



2007 CTA Fall Meeting
October 26, 2007 – Business Meeting, Menger Hotel, San Antonio, Texas
CTA/TAS “Careers in Archaeology” Social - 8:00 PM

Fall Meeting Agenda

Registration 8:30 AM
Call to Order 9:00 AM

Announcements

Approval of Minutes from the Spring 2007 Meeting
(as published in this CTA Newsletter)

Officers’ Reports

- President
- President Elect
- Immediate Past-President
- Secretary Treasurer
- Newsletter Editor

Standing Committee Reports

- Auditing
- CTA Communications
- Contractors List
- Curation
- Governmental Affairs
- Multicultural Relations
- Nominating
- Public Education

Special Committee Reports

- Academic Archeology and CRM
- Anti-Looting
- Archeological Survey Standards
- History
- Membership
- Publications Webpage

Old Business

- Vote on Draft CTA Curation Prep Guidelines
- Publications Page on CTA Website
- Vote on Bylaws Changes

New Business

- Update on Transfer of Sites to THC
- Adding Job Announcements to Website
- Anti-Looting Committee Change to Advisory Board

Meeting Adjourns at 11:00 PM

CTA/TxDOT Workshop 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

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PRESIDENTS’ FORUM

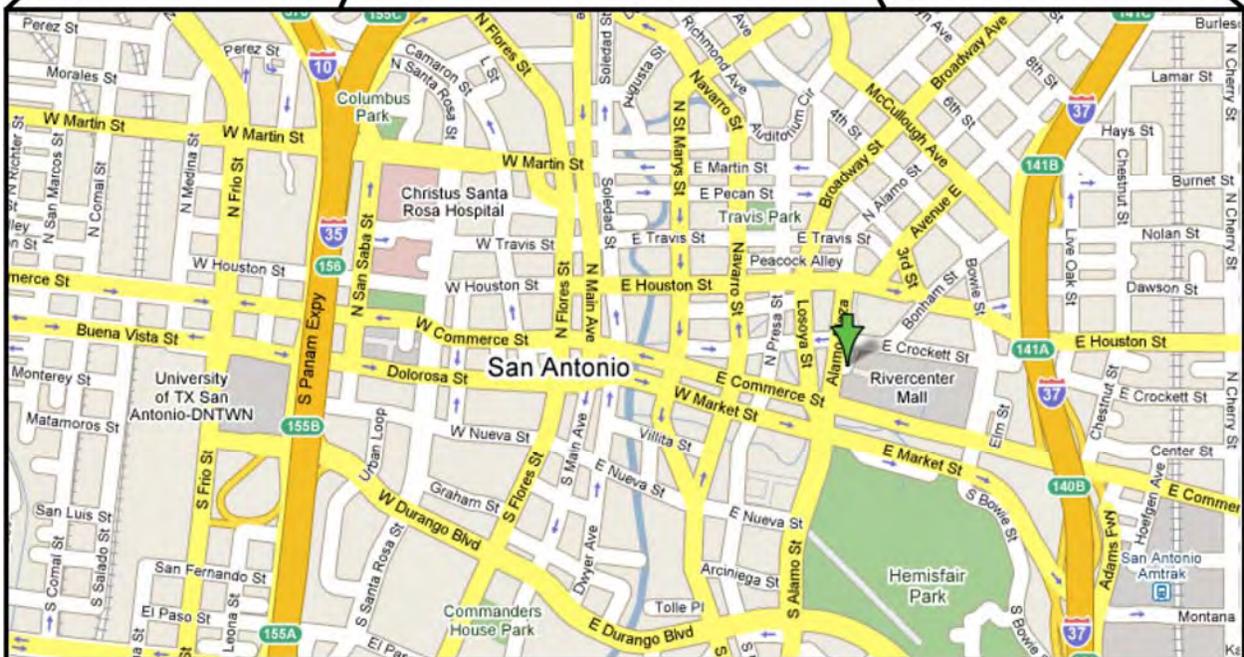
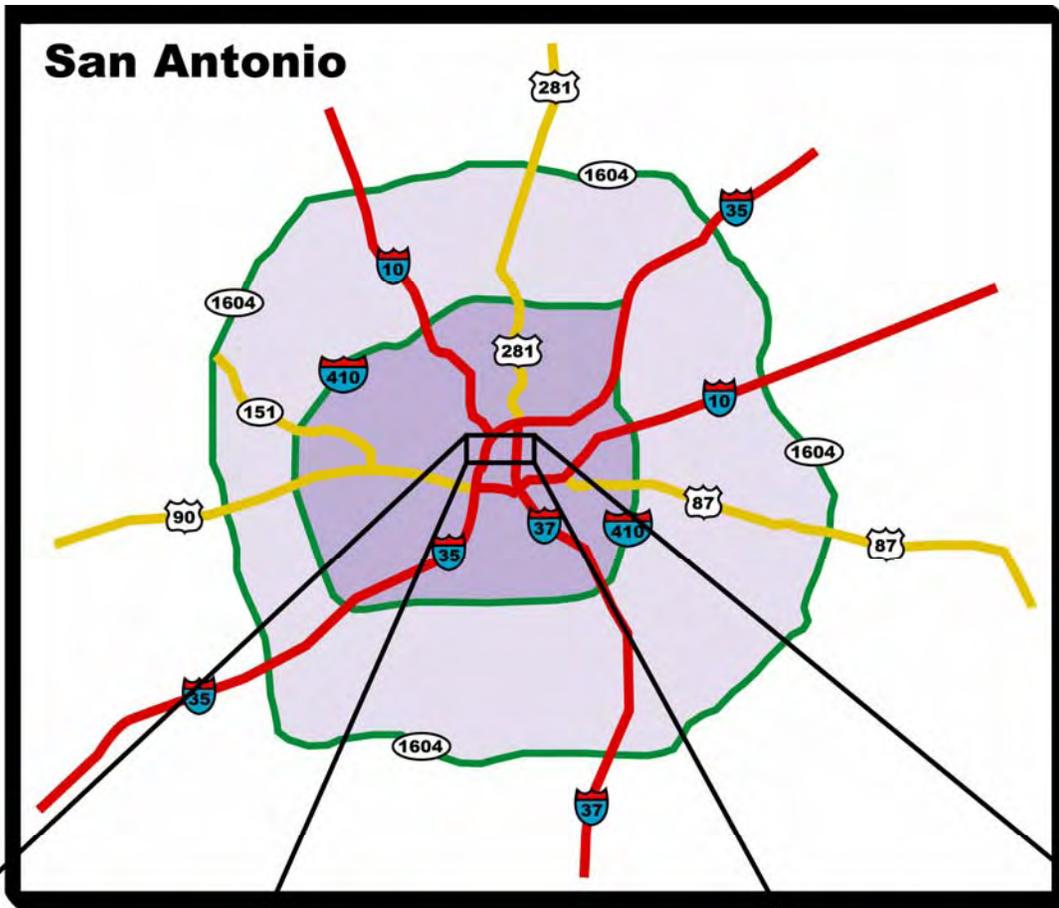
Charles D. Frederick

