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Rick Kendall Named Superintendent of Saint-Gaudens

Rick Kendall has been selected as the superintendent of Saint-Gaudens NHS, Cornish, New Hampshire. He holds a B.A. in archeology from the University of Georgia and a M.A. in archeology from the University of Arizona. Kendall began his career in the backcountry office at Olympic NP. Since then, his career as an interpreter and manager has taken him to Lake Roosevelt NRA as the education specialist, to Death Valley NP as supervisory park ranger, and to the USS Arizona Memorial as acting chief of interpretation.

Kendall is currently completing the NPS Bevinetto Congressional Fellowship. As part of this fellowship, he spent 2008 working as a member of the legislative staff on the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Natural Resources. This year, he has served as the liaison between the Director and the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, working on national issues for the NPS and the DOI.

NPS Announces Winners of the 2008 Appleman-Judd-Lewis Awards

The NPS has announced the winners of the 2008 Appleman-Judd-Lewis Awards. This prestigious award recognizes exceptional contributions of NPS employees to the preservation and management of cultural resources. These individuals represent the very best in park cultural resource management. The 2008 awardees are:

Superintendent

H. Thomas McGrath, Jr., Superintendent, Historic Preservation Training Center, Frederick, MD. Since 1989, McGrath has overseen the center's growth into an independent Learning and Development Center that offers maintenance skills training, construction safety training and development, project management, and technical advice on preservation techniques and maintenance. Under his leadership, the center's work in preserving historic structures has included barns, cabins, lighthouses, canals, ships, fortifications, and historic houses. The high standard to which he has held himself and his staff has ensured that these cherished cultural resources will last well into the future.

Cultural Resource Management Specialist

Jeanne Schaaf, Chief of Cultural Resources, Lake Clark NP&P, Katmai NP&P, Aniakchak NP&P, and Alagnak Wild River, AK. Schaaf manages a cultural resources program encompassing 8 million extremely remote, but culturally rich acres. She has balanced and directed a multitude of projects to document, understand, and, ultimately, communicate to the American people, local history, ethnography, and archeology. Her four-year salvage excavation of threatened Mink Island in Katmai produced new information about prehistoric coastal ecosystems and resource utilization. She demonstrated that fully developed maritime cultures with ocean-going boats were established in Alaska more than 8,000 years ago.

Maintenance Specialist

Robert Fox, Facility Manager, Weir Farm NHS, CT. Fox has been the Facility Manager at Weir Farm since its inception in 1990, and for the past 19 years has assumed duties far beyond those of the typical facility manager. With limited resources, he laid the framework for the development of projects that stabilize, preserve, and make accessible many of the park's structures and cultural landscapes. Due in large part to Fox's dedication, Weir Farm is a fully operational park with excellent interpretive, educational, and partnership programs.

Each recipient receives an engraved crystal plaque and a \$2,500 cash award. The awardees will present their award-winning accomplishments during a December 11, 2009, ceremony. They will be honored again at the 2011 George Wright Society Biannual Conference March 14-18, 2011.

PAST Gives Award to Retired NPS Archeologist

The PAST Foundation has honored Douglas D. Scott with the organization's Innovation Award. Teresa L. Liston, retired board of trustees president, and Annalies Corbin, PAST's executive director, bestowed the award recognizing Scott's lifetime of innovative leadership in partnering archeology with science and technology.

Scott served as a PAST Foundation trustee for ten years, helping establish PAST worldwide in fields of innovative educational programs and research. Between 2001 and 2007, he led PAST as the board president, mentoring the foundation through the early years of development and expansion. In 2006, Scott and Melissa Connors piloted the bridge program, forensics in the classroom (FITC), and the adult summer field school, for forensic archaeology, founding the first programs of this kind in the U.S.

