SEAC NEWS & NOTICES

SEAC 2003

The 60th annual meeting of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference will be held November 12-15, 2003 at the University Hilton in Charlotte, North Carolina. Janet Levy (UNC-Charlotte), Alan May (Schiele Museum, Gastonia), and Auth Tippitt (Schiele Museum) are the conference organizers. Please see the enclosed forms for registration, hotel information, and symposium and paper proposals.

Among the sessions being planned is a full-day symposium on the archaeology of the Catawba Valley from the headwaters near the Blue Ridge in North Carolina to central South Carolina. The annual student paper prize will again be an outstanding collection of books from the publishers in our exhibits area. Special events will include the Friday night dance and a Thursday evening reception at the Levine Museum of the New South in downtown Charlotte. We will take over the entire museum and have access to their permanent exhibit, "Cotton Fields to Skyscrapers: Charlotte and the Carolina Piedmont in the New South" and to visiting exhibits, which will include "A Portion of the People: Three Hundred Years of Southern Jewish Life," organized by the McKissick Museum at the University of South Carolina.

The meeting will close on Saturday afternoon with a visit and barbecue at the Schiele Museum, Gastonia, where we will be welcomed to the reconstructed eighteenth-century farm and to the Catawba Indian Village. Look for more details upcoming in the Fall Newsletter and on the SEAC web site at http://www.asrep.org/seac/index.html.

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Call for Nominations

The SEAC Nominations Committee for 2003 has been appointed and is soliciting nominations for the offices of Treasurer-Elect and Executive Officer. The Treasurer-Elect serves for one year, followed by a three year term as Treasurer. The Executive Officer serves for two years. Both are obligated to attend the SEAC Annual Meeting and the SEAC Executive Officer mid-year meeting held at the SAA meeting. If you would like to nominate someone (including yourself) for either of these positions, please contact a member of the SEAC Nominations Committee by May 31, 2003.

Committee members are:

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Send Me Your Email

(submitted by Adam King, SEAC Treasurer)

Like it or not, we are all becoming more reliant on email as a means of communication. SEAC would like to take advantage of that trend, and in the process save some money, by conducting some of its business using email. In order to rake that work, I (your humble treasurer) need current email addresses for all members. If your address has changed, you think it might have changed since the last time you filled out a dues notice, or you’re not sure if I have your correct address, then please send it to me at aking@isc. Thank you in advance for helping SEAC save money and time.

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Conference Organizers:
Janel E. Levy, UNC-Charlotte, Charlotte, NC 28223
V. Ann Tippitt, Schiele Museum, Gastonia, NC 28054
J. Alan May, Schiele Museum, Gastonia, NC 28054
Contact the organizers at: seac2003@email.uncc.edu

Registration Fees: Regular -- $55.00 by Oct 10, 2003; $60 thereafter. Student -- $30 by Oct. 10 (with copy of valid student ID); $35 thereafter. Make checks to SEAC 2003 with "registration" in the memo line.

Hotel: The Hilton University Place, 8629 J.M. Keynes Drive, Charlotte, NC 28262, is at the intersection of W.T. Harris Boulevard and Hwy 29. Room rates are $99 plus 13% tax; parking is free (valet parking is $7). Reservations may be made by phone at 1-800-HILTONS or directly at 704-567-1444. To get the meeting rate, you need to mention that you are with SEAC. The cut-off date for reservations is October 19, 2003.

Reservations may be made via the Web at: www.charlottesville-hilton.com. Click on "Book a Room." The Conference code is SEB. This is required in order to get the conference rate. Web reservations will work only for the dates of November 12-15. If you need to arrive earlier or stay later, then you must use phone reservations to get the conference rate.

Transportation: University Place is located northeast of downtown Charlotte just off of I-85, and 6-7 miles northeast of the intersection of I-85 and 1-77.

Driving: Take Exit 45A, Harris Boulevard East/UNC-Charlotte, from I-85 (from either direction). The Hilton is on the left, about 7/8 mile from the highway. If you have exited onto Harris Boulevard from I-85 North, then you go to the 2nd traffic light on Harris and turn left onto J.M. Keynes Drive, which will lead you directly into the hotel parking area. If you have come from I-85 South, then it will be left at the 3rd traffic light on Harris Boulevard.

Be warned: there will probably be construction and construction delays along I-85 in this area. There is also likely to be construction along 1-77.

By Air: Charlotte Douglas International Airport is about 15 miles from the hotel. A Super Shuttle is available outside the terminal on the baggage claim level; shuttle fare to the Hilton is between $15 and $20. Taxis are also available. U.S. Airways (usairways.com) is the major carrier into Charlotte (as of March 2003).

By Rail: Charlotte is served, but not very conveniently, by Amtrak. Information is available at: www.amtrak.org. The station is about 12 miles from the hotel and is served by taxis.

Proposals: The deadline for proposals for symposia, papers, and posters is August 7, 2003. Proposals must include proposal forms, registration forms and fees, and membership dues for persons not currently members of SEAC. Symposium proposals must include registration forms and fees for all participants, and membership dues for anyone who is not a paid-up member.

Each meeting room will be provided with a slide projector. We will make every effort to provide most rooms with lap-top computer and computer projector for Powerpoint presentations. All Powerpoint users must load their presentations onto the computers from a standard CD-ROM before the beginning of the session. We cannot guarantee that floppy disks and zip disks will be supported. Computers will be available for loading of presentations from 7:00 - 8:00 a.m. for morning sessions and noon to 1 p.m. for afternoon sessions. No presentations can be loaded during the sessions. We will try to supply as much support as possible, but the organizer of each symposium is responsible for efficient use of Powerpoint projection. Only Powerpoint will be supported.

Web Submission: We hope to have web submission for registration and papers. Go to the SEAC web page, currently at: http://www.armr.org/seac/seac2003.html. If it's going to work, it will be up and running by June 1, 2003.

Special Events: Anyone wishing to have a group meeting or special event should contact the organizers at seac2003@email.uncc.edu as soon as possible, but no later than July 1, 2003.

Plan to attend a reception at the Levine Museum of the New South (http://museumofthenewsouth.org/) in downtown Charlotte on Thursday evening.
Join us for a closing barbecue at the Schiele Museum of Natural History (http://www.schielemuseum.org/) in Gastonia on Saturday afternoon.
SEAC 2003 -- 60th Annual Meeting
November 12-15, 2003
University Hilton
Charlotte, North Carolina

Advance Conference Registration Form

First Name: ____________________________________________

Last Name: ____________________________________________

Affiliation: ____________________________________________
(for badge)

Address: _____________________________________________

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City: _________________________________________________

State: ____________ Zip Code: ____________

Office Phone: __________________________________________
(or best place to contact you)

Fax: _________________________________________________

Email Address: _______________________________________

Student? ____ No _____ Yes (please submit copy of current student ID)

Registration fee: Regular: $55 before October 10; $60 thereafter. Students: $30 before October 10 with a copy of valid student ID; $35 thereafter. Make checks payable to SEAC 2003, with "registration" in the memo line.

Please write separate checks for registration and membership fees.

Please mail this form (or include in packet with paper or symposium proposal, if appropriate) along with the registration fee to:

Janet Levy - SEAC 2003
Department of Sociology and Anthropology
UNC-Charlotte
9201 University City Boulevard
Charlotte, NC 28223
Proposal for Paper or Poster, SEAC 2003
Submission Deadline: August 7, 2003

Author's name (last, first): ________________________________

Affiliation as you wish it to appear on badge: ________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________________________

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Office Phone (or best way to contact you): ________________________________

E-mail: ________________________________

Check one: ___ Contributed paper ___ Symposium paper ___ Poster

Title: ________________________________

Co-author's name (last, first): ________________________________

Affiliation: _________________________________________________________

Type in the space below an abstract of no more than 100 words:

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List three key words which characterize the geographic focus, time period, method, and/or theory of your paper/poster.

1) ________________________________ 2) ________________________________ 3) ________________________________

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___ Powerpoint ___ Other ________________________________ (please describe)

Registration and membership fees: Advance registration form and fee ($55 regular, $30 student with a copy of a valid ID) must accompany all paper and poster proposals or they will not be accepted. You must be a member of SEAC to present a paper. New members and old members in arrears must include 2003 membership fees ($25 regular, $15 student with valid ID) with symposium proposal. **MAKE DUES CHECKS PAYABLE TO SEAC DUES.**

Please mail 1 copy of this form along with the registration form, registration fee, and dues payment if necessary by August 7, 2003 to:
Janet Levy-SEAC
Dept. of Soc/Anth
UNC-Charlotte
9201 University City Boulevard
Charlotte, NC 28223-9001

REGISTRATION AND DUES MUST BE SEPARATE PAYMENTS
Proposal for Symposium, SEAC 2003
Submission Deadline: August 7, 2003

Symposium Title: ____________________________________________________________
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Organizer’s name (last, first): ________________________________________________
Affiliation as you wish it to appear on badge: ________________________________
Address: ___________________________________________________________________
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Office Phone: __________________________________________________________________
(or, best number to contact you)
E-mail: _____________________________________________________________________
Co-organizer’s name (last, first): ______________________________________________
Affiliation (for badge): ______________________________________________________
Participants’ names (in order of presentation):
1) ___________________ 2) ___________________ 3) ___________________
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Discussants’ names: 1) ___________________ 2) ___________________ 3) ___________________
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Janet Levy-SEAC, Dept. of Soc/Anth, UNC-Charlotte, 9201 University City Boulevard, Charlotte, NC 28223-0001

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Check-list for Symposium Organizers