I am pleased to state that my activities on behalf of the CTA have decreased significantly since the end of the Texas Legislative session. But the run up to the end of the session was often busy and at times very educational.

Mr. Smith Goes to Austin...

Perhaps the most unusual encounter I had was a series of e-mail exchanges in early May with Mr. Lewis Smith of Greenville, Texas, who started a group known as the *Surface Hunters of Texas*. Lewis, or “Indiana”, as he is known to his buddies, attempted to have a bill introduced into the Texas Senate that would amend the Antiquities Code to permit surface collection of artifacts on state land. You can read his rant yourself on his web page (http://indiespageopoints.freesevers.com/whats_new.html). By way of background, Mr. Smith describes himself as follows:

“I am not some knuckle-dragging looter eager for a chance to burrow into the next burial mound I encounter. I have a Bachelor's and Master's degree in History,



Menger Hotel, 204 Alamo Plaza

Annual Meeting of the Texas Archeological Society, October 26–28, 2007

Historic Menger Hotel in downtown San Antonio, 204 Alamo Plaza

CTA Meeting, Friday, October 26, 2007 at 9:00 AM

<http://www.txarch.org/Activities/AnnualMeeting/am2007/index.html>

and for 11 years I have been an instructor at a fully accredited private Christian school. My students have advanced to State Level competition in the National History Day Fair 11 years in a row! I am also an ordained minister with 16 years in the pastorate, a father of twins, and an adjunct instructor at a local community college. For two years I was also Director of Education at a local museum."

In order to promote his cause he was corresponding with Senator Deuell (District 2, with an office in Greenville, Texas) to introduce a bill. Jim Bruseth brought this issue up twice at the Antiquities Advisory Board meetings, and both times it was apparent that there was no support for such a change to the Antiquities Code. When Jim Bruseth conveyed this information to Mr. Smith, apparently *Indiana* felt that his case had not been made clearly enough and wanted to hear a response directly from the Texas Archeological Society and the CTA. Jim shared with me the TAS response and I felt that it was terse and that a bit more of an explanation was necessary for Mr. Smith to understand our position. So I crafted a letter on behalf of the CTA with input from Rachel Feit (Chair of the Governmental Affairs Committee). Our letter attempted to explain why his proposal would not be favored by the CTA membership (you can read the text of this letter yourself as it is printed here in the newsletter). Mr. Smith's response was, well, best described as duplicitous. To me he was polite stating that:

" At the least, if we must be adversaries on this issue, *I hope that we will be civil adversaries* who are willing to communicate and search for ways to compromise."
[italics mine]

At the same time he sent the following to two of Senator Deuell's staff members:

Hello Kate and Don!

I have just finished reading CTA's official response to my proposal and I am so mad I can hardly see straight. The more I think about it, the madder I get. This is the kind of self-righteous twaddle that collectors have had stuffed down their throats by these "Dr. Digless" style academics for the last 20 years!

It is a beautifully written letter, I will give you that. If I didn't actually know what was in my proposal, it would make me want to oppose it! But that whole ridiculous "book in a library" analogy is totally off the mark. Saying the "book" was in a trash dumpster with the cover ripped off and the pages all scattered about and I wanted to retrieve the valuable illustrations before the dump truck arrived, now THAT would be closer to the mark! Has this guy ever even SEEN the Sulphur River, or some of these lake sites with ten feet of topsoil washed away and artifacts lying in jumbled piles along with modern beer bottle glass, fish bones, and lures along the shoreline? All I ever asked for was permission to collect artifacts that no self-respecting archeologist is EVER going to excavate!

For the love of sanity, let's go ahead and move this legislation forward. I will be glad to PERSONALLY come to Austin and go head-to-head with these stuffed shirts over this. What it boils down to is an institutional bias against artifact collecting, combined with a healthy chunk of professional arrogance. PLEASE convey to Senator Deuell my very strong feelings that this needs to go forward. There is one more organization that has not weighed in yet - the Texas Archeological Society. They have a large number of collectors in their membership, but many of their officers are academics.

Still, I imagine that if they come out opposed, the opposition will be more subdued, and many of their rank and file will break with them over this. And I still don't understand why we cannot implement a pilot program to test whether or not the licensing system would work. Jim tells me it would require the same overhaul of the Antiquities Code as a statewide licensing system, but that seems odd to me. Can't the legislature offer a temporary abridgement of a law as a way of testing whether or not the law should be permanently

amended? It seems to me as if that should be doable.

