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"...to promote the professional, ethical, and business practices of the cultural resources consulting industry."

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ACRA: The voice of cultural resources management

ACRA's Values

- Integrity
- Professionalism
- Collaboration
- Leadership
- Success

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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Teresita Majewski

It is hard to believe that the holidays have passed, and we are already well into 2013. This coming October at ACRA's annual conference in Washington, D.C., I pass the gavel to Wade Catts. But I am committed over the next nine months to forge ahead with the initiatives that have begun under my presidency and to work closely with Wade so that his transition will be seamless.



A major goal of my presidency has been to increase collaboration and communication between ACRA and like-minded organizations. We have strengthened our relationships with the Society for American Archaeology (SAA) and the Society for Historical Archaeology (SHA) through events such as the ACRA-SAA CRM Expo and initiatives like the "Reports from the Past: Cultural Resources Clearinghouse," cosponsored by ACRA and SHA. The group that has formed and is meeting to discuss curation and collections management issues is another prime example of a collaborative effort (see the fall 2012 issue of *ACRA Edition* for more information). We have had a formal presence (booth, sponsored event, or presentation) at the annual meetings of SAA, SHA, the Society for California Archaeology, the Canadian Archaeological Association, and the European Association of Archaeologists (EAA). As president of ACRA, I am included in a group e-mail list for the presidents of the major heritage and archaeological and anthropological organizations, which was started by Claire Smith, president of the World Archaeological Congress from 2004 to 2013. ACRA is not just an organization for archaeologists, but if your firm works in

other areas, such as architectural history, history, and historic architecture, we have to count on you to help us know how, when, and where to establish the necessary collaborative relationships. Please speak up if you have ideas on how we can more effectively represent your interests and extend our reach.

Some of our relationships provide benefits to our membership above and beyond what ACRA can provide on its own. One example is the Cultural Resources continuing legal education conference that ACRA sponsored last October in D.C., which was the first of its kind. ACRA's government affairs representative Marion Werkheiser of Cultural Heritage Partners, PLLC (CHP), co-chaired the event with Jon Berkin of ACRA-member firm Natural Resource Group, LLC. The two-day meeting, put on through CLE International, featured some of the nation's foremost experts on legal issues concerning Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, tribal sites, historic preservation, dispute resolution, ethics in cultural resources, and working with archaeologists and historians in court. Another example is the offer extended to ACRA member firms to participate at a discounted rate in the timely and informative webinars offered by the National Association of Environmental Professionals, which will continue into 2013.

I just finished attending the Seventh World Archaeological Congress (WAC-7) in Jordan, where I represented ACRA on a panel organized by Ben S. Thomas (Archaeological Institute of America [AIA]) and Claire Smith (Flinders University and WAC) to discuss how collaboration benefits organizations. The premise was that like-minded organizations generally act independently of each other. We discussed how

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collaborations can unify disparate voices, increase efficiencies, eliminate redundancies, and build capacity. Some of the topics considered included activities and actions that are common to all groups, such as public outreach and engagement, raising awareness and the profile of the discipline, promoting ethical and professional behavior, and responding to crises in our fields. I reported that ACRA is actively engaged in collaborations, particularly with U.S.-based organizations, but noted that we have just begun to explore the potential partnerships that we should forge inside and outside of our industry. We should be proud of the fact that our vision to be *The voice of cultural resources management in the United States* is inspiring to others in countries where CRM/heritage management is not nearly as well established as in our



Participants in the WAC-7 session on collaboration among organizations (from left): Jeff Altschul (SAA), Terry Majewski (ACRA), Ben Thomas (AIA), Sandra Lopez Varela (executive board, American Anthropological Association and past president, Society for Archaeological Sciences), Elena Garcea (Society of Africanist Archaeologists), Claire Smith (WAC), and Friedrich Lüeth (EAA).



Nancy Farrell, president of ACRA-member firm CRMS and former ACRA board member, also attended WAC-7. Here she is enjoying a cup of tea and Bedouin hospitality with a student from Australia in the middle of Wadi Rum, the desert in southern Jordan where the motion picture *Lawrence of Arabia* was filmed in the 1960s.

backyard. I attended numerous presentations on heritage management topics from around the world, and there is much to be learned from the experiences of others.

I have noticed that many people don't understand the time line associated with true collaboration. It is not an activity suited to those who want instant gratification, nor to those who are wearing blinders and can't see beyond their own interests. Building collaborative relationships takes time, nurturing, patience, trust, and hard work. One also has to be willing to listen. The obvious benefits of collaboration include the open exchange of information, cross-participation in events

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and programs, and greater opportunities for members to share their experiences and ideas with diverse audiences. But equally important are the opportunities to publicize and promote ACRA's programs and events to a wider audience, at each step building our name recognition, credibility, and cachet. My feeling is that if we as an organization want to be a player, we have to act like one. Sometimes this involves supporting initiatives critically important to other organizations, as we often do when we sign on to letters with our preservation partners. Then, when the time comes for them to step up and support us when we have critical issues, they will not hesitate to do so – because we have taken the time to understand their issues and support them.

