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Membership:

Provide the most recent membership numbers.

Number of Members: 854

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

December to December membership numbers show a decline of 59, from 913 to 854. Peak membership for the year (948) came in April. AD surveys and other forms of investigation suggest there are two main reasons for the decline in membership: cost; and a perception that there is little archaeology content in the annual meeting. The peak membership falling in April is, we believe, related to decisions by archaeologists to join or rejoin the AAA in order to participate in the annual program, demonstrating the importance of the annual meeting as a motivation for membership. Unlike most other sections, for AD members, AAA is not the sole or even primary professional organization: all AD members likely also belong to the Society for American Archaeology. Thus, the decision to be an AD member is an added cost, one subject to discontinuation if there is no perceived motivation for the added professional participation. The perception that the annual meeting program has little archaeology content is relevant to this decision, since it reflects a lack of interest in subdiscipline-spanning content, or reflects difficulty in finding relevant sessions. To try to improve member recruitment and retention, the AD has taken the following steps: grants to encourage student members; making the annual Distinguished Lecture a community building event; the assembly and circulation by the Program Editor of a guide to archaeological content (whether sponsored by the AD or not) at the annual meeting; and an ad in the SAA Archaeological Record. Still, any advances from these efforts can be easily reversed if a development, like the claim of a supposed elimination of science from the mission of the AAA, reinforces the perception of those who choose not to join the AAA.

Finances:

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

Financial Balance: 106,607.99

Publication Sponsored budgets.

Although the AD had projected expenditures for publications, due to problems with submissions (see below) no volume entered production in 2012. The summary below shows publication budgeted revenues and expenditures for 2012, compared to actuals, as of December 31.

	Actuals YTD	2012 Annual Budget
REVENUE:		
Section Dues Subsidy	(\$5,530.46)	\$17,674.00
Subtotal - Dues Revenue (see Note 1)	-	-
W-B Royalty	5,508.78	4,546.00
Royalties	21.68	0.00
TOTAL REVENUE	-	-
	0.00	22,220.00

EXPENDITURES:		
Academic Editorial Office	0.00	22,220.00
Subtotal Print Publication Expense	-	-
	0.00	22,220.00

List any factors you think are affecting your Section's finances.
AD net assets grew by \$4,773.72, as of December 31, 2012. While projected income from membership declined, and leaving aside the issue of publications, other categories of projected expenditures were kept lower than originally projected.

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: Immigration Past and Present: Archaeology in Action

Session Type: Invited
Session: Households Shape History in Ancient Mesoamerica

Session Type: Invited Co-Sponsored with Council for Museum Anthropology
Session: An Undisciplined Study of Sudan

Session Type: Special Events

Session: The Archaeology Division's Patty Jo Watson Distinguished Lecture: "The Entanglement of Jade and the Rise of Mesoamerica" by Susan D. Gillespie

Session Type: Special Events

Session: Archaeology Division Business Meeting, Awards Ceremony, and Reception

Awards

List awards presented this year on behalf of your Section.

Award: AD Distinguished Lecturer

Date: 11/16/2012

Recipient: Susan D. Gillespie

Affiliation: University of Florida

Project/Paper/Accomplishment: The Entanglement of Jade and the Rise of Mesoamerica

Award: Gordon R. Willey Prize

Date: 11/16/2012

Recipient: Kathryn Weedman Arthur

Affiliation: University of South Florida

Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Feminine Knowledge and Skill Reconsidered: Women and Flaked Stone Tools

Award: AD-RPA Field School Award

Date: 04/10/2012

Recipient: Wendy Teeter

Affiliation: UCLA

Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Pimu Catalina Island Archaeological Field School

Award: Student Membership Award

Date: 11/16/2012

Recipient: Dana Bardolph

Affiliation: UCSB

Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Partial Perspectives: Situating Gender in Contemporary Archaeological Practice

Award: Student Membership Award

Date: 11/16/2012

Recipient: Teresa Bulger

Affiliation: UC Berkeley

Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Ties of Intimacy and Bonds of Responsibility: Family in 19th- and 20th-Century Nantucket

Award: Student Membership Award

Date: 11/16/2012

Recipient: Colleen Morgan
Affiliation: UC Berkeley
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: A Digital Ecology of Sharing Archaeology