Sorry if I am ranting a little bit, but I am still steamed about this. Let's keep the ball rolling!

Sincerely yours,

Lewis B. Smith

Although I had already crafted a response to his follow up letter, I immediately aborted it and wrote a different response. I guess I was a bit naïve to expect better behavior from an ordained minister with 16 years experience. In this, my final letter to Mr. Smith, I called him on his duplicitous behavior and ended with the following:

"If collecting artifacts is such a benign hobby, then why don't you approach land owners for permission? There is FAR more private land in the state, and surely they will mind less than the archeological community, which I assure you is vociferously opposed to your proposal. IF you want a dialog, I suggest you try to keep your comments on the same plane as you pretend to want. I now doubt that you have any sincere desire for a dialog. If it is debate in a Senate Committee room you are after, you can count on our appearance!"

As I stated in my letter to Mr. Smith, I do not believe he has any desire for dialog, but rather he wants to see our counter-arguments to his proposal, and for that reason I have not engaged in any further discussion with him. Although I could go into this in more detail, suffice it to say that I feel it is important that the CTA membership see the way this guy works. I suspect he will launch another round during the next legislative session and we should be prepared for him. If you want to see the full text of my correspondence with Mr. Lewis "Indiana" Smith I am happy to provide it upon request (e-mail me at c.frederick@hughes.net).

SAA Booth

As many of you are aware, CTA shared a booth with the TAS at the Society for American Archeology Meeting in Austin last April. It seemed to be a successful enterprise. Many thanks to the CTA members who took the time to prepare materials for the booth and staffed it during the meeting.

CTA Texas Archeology Month Grant Recipients

This year we have chosen two recipients for the CTA Texas Archeology Month grants. Each recipient will receive \$300 towards their event. The first grant is to be awarded to Larry Riemenschneider and the Concho Valley Archeological Society of San Angelo, Texas, for their event *Yesteryears Revisited*, which is described as a free day of fun and discovery featuring: Exhibits and Demonstrations of Native American Life and Culture, Archaeology, Fort Period Military Life, Early Settlers' Travel and Daily Life, Hands-on Activities, Especially for Youth and Children, Chuck Wagon Food Booth. Those attending may also visit "The Moving Wall" which is a memorial to those who served and died in the Vietnam conflict. This archeology fair is to be held October 13, 2007 from 10:00 AM-4:00 PM, at Fort Concho National Landmark, San Angelo, Texas.

The second grant award is for the *First Annual Rio Grande Delta International Archeology Fair*, to be held on Saturday, October 13, 2007 from 10:00 AM-3:00 PM at the Palo Alto Battlefield. This grant was applied for by Jennie Galvan, and this fair will feature mock digs, living historians, a children's booth, a storyteller, children's face paintings with an archeological theme. There will also be demonstrations of ancient crafts such as shell making, flint knapping, atlatl throwing, and displays of artifacts as well as a variety of interesting subjects such as recent field research by the Christi Museum of Science and History, Rock Art of North East Mexico, Native Plants and How Natives used them, the Mexican-American War, the Agriculture Heritage of Mexico, and Era Costumes of Mexico. Last but not least there will be a booth where people may bring artifacts to have them identified and a Fly-Over arranged by the Air Museum. This fair is being sponsored by and involves the participation of the Rio Grande Delta Archeological Society, The Historic Brownsville Museum, Palo Alto Battlefield, The Brownsville Historical Association, Museums of Port Isabel, Dr. Jack Keller, Corpus Christi Museum of Science and History, Brownsville Children's Museum, Brownsville Audubon Society, Brownsville Museum of Fine Art, Casa Mata Museum, (Matamoros, Mexico), Museo Del Agrarismo, (Matamoros, Mexico), Costumes of the Americas, and the Air Museum.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

SECRETARY TREASURER
Marie Archambeault

Hope everyone enjoyed the unusually rainy summer weather! It was an odd, but nice break from the heat! The annual Fall Meeting is just around the corner; Look out San Antonio! As of September 21, 2007, the 2007 CTA membership list boasts a total of 172 active, due-paying members, 11 of which are student members. We also have 51 contractors listed on our website. Be sure your 2007 membership dues and contractor fees are current, so your vote will count in the Fall Meeting (see membership list or contact me if you're not sure). There are approximately 50 people that were active in 2006, that have not paid their 2007 dues!

CTA's accounts are doing well with \$13,292.40 in the checking account, \$8,826.59 in the Money Market account, and \$7,721.43 in the Scholarship Fund as of September 21, 2007. My goal is to have our Money Market account established before the end of the year.

Please make sure that CTA has your current contact information. And don't forget to sign up for the CTA listserv! Remember that membership dues and contractor's fees are for the calendar year. Get a jump on your 2007 dues by sending cash or checks to me, or bypass the paperwork and submit your dues online through PayPal!

NEWSLETTER EDITOR
Mindy Bonine

I would like to take this opportunity to encourage *everyone* to join the Yahoo! Group **CTA_org**. There are now 53 members registered, only 8 more than the 45 members reported last spring. With the updated membership list in this newsletter, I will again be sending out invitations to join the Yahoo! Group. Please register with the group for information and updates between newsletters. For instructions on how to join, please e-mail me at mbonine@swca.com or ask me at the Spring Meeting.