I am grateful to Marion Werkheiser of CHP, who has repeatedly told us that collaboration with our preservation partners is a key factor in making the voice of our industry heard. The CRM industry is so embedded in the current political and economic climate that we would be foolish to go it on our own, without collaborative partnerships. Marion is the engineer of the Gas and Preservation Partnership (GAPP), which seeks to bring members of the shale gas industry (clients and consultants) together to determine how cultural and historic sites can be best protected during shale gas development (read more about this in the Government Affairs Update, elsewhere in this issue). ACRA's Awards program, spearheaded by Al Tonetti of ASC Group, Inc., is collaborative in the sense that we are building relationships on both sides of our industry by recognizing clients that go above and beyond the minimum and strive for best practices.

ACRA's Partnership Program offers more opportunities for collaboration. We are grateful to all of our Partners, which include ACRA-member firms as well as companies/entities that support and supply our industry, for believing in ACRA and providing financial support that allows us to achieve more of our goals. Finally, we are about to launch two major initiatives within the next month. The first is the Salary Survey, which we conduct every few years to collect information that provides a longitudinal view of the economics of our industry. Every ACRA member firm should take the time to do this survey, even though it will take more than two minutes of your time. We will also be sending it to non-ACRA member firms and entities, as we have done in the past. If they choose to participate, it will increase the sample size of the survey and make the results even more reliable. It will also educate them about the kinds of things that ACRA does. The second survey you will be asked to complete is one that will collect data to characterize our industry that will be used to inform legislators of the demographics and economic impact of CRM (for more information, see this issue's Government Affairs Update). Thank you in advance for participating in these critical and timely surveys.

In the fall 2012 issue of *ACRA Edition*, I mentioned that there is a surprise event in the works for ACRA members attending the upcoming meeting of the Society for American Archaeology in Honolulu, April 3–7, 2013. If you are planning to be in Honolulu, contact me to receive your invitation.

As always, if you have a question or concern about ACRA and its activities, don't hesitate to contact [me](#).

A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

By Taylor Dubord, Executive Director

Happy New Year! I am excited to be starting as your new executive director.



Thank you to the 94 members who have already paid their 2013 dues. Dues notices were emailed out in December and again in the beginning of January. If you have not received your dues invoice or you have questions regarding your dues, please contact [Ally](#) at ACRA headquarters. You can pay your dues online on the Members Portal area of the website by viewing your organization's profile (where you will find your dues invoice). Remember that only active members receive the benefits of an ACRA membership and have access to the members-only area of the website.

Have you considered becoming an ACRA partner for 2013–2014? The ACRA Partnership program offers your company an excellent opportunity to gain outstanding exposure and at the same time show your support for ACRA. ACRA Partners are recognized as major supporters of the organization. Your company can increase its image and profile within ACRA and in the overall industry. [Click here](#) for more information on the ACRA Partnership Program. If you are interested in becoming a partner, upgrading your current Partnership, or if you have any questions please feel free to [contact me](#).

The ACRA Board of Directors Meeting will be held on April 20, 2013, in Chicago, Illinois. If you have any issues or items of concern that you have for the Board of Directors, please contact President Terry Majewski or headquarters no later than March 29, 2013, so that your item can be placed on the agenda and discussed at the board meeting. Remember, the ACRA Board works for ACRA and its members.

Remember to save the date for the 19th Annual ACRA Conference, October 9–12, 2013, at the Hyatt Regency on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.

I look forward to working with all of you this year and meeting you in person at the annual conference in October!

2013 ACRA ELECTIONS

ACRA elections for 2013 will be held by midyear. If you have ever considered serving on the board or as an officer, this is the opportunity. Being a board member or officer is the best way to learn all about what ACRA does for its members and to have a voice in those decisions. Watch for an announcement on the MembersOnly Listserve and in the Monthly Member Update as to which positions are open this year. Please contact either ACRA Past President and Chair of the Nominations Committee [Lucy Wayne](#) or our president, [Terry Majewski](#), if you are interested.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS UPDATE

*By Marion Werkheiser , Cultural Heritage Partners, PLLC and
Ian Burrow, Chair, Government Relations Committee*

ACRA's Government Relations Committee has been working hard since the November election to prepare for the 113th Congress, which officially commenced on January 3. We are welcoming 13 new Senators and 84 new House members to Washington, and educating them about the cultural resource management industry and issues important to us is our top priority.

With help from numerous ACRA firms, the committee has now completed a fully updated list of CRM firms throughout the United States. This list, which contains some 1,700 CRM and related firms, not only provides a great starting point for ACRA recruitment efforts, but is our database for measuring the size and scope of the CRM industry. With a firmer understanding of the number of jobs created by the industry and revenue generated, ACRA can more effectively advocate for our members on the Hill. We will shortly be finalizing a brief survey that will go out to these firms to collect reliable financial and employment data that can be used to characterize the industry. We will take the data from this survey and incorporate it into welcome information packets (already in draft) for each of the new Congressional members, and we will be following up with key legislators to develop and strengthen our relationships.

With the fiscal cliff deal behind us, Congress now turns to debates about raising the debt ceiling (a must before the end of February if the United State is to continue paying its bills) and dealing with the sequester, or automatic spending cuts, that were delayed two months into February. Finally, Congress will have to decide what to do with the budget, as the current continuing resolution expires at the end of March. We will be watching all of these developments and ensuring that our preservation values and our business interests are taken into account in the debate.