☐ Symposium proposal form
☐ Registration forms for yourself and all participants
☐ Paper proposal forms for all participants (except discussants)
☐ Registration fees ($55 regular, $30 student): make checks out to "SEAC 2003"
☐ Membership dues for anyone who is not currently a SEAC member or is not up-to-date with dues; make checks out to "SEAC Dues"
☐ Copy of student ID for any student participants

Dues Notice
Southeastern Archaeological Conference

2003 DUES PAYMENT and/or ADDRESS CORRECTION (Please Print)

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Telephone: ______________ Fax: _______________________

Email: __________________

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY:

Student* $15.00 (See Fine Print Below)

Regular $25.00

Family $30.00

Institutional $50.00

Life $300.00

Family Life $350.00

• Check if new member
• Check if you would not like to be listed in the Newsletter membership directory
• Check if you do not want to be listed in mailing lists we rent to book publishers

Send Membership Form and Dues Payment to:

SEAC c/o Adam King
Savannah River Archaeological Research Program
P.O. Box 400
New Ellenton, SC 29806
Phone: 803-725-3623

* Fine Print: Student membership is open to graduate, undergraduate, and high school students. A photocopy of your student ID must accompany payment. The SEAC membership year is January 1 - December 31. Members will receive the complete set of issues of the journal and the newsletter for the year. Membership payments received after October 31 will be applied to the following year. Back publications may be purchased from Eugene Fututo, Associate Editor for Sales.
THE SOUTHEASTERN ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE announces the 2003

STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION - and - BOOK PRIZE

consisting of new and recent books on Southeastern Archaeology valued at over

$4,000.00*

to be awarded at the 60th annual meeting of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference in Charlotte, NC.

Circumstances of the Award

The 2003 Southeastern Archaeological Conference Book Prize will be awarded to the author of the outstanding paper submitted by a student concerning the prehistory, ethnohistory, or historic archaeology of the southeastern U.S.

Who May Apply?

Any person currently enrolled in an academic degree-granting program may submit a paper to the competition. Only papers having one author are eligible. The paper must be contributed by the student to the program of the 2003 annual meeting of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference in Charlotte.

About the Competition

The purpose of the competition and award is to foster student participation in the program of the annual meeting of the SEAC. The Book Prize shall consist of display copies of new and recent books in Southeastern Archaeology and related topics contributed by the vendors in the book saleroom of the annual meeting. The paper(s) to be judged must be submitted in advance of the meeting to a committee appointed by the Executive Board of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference (see How to Apply, below.) It is also the responsibility of the submitter to send to the Program Chairperson of the annual meeting an abstract and the necessary registration forms at the proper time. To be eligible for the Competition, your paper must be part of the program at the conference.

How to Apply

In addition to submitting an abstract and registration forms to the Program Chairperson (see above), you must submit four double-spaced copies of the paper to the Chair of the Student Paper Competition Committee by September 12, 2003. The paper reviewed for the competition must have the same content as that actually presented at the annual meeting (see http://www.ehsrh.org/education/spc2000.html for tips and guidelines on presenting papers at meetings, including suggested length of the text). A covering letter should accompany the entry, containing a statement of the author's current status in a degree program. Only one paper submitted by an applicant may be considered for the award. Mail the entry to Dr. Paul Welch, SEAC Student Paper Competition, Department of Anthropology MC 4502, Southern Illinois Univ., Carbondale IL 62901-4502.

- The Award -

The winner of the Competition and Book Prize will be announced at the Annual Business Meeting of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference in Charlotte on November 14. The winner may receive the Book Prize at the annual meeting. The Committee reserves the prerogative to defer the award in the event of a shortage of competitive entries.

* projection based on 2002 data.
SEAC PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE AS OF FALL 2002

SEAC NEWSLETTERS:

Vol. 19, No. 2 (Oct. 1977) "Science with a Small S" by M. Trinkley, current research, etc. 16 pp.
Vol. 20, No. 1 (Apr. 1978) "The Owl Hollow Project Laboratory Flotation Device" by J.E. Cobb and C.M. Faulkner, "Augering Archaeological Sites" by J. Stein, "Some Comments on Science with a Small S" by D.G. Anderson, "Reply to Trinkley" by C.M. Baker, current research, proposed articles of Incorporation and bylaws, etc. 63 pp.
Vol. 21, No. 3 (Jul. 1979) Current research, biographical sketches of some SEAC officers, recent publications, etc. 30 pp.
Vol. 21, No. 4 (Oct. 1979) Current research, biographical sketches of some SEAC officers, amendments to the SEAC constitution, etc. 14 pp.
Vol. 23, Nos. 1-2 (Jan.-Apr. 1981) "Phase and Provisional Phase: A Methodological Note" by V.J. Knight, "Survey Methodology: A Different Perspective from the Carolina Piedmont" by J.N. Woodall, current research, recent publications, etc. 22 pp.
Vol. 27, No. 2 (Oct. 1985) "Archaeological Parks and Their Importance in Public Education" by M. Kwan, proposed amendments to SEAC constitution, current research, recent publications, etc. 18 pp.
Vol. 33, No. 1 (Apr. 1991) "Dry Hill Arpa Case" by Q. Bass, current research, annual reports, etc. 20 pp.
Vol. 37, No. 2 (Oct. 1995) Current research, etc. 16 pp.
Vol. 38, No. 2 (Oct. 1996) Current research, minutes of board meeting, SEAC directors, etc. 40 pp.
Vol. 43, No. 1 (Apr. 2001) Current research, report of board meeting, annual reports, obituaries: "Bill Haig" by Stephen Williams, etc., 31 pp.
Vol. 43, No. 2 (Oct. 2001) Current research, officers' reports, etc. 12 pp.

SEAC BULLETINS:


SEAC SPECIAL PUBLICATIONS:


MISCELLANEOUS PUBLICATION:

Conference on Southern Prehistory. This volume contains the proceedings of the First Southeastern Archaeological Conference held in Birmingham, Alabama, in 1932. Originally issued by the National Research Council in 1933, it was reprinted by SEAC in 1976. iv + 97 pp., illus., bibliographical.
SOUTHEASTERN ARCHEOLOGY:
Vol. 2(1) (Summer 1983), 5 articles, 2 comments, 1 review, 70 pp.
Vol. 2(2) (Winter 1983), 6 articles, 4 reviews, 89 pp.
Vol. 4(1) (Summer 1985), 4 articles, 3 reviews, 78 pp.
Vol. 5(2) (Winter 1986), 5 articles, 7 reviews, 78 pp.
Vol. 6(1) (Summer 1987), 4 articles, 1 report, 1 obituary, 10 reviews, 78 pp.
Vol. 6(2) (Winter 1987), 8 articles, 4 reviews, 78 pp.
Vol. 8(1) (Summer 1989), 5 articles, 2 comments, 4 reviews, 78 pp.
Vol. 9(2) (Winter 1990), 6 articles, 2 comments, 2 reviews, 78 pp.
Vol. 10(1) (Summer 1991), 3 articles, 1 report, 1 comment, 4 reviews, 78 pp.
Vol. 10(2) (Winter 1991), 4 articles, 5 reviews, 74 pp.
Vol. 11(1) (Summer 1992), 4 articles, 1 comment, 5 reviews, 78 pp.
Vol. 11(2) (Winter 1992), 4 articles, 1 report, 4 reviews, 78 pp.
Vol. 12(1) (Summer 1993), 5 articles, 9 reviews, 82 pp.
Vol. 12(2) (Winter 1992), 4 articles, 2 reports, 7 reviews, 86 pp.
Vol. 16(2) (Winter 1997), 3 articles, 2 reports, 1 research note, 8 reviews, book notes, 90 pp.
Vol. 18(1) (Summer 1999), 2 articles, 3 reports, 9 reviews, book notes, 84 pp.
Vol. 18(2) (Winter 1999), 3 articles 4 reports, 7 reviews, 96 pp.
Vol. 19(1) (Summer 2000), 4 articles, 2 reports, 3 reviews, 94 pp.
Vol. 20(1) (Summer 2001), 7 articles, 6 reviews, 98 pp.
Vol. 21(1) (Summer 2002), 10 articles, 2 reviews, 111 pp.

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Winner of the SEAC Student Paper Competition

(submitted by Paul Welch and Margaret Scarry)

There were 12 entries in this year's Student Paper Prize competition. The judges—Mary Beth Troutt, Paul Welch, and Ken Sassaman—thank all the entrants for the opportunity to read their papers. As has been the case in past years, there were many presentations by students at the meeting that were not entered in the contest. While this made the judging task less onerous, it is regrettable that many students eliminated themselves from the competition.

The winner this year was Jennifer Myer, a doctoral student at the University of Alabama. Her paper is titled "Among the fields: Mississippian settlement patterns in the Black Warrior Valley." Quoting from the comments of the judges: Myer's paper is a thorough, well organized, well written analysis of original data, it focuses on an interesting general issue, and it draws appropriate conclusions. In recognition of her accomplishment, Ms. Dumas received a book prize consisting of 265 volumes and a reproduction of a Southeastern pot made by TaMara Beane. The estimated value of the prize is $4000. Congratulations, Jennifer.

The members of the 2002 Student Paper Competition committee would like to recognize the generous contributions of the organizations and individuals listed below. Their continuing support makes this the largest single student award in America.