Additional issues that will be addressed in this Fall Meeting will be the posting of job announcements to the CTA website and the content of the Publications Webpage, for which there was a special committee formed during the last meeting. Both of these issues will hopefully be addressed by the membership and the way forward will be decided.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE

Patricia Clabaugh (Chair), Carolyn Spock, Laura Nightengale, Karen Gardner, Melinda Iruegas, and Lou Fullen

Old Business

CTA Guidelines for Curation Preparation

The Curation Committee made revisions to the *CTA Guidelines for Curation Preparation* based on member comments and suggestions. The committee wishes to thank those of you who took the time to comment on the earlier drafts, we appreciate your input. Due to our busy schedules, the Curation Committee will not publish the revised guidelines in this newsletter and we will not put it up for a vote at the next business meeting in San Antonio. We will post them on the CTA yahoo newsgroup and the next newsletter for a Spring vote.

It was suggested, and we concurred, that the Excavation and Post-excavation Parts of Section 4, Discovery and Treatment of Human Remains, is incorporated into Section 4 of the *CTA Guidelines for Professional Performance Standards*. This section states:

4.3.8 The concerns of ethnic and social groups, especially Native American Indians, must be addressed before human skeletal remains are excavated.

As mentioned in previous newsletters, these guidelines will be periodically reviewed and updated to reflect current standard practices and procedures in archaeological collections management and curation.

New Business

The Curation Committee has been discussing digital preservation in archaeology, particularly the need to become more educated on this timely issue. We are starting to develop strategies for dealing with the digital data we already have in our repositories and would like to begin compiling useful information for the membership (see related article below). In the coming year we will be sharing what we learn and hopefully get feedback from the members about this issue.

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Rachel Feit, Chair

Spring of 2007 was a busy time for those tracking governmental affairs. Several controversial items of legislation were introduced in the State House of Representatives; among these were HB 1016 and HB 7 which were first reported on in the March 2007 newsletter.

HB 1016 would have made metal detecting legal on designated portions of state parks. Committee hearings were held in April 2007 and included a Metal Detecting Association member as the only witness, in favor of the bill. Ultimately, the bill was left pending in committee and no further action was taken before the close of the legislative session. The CTA sent the House Culture Tourism and Recreation Committee members a letter opposing the bill in March 2007.

HB 7 was intended to allow the transfer of certain historic sites from the Texas Parks and Wildlife department (TPWD) to the Texas Historical Commission (THC). Eventually this bill was rolled into HB 12 which tied the transfer of the sites to increased funding for TPWD from the Texas Sporting Goods Tax. In the waning days of the 2007 legislative session both the House and Senate voted favorably on HB 12, allowing the transfer of 18 historic sites. The sites are:

- (1) Acton State Historic Site;
- (2) Caddoan Mounds State Historic Site;
- (3) Casa Navarro State Historic Site;
- (4) Confederate Reunion Grounds State Historic Site;

- (5) Eisenhower Birthplace State Historic Site;
- (6) Fannin Battleground State Historic Site;
- (7) Fort Griffin State Historic Site;
- (8) Fort Lancaster State Historic Site;
- (9) Fort McKavett State Historic Site;
- (10) Fulton Mansion State Historic Site;
- (11) Landmark Inn State Historic Site;
- (12) Levi Jordan State Historic Site;
- (13) Magoffin Home State Historic Site;
- (14) Sabine Pass Battleground State Historic Site;
- (15) Sam Bell Maxey House State Historic Site;
- (16) San Felipe State Historic Site;
- (17) Starr Family Home State Historic Site;
- (18) Varner-Hogg Plantation State Historic Site.

The THC will receive \$36 million to make repairs and renovations, establish a support infrastructure, maintain, and manage the sites. It will receive annually 6% of the Texas Sporting Goods Tax appropriations to help continue managing and maintaining the sites.

Finally in May the Governmental Affairs Committee reviewed potential legislation that would make surface collecting of archeological artifacts legal on public lands in Texas. The CTA sent the proponents of the potential Senate bill a letter opposing the measure, arguing that such legislation endangered the integrity of archeological sites within the public trust. The text of the letter sent to the bill's proponents is included in this newsletter. A formal Senate bill was never introduced before the close of the 2007 session.

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for everyone to submit information about current research, projects, etc.

MINUTES

**CTA Spring Meeting
Camp Mabry, Austin, Texas
30 March 2007
9:17 AM**

The Spring 2007 Meeting of CTA was called to order by President Charles Frederick at 9:17 am.

Announcements

Several announcements were made. Charles Frederick welcomed the membership and thanked the Camp Mabry staff for hosting the meeting. Charles also announced that Duane Peter will represent the CTA at the Council of Councils Meeting at the SAA in Austin, Texas. Peter will present on "What's new and good about Texas Archaeology," and is asking

Approval of Minutes from the Fall 2006 Meeting

The first order of business, approval of the minutes of the Fall 2006 meeting as published in the newsletter, was asked for a motion. There were no changes or additions from the floor. It was moved that the minutes be approved, seconded—it was approved and the motion carried.

Officers' Reports*President*

Beginning the officers' reports, Charles explained that the last 6 months of his presidency has primarily focused on political issues, specifically legislation concerning the transfer of archaeological sites from the Texas Parks and Wildlife to the THC (HB 7) and the lift on metal detecting ban (HB 1016).

Immediate Past-President

Outgoing Immediate Past-President, Kevin Miller stated that he too had spent most of the last 6 months dealing with political issues. He was also working on establishing the publications section of the CTA website.

Secretary Treasurer

Marie Archambeault discussed the membership numbers in comparison to 2006 and noted that there are several members who paid 2006 dues who have not paid 2007 dues, including contractors. She announced that the accounts look good, and it seems like a good time to invest in CDs for the money market account and the scholarship fund, which will be discussed during New Business. Marie discussed the establishment of a Returned Checks Policy, which will pass the bank fees to the individual who writes a bad check. A fee of \$10 per returned check will be established immediately. Marie also announced that the Form 802: Periodic Report for 501(c)(6) non-profit Corporations, which is required by the state, was filed. She also announced that adjusting CTA donations will be a subject for New Business. Also, Marie is heading up the SAA booth and asked for volunteers to see her after the meeting.

