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Hi NAPA Members!

I just wanted to say hello and let you know that I am excited to be the new NAPA President. I have been busy preparing for NAPA's presence at the SfAA meetings in Denver, Colorado which is close to home for me. We have several NAPA members presenting papers, organizing sessions and conducting workshops – see the SfAA Preliminary Program by visiting the SfAA website (www.sfaa.net) or clicking on the hyperlink below—we should have a good presence at the meetings. <http://www.sfaa.net/sfaa2013/sfaa2013preprogram.pdf>

Don't forget to submit papers, sessions, workshops, posters, etc. for the AAA meetings in Chicago in November. Ellen Puccia (epuccia@aol.com) is our new Program Committee Chair and has been very busy putting the program together. Also, we are always looking for volunteers to join NAPA committees and help NAPA work. The new Volunteer Committee Chair is Jason Lind (jasonlindo@gmail.com) and he is looking for NAPA members to help out both at the AAA Annual Meetings and to serve on committees such as ethics, membership, program, communication, mentoring, workshop, publications and organizational relations.

Speaking of committees, I would also like to recognize our incoming Membership Committee Chair, Nancy Gillis. As you can imagine, this committee is key to NAPA and presents tremendous challenges. Please contact Nancy (Nancy.Gillis@unt.edu) if you would like to pitch in or if you have any ideas or suggestions. We need your input!

Lastly, please keep NAPA in mind when you are “looking for something to do” and/or when you have special interests or concerns. Please don't hesitate to contact me (Lenora.bohren@colostate.edu). NAPA is an organization that wants to be sure that your practicing/applied voice is heard!

See you in Denver; look for the NAPA table in the exhibition hall, or volunteer to represent NAPA for an hour or two.....

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SfAA 2013 Workshop
Anthropologists in Evaluation: An Orientation to Practical Applications
Thursday 8:00-11:00
BUTLER, Mary Odell (UMD) and BOHREN, Lenora (CSU) This workshop is an introduction to evaluation from an anthropological perspective. It focuses the value for evaluators of an emic or insider's perspective, a non-judgmental orientation, contextualization of data, and a holistic perspective. Discussion will consider participatory approaches, a trend in evaluation that reflects a basic value in anthropology and increases the usefulness of evaluation for decision making. It acquaints participants with the audiences and markets for evaluation, including corporations, foundations, government agencies and educational institutions. This workshop is particularly valuable for individuals beginning to explore employment opportunities in evaluation. Participants will engage in hands-on, practical evaluation-related activities. maryobutler@verizon.net
A list of all of the workshops can be found at: <http://www.sfaa.net/sfaa2013/2013workshops.html>.

112th AAA Annual Meeting

The 112th AAA Annual meeting will be held at the Chicago Hilton November 20-24, 2013 in Chicago IL. The 2013 annual meeting theme is [Future Publics, Current Engagements](#).

The 2013 annual meeting theme Future Publics, Current Engagements invites discussions about how anthropological theory and method can provide insight into the human past and emerging future.

Anthropologists have long been engaged with diverse publics and with other social sciences. The influence of anthropological methods, concepts and research is growing, as witnessed by the fact that over half of us are now employed outside the academy. Our journals are experimenting with new formats to link research to contemporary concerns. We engage with rapidly changing media technologies to reach diverse audiences and explore different pathways to activism, collaboration, and scholarship. By locating the human at the center of its inquiry, anthropology through all of its fields provide crucial methodological and political insights for other disciplines.

As ever, NAPA will be very present during the meeting. Come by the exhibition hall to say hello at the NAPA information table, or talk to an instant mentor, or visit the Career Expo. Several compelling workshops are in the works; pre-register or sign up for one in Chicago. Be sure to support your colleagues at the NAPA sessions, and come by the NAPA business meeting to express your thoughts on NAPA governance. Those activities and more are planned for Chicago, so NAPA will be hard to miss.

Upcoming Due Dates:

Section Invited Proposals were scheduled to close on **March 15, 2013**.

Volunteered Sessions and All Other proposals close **April 15th, 2013**.

Have any thoughts for meeting programming? Contact Program Chair Ellen Puccia (see front page) with your ideas and suggestions for sessions, panels, programs, and anything else you would like to see in Chicago.



Praxis Award Open

The Washington Association of Professional Anthropologists (WAPA) Praxis Award will be presented at the NAPA business meeting during the annual meeting in Chicago. Applications for the award are being accepted until June 30, 2013. For information and details see the WAPA website at <http://wapa.cloverpad.org/praxis>

Last Edition!

This is the last edition of NAPA Notes until the end of the summer. In the meantime, keep up with NAPA any time via the website, Facebook, Twitter, or Linked In, and also via AAA's online Anthropology News. Look for ongoing association activities and announcements throughout the spring and fall.

HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON...

**Society for Applied Anthropology
March 19-23, 2013**



Natural Resource Distribution and Development in the 21st Century

How does a society assure equitable access to basic resources for a variety of vastly different and often competing constituents?

This question has meaning to all sectors of society both nationally and internationally – urban populations, rural communities, agricultural and industrial complexes, resort settings, and resource development projects, to list only the most obvious. The question is central to modern society and the nation state, and when framed forthrightly should stimulate a fundamental discussion and exchange. The venue for the 73rd Annual Meeting of the Society, Denver, Colorado, is an ideal setting for this conversation. <http://www.sfaa.net/sfaa2013.html>