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NPS Archeologist William Hunt Retires
William Hunt will retire after 28 years at the Midwestern Archeological Center (MWAC). Bill began his NPS career as a student temporary Archeological Technician. Former MWAC Chief Cal Calabrese hired him in 1982 to prepare reports on artifacts recovered during 1968-1972 excavations at Fort Union Trading Post NHS, which led to the completion of his dissertation. Before coming to MWAC, Bill worked for the University of Nebraska; Science Museum of Minnesota; University of Northern Colorado, Greeley; Gilbert Commonwealth Associates, Jackson, Michigan; and the Nebraska State Historical Society. Mark Lynott, then Midwest Regional Archeologist, hired Bill in 1985 to work for MWAC as a historical archeologist, a job he held for 26 years.

Notable projects that Bill was involved with include the Fort Union NHS Reconstruction Archeological Project (1986-1988); Archeological Survey of the Madison to Biscuit Basin Road Rehabilitation, Yellowstone NP (1992-1994); Fort Clark State Historic Site Archeology Project (2001-2003); Bathhouse Stabilization Archeology Project, Hot Springs NP (2003-2004); SAIP Inventory, Sitka NHP (2005-2008); and SAIP Inventory, Hot Springs NP (2008-2012).

Bill, in his capacity as an archeologist at MWAC, assisted archeologists at a wide range of national parks and monuments, other Federal agencies, and even international archeological efforts, including participating in developing the concept plan for al-Balid Archeological Park, in Oman.

Bill will miss his many friends in the parks and MWAC, and his NPS friends will miss him, as well! We wish Bill all the best in his retirement.

Passing of Herbert Anungazuk
NPS Alaska Region ethnographer Herbert O. Anungazuk passed away on August 24, 2010. Herbert, an Iñupiaq from Wales, Alaska, was a well known and respected cultural anthropologist. He was also a talented writer and orator. Born into a traditional community of bowhead whalers and trained as a hunter, Herbert continued his education in Sitka, Alaska, graduating from Mount Edgecumbe High School and then attending Haskell Institute, Lawrence, Kansas. In 1968, he was drafted into the Army and served honorably for two years in Vietnam. After the war, Herbert remained connected with his Vietnam brothers.

Herbert was employed by the NPS as a Native Liaison and Heritage Specialist in Alaska beginning in 1985, and worked for NPS until the time of his death. Beginning in 2003, he was a cultural anthropologist for the Cultural Resources Team at the Alaska Regional Office.

Herbert’s knowledge of Iñupiaq language and the history of the Bering Straits communities and his training by the elders of his community as an Iñupiaq hunter and whaler facilitated his work as an anthropologist. He frequently worked in partnership with other anthropologists and scientists conducting research in Iñupiaq communities. He was invaluable in work carried out in northern Alaska, particularly on the Seward Peninsula, especially with Jeanne Schaaf and Donald Callaway.

Within the broader Iñupiaq community, Herbert was respected for his deep knowledge of kinship connections throughout the Bering Strait region and beyond. He was a major contributor to the Wales Sea Ice Dictionary. One of his last projects was to develop a more comprehensive Wales Iñupiaq dictionary, and he had added 4,000 entries by the time of his death. Wherever he went, he took his small green
pocket notebook with him. Over the years he filled many small green notebooks with kinship connections, words, and any information that might contribute to preserving the history and culture of Iñupiaq people. Because of Herb’s long service and significant contribution to Alaskan anthropology, he was presented with the Alaska Anthropological Association’s Professional Achievement Award in 2010.

Herbert is deeply missed by his colleagues at the NPS, by his large and loving family, and by an enormous circle of friends.

By Rachel Mason and Carol Zane Jolles

**Olympic NP Archeologist Honored by Washington State After Retiring**

On May 3, 2011, the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation formally acknowledged the work of Olympic NP Chief of Cultural Resources Paul Gleeson in a ceremony held in the state capital building. The Career Achievement Award was presented to Paul by SHPO Dr. Allyson Brooks.

Paul was the field director for much of the multi-year archeological investigation of Ozette Village, the remnants of a northwest coastal native community preserved under a catastrophic mudslide on the Olympic Peninsula. This is one of the most important and complete archeological sites pre-dating European contact in Washington state. The Ozette site is adjacent to Olympic NP and the NPS funded much of this recovery effort. A museum on the Makah Reservation preserves and interprets the splendid array of artifacts carefully recovered there.

Paul also worked on the discovery and investigation of other significant sites throughout Washington and the Pacific Northwest before joining the NPS as the lead archeologist in the new Alaska Region. Later, he returned to Washington to become, first, the park archeologist and, then, Cultural Resources Chief for Olympic NP. At Olympic NP he built a strong and responsive cultural resources program, and worked closely with local and Native American communities. Paul also provided strong support in developing the region-wide Cultural Resources program in the new Pacific West Region.

Paul retired on April 20, 2011. His NPS friends wish him all the best in his retirement.