Newsletter Editor

Mindy Bonine thanked everyone who has submitted articles and announcements for the newsletter. She announced that by the end of the year, individuals not on the CTA yahoo listserv will not receive information about membership renewal and other CTA announcements. She asked if anyone has any questions, please contact her directly (mbonine@swca.com).

Standing Committee Reports*Auditing*

Mark Denton, Chair, reported that the books looked good and a motion was made to approve the auditors report. Motion was seconded and carried.

Communications

Dan Julien, Chair, thanked Mindy for her work making information more accessible.

Contractors List

Erin Watkins, Chair, announced that contractor's will be deleted if fees are not paid. She also announced that she was looking for additional committee membership. J. Bryan Mason volunteered. Anyone else willing to help or has questions regarding the

Contractors List, please contact Erin directly (ekwatkins@pbsj.com).

Curation

Carolyn Spock announced that we would not vote on the Curation Guidelines as the committee is attempting to address the comments received. She hopes to have the guidelines available for the Fall 2007 newsletter.

Governmental Affairs

Rachel Feit, Chair, began a lengthy discussion about the numerous pieces of legislation that have been proposed in the Texas Legislature. She began by discussing a new bill that would allow surface collecting on all public lands. She stated that all relevant information would be available on the CTA website. In the past, several attempts to pass legislation similar to HB 1016, which would allow metal detecting in state parks, have occurred. Washington has a bill that allows metal detecting in areas already surveyed and metal detected by archeologists prior to releasing the land for public metal detecting. The state requires 50 acres of land a year be released. Jim Bruseth mentioned that these bills tend to get knocked down. Mark Denton said there are 8 individuals behind this legislation and that we should develop a way to permit these kinds of surveys just in case.

Rachel then discussed HB 2056, which is pending in the house. HB 2056 provides a way to prosecute violations of the Antiquities Code.

HB 7 is the highly controversial bill allowing for the transfer of 25 sites from TPWD to the THC with \$31,000,000 and additional support staff. Rachel stated that the CTA will not take a position on this transfer, other than to say our primary concern is the preservation of the sites. Jim Bruseth mentioned that the start-up costs include upgrades to the site and THC costs, and that the number of sites is back down to 22. Michael Strutt stated that he appreciates CTA not taking a side and that he agrees the primary focus should be preservation of the sites. HB 6 would allow for TPWD to retain the sites with full funding. HB 12 ties HB 6 and HB7 together and gives the TPWD enforcement powers. Kevin mentioned that all of the details have not been completely sorted out. Questions were raised concerning how the THC can maintain sites that are also under their review. Jim Bruseth mentioned that the THC currently oversees two sites: Nimitz Museum and Sam Rayburn Museum. Jim stated that there is a long history of historical programs and experiences that are successful including the historic courthouse program.

Old Business

CTA Booth at the SAA Meeting

Charles announced that we are teaming with TAS to have a booth at the SAA Meetings in Austin. Please see Marie for more information.

CTA Listserv/Mailing list

Mindy announced again that the CTA has created a Yahoo! Group (CTA_org) to operate as a listserv. All communication with the membership will eventually transfer to this medium, so please take the appropriate actions to keep up-to-date on CTA happenings. Warnings will be sent to the current mailing list about how to join the CTA yahoo listserv and when all communications via the mailing list will cease.

New Business

2007 Budget

A motion was carried to allow the Treasurer to transfer money into CDs to allow the funds to grow. Additionally, a motion was asked to increase donations to the Native American Scholarship for the Texas Archeological Societies Annual Field School and to the Archeological Conservancy to help preserve the Wilson-Leonard site. Margaret Howard provided information on what it costs to sponsor one Native American participant (\$350). The motion was made, seconded, and carried to increase the donation from \$1000 to \$1500. Pat Mercado-Allinger provided the membership with additional information about the threatened Wilson-Leonard site. A motion was made to increase the funds from \$500 to \$1000 to help defray the legal costs incurred by the Archeological Conservancy, which has undertaken the preservation of the Wilson-Leonard site. The motion was seconded and carried.

Vote on Draft CTA Curation Prep Guidelines

Vote was postponed to address new comments.

Elect a new President-elect

The Nomination committee announced that Nick Trierweiler of Ecological Communications Corporation has accepted the nomination for President-elect. Charles asked if there were any other nominations from the floor and got none. A motion was carried to elected Nick as the new President-elect; it was seconded and passed unanimously. Congratulations Nick!

Publications Page Added to CTA Website

Scott Pletka announced that the CTA webpage has added its first publication, *People of the Prairie: Possible Connection to the Davis Site Caddo*, by Harry Shaffer. This publication was a study for TxDOT through Prewitt and Associates. The publications webpage allows information to be disseminated to the archaeological community and to the public. A discussion arose concerning the criteria for what is posted. Scott, Kevin Miller, and Mindy Bonine accepted the responsibility of setting up a Publications Webpage Special Committee.

Vote on Bylaws Changes

Vote on Bylaw amendments was postponed to allow the Public Education Committee the opportunity to publish additional changes in next newsletter.

Any Other Business

Several additional announcements were made from the floor. First, Mark Denton announced that despite the rain, the CTA social would go on. Maureen Brown thanked those companies and individuals who help make the CTA/TAS Social a success, and that she looks forward to seeing everyone in San Antonio. Mark Denton made a few more announcements concerning a few 10-week Internship positions at the THC this summer. Finally, it was announced that Austin Community College had approved the Associates Degree in Archaeology.

At this time, Charles announced that as we had run a little long during our meeting that the afternoon session would begin at 1:30 PM. Charles asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 11:55 AM.