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Review & Recommendations for the SEAC Public Outreach Grant Program
(prepared by the Public Outreach Grant Program Review Committee: Mary L. Kwas, chair; Dick Jeffries, and Rita Folse Elliott)

Spring 2003

History of the Grant Program

It appears that the Public Outreach Grant Program began after SEAC received a request to fund an Instrigue of the Past Teachers' Workshop as part of the Lexington (1994) conference. The workshop was held on Friday afternoon and all day Saturday. SEAC also funded an Archaeology Education Reception on Friday afternoon, but it is not clear how the two were related. Based on the published expenses for the Lexington meeting, the grant for the teachers' workshop probably cost about $1,100.00.

During the fall 1994 meeting of the Executive Board, president Ian Brown asked if a committee should be formed to oversee any such grants as well as the Distinquished Service Awards program. During discussion of this, Eugene Patott suggested that SEAC utilize grants to expand public education efforts connected with the annual meeting. At that time, a committee was formed of three board members (Marvin Smith, chair; Margaret Scarry, and Ken Sassaman), to draft a policy governing such grants. By the time the April 1995 issue of the Newsletter appeared, there was a column-long announcement of the Public Outreach Grants Program, with a description of what kinds of grants would be preferred, as follows:

Projects proposed for grant funding should promote public awareness of archaeology in the Southeast. Most grants will be for activities held in conjunction with the SEAC annual meeting. Grants for teacher workshops, public symposia, field trips for the public to archaeological sites (in conjunction with the annual meeting of
The announcement of the grant program also included other guidelines, including that the maximum award would not exceed $1,000. This longer announcement appeared for at least two years. It is obvious that programs in conjunction with the conference, or the state where the conference was to be held, were preferred. Since the first three grant-funded projects after Lexington were also teacher workshops, this probably set the stage for preference of that kind of workshop.

For the Knoxville (1995) meeting, the first grant of the newly formed SEAC Public Outreach Grant Program was awarded to Deborah Widdell of the McClung Museum for a teacher workshop. It was not stated if other proposals were received. The Executive Board decided at their fall meeting that the Executive Officer position would be responsible for chairing the grant committee. Dick Jeffries took over as chair.

For the Birmingham (1996) meeting, four proposals were received. The grant was awarded to Linda Derry of the Alabama Historical Commission for a teachers' workshop. It was estimated that 50 teachers were served. President Ian Brown suggested that a report from the award recipient be submitted for the Board’s information and possible publication in the Newsletter.

For the Baton Rouge (1997) meeting, the grant was awarded to Nancy Hawkins of the Office of Cultural Development, Louisiana Division of Archaeology, for a teachers' workshop entitled “Learn More About Teaching Archaeology.” This was the only proposal received. The workshop was limited to 50 participants, with a final number of 41 in attendance. A summary of the Baton Rouge grant-funded project was reported in the April 1998 Newsletter, and included how the project was advertised, how the money was used, and how the workshop was evaluated. This was the only project to be reported to the membership. At the fall 1997 meeting of the Executive Board, Judy Bense took over as chair of the grant committee.

For the Greenville (1998) meeting, no award was made. Judy Bense apologized to the Board at the fall meeting for failing to solicit proposals. It was decided to roll over the funds to the next year.

The following year, the conference was held in Pensacola (1999), with Judy Bense serving as local arrangements chair. Four proposals were received, and the Board decided to fund part of all four projects with the $2,000. Bense also supplemented the award with $2,600 of in-kind support. The projects funded were as follows: 1) Pensacola Archaeological Society for a public program on archaeology held on Saturday of the conference; 2) Washington High School Archaeology Institute for development of local exhibits; 3) Escambia County School District to enable teachers and students to attend the meeting, and for teachers to receive in-service credits; and 4) Florida Anthropological Society to reprint the Florida Archaeology booklet and distribute it in SEAC registration packets and throughout the state. It was estimated that 300 people were served.

For the Macon (2000) meeting, only one proposal was received. The committee found the proposal worthy of funding, but requested some changes in direction. Due to time constraints and other concerns, the proposal was withdrawn, and no award was made. It is unclear who was chair of the committee at this time, but Dick Jeffries made the report on the grant program. Ann Early apparently took over as chair at the fall 2000 Board meeting.

For the Chattanooga (2001) meeting, three proposals were received. The grant was awarded to Major McCollough and the Preservation Archaeology Program of the University of the South for a public presentation and field trip to Moccasin Bend National Historic Landmark to raise public awareness of the effectiveness of private initiative and activism in archaeology. It was estimated that 100 people were served. A two-paragraph advertisement of the grant program appeared in the April 2001 Newsletter, and Early also noted that the grant program was widely circulated on listservs and in hard copy.

A one-paragraph advertisement appeared in the May 2002 Newsletter, noting that guidelines would be posted on the SEAC web site. No applications were received for the Biloxi (2002) meeting.

Perceived Problems

As noted in the October 2002 Newsletter, the SEAC Board currently feels that the grant program is not working. Apparently, the Board feels that an inadequate number of proposals are being received each year and that advertising may be to blame. The Review Committee, however, disagrees and feels that as the grant is currently structured, it may be as successful as it can be.

If it is preferred that the public outreach proposal be tied to the location and time of the conference, then this reduces the pool of applicants. Not every state represented by the Southeastern Archaeological Conference has individuals strongly involved in public education. Even, in those states with recognized public education programs, it is usually only one or two individuals who are predominantly involved. Therefore,
it would not be unexpected to receive no more than one or two proposals a year. In addition, considering the work undertaken by many people within a state in order to manage a successful conference, it may be unrealistic to expect the same individuals to also organize a public education event, thus reducing proposals to zero in some years.

Over the history of the Grant Program, from zero to four proposals have been received in a given year. In years in which no award was given, lack of advertising was sometimes to be blamed. In years when grants were awarded, grants have largely gone to individuals known for their work in public education. The types of projects funded by the Grant Program have largely appeared to be acceptable public outreach activities.

Therefore, under the current parameters of the Grant Program, it does not appear that the Program is failing. If SEAC wishes the Public Outreach Grant Program to be more successful, as judged by the number of proposals received, then expanding the range of the program may be necessary.

Possible Solutions

There are several ways to approach a solution to this problem.

1) Eliminate the Public Outreach Grant Program and use the money in another way. We would argue that with unprecedented levels of development in the southeastern sunbelt region, recent devastating preservation-related budget cuts, and the unparalleled access to the public made possible via the Internet, SEAC involvement in public outreach is a necessity. SEAC's support of the Public Outreach Grant Program not only provides professional recognition of public outreach efforts, but also sets an example for the SEAC membership.

2) Continue with the Program as it is. Under the current parameters of the Grant Program, it has not been failing, even considering years when there are no applicants. Improving the current Grant Program would require a greater effort at advertising. The committee (or chair) must be responsible for ensuring that a suitably detailed announcement appears on listservs and in newsletters an adequate number of months in advance of the deadline. In addition, as long as it is desired that the proposals be tied to the meeting location, the committee must directly solicit proposals from individuals within the state where the conference will be held. It should not be expected, however, that more than one or two proposals would be received in any year.

3) Fund a Teachers' Workshop associated with every conference location. In order to do this, a standard teachers' workshop could be developed by a SEAC Teachers' Workshop Committee, made up of volunteers from the membership who are experienced public educators. The workshop could consist of a basic format on teaching archaeology, with a special section tailored to the local archaeology of the state. The committee would work with local representatives to tailor the workshop and to advertise the event to teachers in the state where the conference will be held. The committee would be responsible for putting on the workshop, preferably with assistance from local graduate students or new professionals interested in public education. The strength of this proposal would be that a number of experienced public educators would be working together to produce the workshop, thereby maintaining a certain level of quality and ensuring that each state benefited by the workshop. The drawback to this proposal would be that the same individuals would likely be responsible for this program ad infinitum, suggesting that its lifespan would be limited.

4) Let the Public Outreach Grants Program be separate and unrelated to the meeting location. There are many worthwhile public outreach projects that could benefit from the $1,000 SEAC grant. The money could fund public outreach publications, exhibits, teachers' workshops, adult workshops, elderhostel programs, education programs tied to an excavation project, or assistance in starting Project Archaeology programs within states. By not tying the grants program to the meeting, applicants from all the southeastern states could feel freer to apply for the grant, as well as use the grant money at any time during the year that best suits their projects. Changing the focus of this grant should solicit additional applications, as well as provide SEAC with more public visibility throughout the year, rather than only during the conference. This plan would also allow leveraging opportunities with other organizations (such as SAA or SHA), by which collaboration could expand the project economically, physically, and creatively. In addition, proposals are likely to be improved when not required to be tied to the complex organization of the conference. Since many of these projects would likely occur during the summer, it would be necessary, if SEAC goes with this proposal, to charge the grant deadline so that the money is available to the recipient in the spring of the year. (The Review Committee prefers and recommends this option.)

Recommendations for Management of the Grant Program

In our review of the SEAC Outreach Grant Program, we have noticed several deficiencies in how the grant is managed and wish to make suggestions on areas where this can be improved.

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1) Committee Representation. We highly commend
the members of the SEAC Board since 1994 for their
interest in and support of a public outreach grant. Many
members of the Board who have served on this
committee, however, while obviously supporting public
outreach, may not have much direct experience in
managing such programs. Therefore, we suggest that the
committee consist of a Board member and two or three
people who are not Board members who have public
education experience. This will not only provide an
opportunity for additional SEAC members to serve their
organization, but will also provide a better communica-
tion network in advertising the grant program and an
experienced perspective in judging the quality of
proposals.

2) Grant Cycle. If solution #4 above is adopted, it is
recommended that the grant cycle reflect the likelihood
that many programs may be held during the summer.
Therefore, we recommend that the grant be awarded no
later than March 1, with a deadline for submitting
proposals adequate for that date.