Gas and Preservation Partnership Forms ("Bridging the GAPP")

The Gas and Preservation Partnership (GAPP) seeks to bring together members of the shale gas industry who intend to act as good corporate citizens and stewards of the land with advocates for the preservation of cultural and historic sites to formulate solutions for how these sites can be best protected during shale gas development.

The Issue

Technological advancements have made it possible to extract natural gas from underground shale formations profitably, and the resulting natural gas boom has increased America's energy self-sufficiency and driven economic growth. According to a report prepared by IHS Global Insight for America's Natural Gas Alliance, the shale gas industry will support more than 1.6 million jobs in the United States by the year 2035. In the Utica Shale alone, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources has approved permits for 375 wells in eastern Ohio; officials estimate that 2,250 wells could be completed by the end of 2015.

Shale gas development is an important part of America's economic and security future, and yet the hydraulic fracturing technology used to capture natural gas trapped in underground shale formations has the potential to impact cultural and historic resources, both known and unknown, as roads are built, property is disturbed, and the land underground undergoes major changes.

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The potential impact of this development boom is substantial. The Society for American Archaeology has estimated there to be over 195,000 cultural, historic and archaeological sites in just nine of the most active shale formations located in the United States to date (Bakken, Barnett, Cotton Valley, Eagle Ford, Fayetteville, Granite Wash, Haynesville, Marcellus, and Utica). In fact, shale gas development has already begun affecting our cultural and historic resources. In 2011, shale drilling partially destroyed a Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, site once occupied by Monongahela Indians. More recently, drillers plowed through a cemetery near a historically black coal camp community in West Virginia. Unless preventive steps are taken, such stories will become the norm.

The Approach

GAPP is a collaborative approach to problem-solving that balances the needs of shale gas developers with our shared cultural and historic preservation values. Working together, the partnership seeks solutions that will facilitate responsible shale development and protect cultural and historic sites. We seek to accomplish:

- ✓ Industry-wide adoption of best practices for locating and protecting cultural and historic resources during shale gas extraction, and
- ✓ Passage of federal and/or state-level regulations incorporating those best practices.

GAPP is a nonprofit 501(c)(4) entity, which allows it to lobby legislators without the limitations applicable to many other nonprofit organizations. A business expense deduction may be available to financial contributors, none of whom are required to be publicly disclosed.

GAPP has engaged [Cultural Heritage Partners, PLLC](#), to provide strategic counsel and day-to-day management of the organization. The firm’s focus on entrepreneurial problem-solving and deep experience in public policy advocacy in the cultural heritage field make it ideally suited to carry out the objectives of GAPP.

Joining the Team

We believe a broad coalition is a strong one, and we are actively seeking allies to join GAPP. We are reaching out both to energy companies and local, state, and national preservation organizations that support the collaborative approach.

GAPP is governed by a board of directors chaired by Charles M. Niquette, a Registered Professional Archaeologist (RPA) and President/CEO of Cultural Resource Analysts, Inc., a national, full-service historic preservation company. We invite financial contributions from interested organizations and individuals who wish to support our objectives. GAPP also welcomes resolutions of support from individuals and organizations that are not in a position to contribute financially.

Interested in joining GAPP? Have questions? Please contact Marion Werkheiser

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LYNNE SEBASTIAN APPOINTED TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

By Terry Klein, SRI Foundation



On January 16, 2013, President Barack Obama announced his intent to appoint Dr. Lynne Sebastian as a Member of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. Dr. Sebastian is Director of Historic Preservation Programs at the SRI Foundation (an ACRA-member firm), a position she has held since 2001. President Obama's announcement includes

the appointment of other individuals to various federal boards and advisory committees. In his announcement, President Obama said, "These fine public servants both bring a depth of experience and tremendous dedication to their new roles. Our nation will be well-served by these individuals, and I look forward to working with them in the months and years to come."

Dr. Sebastian received a B.A. from the University of Michigan, an M.A. from the University of Utah, and a Ph.D. in Anthropology from the

University of New Mexico. Dr. Sebastian was the State Historic Preservation Officer for the State of New Mexico from 1997 to 1999, and she was the Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer and the State Archaeologist from 1987 to 1997. She is the President of the Register of Professional Archaeologists and was the President of the Society for American Archaeology from 2003 to 2005. She is also an Adjunct Associate Professor of Anthropology at the University of New Mexico.

Dr. Sebastian has written extensively on CRM issues and has participated in panel discussions held at ACRA's annual meetings. In 1999, she received an award from ACRA for her commitment and efforts to improve the management of cultural resources in New Mexico.

Dr. Sebastian has delivered many courses nationwide on Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and is a co-instructor for the SRI Foundation's Summer Institute in Cultural Resource Management, offered in partnership with the University of Maryland. Dr. Sebastian has also worked extensively with federal and state agencies to improve their Section 106 compliance programs, especially in terms of working with Section 106 consulting parties.

OSHA WORKPLACE INJURY AND ILLNESS REGULATIONS

By Keith Seramur, Chair, Worker Safety Committee

This article is a continuation in a series on OSHA requirements for workplace injuries and illnesses. Our last discussion (*ACRA Edition 18-2*) was an introduction to record keeping, and provided some guidelines for determining what constitutes a reportable illness. In this installment, we'll look at some incidents that are not considered reportable, and at OSHA reporting forms.