Scott, who currently teaches at University of Nebraska in the Department of Anthropology and Geography and with the Forensic Science Program at Nebraska Wesleyan University, retired from the NPS in 2006. He is one of the preeminent experts in battlefield archeology and firearms identification. In 2002, he was awarded the DOI Distinguished Service Award for his innovative research at Little Bighorn Battlefield NM. Scott also served as president of the Society of Historical Archaeology in 2006 – 2007.

The PAST Foundation is a non-profit educational and research team that builds partnerships around compelling scientific and educational projects, making them accessible to students and the public through transdisciplinary program-based learning, experiential field schools, documentary film, and interactive websites. For further information on PAST, visit their website (<http://www.pastfoundation.org/>).

Archeology E-Gram Launches New E-Gram Feature

Have you finished an archeological report and want to spread the news? The Archeology E-Gram is a great way to let your colleagues know about new peer-reviewed publications. The E-Gram is distributed to four list serves, and archeologists inside and outside of Federal agencies. Send the title, year, authors' names, and an abstract of the report to dca@nps.gov and we will add it to the E-Gram under ***Federal Archeology Publications***.

Next month: *Footprints. In the Footprints of Squier and Davis: Archeological Fieldwork in Ross County, Ohio* by Mark Lynott. NPS Midwest Archeological Center Special Report Number 5, 2009.

NPS Solicits Data for Secretary's Report to Congress on the Federal Archeology Program

The NPS Archeology Program is currently soliciting information from Federal agencies with responsibility for archeological resources, either as a land managing agency, a development agency that provides funding for projects that affect land, or as an agency that issues licenses for activities that may affect archeological resources. The Departmental Consulting Archeologist uses these data to prepare the Secretary's Report to Congress on the Federal Archeology Program for the Secretary of Interior. The report is an important way to inform Congress and the American people about the accomplishments and challenges that Federal agencies face in caring for this national patrimony.

The Departmental Consulting Archeologist annually requests data submission from the Federal Preservation Officer and other personnel within each agency. Letters soliciting information about FY2009 activities were

sent in mid-October. An electronic online form for data submission has been assigned to each agency; the data solicitation letter contains the web address for the online form. Data may also be submitted via e-mail using forms available on the NPS Archeology Program web site at www.nps.gov/archeology/SRC/INDEX.HTM.

If you are responsible for responding to the annual survey for your agency and have not received a letter or a copy of the letter for your agency, please contact Karen Mudar, NPS Archeology Program (202-354-2103).

NPS develops Toolkit for NHPA Section 106 Nationwide Programmatic Agreement

A Nationwide Programmatic Agreement (PA) was signed on November 14, 2008, to provide coordination between the NPS, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers (NCSHPO), federally recognized Indian tribes, and Native Hawaiian organizations to implement NHPA Section 106. The NPS Archeology Program has assisted in developing online guidance for implementing the PA. The PA Toolkit provides park superintendents and cultural resource managers with guidance on applying the PA. This guidance is also useful to anyone involved in archeological Section 106 reviews in parks, including SHPOs, THPOs, and federally recognized American Indian tribes.

The PA Toolkit unpacks key aspects of requirements and provisions of the PA; links the PA with preservation law and NPS policy in the Section 106 process; provides a centralized location for professional guidance on implementation of the PA; and offers professional training in the PA for credit through DOI Learn. It consists of seven sections, plus a glossary and resources. Within each section, look for downloadable aids such as checklists or policy documents.

To use the PA Toolkit, go to <http://www.nps.gov/history/howto/PAToolkit/index.htm>

Receive Credit for Module 440 in DOI Learn

Students can now receive credit through DOI Learn for the four courses in NPS Module 440: *Effective Interpretation of Archeological Resources*. Module 440 encourages archeologists and interpreters to work together to interpret archeological resources to the public. The series includes *Archeology for Interpreters*, *Interpretation for Archeologists*, *Study Tour of Archeological Interpretation*, and *Assessment of Archeological Interpretation*. Topics include archeological methods, interpretive methods, cultural sensitivity, collaboration, and self-assessment of interpretive products.