3) Advertising. A more detailed advertisement,
similar to the style in the first years of the Grant
Program, should be consistently used. It should appear
in at least one issue of the Newsletter each year. Better
yet, if solution #4 is adopted, a description of the grant
program could appear on the inside back cover of the
journal as a regular feature in every issue. This would
keep the knowledge of the grant program fresh in
members' minds. Additional advertising of the program
can be sent to other professional newsletters, as well as
announced on the SAA Public Education Committee's
listerv. It is necessary for the committee chair (or
designated member) to be aware of the Grant Program's
deadlines, so that announcement of the program is sent
easily and in time to correctly make the publication deadlines
of other newsletters. It would probably be necessary to
work about 6 months in advance of the Grant Program's
deadline. If solution #2 is adopted, it would be
necessary for the committee to solicit proposals
from individuals within the state where the conference is
tobe held.

4) Grant Payments. No double payments, such as
what happened during the Percascola meeting, should be
in the future, $1,000 seems adequate for the annual
grants, the amount should be raised overall.

5) Evaluations. Every funded project should be
required to conduct some sort of evaluation of their
project, and the plan for that evaluation should be
included in the proposal. In the case of a publication,
this could be one or two outside reviews. Workshops
require written evaluations by the participants at the
end of the program or surveys of the public before and
after programs. The evaluations should be summarized
as part of the final report of the project.

6) Requirements of Funded Projects. A list of
requirements for those receiving the grants should be
developed and adhered to. These can include submission
of a final report, evaluation criteria, summary of
evaluations, accounting of expenditures, accounting of
matching funds or in-kind contributions, and a published
report.

7) Published Report. All funded projects should
prepare a report of their project intended for publication
in the SEAC Newsletter, of a style similar to that
provided for the Baton Rouge project. The length can be
equal to approximately one page of the newsletter.
Publication of the projects serve not only to advertise
the grant program, provide ideas for future proposals,
and promote public outreach efforts generally, but also
provide an accounting to the membership of where their
money is going and how well it is being used.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS
SEAC's New Website
SEAC's website has a new address:
http://www.sarp.org/seac/index.html. SEAC's website
was designed in 1997 by Deborah Weddell. Through the
generosity of the Arkansas Archeological Survey, where
she works, Deborah fit updating and maintaining the
website into her workload. This past year, Deborah
began a new large project and it was time for SEAC to
find a new webmaster. SEAC thanks both Deborah and the
Arkansas Archeological Survey for their support of
the site over the past seven years.
Robert Moon at the Savannah River Archeological
Research Program (a Division of the South Carolina
Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, University of
South Carolina) is our new webmaster. We thank Rob
and SARP for taking on this service to SEAC.

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National Park Service’s 2003
Archaeological Prospection Workshop
The National Park Service’s 2003 workshop on
archaeological prospection techniques entitled “Current
Archaeological Prospection Advances for Non-
Destructive Investigations in the 21st Century” will be
held May 19-23, 2003, at Cahokia Mounds State
Historic Site, Collinsville, Illinois. The workshop
covers geophysical techniques, aerial photography, and
other remote sensing methods as they apply to the iden-
tification, evaluation, conservation, and preservation of
archaeological resources across the Nation. There is a
$475.00 tuition charge.
For further information and registration forms
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(Note: We are in the process of revamping our web
site so it may be a while.)

Wetland Archaeology Research Project
An International Wetland Archaeology Research
Project (WARP) conference was held at South Padre
Sound Community College in Beautiful Olympia,
Washington, April 1-5, 2003. Besides the excellent
preservation of wood, fiber and other material culture
from wet (waterlogged) archaeological sites, the
conference emphasized how these sites bring the interests
of indigenous peoples, scientists, and the
general public together with mutual objectives.
Conference activities included workshops, presentations
of the latest and ongoing wet sites research around the
world, field trips to the Squaxin Island Tribe/SPS/C
wet site at Owul’gwees, visits to the new Squaxin Island
Tribe Museum and Research Center, and
optional trips to the Makah Cultural and Research
Center museum at Neah Bay featuring the Ozette
Village wet site materials. For more information e-mail
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conference web site: http://www.spscc.cte.edu/warpconfer-
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WPA Photos to Go Digital
In the not too distant future, you will be able to
browse through some important southeastern
archaeology collections on your computer! The Institute
for Museum and Library Services (IMLS) awarded the University of Tennessee Libraries, in partnership with
the Frank H. McClung Museum, a two-year $245,772
grant to create an on-line archive of some 7,500
photographs of Works Progress Administration (WPA)
archaeological projects. These projects were done in the
1930s before construction of the Tennessee Valley
Authority reservoirs. The photographs, curated by the
Museum, document the Museum’s archaeological
collections, are significant records of the Tennessee
Valley’s Native American heritage, and show the many
workers who were employed by this Depression-era
federal work program. The archive also will include
photos of WPA archaeological projects in Kentucky and
Alabama, which are curated by the William Webb
Museum at the University of Kentucky and the Alabama
Natural History Museum at the University of Alabama.
The UT project will provide assistance to these
museums with creating their parts of the archive. Until
now, because of their fragile nature, these photos have
ever been publicly available, and have been accessible
only to researchers who travel to the institutions.
The IMLS is an independent federal agency that
supports all types of museums, libraries, and archives,
and encourages partnerships between these institutions
to expand their benefit for public education. The UT
Libraries/McClung Museum proposal was one of 12
funded from a field of 35 in the competition for National
Leadership Grants in the Preservation or Digitization
category. Dr. James B. Lloyd, Special Collections
Librarian and Co-Chair of the Digital Library Center, and
Dr. Lone P. Sullivan, Curator of Anthropology at
McClung Museum, are the project’s principal investiga-
tors. The project will employ a full-time digital library
staff member at the McClung Museum, and several part-
time student assistants at all three universities. Eric
Weig of the University of Kentucky Libraries, Dr. George
Crothers and Richard Jefferys of the Webb
Museum and UK Anthropology Department, and
Eugene Futato, of the Office of Archaeological Research
at the ANIH at UA are project participants. The UT
Libraries will maintain the web site for the archive.
We’ll keep you posted as this exciting project develops.
SEAC OFFICERS’ REPORTS
Secretary’s Annual Report (by David G. Anderson, SEAC Secretary)

MINUTES OF THE 2002 SEAC EXECUTIVE BOARD YEAR-END MEETING

The 2002 full meeting of the Executive Board of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference was called to order by President Richard W. Jeffries at 6:10 PM, 6 November 2002, in the Magnolia B board room at the Beau Rivage Hotel, Biloxi, Mississippi. In attendance were David G. Anderson, Jane Ann Blakney Bailey, Ann Early, Jane Eastman, Robbie Ethridge, Eugene M. Futato, Richard W. Jeffries, John Kelly, Adam King, Alan May, John O’Hear, C. Margaret Scarry, Jon Scarry, Marvin T. Smith, Lynne P. Sullivan, Ann Tippitt, Greg Waselkov, and Paul D. Welch.

Reports of Officers

Secretary David G. Anderson noted that the minutes of the 2002 mid-year meeting at the Adams Mark Hotel in Denver were published in the Fall 2002 Newsletter. The minutes were submitted via email to the board in draft form for review. President Jeffries asked for a motion to accept the secretary’s report and the minutes of the Spring 2002 meetings. Paul Welch moved and Lynne Sullivan seconded the motion. The secretary’s report and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer Adam King presented the Treasurer’s report (see full account and budget elsewhere in this newsletter). We continue to maintain robust fiscal health, although expenditures outstripped income over the past year and are projected to do so into the future unless we take steps to correct the situation. Adam recommended an increase in dues of $10 for individuals and $25 for institutional subscriptions, as well as an increase in Life Membership fees, which would bring in enough revenue to offset projected shortfalls for several years. In the general discussion about the dues increase, it was agreed that student dues should be kept as low as possible. An increase in Life Membership fees was also discussed. These items were approved under new business. President Jeffries asked for a motion to accept the treasurer’s report. Margie Scarry moved and Paul Welch seconded the motion to approve the treasurer’s report, which was approved unanimously.

Greg Waselkov presented the Editor’s report, which is provided in detail elsewhere in this Newsletter. The special publication is now out. The second issue for 2002 will be out in January 2003. The journal has a substantial number of papers on hand, and we may wish to add pages to the journal in the future. Greg noted that the special publication requires appreciable time and effort to produce, and recommended the conference be quite selective in what is selected for publication in this format. The membership might benefit more by larger issues than by special publications. He asked permission to add pages to the January issue to reduce the current backlog. Editor-elect Lynne Sullivan had no problem with increasing the journal size immediately, even if it meant she had fewer backlog papers to work with for her first issue. President Jeffries asked for the sense of the board on supporting the cost of additional pages, which in this case would be about $3000. Adam King said the treasury could afford the additional cost, since it was far less than another special publication, of which none are currently in the works. Dick Jeffries asked for the board to approve the recommendation for additional pages, which it did unanimously.

Jane Eastman noted that the Newsletter was mailed the first week in October. She recommended SEAC print additional copies to cover later requests. She also said that obtaining submissions for current research was a sometimes difficult process. Jane said she needed new software to help produce the Newsletter, and President Jeffries asked that she submit information on the cost of the software to Margie Scarry, who takes over as President after the business meeting on Friday. Book review editor Kris Gremillion is completing her term, with Renee Walker taking over. As there are numerous long overdue reviews, Margie Scarry recommended that people who’ve reviews were overdue be asked by the editor to send these books back, to add to the student book prize. This suggestion received enthusiastic approval. Eugene Futato said that his sales for the year were $755/01. President Jeffries asked for a motion to accept the editor’s report. Paul Welch moved, and Lynne Sullivan seconded the motion to approve the editor’s report, which was approved unanimously.