There are some situations where an injury in the workplace is not considered work related. These include:

- Injuries related to motor vehicle accidents on company property while the employee is commuting.
- Injuries related to eating or drinking (choking) or as a result of personal grooming.
- If an employee comes down with a cold or flu, it is

not reportable. However, TB and hepatitis A infections at work are reportable.

- Mental illness and injuries as a result of self-medication for a non-work-related condition.
- Injuries from voluntary participation in a wellness program, recreation activity (company baseball team), blood donation, flu shot, or physical examination, are not reportable.

This allows companies to encourage employees to participate in team athletic activities, get flu shots, and sponsor a blood drive without being concerned about a potential mishap during these events.

Many CRM firms have employees traveling for work and working from home (for example, I wrote this from my home office). Here are some examples of work-related (reportable) and non-work-related situations.

Work-related activity	Not work-related
Travel from the office to a jobsite, the crew drives from Atlanta to Chattanooga	The crew takes a detour up to Look Out Mountain to take a hike and enjoy the view
If the employee is labeling bags or doing paper work in the hotel	When an employee checks into a hotel they have "left the work environment"
	Commuting between a job site and the hotel
Injuries while an employee is working at home	
Employee drops a box of work files on their foot	Employee trips over the dog while running to answer the phone
Employee cuts themselves while cleaning artifacts	Employee plugging in computer is electrocuted due to faulty home wiring

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OSHA Forms for Recording Work-Related Injuries and Illnesses

The employer must decide whether an injury or illness is reportable within 7 days of receiving information about the incident. (Note: a death or hospitalization of more than 3 employees requires 8-hour reporting to OSHA.) OSHA’s Form 301 “Injury and Illness Incident Report” is the first form to be filled out in the case of a reportable incident. Your Workers Compensation Insurance report may be an acceptable substitute if it contains all of the information on Form 301. This form contains information about the employee and a detailed description of the incident.

Reportable incidents must be recorded on OSHA’s Form 300 “Log of Work-Related Injuries and Illnesses.” This is a log of all injuries that occur at a work place throughout the year. It includes a section used to classify the incident results as death, days off work, job restrictions, or other. It also groups incidents into different types of illness.

If an incident is considered a privacy concern case (e.g., sexual harassment, mental health,

infectious disease) then the employee’s name should not be entered on Form 300 and it should instead be listed as a “privacy case.” Forms 301 and 300 contain information relating to employee health and are to be used in a manner that protects the employee’s confidentiality. OSHA’s Form 300A is a summary page that must be completed each year. It totals the number of cases, the number of work days lost or that resulted in job transferred, the number of injuries, and types of illness. The employer must post the summary form for the previous year from February 1 through April 30. Employees, former employees, and their representatives can review an employer’s OSHA Form 300 and may have limited access to Form 301. Employers must retain OSHA Forms 300 and 301 for a period of at least 5 years.

Copies of these forms can be found at <http://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping/RKforms.html>.

Note that this discussion only highlights some points of interest to employers. Employers covered by Regulatory Standard 29 CFR Part 1904 should refer to the U.S. Department of Labor for a complete list of requirements.

Classify the case SELECT ONLY ONE box for each case based on the most serious outcome for that case:				Enter the number of days the injured or ill worker was:		Select the "Injury" column or choose one type of illness:						
Death (G)	Days away from work (H)	Remained at Work		Away from work (K)	On job transfer or restriction (L)	(M)	Injury (1)	Skin disorder (2)	Respiratory condition (3)	Poisoning (4)	Hearing loss (5)	All other illnesses (6)
		Job transfer or restriction (I)	Other recordable cases (J)									
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Section of OSHA Form 300 that the employer uses to classify the reportable incident and record the injury or type of illness.

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY ANNOUNCES MORATORIUM ON THE USE OF GROUND PENETRATING RADAR ON CEMETERY SITES

By J. W. Joseph, New South Associates, Inc.

Kathryn Condon, executive director of the U.S. Department of the Army, Army National Military Cemeteries, issued a moratorium on the use of Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) for Army Cemetery purposes on September 11, 2012. The memo and other information regarding the moratorium and a letter sent by ACRA President Terry Majewski to Ms. Condon are available for ACRA-member firms' review on the [ACRA website](#). The memo states that based on extensive pilot tests conducted at Arlington National Cemetery, the Army National Military Cemeteries has determined that GPR and other technologies used to determine subsurface irregularities are statistically unreliable, costly, and therefore "will not be used for cemetery purposes on Army property until further notice."

The moratorium references an "exhaustive geophysical investigation of three of Arlington's newest burial sections," including review of locations with and without headstones. Based on the results, the moratorium reports that GPR and other geophysical technologies identified anomalies in only 70 percent of the locations where they were expected. The moratorium stated that "the results were also subject to a wide range of interpretations" from a panel of geophysical subject matter experts "in addition to reaching inconclusive results even with significant costs." Therefore, the moratorium was issued.

The moratorium has serious implications for member-firm geophysical work at not only army cemeteries, but by implication, on other federally funded projects. Therefore, ACRA carefully researched the moratorium in preparing a response. Requests were made to Ms. Condon for copies of any reports issued from the referenced study, and ACRA is awaiting her

response. Contacts were made with cultural resource personnel at various army installations as well as with the Army Environmental Command (AEC). None of the personnel contacted had seen the report or were certain of its status. Contacts were also made with the Department of Defense and Department of Army Deputy Federal Preservation Officers (FPOs). Based on these communications, it was determined that the Deputy FPOs had been consulted regarding the proposed moratorium and its potential effects on the use of GPR and geophysical approaches for cultural resource requirements. However, AEC and the Deputy FPOs agreed that the moratorium as written would prohibit GPR and other techniques from being used on army cemeteries for any purpose, including CRM investigations.