Award: Student Membership Award
Date: 11/16/2012
Recipient: Allison Mickel
Affiliation: Stanford University
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Asking Flinders Petrie for How-to Advice: What's More Important Than Learning How to Run An Excavation

Award: Student Membership Award
Date: 11/16/2012
Recipient: Sarah Rowe
Affiliation: University of Illinois
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Nostalgia and the Materialization of the Invisible: Social Memory and Community Practices In the Valdivia Occupation of Buen Suceso, Ecuador

Award: Student Membership Award
Date: 11/16/2012
Recipient: Guy Duke
Affiliation: University of Toronto
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Preliminary Report on the Cuisine at the Late Moche Sites of JE-335 and Huaca Colorada, Jequetepque Valley, Peru

Award: Student Membership Award
Date: 11/16/2012
Recipient: Whitney Goodwin
Affiliation: Southern Methodist University
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Pottery Designs As Sources of Information about Past Environments On Roat?n Island, Honduras (co-authored with E. Christian Wells)

Award: Student Membership Award
Date: 11/16/2012
Recipient: Flavio Silva de la Mora
Affiliation: UC Berkeley
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Understanding Borders and Movement of Classic Mayans In the Northwestern Lowlands: Interaction Between Chinikih? and Palenque.

Award: Student Membership Award
Date: 11/16/2012
Recipient: Kim Salyers
Affiliation: UC Berkeley
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Illuminating Social Landscapes: Unearthing Life of the Mayan Commoner Through Household Excavation and Catchment Analysis

Award: Student Membership Award
Date: 11/16/2012

Recipient: Annelise Morris

Affiliation: UC Berkeley

Project/Paper/Accomplishment: "Everyone Lived in That House Together?: Material Resonances of Homeplace

Award: Student Membership Award

Date: 11/16/2012

Recipient: Charlotte Marie Cable

Affiliation: Michigan State University

Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Permanence and Impermanence: Structuring Social and Spatial Identity In Ancient Oman

Award: Student Membership Award

Date: 11/16/2012

Recipient: Jill Bierly

Affiliation: U Mass Amherst

Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Strategic Pairs: Phoenician Economic Tactics in Ancient Cyprus

Award: Student Membership Award

Date: 11/16/2012

Recipient: Manuel Perales

Affiliation: Universidad Nacional del Centro del Peru

Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Ancestors and Animal Herds: Evidence of Funerary Architecture Associated with Corrals From Late Prehispanic Sites In the Ricra?n Valley, Central Peru

Award: Student Membership Award

Date: 11/16/2012

Recipient: Leah Grant

Affiliation: UC Berkeley

Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Obsidian Use in Formative Period Honduras

Award: Student Membership Award

Date: 11/16/2012

Recipient: Abbey White

Affiliation: UC Berkeley

Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Obsidian and gender at Chinikiha, Mexico

Award: Student Diversity Travel Award

Date: 11/16/2012

Recipient: Annelise Morris

Affiliation: UC Berkeley

Project/Paper/Accomplishment: 'Everyone Lived in That House Together?: Material Resonances of Homeplace

Award: Student Diversity Travel Award

Date: 11/16/2012

Recipient: Paulette Steeves

Affiliation: Binghamton University

Project/Paper/Accomplishment: attendance at AAA meeting

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

AD Executive Committee meeting at the Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, Memphis TN

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.

Our main efforts are through the Student Diversity Travel Awards and the Student Membership awards, which encourage both graduate and undergraduate students to attend the meetings and present papers. Sixteen graduate and undergraduate students were supported in participating in the annual meeting through these awards.

Early career scholars.

Cathy Costin, editor of the Archaeological Papers of the American Anthropological Association, has made a sustained effort to work with the young scholars who submit volume proposals and articles for inclusion in that series. This mentorship effort has been mutually productive in that the early career scholars gain publication experience and the AAA gains the opportunity to publish their cutting-edge research. We regard these publications as one of the signal accomplishments of the Archaeology Division.

Independent scholars.

No systematic 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.

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?

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 a new membership benefit. Revamping the AD website is central to this effort.

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 has agreed to participate in the launch of Open Anthropology.

The AD plans to strengthen its relationship with the Registry of Professional Archaeologists.

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.

None.

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

None.

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

None.