Reports of the Standing Committees

Nominations Committee. John Scarry (chair) presented the report, beginning by noting that the committee included himself, Rebecca Saunders, and Jim Knight. While a fine slate of officers was prepared, the committee was surprised that they had to ask large numbers of potential candidates before they found people willing to run. John Scarry said that the board needs to look into ways to encourage people to consider these positions. President Jeffries noted that while these positions are an honor, they are also a serious responsibility and take a moderate amount of work. Candidates must be aware of these responsibilities, and be willing to put the time into the positions. There was some discussion of whether the process of nominating candidates should change, since SEAC executive board positions entail increasing responsibility. In particular,
discussion revolved around whether the nominating committee should be elected rather than appointed by the president, or if lists of candidates should be subject for review by the board. The board decided that, since the present system was working well, it should stay in place. A suggestion was made that candidates of roughly the same age should perhaps be placed against one another, since at present older candidates almost invariably win when running against younger candidates. It was also suggested that information about officer's positions for which nominations are needed should be posted on the SEAC web site. Interested parties should consider contacting nominating committee members directly, rather than wait to be asked.

Investment and Finance Committee. Paul Welch (chair) noted that the Life Fund has lost about $2500 since last year, because of the market downturn, but that we are still appreciably ahead of where we were before starting to invest the funds in the stock market. Additional details are presented in Paul's report to the annual business meeting. Paul asked whether the board felt any changes should be made in how the funds were invested. President Jeffries recommended we leave the Life Fund investments as they are, which was accepted unanimously by the board.

Native American Liaison Committee. John O'Hear (chair) presented the report. The committee could use new members and ideas. Ann Rogers is working with the Eastern Band of the Cherokee, but John is not aware of the progress. President Jeffries asked the sense of the membership about the committee. Alan May noted that meetings like SEAC are ideal forums for interaction, and we should look into means to provide funding for attendance by Native Americans. Lynee Sullivan suggested considering subventing travel/registration costs for representatives of tribes from the state in which the annual meeting is being held. It was noted that SEAC already provides registration to a representative from any federally recognized tribe.

Student Paper Competition and Book Prize. Paul Welch (chair) presented a brief report on behalf of the committee. Twelve submissions were received, and were judged by himself, Mary Beth Trubitt, and Ken Sassaman. Mary Beth Trubitt is retiring next year, and a new member is needed; anyone interested should contact Paul or Margie. More details are noted in the awards section of the annual business meeting.

Public Outreach Grant for 2002. Ann Early (chair) had submitted an email report to President Jeffries, which he read; she was traveling and arrived later in the meeting. Ann noted that it has been very difficult to get people to submit proposals for this grant. President-elect Margie Scarry suggested the people putting the annual meeting together could handle this.

Student Affairs Committee. Jane Anne Blakeley-Bailey (chair) gave the report. A list-serve is in place on the student web site. Jane Anne is the webmaster. She has been in communication with students from about a dozen schools. Three events sponsored by the committee will take place at the meeting, a student reception, a forum on "Ethnicity and Identity in the Archaeological Record," and a session on CRM employment opportunities. President Jeffries commended Jane and the committee for the fine job they have been doing in the 4-5 years they have been organized. John O'Hear recommended that board members attend the student reception. Jane Eastman said the student affairs committee should announce that dues for students would not increase. Paul Welch, who provides board oversight for the student web site, noted it was excellent and urged all members to check it out.

Old Business

John O'Hear, Robbie Ethridge, and Jay K. Johnson reported on the 2002 Biloxi meeting. The preliminary and final programs were posted on the web, and were announced in the newsletter. The board agreed that this is a good way to do things, and should be the way we proceed in the future. A more graceful means of interfacing web submissions is needed, to ease the program committee's workload. President Jeffries announced that SEAC had met our contractual commitment with the hotel, in terms of the number of rooms filled. John O'Hear noted that as of Wednesday evening about 400 people were registered for the meeting. A total of 700 programs were printed. President Jeffries expressed the sense of the board in thanking everyone involved in setting up the meeting.

Anne Tippitt and Alan May described the plans for the 2003 meeting in Charlotte on behalf of themselves and Janet Levy. They are looking for meeting sponsors to help defray costs through a 501c3, and for assistance from the professional and avocational communities in North Carolina and South Carolina. Alan suggested pre-registration be given a financial incentive, to help with planning for the meeting. While everything is going well, a major concern continues to be the ability to handle electronic presentations. By a Fall 2001 board action, projectors will not be funded by the conference, since it would mean a major increase in registration costs. Symposium organizers who wish to use them should provide their own projectors, and keep the sessions on time. Margie Scarry observed that is up to the meeting organizers to decide costs for registration. President Jeffries directed them to adhere to that, and said we are looking forward to Charlotte.
John Kelly presented a report on the joint meeting with the Midwest Archaeological Conference. The meeting will be held October 20-24th, 2004, at the Marriott Downtown in St. Louis. The Midwest Archaeological Center of the National Park Service is providing assistance with the meeting. President Jeffries directed John Kelly to have the Midwest Archaeological Conference prepare a formal proposal for the hotel, dealing with room blocks, contracts, notification and coordination, etc. William Green is the president of the Midwest Archaeological Conference. President Jeffries recommended that the Midwest people coordinate with soon-to-be SEAC President Margie Scarry. Those arrangements must be acted on quickly. There was some discussion about which organization (or both) would sign the contract with the hotel, and it was agreed that an agreement should be in place with the Midwest Archaeological Conference regarding profit and loss.

Dick noted that there are currently no volunteers for the 2005 meeting, and that we need to find people/organizations to handle the meeting, and those in subsequent years. Adam King said he would ask people in South Carolina about hosting the meeting (he was successful, as of the time these minutes are being finalized, in late December 2002). Additional details will be provided at the Spring 2003 mid-year board meeting at the SAAOs.

New Business
Treasurer Adam King made a motion to increase dues by $10 for general and family memberships, and $25 for institutional subscriptions, to take effect in 2004. There will be no increase in student membership dues.
Paul Welch seconded the motion. In general discussion it noted that SEAC dues have been constant for over a decade, the last increase was in 1991, and at present are well below those of many comparable organizations. The increase would go a long way to balancing our annual budget. The motion passed unanimously.

Paul Welch made a motion to raise the life membership from $300 to $500 for regular life membership and from $300 to $550 for family life memberships, to take effect in 2004. Margie Scarry seconded the motion. In general discussion, the increase was deferred until 2004 to give people time to join at the lower rate. The motion passed unanimously.

Greg Waselkov presented a discussion about the Lifetime Achievement in Southeastern Archaeology award proposal, put together by himself, Ann Ezell, and David G. Anderson. He recommended three individuals serve on the nominations committee/award committee, and solicit nominations, which would be submitted to the board for approval. A plaque should be presented with the award. The existence of the award should be announced at this year’s business meeting, and details about the award, including the nominations process, should be posted on the SEAC web page. The nominations should be reviewed by the committee and brought to the full board for selection. Margie Scarry asked that the current committee continue with the process, which they agreed to do. President Jeffries and Greg Waselkov will make an announcement about the award at the meeting. The nominating committee will report back to the membership at the March meeting. A motion was made by Ann Early to institute a Lifetime Achievement in Southeastern Archaeology award, to be established by SEAC, and to begin work to make the first award next year. The motion was seconded by Paul E. Welch, and approved unanimously by the board.

A brief discussion was made about where to relocate the SEAC web site. The University of Arkansas/Arkansas Archeological Survey has hosted the site since its inception, but a new location and assistance is needed. The board will look into this.

Secretary Anderson made the motion that ballots for SEAC Executive board elections be mailed out separately, using first class postage, at least one month (and ideally two months) before the annual meeting. Paul Welch seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously by the board.

Agenda items for the annual business meeting were briefly discussed. Hearing no further new business, a motion to adjourn was made by David Anderson and seconded by Paul Welch. President Dick Jeffries adjourned the meeting at 8:40 PM.

MINUTES OF THE 2002 SOUTHEASTERN ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE BUSINESS MEETING

After welcoming everyone to the 59th Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference, President Richard W. Jeffries called the annual business meeting to order at 6:10 pm, 8 November 2002, in the Magnolia Room of the Beau Rivage Hotel, Biloxi, Mississippi. Dick started off by noting that, since this year the officers were sitting on a very high platform elevated well above the audience, that "Last year we didn't have a round to stand on, and this year we have Monk's Mound!!" (at last year's annual business meeting, the officers' table and podium were placed directly on the floor, prompting Dick to comment that "here I was elected to lead this organization, and they took away the platform mound... I guess they must have known I do the Archaeology"). Dick then asked John O'Hear, one of the meeting organizers, to introduce a dignitary from Biloxi to welcome the group to the city, a tradition at recent SEAC meetings. John came to the podium and stated "we didn't line one up" which prompted a great round of applause and laughter. John
welcomed everyone to Biloxi and to Mississippi, again to great applause.