ACRA also consulted with various geophysical experts at ACRA-member firms. ACRA geophysical specialists identified the firm that is believed to have completed the study as well as the personnel potentially involved; neither appear to have significant experience in applying geophysical technologies to archaeological resources, although the firm and individual have experience with the use of geophysical survey for cemeteries. ACRA-member geophysical specialists noted a variety of factors in Arlington's setting and use that would complicate the use of GPR on that particular cemetery, including prior land use, land modification, the water table, and surface compaction from visitation as well as operator experience, survey intervals, and the types of antenna used.

In determining the best response to the moratorium, it was decided that the most-effective response would be to prepare a letter stating that the

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moratorium prohibited the use of GPR for CRM purposes and deprived army cultural resource personnel of the ability to use a critical tool needed to non-intrusively delimit unmarked burials on army lands. The letter further noted that the technology was frequently requested by federally recognized tribes and Native Hawaiian groups. The letter identified some of the issues associated with interpreting GPR results and

offered to provide a no-cost review of the Arlington report, if the report was provided to ACRA and a review requested. The letter specifically requested that Ms. Condon inform the Army Deputy FPOs and the AEC that the moratorium was not intended to apply to the use of GPR and other geophysical technology use on army cemeteries for CRM purposes.

SAVE THIS DATE: ACRA ANNOUNCES ITS 19TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

It may be only February, but it's never too early to plan. ACRA's 19th Annual Conference will be held October 9–12, 2013, at the Hyatt Regency, Washington, D.C., on Capitol Hill.

The Conference Committee is busy planning an exciting conference! This year the following types of activities are being planned:

- **Fun:** Reception in the Capitol building;
- **Advocacy:** An entire day to prepare members to meet U.S. Senate and House legislators with the goal of highlighting the importance of cultural resource management and ACRA; and
- **Education:** Sessions will focus on panels and presentations by federal agency decision makers.

If you are interested in participating in conference planning or have an idea, contact Chad Moffett at (916) 971-3961 or chad.moffett@meadhunt.com.



REPORTS FROM THE PAST: CULTURAL RESOURCES CLEARINGHOUSE: SPONSORED BY ACRA AND SHA

By Lucy Wayne, Chair, ACRA-SHA Publications on Demand Subcommittee

This is a reminder that the American Cultural Resources Association (ACRA) and the Society for Historical Archaeology (SHA) maintain a print-on-demand bookstore for cultural resource reports. Watch for a number of new offerings in 2013.

The Reports from the Past: Cultural Resources Clearinghouse Bookstore offers historical reports, archaeological studies, historical architectural reports, oral histories, landscape studies, and other documents that illustrate the full range and impact of cultural resource management in the United States. Through the collaborative efforts of ACRA and SHA, quality cultural resource management documents are

identified, making those reports more widely available for dissemination, and highlighting new trends, important data recoveries, and the application of new technologies in the industry. The Clearinghouse offers a solution to the issue of “gray literature” by making available technical reports and documents produced through the National Historic Preservation Act, as well as other state and federal regulations.

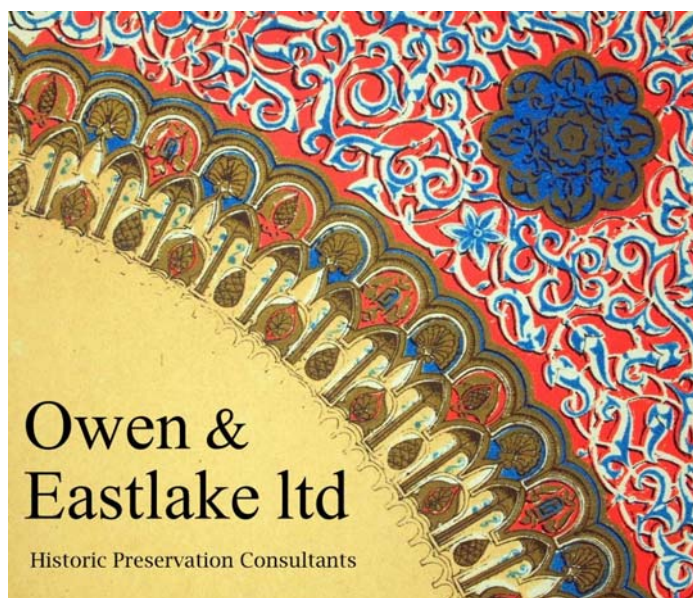
Authors interested in submitting CRM reports are urged to contact either of the series coeditors, [Lucy Wayne](#) of SouthArc, Inc., representing ACRA, or [Steve Dasovich](#) of Lindenwood University, representing SHA. Data recovery volumes are especially welcomed.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR 2013 ACRA AWARDS

The ACRA awards program recognize private and public sector clients of ACRA member firms for CRM accomplishments and commitments exceeding those required by various laws and regulations. ACRA awards also recognize ACRA member firms or employees thereof who have made long-term and on-going public service commitments to CRM. The deadline for receipt of nominations is **FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 2013, 5 p.m., EDT**. Awards will be presented at the 2013 ACRA annual conference in Washington, D.C., October 9–12. A full description of the awards program can be found on the [ACRA website](#), and if you have questions, contact Al Tonetti, ACRA Awards Committee Chair, ASC Group, Inc., 800 Freeway Drive North, Suite 101, Columbus, OH 43229, (614) 268-2514 x3547, atonetti@ascgroup.net.