PROPOSED REVISIONS TO BYLAWS

The vote on the proposed changes to the CTA bylaws during the Spring 2007 Meeting was postponed to enable additional review. No changes were made, and below is copy of the complete list of the proposed changes to the bylaws to be voted on during the Fall 2007 Meeting. The editor has highlighted text to be removed in red, and text to be added in green.

BYLAWS OF THE COUNCIL OF TEXAS ARCHEOLOGISTS

ARTICLE I. Name

The name of this organization shall be the "Council of Texas Archeologists," herein referred to as the "Council."

ARTICLE II. Purpose

Section 1. Purpose

The Council of Texas Archeologists is a nonprofit voluntary organization which exists for the purpose of maintaining and promoting the goals of professional archeology in the State of Texas. These goals shall include but not be limited to:

- a. The promotion and coordination of communication and cooperation within the archeological community and the ethnic groups and segments of society we study;
- b. The preservation and conservation of the cultural resources of Texas;
- c. The promotion and dissemination of information which enhances public awareness of the limited and non-renewable nature of our cultural resources.

Section 2. Legislative and Lobbying Action

Where appropriate, the activities of the Council shall be directed towards legislative, lobbying, and consultative actions where it furthers the goals of the Council. Such activities shall be carried out in a manner consistent with the Council's status as a professional society, with the duties of the officers, and with appropriate opportunities for action as stated in applicable Federal and State laws and regulations.

ARTICLE III. Membership

Section 1. Members

Membership shall be open to professionals, students, and institutions vocationally involved in Texas archeology who subscribe to the goals of the Council.

Each professional or student member in good standing, who has paid membership dues, shall be entitled to cast one vote for or against any issue brought before the Council. Institutional members are non-voting members.

Section 2. Dues

The Council shall establish membership dues for the purpose of financing its business.

ARTICLE IV. Officers, Election and Terms, Qualifications, Nominations

Section 1. Officers

The officers of the Council shall be a President, a President-Elect, an Immediate Past President, a Secretary-Treasurer, and a Newsletter Editor. These officers, who comprise the Executive Committee, shall perform the duties prescribed by these Bylaws and by the parliamentary authority adopted by the Council.

Section 2. Election and Terms

~~a. Officers shall be elected by ballot at the regular Spring Meeting to serve for a term of two years or until their successors are elected, and their terms of office shall begin at the close of the meeting at which they are elected.~~

a. Officers shall be elected by ballot at the regular Spring Meeting. The President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Newsletter Editor shall serve terms of two years or until their successors are elected. Presidents-Elect shall be placed on the ballot every other year, serving the year before their term as President begins; Immediate Past Presidents shall hold this office the year following their Presidential term. Terms of office shall begin at the close of the meeting at which they are elected.

- b. A plurality vote shall constitute an election.
- c. No member shall serve two consecutive terms in the office of President.
- d. Each officer/committee member shall be a member in good standing who has paid dues.
- e. In the event an officer is unable to complete his/her term, the remaining members of the Executive Committee will meet (either in person or by telephone) and appoint a person to fill the vacant position until an election can be held at the next regular or specially-called meeting. If the office of the President is vacant, the President-Elect will become the President for the remainder of the term; the position filled would be that of President-Elect. Should both the President and the President-Elect positions become vacant before an election can be held,

the office of President will succeed first to the Secretary-Treasurer, and if that office is vacant, to the Newsletter Editor. Members of the Executive Committee will retain their elected offices except to serve as needed in the position of President following the above outlined order of succession.

Section 3. Nominations

- a. At the regular Fall Meeting a Nominating Committee of five persons shall be chosen. The Chair~~man~~ of the Committee shall be appointed by the President. Four or more additional nominations shall be made from the floor for the remaining positions, and those four receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected.
- b. It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to nominate candidates for the offices to be filled at the regular Spring Meeting. This Committee shall confer with all persons nominated in order to determine their willingness to serve if elected.
- c. No agency may be represented by more than one person on this Committee. An agency is herein defined as a private organization or a separately budgeted branch of government or educational institution.
- d. Before the election of officers at the regular Spring Meeting, additional nominations from the floor shall be permitted.

ARTICLE V. Duties of Officers

Section 1. Duties of the President

The President shall:

- a. Maintain continuity of the Council by executing the provisions of these Bylaws.
- b. Preside at Council Meetings.
- c. Make necessary arrangements for each Council meeting in accordance with the date and location selected by the membership at the preceding meeting.
- d. Provide an agenda for each Council meeting.
- e. Appoint committees and their chairs, unless otherwise specified herein, in accordance with Article VII of these Bylaws and with the assistance and approval of the elected officers.
- f. Speak for the Council as a whole only when so authorized by the membership, except in emergency situations wherein the President shall be empowered to so speak for the Council with the assistance and approval of the elected officers. In all such emergency cases, statements issued by the President shall be subject to ratification by a majority vote of the members at the next regular or special meeting of the Council. The President shall notify the membership as to the contents of any statements

made in their behalf, in the Newsletter or at the next meeting, whichever comes first.

- g. Convey all records, correspondence, and property of the Council to his/her successor.
- h. With the approval of the officers, present an annual budget for the coming year at the Spring Meeting of the CTA. The budget will be approved by a majority vote.
- i. Serve as or appoint a representative to the Antiquities Advisory Board to the Texas Historical Commission.
- j. Represent CTA by attending the Texas Historical Commission's Archeology Committee meetings in conjunction with the Commission's quarterly meetings.

Section 2. Duties of the President-Elect

The President-Elect shall:

- a. Maintain continuity of the Council by working closely with the President and other elected officers.
- b. Assume the office of President at the end of the Spring Meeting one year after being elected.
- c. Convey all records, correspondence, and property of the Council to his/her successor.