To receive credit for each course, first register in DOI Learn. Next, review the course on the NPS Archeology Program website (www.nps.gov/archeology/sites/inspire/index.htm). Finally, return to DOI Learn to take a short assessment and receive a certificate.

For more information, contact Teresa Moyer, 202-354-2124.

Archeology Open House for Minute Man NHP 50th Anniversary

As part of the 50th anniversary celebration, in September Minute Man NHP opened the doors of ten of the park's historic homes, several of which are rarely open to the public. Interpreters in period dress were at several locations to relate the history of the houses and the lives of the families who lived there in 1775. Included in this special tour was the 1740 Job Brooks House. Brooks was a farmer and a carrier at the Brooks Tannery. A Federal-style colonial, the house is one of several owned by members of the Brooks family from this period that are still standing today. Currently, it functions as the park's repository for archeology collections.

NPS Curator Terrie Wallace spoke to visitors about the history of the structure and the park's careful restoration. NPS Curator Alicia Paresi Friedman talked about the artifacts which were recovered during archeological excavations beginning in 1963. The Job Brooks House received more than 700 visitors during the event. There was much excitement by the visitors and park staff at this rare opportunity to view the archeological collections.

To learn more about Minute Man NHP, go to www.nps.gov/mima/index.htm

NPS Offers Glass Bottle Workshop During Massachusetts Archeology Month

For Massachusetts Archeology Month 2009, the NPS Northeast Museum Services Center in conjunction with Minute Man NHP held a workshop in the Major John Buttrick House in the park in October. *Got Old Bottles?* focused on the identification and dating of historic bottles. NPS Curator Alicia Paresi Friedman gave a presentation on utilitarian bottles meant to be used (and perhaps recycled a few times) and quickly discarded, using examples from the Minute Man NHP's museum collection. Because these bottles were made for consumers, they are often found on historic-period archeological sites, flea markets, and bottle shows. Friedman, NPS Museum Specialists Jessica Costello and Teri DeYoung answered visitors' questions and discussed the bottles from the park collection. NPS Volunteer Erica Cutone assisted visitors. Attendees were encouraged to bring a bottle from their personal collection. NPS staff assisted in identifying, describing, and dating individual bottles and the products they may have contained.

For more information about historic glass bottles, go to www.blm.gov/historic_bottles/

DOS Announces New Web Site for the Cultural Heritage Center.

The Department of State Cultural Heritage Center has a new website! The Cultural Heritage Center supports the foreign affairs functions of the U.S. Department of State related to the protection and preservation of cultural heritage. It serves as a center of expertise on global cultural heritage protection issues. It administers U.S. responsibilities relating to the *1970 UNESCO Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property*. The Center also administers the U.S. Ambassadors Fund for Cultural Preservation, the Iraq Cultural Heritage Initiative, and special cultural heritage programs.

Learn more about these programs by going to <http://exchanges.state.gov/heritage/>

History Program Posts Archeology Reports

Four NPS archeology reports have recently been added to the NPS History Program web site. The NPS History Program now has almost 4,000 reports and articles on a variety of different topics posted on the web site.

http://www.nps.gov/history/history/online_books/alf/alibates_road_archeology.pdf
Archeological Investigations Along the Proposed Alibates Tour Road (pdf) (1989)

http://www.nps.gov/history/history/online_books/sapu/quarai_pueblo_excavation.pdf
The 1939-1940 Excavation Project at Quarai Pueblo and Mission Buildings, Salinas Pueblo Missions National Monument (pdf) (1990)

http://www.nps.gov/history/history/online_books/deva/california_archeology.pdf

Contributions to California Archeology: The Surface Archeology of Butte Valley, Death Valley National Monument National Park and Preserve (pdf) (1996)

http://www.nps.gov/history/history/online_books/katm/naknek_chronicle.pdf

A Naknek Chronicle: Ten Thousand Years in a Land of Lakes and Rivers and Mountains of Fire, Katmai National Park and Preserve (pdf) (2005)

