

Madelyn Iris and **Rebecca L.H. Berman** with CJE Seniorlife, based in Chicago, IL, for a project evaluation on *Caring Together Living Better*. (Most NAPA members will recall that Iris is a past NAPA president.)

The award announcement was followed by a special practitioners' reception co-sponsored by NAPA, WAPA, and the Consortium of Practicing and Applied Programs (COPAA). Photos from the reception can be found on the NAPA Facebook page at

https://www.facebook.com/NAPA.Anthro/photos_albums.

For more information about the winning projects, the Praxis Award itself, and a list of past winners, go to

<http://wapa.cloverpad.org/praxis>.



2013 WAPA Praxis Award winner Mark Edberg received his plaque and stipend from Praxis Award Chair Terry Redding after the NAPA Business Meeting in Chicago.

NAPA is 30

Could it be?

Can there be NAPA members who are actually younger than the association itself? Let's find out! At the AAA meeting this year in Washington, D.C., NAPA will celebrate its 30th anniversary, so plan on showing up and celebrating with colleagues and friends. And if you would like to help out or contribute with a special activity, discussion, panel or otherwise, please contact NAPA President Leni Bohren. Details on related activities will appear on the website, social media, and in the September issue of *NAPA Notes*.

CAPA/NAPA Local Practitioner Organization (LPO) Social Event

The Chicago Association for the Practice of Anthropology (CAPA), along with the NAPA Volunteer Committee, sponsored an LPO social event at the Chicago Curry House during the AAA conference. There was an incredible turnout, with more than 50 NAPA and LPO members in attendance to enjoy excellent food, networking, and camaraderie in a cool atmosphere.

Big thanks go out to Eve Pinsker, Mario Longoni, and Elise Fulara (CAPA/NAPA members) for their help organizing this event and in getting the word out to LPO members at the local and national level. Be on the lookout for information on the next LPO social event at this year's AAA meetings in Washington, DC.

Submitted by Jason Lind

As a reminder the Pacific Northwest LPO will host a meeting at the SfAA conference in Albuquerque on Friday, March 21 at 3:30 pm at the Casa Encenia Dining Room.



All interested LPO members and non-members are encouraged to attend.

NAPA Instant Mentoring at the 2013 AAA

The NAPA-sponsored Careers Exposition and the Graduate School Exposition at the 2013 AAA meetings in Chicago were well attended and extremely successful.



Instant Mentors Chad Morris and Ellen Puccia during the NAPA/AAA Careers Expo

Once again, NAPA's Instant Mentoring was a highlight at both Expos, attracting dozens of students, recent graduates, university professors, and professionals looking for career advice, and ways to build their professional networks.

The NAPA Volunteer Committee would like to extend many thanks to the over 15 NAPA members who volunteered their time and expertise as Instant Mentors; their dedication to creating a network of support among practicing anthropologists is greatly appreciated.

Submitted by Jason Lind



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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NAPA Launches Podcast Pilot

As *NAPA Notes* goes to press, the communications committee is preparing to launch a podcast pilot series. The pilot will feature eight interviews with veteran anthropological practitioners on the theme of career trajectories. Podcasts will be available for free download on the NAPA website in the [Careers section](#). Based on the response, NAPA plans to explore additional audio and video possibilities.

The podcasts will be useful for those preparing to enter the workforce from graduate school, or for academics or others considering a career change. The pilot series was recorded by NAPA Communications Chair Terry Redding in late 2013 and early 2014 with anthropologists working in the private and public sectors. Podcasts were edited and prepared for distribution by Podcast Coordinator Steven Wilson. See the website for more details and information: www.practicinganthropology.org

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Interview Series Underway Again

The bi-weekly NAPA Interview Series has started again on the NAPA website. The series features brief interviews with NAPA members and others about their work and the realities of practice. The series was originally featured on the NAPA LinkedIn page, but to provide more flexibility and access, the series has been moved to the website [blog page](#). Kristy Keller and Nicole Conand of the NAPA Communications Committee have created a very informative and useful series; the most recently completed series featured past NAPA presidents discussing compelling issues.