Report of Officers

President Jeffries then turned to the reports of officers. David G. Anderson gave the Secretary's report. He noted that the minutes of the Executive Board's mid-year meeting held on March 21, 2002 in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Society for American Archaeology in Denver were published in the Fall 2002 issue of the Newsletter, mailed out the first week in October. While asking for any corrections or additions, Anderson first noted he had corrected in these minutes an earlier mistake in misnaming Robbie Benson, rather than Robbie Ethington, as the author of the resolution honoring Charles M. Hudson at the Fall 2001 meeting. While noting "I probably had too much of Robbie Benson's home-brewed beer when I wrote this down" (who had, indeed, hosted an informal "Great Spirits" event after the business meeting, which I had attended), this was the first chance to apologize publicly to Robbie Ethington. There were no additions or corrections. It should be noted that minutes are routinely emailed to the board and any other interested and requesting parties well in advance of publication, if anyone would like to see them. Anderson then presented the results of the elections. Since he was again digging at Mount A at Shiloh, the ballots were prepared by John Scarry, who also chaired the nominating committee. A total of 116 ballots were received through Friday, November 8, 2002, well below the average of about 200 in recent years (another five came in after the meeting, but did not effect the results). The ballots were counted by Emily Yates and David Anderson. No irregular ballots were received, but since they were once again counted in Tallahassee, Florida, Anderson noted (to appreciate laughter, including someone yelling "what about the chads") that they were available here for inspection. While the SEAC Newsletter with the ballot was mailed out well before the meeting, some people did not get their ballots, or received them the week before the meeting. As a result, the Executive Board voted to mail out all future ballots via first class mail at least two months before the meeting. The results of the election were as follows. Is the race for President Elect, John O'Hear prevailed over Randy Daniel. In the race for Secretary Elect, Claudine Payne prevailed over Keith Stephenson. In the race for Executive Officer II, Gayle Fritz prevailed over Maureen Meyers and David Moore. On behalf of SEAC, a round of applause was given to all the candidates for being willing to serve. President Jeffries then introduced Adam King, who presented the treasurer's report, which is published in full elsewhere in this Newsletter. Adam notes that, just as in the previous years, which he felt should be called the "Scarry" years (this drew appreciative laughter, since John Scarry was treasurer before Adam), SEAC's financial health remains strong, Adam did note that the past year had not been without its challenges, both in terms of a minor membership drop, and expenditures outstripping income by about $2,400. Each of the past two years the organization has lost about $2,400, due primarily to increased publication costs. Next years budget, for 2003, has a projected deficit of ca. $9,000, primarily because of the cost of a special issue, and new copy editing costs. SEAC is starting to lose money, which is not a good thing for the long-term health of the organization. It is clear that the organization has to do something about the continuing loss of money, even if the unusual special issue costs do not recur every year. Membership is down by 41 members this year, from 1019 in 2001 to 978 at present, with a decrease across all categories, with the result being ca. $1,095 in lost revenue. We all need to renew, and ask our colleagues and students to renew, and Adam said he would be glad to send out a nice gift card (to laugh). Because of this, the Executive Board has decided to raise dues, which Adam asked us "not to think of this as an increase in dues, but rather a releasing of the artificial suppression of dues we have maintained over the past several years" (laughter). Dues will be raised by $10 for regular and family memberships. They will not be raised for student membership, which is a bargain (and, as Adam noted "of the cost of the latest CD by the Insane Clown Posse") to the great laughter). Institutional memberships will go up by $25, and life memberships will increase from $300 to $500 for individuals, and from $350 to $550 for family life memberships. These increases will not go into effect until 2004. President Jeffries noted, "Now is a good time to buy the life membership."]

President Jeffries called Paul Welch to present the report of the Investment and Finance Committee, as part of the treasurer's report. Paul noted that it was another bad year in the stock market. The Life Fund has declined roughly $2500 over the past year, and now stands at $57,310. This is still ahead of where we were four years ago, and since starting investing in the stock market six years ago, the Life Fund is $70,000 ahead of where it would be had the funds stayed where they were at the time. On the subject of the increase in life membership, Paul noted that the present cost of Life Membership, $300, or 12 times the current regular membership rate of $25, is "wildly cheap" compared to many other organizations, and even with the increase to $500 the cost is still only a multiple of about 14.3 times the new rate of $35/year. He further contended that the higher life membership rate still will be "remarkably cheap compared to other organizations." (applause).
Greg Waseklow presented the Editor's report, which is published in full elsewhere in this Newsletter. Greg noted that issue number one was mailed in July, and that Special Publication Number 7 was in the mail now. Greg's final issue is progressing and should be out in January. A lot of manuscripts are now coming in, a turnaround from years past, which bodes very well for the future of the journal. Greg has been coordinating the transition with editor-elect Lynne Sullivan, who will take over with the first issue in 2003. Greg wanted to thank all the members of SEAC for the opportunity and privilege to serve the society in this way, and to also thank all the authors and some 100 members who participated in the peer review process. Greg also thanked the associate editors, including Jane Eastman for doing such a great job with the Newsletter, Eugene Futato for back issue sales and storage, and Kris Grelaklion for serving as Review Editor. Kris will be stepping down with Greg, and Lynne will appoint a new review editor. Greg particularly thanked Sarah Mattick, graphics specialist at the Center for Archaeological Studies, University of South Alabama, for her help with the journal production. All of the journal layout has been done in-house, quite a task; Greg then turned over to Lynne Sullivan the SES editor's symbol of office, an Ajax automatic numberer, which produces mysterious numbers, for reasons known only to the ancient ones (great applause). Lynne Sullivan said it would "reside in a place of honor in my office." Lynne wanted to thank Eugene Futato and Jane Eastman for agreeing to stay on, and Renee Walker for agreeing to serve as Review Editor. President Jeffries thanked Greg, and led the membership in a round of applause.

Committee Reports

President Jeffries then called for committee reports. John O'Hear, the committee chair, presented the report of the Native American Liaison Committee, noting that the Eastern Cherokee oral history/interview project was on track under the direction of Anne Rogers. Margie and John are in the process of reconstituting the committee, and refocusing the committee to more than the interview process.

Chair of the Student Affairs Committee Jane Anne Blakney-Bailey noted that the committee hosted three different activities, the student reception Wednesday night, the panel Thursday afternoon on "Ethnicity and Identity in the Archaeological Record" with discussants John Scarry and Pat Galloway, followed by a workshop on CRM, with five different professionals giving their perspectives on working in CRM. The committee will meet after the business meeting to plan next year's activity. Everyone should check out the student web site to see new developments. A student list-serve was set up on the web page, and a page on student projects was added. The grants page will be expanded, and the committee would like more local grants to be included. Student affairs committee members include Jane Anne Blakney-Bailey (U. of Florida), Brad Lieb (U. of Alabama), and Victor Thompson (U. of Kentucky). Next year in Charlotte, we will announce the new student committee members; students interested in being on the committee should contact Jane Anne Blakney-Bailey. President Jeffries thanked the committee for their excellent work.

Ann Earley presented the report of the Public Outreach Committee. Notices about the Public Outreach Grant Competition were widely circulated in hardcopy and to numerous list-servers this past summer, but no proposals were received, even though $1000 is set aside for this purpose. In light of this, and the low number of requests last year, the committee recommends that the funds be made available as a grant in aid to the people hosting the annual meeting to subvent some kind of public event, such as a workshop, public lecture, teachers workshop, etc. with the goal of involving members of the public in the meeting, to help promote archaeology in the Southeast, which is the intent of the grant.

President Jeffries called on John O'Hear to present their report on the annual meeting. John noted he was only part of the team, and that Jay R. Johnson and Robbie Edridge had done extensive work, as had Kathy Elliot of the Cobb Institute who handled registration. As of Friday afternoon, registration was 515, down a bit from last year, likely because the venue was on the margin of the region. The number of papers and posters, over 200, however, is about the same as in previous years. Since other SEAC officers had symbols, such as the Treasurer's money tie, and the Editor's Ajax stampers, John proposed that program chairs should have a token, which he recommended be one of the six laser pointers SEAC had purchased, to avoid hotel rental charges. John noted he could now unfortunately only account for three of the nicely labeled laser pointers (to great laughter), but that pointer "SEAC No. 5" was being turned over to the Charlotte organizers. President Jeffries led the organization in a round of applause for the work John, Jay, and Robbie have done.

Alan May invited people to the upcoming Charlotte meetings on behalf of himself, Janet Levy, and Anne Tippet, to enjoy the hospitality of the Carolinas, with barbecue, NASCAR, and museums, among other attractions.

President Jeffries announced that the 2004 meeting will be held jointly with the Midwest Archaeological Conference in St. Louis, and that discussions with the Midwest organization were well underway, with specific...
details to be announced shortly. As for 206, as Dick noted, we have a couple of nibbles, but too hook in the mouth yet. He urged people and organizations to consider hosting the meeting.