Visit the NPS History Program website to find more archeology reports, at <http://www.nps.gov/history/>

National Preservation Institute Offers NHPA Section 106 Training

The NPI is offering NHPA Section 106 training on December 8-10, 2009, in Alexandria, VA. Learn the basics of project review under Section 106. This seminar emphasizes practicalities, such as how to avoid pitfalls and victimization through inaccurate information. Training will discuss recent changes in regulations and procedures, with an emphasis on coordination with the National Environmental Policy Act and other laws.

Instructor. Allyson Brooks, Ph.D., Washington State Historic Preservation Officer; formerly with Minnesota DOT, the South Dakota Preservation Office, and the U.S. Forest Service; specializing in transportation issues, tribal concerns.

The National Preservation Institute, a nonprofit organization founded in 1980, educates those involved in the management, preservation, and stewardship of our cultural heritage.

To register, go to www.npi.org/register.html.

For more information, contact Jere Gibber, Executive Director, National Preservation Institute; 703-765-09100.

SHA Offers NHPA Section 106 Training at 2010 Conference

The Society for Historical Archaeology is partnering with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) to offer two workshops on NHPA at a reduced cost at the 2010 SHA Conference. ACHP offers both fully accredited workshops in a one-day format on January 6, 2010, at the Amelia Island Inn and Plantation Conference Center.

Introduction to Section 106

This workshop introduces participants to NHPA Section 106 and its review requirements for Federal project planning. The course provides an overview of the process while emphasizing key terms and concepts. A combination of small group activities and lectures acquaint those new to Section 106 with the fundamentals to understand when Section 106 applies, who participates, what information is required, and how reviews are concluded.

Workshop Leader: John Eddins

Cost: \$200 for SHA members; \$250 for non-members (regular rate for this course is \$295)

Advanced Section 106 Seminar

This workshop focuses on the effective management of complex or controversial undertakings that require compliance with NHPA Section 106. Taught in a smaller, interactive setting, this seminar encourages group discussion and problem solving. Designed for experienced Section 106 users, the seminar focuses on the challenges of seeking consensus and solving adverse effects to historic properties.

Workshop Leader: Tom McCulloch

Cost: \$325 for SHA members; \$375 for non-members (regular rate for this course is \$450)

For more information, go to SHA website: www.sha.org

Projects in Parks: The NPS LOOT Clearinghouse

The Listing of Outlaw Treachery (LOOT) Clearinghouse consists on information about adjudicated legal cases concerning the theft, trafficking, destruction, or defacement of cultural resources on public lands. LOOT came about in 1986 as an initiative to improve implementation of the, then, recently passed Archaeological Resources Protection Act (ARPA). The NPS has maintained the clearinghouse for the past 20 years. To our knowledge, this is the only ongoing effort to collect information specifically on these types of legal cases.

Archeology E-Gram, distributed via e-mail on a regular basis, includes announcements about news, new publications, training opportunities, national and regional meetings, and other important goings-on related to public archeology in the National Park Service and other public agencies. Recipients are encouraged to forward *Archeology E-Grams* to colleagues and relevant mailing lists. The *Archeology E-Gram* is available on the *News and Links* page www.nps.gov/archeology/public/news.htm on the Archeology Program web site.

Projects in Parks is a feature of the *Archeology E-Gram* that informs others about archeology-related projects in national parks. Prospective authors should review information about submitting photographs on the *Projects in Parks* web page on InsideNPS. The full reports are available on the *Research in the Parks* web page <http://www.nps.gov/archeology/sites/npsites.htm> or through individual issues of the *Archeology E-Gram*.

Contact: dca@nps.gov to contribute news items, stories for *Projects in Parks*, submit citations and a brief abstract for your peer-reviewed publications, and to subscribe.