Section 3. Duties of the Secretary-Treasurer

The Secretary-Treasurer shall:

- a. Receive dues and contractors' listing fees and deposit them in an account in the name of the Council and shall disburse funds from this account for publication and distribution of the Newsletter and for other necessary Council expenses.
- b. Maintain an up-to-date list of the members.
- c. Carry on necessary correspondence as directed by the President.
- d. Report at every regular meeting to the membership the receipts, expenses, and financial condition of the Council. No funds from dues are to be used for salaries or otherwise to reimburse persons for time spent on Council business (see clarification in Article VIII).
- e. Record the proceedings of all Council meetings and maintain a complete set of records, Newsletters, and Contractors Lists.
- f. Keep copies of the Bylaws and standing rules and record amendments.
- g. Call the meeting to order in the absence of the President or President-Elect and preside over the election of a temporary presiding officer.
- h. Send notices of all meetings to members.
- i. Close the books within 15 days of the end of the fiscal year (January 1 through December 31) and submit them to the chair~~man~~ of the Auditing Committee.

- j. Convey all records, correspondence, and property of the Council to his/her successor.

Section 4. Duties of the Newsletter-Editor

The Newsletter-Editor shall:

- a. Produce and distribute a Newsletter two times yearly. Additional editions of the Newsletter may be issued as needs, funds, and time allow.
- b. Provide the Secretary-Treasurer with a copy of all Newsletters.
- c. Convey all records, correspondence, and property of the Council to his/her successor.

Section 5. Duties of the Immediate Past President

~~The Immediate Past President shall work with the President and other elected officers to maintain the continuity of the Council.~~

The Immediate Past President shall:

- a. Assume the office of Immediate Past President at the end of the Spring Meeting following two years as President.
- b. Work with the President and other elected officers to maintain the continuity of the Council.
- c. Convey all records, correspondence, and property of the Council to his/her successor.

ARTICLE VI. Meetings

Section 1. Regular Meetings

There shall be two regular meetings held each year: (1) Fall Meeting, held in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the Texas Archeological Society unless decided otherwise at the Spring Meeting, and (2) Spring Meeting, in Austin, Texas, the date of which shall be selected at the preceding regular Fall Meeting. Notification of members to the last known address shall be made at least 15 days prior to any meetings.

Section 2. Quorum

Twenty-five voting members present shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3. Special Meetings

Special meetings shall be called by the President upon the written request of 15 members. Notice of special meetings must include an agenda.

ARTICLE VII. Committees

Section 1. Governmental Affairs Committee

The Governmental Affairs Committee shall consist of six members, appointed by the President with the assistance and approval of the elected officers. Members shall serve staggered terms of two years, with three appointed each year. The Governmental Affairs Committee shall monitor official plans and actions at the local, state, and federal levels, as they

affect archeological work in Texas. This information shall be conveyed to the membership through the Newsletter and by submission of reports at regular meetings or through the Internet.

Section 2. Membership Committee

The Membership Committee shall consist of 4 members, appointed by the President with the assistance and approval of the elected officers. Members shall serve staggered terms of two years, with two appointed each year, and shall elect their chair. The duties and responsibilities of the Membership Committee are to promote and encourage membership in CTA among those archeologists and cultural resource managers in the CRM industry, state and Federal agencies, and academia (including students) who have an interest in Texas archeology. The committee also has the responsibility to receive and review application materials for the CTA Student Research Grant and award said grant to the student who best meets the criteria for the grant as outlined on the CTA web site.

~~*Section 2. Ethics and Standards Committee*~~

~~The Ethics and Standards Committee shall consist of six members, no two of whom shall be employed by the same agency. Members of the Ethics and Standards Committee shall be nominated from the floor and elected by the membership. This committee shall consider professional problems, make recommendations where necessary, and communicate with the membership on matters of ethics and standards in the conduct of all phases of archeological work in Texas.~~

Section 3. Auditing Committee

The Auditing Committee shall consist of three members, appointed by the President with the assistance and approval of the elected officers. The Auditing Committee shall at the end of every fiscal year conduct an audit of the records of the Council maintained by the Secretary-Treasurer ~~and by the Accreditation and Review Council and its Secretary-Treasurer.~~ The Committee shall report its findings to the membership at the next regular meeting.

Section 4. Contractors List Committee

The Contractors List Committee (the Committee) shall consist of one or more members, appointed by the President with the assistance and approval of the elected officers. This Committee shall maintain an up-to-date Contractors List on the CTA web site. Each Cultural Resources Director (CRD) must be a member of the CTA and be in good standing to be included on the Contractors List. The CRD can appear only once in the Contractors List. Each contractor must pay the listing fee in addition to the individual membership dues of the CRD. Contractors

will be listed on the CTA web page as soon as possible, after they have paid both their dues and fees and have provided all necessary information for listing to the Committee. Each CTA contractor shall be responsible for timely notification to this Committee of address or information changes. Contractor fees and CRD fees are due January 1 to the CTA Secretary-Treasurer. Listed contractors who do not pay a renewal fee by January 31 will be removed from the list until the fee is paid. Application to the Contractors List may occur at any time through the year; however, there are no prorated rates.