Awards
C. B. Moore Award. Ian Brown was invited to the podium by President Richard Jeffries to present the 2002 C. B. Moore award on behalf of the Lower Mississippi Survey. In displaying the award, which he had received from last year's awardee, Becky Saunders, Ian noted that it had obtained various nick and scratches, reflecting its long history of passing from recipient to recipient, each of whom have it for a year. He noted that Rebecca Saunders had it most recently, and that there was a screw loose on the award since last year, which he suggested (to great laughter) should be noted as Becky's contribution to the award's prestige, which like a potatch gift, grows from year to year. Ian read the following proclamation: "The C. B. Moore award was started about 15 years ago by Dr. Stephen Williams, Director Emeritus of the Lower Mississippi Survey. The symbol of the award is a plaster cast replica of the famous Moanidale feline pipe, which you see before you. This award is offered each year to honor a young scholar in his or her first decade of research relating to the archaeology of the southeastern United States. Past recipients of this award include David Andersan, Randy Daniel, Penelope Drooker, Gayle Fritz, John House, Crickit Kelly, Timothy R. Paulkeat, Ken Sassaman, Rebecca Saunders, Joe Saunders, Marvin T. Smith, and John Worth. Each year in the months prior to SEAC past recipients and Associates of the Lower Mississippi Survey nominate individuals for this award and eventually cast their votes. It gives me great pleasure to announce that this year's C. B. Moore Award goes to Dr. Jane M. Eastman (extended applause). Jane is assistant professor of anthropology at Western Carolina University. Jane received her Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1999, with a dissertation entitled "The Sara and Dan River Peoples: Siouan Communities in North Carolina's Interior Piedmont from A.D. 1000 to A.D. 1700." This work combines ceramic, mortuary, and settlement evidence to construct a synthesis of the late prehistoric and early historic cultures of the North Carolina-Virginia border region. A major contribution to both Southeastern and Middle Atlantic archaeology. Jane's research contributions, however, go far beyond this dissertation. She has been a regular contributor to the literature on North Carolina and Virginia archaeology, beginning with the publication of her undergraduate thesis in 1985. Since that time, she has produced many important articles, books and books including the "North Carolina Radiocarbon Date Study" in 1994; a series of seven monographs co-authored with Steve Davis and Tom Mehler on the late Richard Gravelly's excavations in southern Virginia in 1997 and 1998; an important volume, co-edited with Chris Rodning, on "Archaeological Studies of Gender in the Southeastern United States," which was published by the University Press of Florida in 2001; and, most recently, another volume co-edited with Chris Rodning and Tony Boudreaux called "The Archaeology of Native North Carolina," which is just out as SEAC Special Publication 7.

In addition to being an active researcher, Jane has also been an exemplary citizen of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference, currently serving as editor of the SEAC Newsletter. Jane, for your distinguished record of accomplishment as a young scholar, and your great promise in the future, I am proud to present you with the 2002 C. B. Moore Award. And take care of the cat! President Jeffries offered his congratulations, while noting "Don't drop it!"

President Jeffries invited Paul Welsh to the podium to announce the winner of the 2002 SEAC Student Paper Competition. Paul started by acknowledging the other two judges, Mary Beth Trubitt and Ken Sassaman. But before noting who won, Paul introduced Maggie Scarry, who acknowledged the individuals and institutions that contributed to the award. This is the 11th year the prize has been offered, and it is regarded as a truly remarkable award. This year, the prize includes a Tamara Bearre pot, and 264 volumes with an estimated value of $4000. The following people and organizations are to be thanked for making it such an impressive honor: the University of Alabama Office of Archaeological Services, The University of Alabama Press, APVA/Jamestown Rediscovery, Arkansas Archeological Survey, Tamara Bearre, Caddoan Archaeology, Central Mississippi Valley Archaeological Research Institute, Coastal Environments, Inc., Cobb Institute of Archaeology, Larry Cernad/Ancient Society Books, Elliot Werner Publications, Florida Bureau of Archaeological Research, Florida Museum of Natural History, University of Florida Institute of Paleoenvironmental Studies, University Press of Florida, the University of Georgia Department of Anthropology, Society for Georgia Archaeology, Robert Heath, Kentucky Archeological Survey, Kentucky Heritage Council, University of Kentucky Program of Archaeological Research, University of Kentucky W. S. Webb Museum of Anthropology, Jim Lee, Louisiana Archaeological Society, Louisiana Division of Archeology, Louisiana State University Museum of Natural Science, McClung Museum University of Tennessee, Mississippi Division

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of Archives and History, Phyllis and Dan Morse/Morse Books, University of Nebraska Press, North Carolina Archaeological Council, Research Laboratories of Archaeology at the University of North Carolina, Michael J. O'Brien, the Ohio Historical Council, Oklahoma Archaeological Survey, Peabody Museum, Smithsonian Institution, Society of Head Researchers, University of South Alabama, Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Southeast Archeological Center National Park Service, University of Tennessee Press, Tennessee Valley Authority, and Virginia Department of Historic Resources. Maggie thanked Judy Knight for contacting the various presses and coordinating the collection of books, and led the membership in a round of applause for all the contributors.

Paul Welch then announced the results of the judging. This year 12 papers submitted and were listed in the meeting program. Paul noted that there were a number of papers presented by students that were not entered, and observed: "Remember, you can't win unless you play....but I probably shouldn't have said that in a casino" (laughter). This year's winner is Jennifer Myers, a PhD student at the University of Alabama, for her paper entitled "Among the Fields, Mississippian Settlement Patterns in the Black Warrior Valley Alabama" (extended applause). Paul noted that she carried on like a trooper, in spite of considerable technical difficulties with the projector during her presentation. The judges' comments were "Myers paper is a thorough, well organized analysis of original data. It focuses on an interesting general issue, and it draws appropriate conclusions...Congratulations" (extended applause).

Resolutions

Gayle Fritz presented the following resolution, written by Gail Wagner: The members of this Conference mourn the passing of Leonard W. Blake on August 19, 2002. Born in St. Louis in 1903, Leonard became interested in avocational archaeology in 1935, after finding artifacts along the Gasconade River in Missouri. In 1956 he began working with Hugh Cutler at the Missouri Botanical Garden on archaeological plant remains. Following his retirement in 1965 as an investment securities analyst, he devoted the remaining 37 years of his life to the archaeology and paleoethnobotany of the Midwest and Southeast. Although never professionally trained in either field, he leaves behind an impressive legacy of 28 individually authored articles, 48 co-authored articles, 3 co-authored books or bound volumes, one book review, and two obituaries published over the 60-year period between 1942-2001. He was, or is soon to be, the subject of two festschriffts, one dedicated volume in The Missouri Archeologist, and one in Illinois Archaeology. He was the recipient of many honors, including an honorary doctor of science degree from Washington University, St. Louis; the SAA's second-ever Crabtree Award for avocational archaeology; and various awards from societies in Missouri and Illinois. His efforts had a great impact on the archaeology of the 1940s-1960s in Missouri and Illinois. In us "young" folk today, he bea known for his collaboration with Cutler and the many botanical analyses they performed. Following Cutler's retirement in 1977, at the urging of Patty In Watson, Leonard continued as a research associate at Washington University, where he remained active until completion of his 2001 University of Alabama Press book, Plants from the Past. Leonard enjoyed nothing more than spending time with his many friends of all ages. While his body grew frail, his mind remained acute to the end, displaying a clear and witty grasp of historic events. Married to Elizabeth McDonald from 1941 until her death in 1976, he is survived by son John O. Blake, daughter Helen Kula, two grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. He touched many lives and will be sorely missed by all who knew him.

Betsey Sheldon presented the following resolution: Whereas David William Chase devoted more than 60 years to archaeology, conducting research in Europe, Asia, the southeastern US, and wherever he was stationed during his military career; And whereas he was a pioneering archeologist in central Alabama and the Chattahoochee River valley, defining many important cultural phases and ceramic types; And whereas he implemented outreach programs to teach the value of archaeology and to encourage young people to become professional archaeologists; And whereas he made provisions for his personal papers, records and collections to be curated at Auburn University at Montgomery and the State University of West Georgia for use by future researchers; Be it resolved that the Southeastern Archaeological Conference recognizes the enduring contributions of its long time member, Dave Chase, to southeastern archaeology.

Stephen Williams presented the following tribute Gordon Randolph Willey died in early April of this year. Despite my current residence in New Mexico I just chanced to be in Cambridge in February, and had lunch with Gordon twice at the Harvard Faculty Club, where he often ate many times a week over the more than 50 years he resided at Harvard. Gordon was born in Iowa, but grew up on the west coast at Long Beach. Despite a rather proper demeanor, he was, as a young college student at the University of Arizona, a first rate sprinter, and once raced Jesse Owens, the future Olympic champion Owens won. But in other areas, few people bested Gordon. His career at Harvard as the Bowdich
Professor was outstanding. He worked in Georgia, Florida, Peru, and lastly in the areas of Mayan research. He led ground breaking research projects in all these places, including writing a major Florida synthesis, on the Vida Valley, on settlement studies, and of major Mayan sites. He was not in love with fieldwork, but knew he had to do it. His interests and publications were broad and numerous. He made good use of his time and turned out a large number of students in his field. He taught regularly at Harvard, even doing, at the beginning of his career, some very good undergraduate courses. He adjured administrative posts, and was happiest when doing research. He was, as I can personally attest, a generous colleague who helped me in many ways from the day I arrived at the Peabody in January of 1954 (he arrived there some three years earlier). I remain very grateful for his concerns for my career. He had a very happy home life with his wife and two daughters. He was close to Philip Phillips, of course, at least joint volume on Method and Theory in American Archaeology attests. He will be missed.

Adam King presented the following resolution: Whereas Dorothy Ann Humpf passed away November 1st of this year, and whereas Dorothy was a long time member of SEAC, and whereas her Bioarchaeological study of the Coosa paramount chiefdom will continue to enhance our understanding of sixteenth-century paramounties, let it be resolved that SEAC has lost a fine archaeologist, dedicated teacher, and beautiful soul.

John Scarry presented the following resolution: Whereas Ann Early has served SEAC for many years, clearly having started at a very early age, most recently in the office of Executive Officer, now be it resolved that the members of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference express their gratitude to Ann for her hard work and dedication to making our organization what it is today. Thank you Ann (extended applause).

Lynne Sullivan presented the following resolution: Whereas during his term as editor, Greg Wesellos has brought new color to Southeastern Archaeology; has diligently dotted our cross is our, and clarified our fuzzy ideas; has overseen the creation of a new special publication; and has otherwise suffered mightily but graciously, so that we might publish; be it hereby resolved that Greg Wesellos be publicly praised and thanked for his service to the Southeastern Archaeological Conference (extended applause).