NEW MEMBER PROFILES

OWEN AND EASTLAKE LTD



Owen & Eastlake Ltd is a historic preservation and CRM firm based in Columbus, Ohio, specializing in architectural history and history. The principal, Rory Krupp, meets the Secretary's Standards for architectural history and history. He has a B.A. degree from Ohio State University in ancient history and classics with a minor in anthropological archaeology. He also received an M.A. degree with distinction from the University of Cincinnati in American history with a Certificate in Historic Preservation. Krupp has 25 years of experience in gas pipeline, real estate development, and mineral extraction architectural history, history, and archaeological CRM projects. Krupp is active in historic preservation activities in Columbus. His work with the Weinland Park

Civic Association and the Greater Columbus chapter of Habitat for Humanity concerning the design of urban infill housing won an award from the Columbus Landmarks Foundation and recognition from the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Owen & Eastlake produces historic contexts, reconnaissance and intensive level architectural surveys, and HABS/HAER documentation, and partners with archaeologists for Section 106 compliance tasks involving subsurface investigations. The firm also provides consulting services for and participates in historic property redevelopment. These services include National Register nominations and federal tax credit documentation as well as design consultation. For more information, visit <http://oweneastlake.com>.

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JEANNE HARRIS AND URBAN ANALYSTS

In 2002, Jeanne Harris established Urban Analysts, an Australian-based consultancy specializing in analysis of historical material culture. Her business model was developed to provide consulting services to small CRM firms that do not have in-house laboratory staff with expertise in historical artifact analysis or larger firms that are experiencing a sudden increased workload. The business model has expanded to include artifact identification workshops for the next generation of archaeologists. Originally developed as a one-day workshop for field archaeologists, a one-week version of the workshop has been conducted in association with organizations such as Sydney University, Port Arthur Historic Site Management Authority, and the Australian Association of Consulting Archaeologists.

In 2013, Jeanne is expanding her business to the United States, bringing the business model that she developed in Australia back to her native country, where she has 25 years of experience in CRM. Consulting services are tailored to the needs of the CRM firm, the project, and the artifact collection, including, but not limited to on-site supervision of artifact processing, historical artifact cataloging, analysis, reporting, and curation preparation. Workshops can be tailored to the needs of organizations or individual firms.



Poster for Urban Analysts historic artifact workshop.

Jeanne has a long history with ACRA. She was on the original organizing committee, served as newsletter editor for 15 years, and is looking forward to active participation in the organization.

Jeanne can be contacted at jeanneharris@urbananalysts.com.au.



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OXFORD TREE-RING LABORATORY

The Oxford Tree-Ring Laboratory provides cutting-edge dendrochronological services to archaeologists, architectural historians, art historians, cultural resource managers, and private homeowners. Dendrochronology, or tree-ring dating, is the science of dating wood utilizing the phenomenon of yearly tree-ring growth. By using this technique, we can provide precise calendar dates for a diverse array of wooden objects. We specialize in dating standing buildings, but have also successfully dated archaeological artifacts, boats, panel paintings, and live trees, as well as providing wood specimen analysis for archaeological collections. We accept private and commercial commissions throughout the eastern United States, California, the United Kingdom, and the Caribbean.

The Oxford Tree-Ring Laboratory was formed by Michael Worthington, a dendrochronologist who has spent the last 15 years building base chronologies stretching from Maine to South Carolina, and Jane



Seiter, an archaeologist with 15 years of experience on a wide variety of sites. Michael received his specialist training in dendrochronology at Oxford University, where he was a member of staff at the Research Laboratory for Archaeology and the History of Art and an assistant tutor on the master's degree course in Archaeological Science. He is currently a research faculty member at the University of Maryland. Jane received a B.A. in American Studies from Yale University and an M.A. and Ph.D. in Archaeology from the University of Bristol. Upon moving full-time to the United States in 2010, they opened the Oxford Tree-Ring Laboratory, based in Baltimore, Maryland.

Some of the more noteworthy buildings Jane and Michael have dated are George Washington's Mount Vernon; Colonial Williamsburg's Robert Carter House; the birthplaces of John Adams and John Quincy Adams; the oldest surviving timber-framed house in North America (the Fairbanks House in Massachusetts); the Josiah Henson Site (Uncle Tom's Cabin) and Doughoregan Manor in Maryland; the Officers' Club at the Presidio of San Francisco; Drayton Hall in South Carolina; and Windsor Castle, Westminster Abbey, and the Tower of London in England. Contact information and a full summary of all dated buildings can be found on our webpage at www.dendrochronology.com.



Michael Worthington sampling at Drayton Hall.

MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS, ACHIEVEMENTS, AND AWARDS

MEAD & HUNT, INC., ADDS TO TEXAS STAFF

Mead & Hunt, Inc., continues to grow! We are pleased to welcome Megan Venno to our Austin, Texas, office. Our team will be working for the Minnesota Department of Transportation, in partnership with LHB, Inc., and the 106 Group, to complete management plans for approximately 176 historic bridges owned by local governments, private owners, and other state agencies in Minnesota. Each management plan will bring together the important historic and engineering information about a bridge to provide bridge owners with a tool for planning future work on the historic bridges. We will also continue our work on Route 66 in 2013 by conducting a roadbed survey of Route 66 sponsored by the National Park Service (NPS) in San Bernardino County, California. The project includes developing a method for identifying and mapping the alignments of U.S. Highway 66 in California that can be used as a model for surveying other portions of roadbed across the country.



Nymore Bridge (No. 2366), Minnesota.



Lac Qui Parle Bridge (No. 5380), Minnesota.

ALPINE ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONSULTANTS, INC., CELEBRATES A QUARTER-CENTURY OF BUSINESS



Alpine Archaeological Consultants, Inc. (ACC) is celebrating our 25th anniversary. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our loyal staff as well as our ACRA colleagues and former employees whom we have had the pleasure of working with since our founding in December 1987. Our continued longevity and success are due in no small part to you.

Alpine is also happy to formally announce our ownership transition. The ownership and management transition process has been underway for several years and has now reached the point that the founders (Susan Chandler, Jonathon Horn, and Alan Reed) are able to retire. Although Jon will continue to work at Alpine on a somewhat limited basis, Alan and Susan are officially retired as of January 2013. The new owners (Rand Greubel, Kimberly Redman, and Charles Reed) and staff have been a part of Alpine for many years and look forward to continuing Alpine's legacy.

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POST–WORLD WAR II HOUSING MODEL DEVELOPED

Large numbers of post–World War II houses located in cities, towns, suburbs, and rural areas are potentially eligible, or may soon become eligible, for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) by virtue of their age as well as other attributes. In light of the large numbers of post–World War II single-family houses that are potentially affected by highway construction projects, an effective framework for determining National Register eligibility and noneligibility is critical. Because of the passage of time, the number of post–World War II properties potentially eligible for listing in the NRHP will increase dramatically in the next decade, presenting a major challenge to decision makers. Post–World War II housing is ubiquitous across the country, consisting of millions of properties. To address this challenge, TRB’s National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) contracted with *Mead & Hunt, Inc.*, assisted by the *Louis Berger Group* (LBG), both ACRA-member firms.

Mead & Hunt, with LBG, prepared a model survey and evaluation method and national context for postwar residential development from 1946 through 1975. The model historic context (a compilation of information about historic properties that share a common theme, geographic area, and time period) provides a standard framework for state DOTs to use to effectively and efficiently evaluate the National Register eligibility of post–World War II housing.

A presentation containing an overview of the project is available [HERE](#).

The final report can be ordered here:
<http://www.trb.org/History/Blurbs/167790.aspx>



Post–World War II house in Madison, Wisconsin.

AVONDALE BURIAL PLACE PROJECT RECOGNIZED

The Federal Highway Administration has awarded the Avondale Burial Place Project the Excellence in the Human Environment Initiative in recognition of the project's outstanding efforts in Public Outreach and Education.

The efforts of the Georgia Department of Transportation and ACRA-member-firm New South Associates on the Avondale Burial Place project received the Federal Highway Administration's 2012 Excellence in the Human Environment Initiative recognition in the Public Outreach and Education category. The Avondale Burial Place is an unmarked African American Cemetery discovered in the route of the Sardis Church Road Extension near Macon, Georgia. GDOT contracted with New South Associates to recover, analyze,



Barton/Thomas family members visit the site.

and relocate more than 100 individuals buried in the cemetery. Public outreach was a significant element of the project and included the development of a website (www.avondaleburialplace.org) and blog on the project and its archaeology and history, multiple public presentations in the Macon area, as well as at national conferences, site visitation by descendant community members, and the creation of a video documentary "I Remember, I Believe" prepared in collaboration with Georgia Public Broadcasting. Links to the video, as well as copies of the technical reports, can be found on the project website. The video is also available on YouTube, where it has received more than 2,700 viewings.

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USU ARCHEOLOGICAL SERVICES PARTNERS WITH SUBLETTE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR INVESTIGATION OF LANDER'S TRAIL

*By Kenneth P. Cannon, USU Archeological Services, Inc.
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Molly Boeka Cannon, Spatial Data Collection Analysis & Visualization Lab, Utah State University



View of the New Fork River Crossing Historical Park from Wild Horse Butte.

In 2011, ACRA-member USU Archeological Services and the Spatial Data Collection Analysis & Visualization Lab at Utah State University began multi-phased investigations of an 82-acre parcel along the New Fork River, Wyoming, that contains portions of Lander's Trail. Lander's Trail or Lander Cut-off was part of the Oregon Trail system. Congressionally-financed and constructed between 1858 and 1860 under the direction of Frederick West Lander, the trail was used by 13,000 emigrants in its first official year.