**Kendrick New Regional Archeologist for NPS Northeast Region**

Jim Kendrick has been chosen as the new NPS Northeast Regional Archeologist. Previously, he was the Archeologist and Chief, Heritage Preservation Division at El Morro and El Malpais National Monuments in New Mexico. As Division Chief, Jim was responsible for five cultural resource management program areas in the monuments and served as the primary cultural resources advisor to the superintendent. Other responsibilities included directing the Vanishing Treasures projects at Petrified Forest NP, Arizona and Chair of the NPS Intermountain Region Resource Stewardship Advisory Team. Jim received his Ph.D. in Anthropology (Archeology) from Southern Methodist University. He will lead the Northeast Region Archaeology Program, which supports park resource management through the identification, monitoring and conservation of archeological resources, providing critical information to support park resource management decision making.

**NPS Archeologist Honored at Regional Conference**

Barbara Little was recently recognized at the Society for Heritage and Society conference “Why Does the Past Matter?” held at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst in May. The conference organizers noted
the achievements of three heritage professionals for their contributions to a more inclusive, more sustainable public awareness of the significance of cultural heritage in contemporary society.

Barbara was chosen for her tireless professional activities and influential publications emphasizing the public value and importance of heritage in general and public archeology in particular. She was recognized alongside Henry Cleere for his worldwide activities in support and furtherance of the UNESCO World Heritage Convention and his mentoring of countless heritage professionals throughout the world; and David Lowenthal for his path-breaking theoretical and philosophical work which has transformed the contemporary understanding of heritage and its enormous impact on contemporary society.

In specific, Barbara was honored for "her prolific and fundamental work in public archeology, her engagement with issues of public outreach and involvement, her evaluation and official designations of archeological places, and her work on the public relevance of archeology.”

“Why Does the Past Matter? Changing Visions, Media, and Rationales in the 21st Century” was an international gathering of academics, public officials, heritage professionals, and community leaders. The conference's purpose was to examine the practical value of the past, assess the contemporary social impacts of the study of the past, and discuss communication about heritage.

For more information, go to: http://www.whydoesthepastmatter.org/.

Volunteers Needed for Archeology Project in San Francisco
Have you ever wanted to be involved in an archeological project? For the next four weeks neighbors, students, and anyone interested in uncovering the history of San Francisco are invited to participate in a unique archeological stewardship program at Lands End. NPS archeologist Leo Barker and his team of experts will conduct archeological excavations to recover historical artifacts before construction begins on the Lands End Lookout visitor facility near the Cliff House.

Merrie Way, also known as the Sutro Pleasure Grounds, was originally constructed out of amusement rides recovered from an 1894 Midwinter Fair held in Golden Gate Park. Adolph Sutro, then mayor of San Francisco, incorporated these rides into the opening of his newly-constructed Cliff House, Sutro Baths, and a scenic railroad around Lands End. Between the Ocean Terrace railroad station and the baths along Lobos Avenue, a series of concession stands offered food and services to the public. The amusement park and the concession stands lasted around 15–20 years before they were eventually dismantled.

Recent surface surveys and testing have turned up artifacts that include pressed tin from ceilings, sculpture fragments, and antique bottles. Barker also expects to uncover remnants of food items, such as some of the many of the oyster shells discarded by the concession stands.

The project runs from May 16 to June 11, 2011, 8:00am–4:00pm, Monday through Saturday. If you plan to assist and get dirty, dress accordingly with sturdy shoes. Unlike the old days, there are few options for food are nearby, so bring lunch if you plan to stay longer than a short visit. RSVPs appreciated, but drop-ins are always welcome. To RSVP, leave a message at (415) 289-1891.

The Lands End Project is part of the Trails Forever program—a parkwide initiative sponsored by the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy, NPS, and the Presidio Trust. For more information on Trails Forever call (415) 561-3054 or write trailsforever@parksconservancy.org. This phase of improvements is
possible due to the generosity of the Richard and Rhoda Goldman Fund and the Horace W. Goldsmith Foundation. If you are interested in learning how to contribute to improvements at Lands End, contact Development Director Kathryn Morelli at (415) 561-3000.

**EPA Releases Native American Consultation Policy**
The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released its final policy on consultation and coordination with Indian tribes. EPA is among the first of the Federal agencies to finalize the policy in response to President Obama’s tribal leaders summit in November 2009, and the issuance of E. O. 13175 to establish regular and meaningful consultation and collaboration with tribal officials in the development of Federal policies that have tribal implications.

The final policy builds on EPA’s 1984 Indian policy and is intended to make good on the Obama administration's commitment to strengthen tribal partnerships by establishing clear agency standards for the consultation process, and to promote consistency and coordination. The policy establishes a new, broader standard for the types of actions that may be appropriate for consultation and makes clear the two-way nature of government-to-government consultation by inviting tribes to request issues for consultation. Actions that may be appropriate for consultation include developing standards, guidance, policies, permitting decisions, and activities under international agreements. The policy also establishes a management, oversight and reporting structure that will help ensure accountability and transparency by identifying responsible individuals in each office and requiring EPA program and regional offices to identify actions appropriate for consultation at least twice a year.