Paul Welch made the following resolution: Whereas Richard Jeffries has for the past two years conscientiously served SEAC as its president, dealing with the increasingly complex business of our organization, answering innumerable emails, signing contracts, running the annual business meetings, and presiding over the lengthy (drawn out emphasis on "lengthy," with appreciable audience laughter) Executive Committee meetings—a task not unlike herding cats. SEAC expresses its gratitude to Dick. Although whereas he suggested that I present this resolution in the form "He's done, good riddance," instead, be it resolved that we say, "He's done, Good job!" (extended applause).

Marvin Seter made the following resolution, celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Pecos Conference, Whereas the Pecos Conference, the annual regional meeting of Southwestern archaeologists, is the grandparent of all American regional archaeological meetings, founded by the late A. V. Kidder (T. R.'s grandfather) in 1927; and Whereas the late James A. Ford, a founding father of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference, worked in the Southwest in the summer of 1937, and probably attended the Pecos Conference in September of that year (O'Brien and Lyman 1996:108), and Ford's Southwestern experiences influenced him and the late James B. Griffin in setting up the SEAC organizational meeting in Ann Arbor, Michigan in May 1938 (O'Brien and Lyman 1998:108-118; cf. Griffin 1976:26); and Ford definitely attended the 1938 Pecos Conference (O'Brien and Lyman 1998:122), shortly before the first actual southeastern meeting of SEAC, in Birmingham, Alabama in November 1938 (Griffin 1976:26); and Whereas the Pecos Conference celebrated its 75th anniversary three months ago, on August 8, 9, and 10, 2002 at a reception in Sainte Fe and during the meeting itself, back at Pecos National Monument, New Mexico (with southwestern-connected SEAC members Steve Williams, Larry Conrad, Charles McNutt, and myself in attendance); therefore let it be resolved that we of SEAC, the Southeastern Archaeological Conference, extend our warmest congratulations to the Pecos Conference as an enduring and productive institution, and to our Southwestern colleagues who have kept its traditions alive and prospering. We extend our best wishes for their continued successes, beginning at the 2003 meeting at the site of Paquime (or Casa Grande) in Chihuahua, Mexico, and beyond (extended applause).

References Cited


President Jeffries then announced the drawing for the Radiocarbon Date Raffle. He called John O'Hear, who thanked Beta Analytic, Inc. for donating either a conventional or AMS date to the winner, with the proceeds to support the Student Affairs Committee. Last year's student chair, Dawn Ramsey, was asked to draw the winning ticket from the box (Ken Sassaman could be heard saying "Pull these sleeves up, Dawn" which generated great laughter). John O'Hear said "This has got to be a set up... the winner is Paul Welch!" Paul accepted, to extended applause. Dick Jeffries then brought the house down by saying "Paul, now you've got a date for the dance!"

President Jeffries noted that there was one other item of new business, the establishment of a Lifetime Achievement Award, explored by a committee chaired by Greg Waelkow, and including David Anderson and Ann Early President Jeffries called Greg to the podium to discuss the award. Greg noted that the committee recommended the establishment of an award, which was discussed at the Executive Board meeting. Details about the award will be posted on the SEAC website and in the Newsletter. Essentially, we envision this award is to recognize senior archaeologists who have made exceptional contributions to archaeology in the Southeast, through a lifetime of scholarly research or other substantial long-term accomplishments. There will be a spring deadline, so at the spring Board meeting the Board can vote and pick a winner and announce it afterward. it will not be a secret who the winner is. We do want to get the process going. President Jeffries noted that, while we are not sure how yet, the winner would be acknowledged in an appropriate way.

President Jeffries announced that the dance would be from 9:00 PM - 1:00 AM. John O'Hear announced that the schooner trip would be leaving from berth behind the Isle of Capri Casino at 2:00 pm Saturday.

Ken Sassaman, as Chair of the 2003 annual meeting of the SAAS in Milwaukee, wanted to invite everyone to the meetings, where there would be a lot of great activities, including a session on the contributions of Gordon R. Willey.

In response to a question from the floor, Alan May noted that the dates of the Charlotte meeting will be November 12-15th, 2003.

President Jeffries, in the last 30 seconds of his presidency, wanted to thank the Executive Board for all their help, and to "thank everyone out there for probably what is the best honor I have ever had in archaeology. I'm glad I got to do it." He then adjourned the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
David G. Anderson, SEAC Secretary

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SEAC Editor's Report
Gregory A. Waelkow, SEAC Editor

The first issue of the journal Southeastern Archaeology (Volume 21, Number 1) for 2002 reached the membership in July 2002. Special Publication 7, edited by Jane M. Eastman, Christopher B. Rodning, and Edmond A. Boudreaux III, has been printed and is currently being distributed to the membership. My final journal issue (Volume 21, Number 2) as SEAC editor is progressing well and should reach the membership in January 2003.

The editorial office continues to receive a steady flow of manuscripts, totaling 38 so far this year, a very healthy rate of submission that bodes well for the journal's immediate future. SEAC Editor-elect Lynne Sullivan and I have been coordinating the transfer of responsibilities to her early in 2003.

I thank the members of SEAC for the opportunity and privilege of serving as editor for the last three years. In particular, the willingness of authors and reviewers to participate in the process of journal creation is most appreciated. I'm also grateful to associate editors Jane Eastman, Eugene Putato, and Kristen Gremillion for their own substantial contributions to SEAC, and to Sarah Maticas who helped solve many seemingly insolvable graphics problems that arose during journal production.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gregory A. Waelkow, SEAC Editor

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Treasurer's Report for Fiscal Year 2002
Adam King, SEAC Treasurer

I am happy to report that SEAC is in sound financial health: although our finances have not been unaffected by the larger downturn in the economy. As of the end of fiscal year 2002 we had $148,860.88 in total financial assets. Of that total, $59,582.47 is in liquid assets ($53,793.2 Working Fund WCMA account, $5,050.34 Life Fund Money Market Account, $5,754.01 associate editor for sales' account) and $89,278.41 is in long-term investments ($37,000 in certificates of deposits, $52,278.41 various Life Fund accounts). Over the course of the year, our total financial assets decreased by $4359.30, as expenditures grew on the Working Fund and the ups and downs of the markets derailed the Life Fund accounts.

We had a total income of $36221.92 in the Working Fund (see Table 1). $23445.00 was contributed by dues, $456.16 by interest on CDs, $1128.65 in dividends paid on the WCMA account, $1004 in publication sales, $71.35 in royalties, and $10,116.76 from the Chattanooga meeting profits.
Table 1. Fiscal Year 2002 Accounting

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EXPENSES

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Overall, our income exceeded expenses by $635.46. However, that profit does not account for the expenses of the layout and printing of Southeastern Archaeology. Special Publication 7 ($293.13) or the printing and mailing costs for Volume 41, Number 2 of the Newsletter ($234.72). Both were 2002 publications, but because of invoice dates the expenditures will be taken from the fiscal year 2003 budget. Had those costs been included in fiscal year 2002 expenses, SEAC would have lost $10,004.39. The vast majority of those expenses funded the printing of a special issue of Southeastern Archaeology.

In fiscal year 2001, publications cost $17.60 per member. Those costs rose markedly in fiscal year 2002 to $30.18 per member (if all of the costs for producing the publications are included). Even without the special issue, publication costs were up to $22.36 per member. This year the Executive Board approved the expenditure of an additional $1500 for each issue of Southeastern Archaeology to pay for professional copyediting. Assuming that a special publication is not produced in fiscal year 2003, publication costs will rise to $25.34 per member. While there can be no question that our publications are first rate and one of our most important benefits of membership, rising production costs are putting a strain on SEAC finances.

At the end of the fiscal year, the Life Fund held $57,313.75, which is down from the $59,821.41 we had at the end of FY01. Account balances and allocations are shown in Table 2.

Table 2. Life Fund Allocations and Balances

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<td>5,893.02</td>
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<td>Small Cap Index</td>
<td>6,746.39</td>
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<td>Health Care</td>
<td>6,084.72</td>
<td>11.6</td>
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<td>2,823.73</td>
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<td>Prime Money Market</td>
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<td>Ending Balance</td>
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SEAC had a total of 981 memberships in 2002. This represents a drop of 38 members from 2001 and is the lowest membership level since 1997. The increase in life memberships (which offer greater value for the dollar) coupled with the decrease in all other categories suggests that the downturn in membership may be linked to the downturn in our economy. We will need to make a concerted effort to bring those members back next year.
Turning to the budget for fiscal year 2003 (Table 4), based on current dues and other income and the production of two journals and two newsletters, plus the expenses from Special Publication 7 and Volume 44, Number 2 of the Newsletter, it is projected that SEAC will lose $14,644.69. Even if the costs of the special publication did not have to be paid in 2003, we would still lose $4024.84. Clearly, our membership numbers and overall income structure are not keeping pace with the increasing costs of our very worthwhile publications.

### Table 4. Projected Fiscal Year 2003 Budget

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<td><strong>TOTAL INCOME</strong></td>
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Two years of financial losses and the prospect of another shortfall in 2003 has left the Executive Board with little choice but to raise dues. The proposed increase will be $10 across all membership categories except students, which will still cost $15 per year. At the current membership level, this dues increase will bring in $450.00 in additional revenue. The increase will take effect in fiscal year 2004.

Respectfully Submitted,
Adam King
SEAC Treasurer

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### Newsletter Editor’s Note

(submitted by Jane M. Eastman, Newsletters editor)

Because of the number of reports and announcements in this newsletter, I decided not to include Current Research in this issue of the Newsletter. The submissions I received will be included in the fall newsletter, so look for lots of news on current research in October.

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