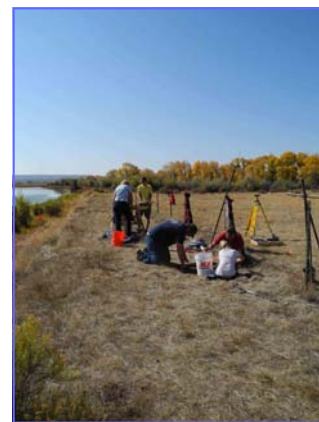
Methods included an intensive pedestrian survey, metal detector survey, geophysical survey, RTK mapping, and limited excavations. Funding for the archaeological investigations was provided by grants from the Wyoming Cultural Trust Fund, plus several hundred hours of volunteer labor and in-kind matches. Clint Gilchrist and Dawn Ballou secured the funding, and are principally responsible for the success of this project, and Sam Drucker (BLM) has also made significant contributions to the project.

Mentioned in contemporary accounts, an area

known as the "Island" was previously surveyed in 2009 by Dave Crowley (BLM). In 2011, more significant evidence of Emigrant-era deposits were recovered at the Island. These included several .44 caliber Civil War-era revolver bullets, a Model 1859 brass cavalry spur, and hand-forged carriage bolts. Geophysical surveys (ground penetrating radar and magnetic gradiometer)

identified anomalies that invited further investigation. In 2012, fieldwork included additional geophysical and metal detection in the eastern portion of the Island, plus test excavations of the 2011 anomalies. Civil War-era bullets, a hand-forged wagon staple, a concentration of melted lead and percussion caps, and a holder tube of a candlestick were among the artifacts recovered. Several of these items were excavated at the contact with a neo-glacial soil generally associated with the Emigrant Era.

The Sublette County Historical Society of Pinedale, Wyoming, recently acquired the land along the river and plans to open the New Fork River Crossing Historical Park in 2013. Funding for the acquisition was provided by donations from Shell, Ultra, and PacifiCorp via Pinedale Anticline mitigation agreements with the BLM.



Fieldwork along Lander's Trail above the New Fork River.

NEWS FROM DIGITAL ANTIQUITY

By Francis P. McManamon, Executive Director, Digital Antiquity

Digital Antiquity is a collaborative non-profit organization devoted to building, improving, and maintaining the digital archaeological record. Archaeologists, computer scientists, and information management experts have created Digital Antiquity with two basic goals. One is to improve substantially the ease of accessing and using archaeological information. The other, equally important, is to provide for the long-term preservation of the irreplaceable records of archaeological investigations.

As a part of fulfilling its goals, Digital Antiquity oversees the use, development, and maintenance of the Digital Archaeological Record (tDAR), a unique digital repository for archaeological data. If you've been to tDAR or the Digital Antiquity website (<http://www.tdar.org>) lately, you've seen the [recent improvements](#) we've made. We're proud of our new design and look forward to hearing your feedback.

This year we begin the transition that will take Digital Antiquity and tDAR from a grant-supported financial model to a user-supported, not-for-profit entity. As of the last week of January 2013, all uploads to tDAR will carry a modest, one-time fee to ensure the [long-term preservation](#) of records archived in the repository.

Our price structure is based on a sliding scale starting at \$50 for 1 file of up to 10 MB. Storage space is not allocated per file, but is "pooled" among all your

files. Additional space can be purchased as needed for large files (like large data sets, images, or 3D scans). We accept MasterCard, Visa, and American Express via our secure online forms. To utilize a purchase order, please contact our office to set up an online billing account. Detailed information on pricing, along with examples and a simple calculator can be found on our website at <http://www.tdar.org/about/pricing>.

For those who have already contributed files to tDAR, know that all of the records you have created and files you have uploaded will remain in tDAR as before. You may continue to access the records, download files, and edit the metadata. Browsing, searching, and downloading content from the wealth of archaeological information archived in tDAR will remain a free service.

We thank you for your support of tDAR and look forward to continuing to serve you in preserving and providing access to archaeological information long into the future.

If you have any questions, we're happy to talk with you about the changes. Call or email: (480) 965-1369, comments@digitalantiquity.org.



Editor's Note: ACRA Past President Mike Polk (Sagebrush Consultants) volunteered to take on archiving some of the materials related to the history of ACRA in tDAR. He just finished uploading issues of *The Grapevine Newsletter for Cultural Resources Management* as well as issues of *ACRA News* and *ACRA Edition* (through 2010). These materials are also available on the ACRA website, but now they are backed up in another location. Thanks go to Mike and BJ Titus (John Milner Associates, Inc.) for their substantial efforts! Watch for more information on this initiative in the February 2013 Monthly Member Update.

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ACRA EDITION ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

2012 Annual Conference Presentations Available

Some of the presentations from the 2012 ACRA Annual Conference are now available online. Please [click here](#) for access to the presentations. Thank you to all those who presented this year and helped make the conference valuable and successful.

Please contact [ACRA HQ](#) if you would like a copy of the keynote speech by Wayne Donaldson, as the file is too large for the website.

2012–2013 ACRA Partnership Program

2012 was an exciting and challenging year for ACRA and the CRM Industry. The year’s major activities included redesign of the ACRA website and increased government relations activities. 2013 looks to be just as exciting. When you begin developing your 2013 budget, please consider setting aside something to become an ACRA Partner.

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[For a printable copy of the registration form, click here.](#)

If you are interested in becoming a partner, upgrading your current partnership, or if you have any questions, please contact [Taylor Dubord](#) at ACRA Headquarters.

ACRA Consultants Database

Please take a moment to look at your Consultants Database listing on the ACRA website to make sure it is updated with the most current information. If you would like to change or add any information, please [email Ally](#).



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