For more information on the EPA Tribal Consultation policy, go to [http://www.epa.gov/indian/](http://www.epa.gov/indian/)

**Micro Grants Offered For Modern-Day Mather Hikes**
Beginning in 1915, the first NPS director Stephen Mather hosted numerous backcountry trips in current-day national parks (e.g. Sequoia, Yosemite) for politicians, businessmen, journalists, and other opinion makers. The hikes were critical for inspiring influential leaders and congressmen, generating support and funding for the NPS, and for promulgating Mather’s vision of national parks to the American public. As a tribute to Mather’s legacy, the NPS Office of Public Health has announced an inaugural micro grants program to encourage parks to organize inter-disciplinary, modern-day Mather hikes to strengthen the role of public lands in improving the health of our nation.

Archeologists in parks are encouraged to take up the challenge of developing hiking itineraries for micro grant funding that showcase archeological sites, districts, landscapes, or traditional resources. Hiking tours might be developed to take descendents into areas that their ancestors farmed or mined, for example.

Mather hikes should be completed no later than September 30, 2011, include at least one overnight stay, and have broad representation (up to 20 participants) from the health and/or park sectors. The objectives of the program are to provide a unique, low-cost forum to further the energy and enthusiasm generated at the April 2011 Healthy Parks Healthy People US summit; inspire community leaders to share common ideals and values and engage in meaningful dialogue about public lands and public health; challenge community leaders both intellectually and physically; and stimulate the development of innovative, inter-disciplinary demonstration projects.

All NPS units are eligible to apply. The application deadline is July 1, 2011. At least 10 micro grants ($500/park) will be awarded. Outstanding and innovative project ideas identified through this program will be eligible for implementation grants (up to $5K) in FY 2012.
For more details about the micro grants, go to More Information...

**August is Archaeology Month at the National Register of Historic Places**
The National Register will be featuring non-address-restricted archeological properties on the website in August. If you have good candidates that you would like to see presented, contact Jeff Joeckel, National Register of Historic Places, (202) 354-2225.

**Civil War Commemorations**
In March 2010 the NPS began celebrations to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Civil War. We have established a new feature in the Archeology E-Gram to provide information and links about activities to commemorate the Civil War. Each month, the E-Gram will feature information about activities such as exhibits, re-enactments, and lectures taking place. Here are some events that will take place in June:

* **Natchez Downtown Walking Tour**  
  Natchez NHP, June 1  
  Natchez National Historical Park is offering the FREE walking tour "The Great Natchez Tornado of 1840." Tour begins at 9am at the William Johnson House and will last approximately 45 minutes.

* **Civil War Tea**  
  Monocacy NB, June 3  
  Monocacy National Battlefield will host a "tea party" at the Gambrill Mansion. Reservations required, starting May 1.  
  [http://www.nps.gov/mono/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/mono/index.htm)

* **Hallowed Ground: A Lantern Tour of Stones River National Cemetery**  
  Stones River, June 4  
  Walk through the cemetery by lantern light and listen to the stories of soldiers and their loved ones who are buried there.  
  [http://www.nps.gov/srnc/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/srnc/index.htm)

* **Rally Around the Gap**  
  Cumberland Gap NHP, June 4  
  Join park staff for a music program showcasing the story of the Civil War at Cumberland Gap.  
  [http://www.nps.gov/cuga/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/cuga/index.htm)

* **Living History Program**  
  Manassas NBP, June 5-6  
  Join staff at the park for artillery and musketry demonstrations.  
  [http://www.nps.gov/mana/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/mana/index.htm)

* **Sailors and Marines at City Point**  
  Petersburg NB, June 5-6  
  Join staff for living history demonstrations focusing on naval and marine life in the Civil War.  
  [http://www.nps.gov/pete/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/pete/index.htm)

* **Cold Harbor Living History Weekend**  
  Richmond NBP, June 5-6
Infantry and artillery demonstrations, ranger-guided walking tours and evening program commemorate the battle of Cold Harbor.
http://www.nps.gov/rich/planyourvisit/events.htm

“The Great Work Before Us” Civil War 150th Event
Women’s Rights NHP, April 30-December 31
Discover how the women's rights movement reacted to Civil War.
http://www.nps.gov/wori/index.htm

Civil War Conversations
Appomattox Court House NHP, VA, April 27-June 22, every other Wednesday
Join us for a lunchtime discussion about the Civil War. The topics will vary from month to month, but many will be pertinent to the 150th anniversary of the war and have a local flare.
June 8: Divided Loyalties
http://www.nps.gov/apco/planyourvisit/events.htm

Beneath the Surface of the Civil War
Cumberland NHP, June 11
Staff offer a special evening cave tour showcasing the story of the Civil War.
http://www.nps.gov/cuga/planyourvisit/events.htm

Living History Weekend at Gettysburg NP
Gettysburg NP, MD, June 11-12
Living history comes to the park this weekend with the 119th New York Infantry, Cavalry of the Potomac, and United States Sharpshooters.
http://www.nps.gov/gett/planyourvisit/events.htm

More information about Civil War commemorations can be found on the NPS 150th website http://nps.gov/civilwar150.

Projects in Parks: Projects in Parks is taking a break this month. It will be back in June.

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

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 NPS 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 NPS Archeology Program web site.

Contact: Karen Mudar at 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.