REMINDERS:

HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON...

EPIC

EPIC's tenth anniversary—celebrating in NYC!

Hosted by the Center for Positive Marketing at Fordham University

Save the date: September 7 - 10, 2014

The Ethnographic Praxis in Industry Conference will celebrate its 10th anniversary in NYC this year! In a ground breaking move, EPIC will be hosted this year by a business school. The Center for Positive Marketing at Fordham University is located at Lincoln Center, in the heart of Manhattan's performing arts district. In past years EPIC has been held on corporate campuses, in a ski resort, at design schools, in a Royal Institution, and in four countries. In another breakthrough development, last year in London marked the first un-themed EPIC.
<http://epiconference.com/>



113th AAA Annual Meeting Call for Papers

Producing Anthropology

Washington DC, December 3-7, 2014

April 15th Proposal deadline for all sessions, individual paper and poster presentations, media submissions and special events via www.aaanet.org. To be included in the 2014 AAA Annual Meeting program, participants must be registered by this date.



74th SfAA Annual Meeting

Destinations

March 18-22, 2014

The 2014 meetings will reflect the Society's international membership and representation of all the applied social scientists. Proposals for sessions and individual presentations on all topics of interest to this broad constituency are welcome, as well as those more specifically tied to the year's program theme. Submissions from anthropologists and applied anthropologists who are practicing outside academic settings are most welcome. The program committee encourages the active participation of archaeologists with interests in public engagement and applied archaeological practice.

<https://www.sfaa.net/sfaa2014.html>

Mark your calendars...

Two events of particular interest to NAPA Members

THURSDAY 1:00-5:00

Casa Esencia White Room Lounge
NAPA Governing Council Meeting

THURSDAY 6:30-8:30

Alvarado E
University of North Texas Reception*
(open to all conference attendees).



NAPA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SFAA CONFERENCE

The SfAA annual meeting in Albuquerque, NM is fast approaching! During the SfAA conference, volunteers are needed to staff the NAPA information table. As you all know, NAPA is run completely by volunteers who do their part to ensure NAPA's future. Just a couple hours of your time can make a big difference in making this year's SfAA meeting a success.

Volunteer at the NAPA information table.

We are looking for volunteers to staff the NAPA information table by passing out information and talking to conference goers at the SfAA Book Expo. (Times are flexible and you can volunteer for an hour or two at a time). This is fun way to meet and network with fellow applied anthropologists; you never know who you will meet or run into!

Thursday March 20th from 9:00am - 5:00pm: 6 volunteers to staff the NAPA table during the SfAA Book Expo

Friday March 21th from 9:00am - 5:00pm: 6 volunteers to staff the NAPA table during the SfAA Book Expo

Saturday March 20th from 9:00am - 12:00pm: 2 volunteers to staff the NAPA table during the SfAA Book Expo

General Call for NAPA Volunteers:

The following is short list of some immediate volunteer positions and needs. If any of these positions interest you please get a hold of the contact person, or contact the NAPA Volunteer Coordinator: Jason Lind: jasonlindo@gmail.com for further information.

Workshop Committee

The workshop committee is looking for volunteers to help identify workshop ideas, recruiting workshop presenters, and market NAPA workshops. This position would require a commitment of approximately two hours a month.

Contact: Sabrina Nichelle Scott - sabnscott@gmail.com

Communications Committee

The communications committee needs "newshounds" to track news and information for rebroadcast; bloggers to add content to the social media; website content writers and editors; designers with capacity in WordPress.

Contact: Terry Redding – napacommunications@gmail.com

Membership Committee

The membership committee develops policies, activities, and initiatives to recruit, retain, renew, and serve NAPA members. Volunteers are needed to help out with membership activities.

Contact: Nancy Gillis - Nancy.Gillis@unt.edu

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