~~The Contractors List Committee shall consist of one or more members, appointed by the President with the assistance and approval of the elected officers. This Committee shall maintain and publish two times yearly an up to date Contractors List; receive contractors' listing fees and deposit them with the Secretary Treasurer; report all expenditures to the Secretary Treasurer; and provide each elected officer with a copy of all published Contractors Lists. Each Cultural Resources Director (CRD) must be a member of CTA and be in good standing in order to be included on the Contractors List. The CRD can appear only once in the Contractors List. Each contractor must pay the listing fee in addition to the individual membership dues of the CRD by the specified deadline. There are no half year or other prorated rates for those who miss the payment deadline. Contractors will be listed on the CTA web page as soon as possible after they have paid both their dues and fees and provided all necessary information to the Committee. CTA members shall be responsible for meeting deadlines for inclusion on the CTA Contractors List and timely notification to this Committee of address changes.~~

Section 5. Public Education Committee

The Public Education Committee shall consist of six or more members, appointed by the President with the assistance and approval of the elected officers. ~~The Chair and Secretary Treasurer shall be elected by the Committee. This Committee shall be responsible for the CTA Speakers Bureau and CTA participation in Archeology Month.~~ Members shall serve staggered terms of two years, with three appointed each year, and shall elect their chair. The Committee shall be involved in public outreach efforts (speakers bureaus, Texas Archeology Month), including the recognition of outstanding examples of work in public education.

Section 6. Multicultural Relations Committee

The Multicultural Relations Committee (formerly the Native American Relations Committee) shall consist of four or more members, appointed by the President

with the assistance and approval of the Executive Committee. The Chair shall be elected by the Committee. The Committee shall foster positive working relationships between the archeological community and all ethnic groups whose cultures we study, serve as a forum for inquiring into current issues, disseminate relevant information, and, when appropriate, recommend courses of action to the membership.

Section 7. Communications Committee

The Communications Committee shall consist of three or more members, appointed by the President with the assistance and approval of the elected officers. This Committee shall work with the Executive Committee to oversee the Council's Internet domains and/or electronic discussion lists and Internet partnerships. It shall also assist the chairs of other committees to update their information on the Council's website.

Section 8. Curation Committee

The Curation Committee shall consist of six members, appointed by the President with the assistance and approval of the elected officers. Members shall serve staggered terms of two years, with three appointed each year, and shall elect their Chair. The Committee shall work to improve and bring up to current standards the care and management of archeological collections (archeological records and material collections).

Section 9. Standing or Special Committees

Such other committees, standing or special, shall be appointed by the President, with the approval of the elected officers, as deemed necessary from time to time or as directed by the Council to carry on the work of the Council. Appointments of other committees by the President shall be subject to approval by majority vote of the members at the next regular or special meeting of the Council.

Section 10. Committee Membership

Committee members shall be appointed by the new President at any time after he/she takes office at the conclusion of the Spring Meeting. Committee memberships, elected or appointed, terminate at the conclusion of the Spring Meeting following their appointment or election unless otherwise specified in the Bylaws of the Council.

Section 11. Terms

~~Members of the Governmental Affairs and Ethics and Standards Committees shall serve staggered terms of two years with two new members being appointed or elected each year. To stagger the original membership, member pairs on the Governmental~~

~~Affairs and Ethics and Standards Committees will serve initial terms of one, two, or three years.~~

ARTICLE VIII. Finances

The Council shall establish listing fees for the purpose of financing production and distribution of the CTA Contractors List. No part of the net earnings of the Council shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, officers, or other persons, except that the Council shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered or to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article II.

ARTICLE IX. Operation

The place of business for the Council shall be the place of business or location of the Secretary-Treasurer.

ARTICLE X. Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Council in all cases to which they are applicable and

REPORTS

DIGITAL PRESERVATION: THE OTHER CURATION CRISIS

By Patricia A. Clabaugh
Curation Committee Chair

As professional archeologists, we are all aware of digital preservation (i.e., metadata, data migration); however, our response to deal with this particular preservation need has been slow. What is the permanent value (i.e., ongoing usefulness or significance) of the multitude digital records we generate? What kind of information should the digital archive contain to justify their continued preservation? How do you prepare digital collection for curation? These are just a few of the questions the Curation Committee is asking to begin to understand this potential time bomb before it becomes another curation crisis.

In an effort to address ethical, equitable, and practical frameworks for the handling of digital documentation, the Society for American Archaeology formed the Digital Data Interest Group (DDIG) in 2006 which was organized to:

“. . . promote the preservation and sharing of archaeological data that are maintained in

in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws and any special rules of order the Council may adopt.

ARTICLE XI. Amendments

These Bylaws may be amended at any meeting of the Council by a two-thirds vote of members present and voting, provided that the amendment has been submitted through the Newsletter or by special notice to the membership at least 15 days prior to the meeting at which the vote on the proposed amendment is taken.

ARTICLE XII. Disposal of Assets

In the event of dissolution, the Council shall dispose of all its assets to an educational or scientific institution which is exempt from taxation under the then current code of the Internal Revenue Service.

digital form. The long-term conservation and protection of the archaeological record demands not only that we preserve digital documents, images, and databases, but also that we make these information resources available to other scholars so that they may be effectively used to advance archaeological understandings of the past.”

The DDIG weblog focuses on topics like open access, data dissemination, and standards for spatial referencing. To find out more about this group you can log onto:

http://www.alexandriaarchive.org/blog/?page_id=4.

Most archaeological repositories in Texas do not have a digital archiving strategy in place nor are Principal Investigators (PIs) required to systematically curate all of their digital data. Computer files are submitted for curation; however, we lack a state-wide digital preservation policy and the framework from which to operate as a profession. For example, as a minimum, all digital archives should include metadata: file format, hardware used to create the files, software used to create the files, operating system used to create the files, date of last file update, and processing history. Most digital resources can be identified by broad data types and grouped into the following categories (Brown 2000):

1. Type Comments include structured texts documents produced using word-processing, desk-top publishing, and text mark-up applications
2. Data Sets includes database and spreadsheet data, and alphanumeric and binary data generated by a wide variety of specialized applications
3. Raster Graphics includes bitonal, grayscale and color raster images
4. Vector Graphics includes vector images, including 3D models GIS, although this comprises a combination of other data types; it is treated separately due to its integrated nature
5. Digital Audio includes audio recordings
6. Digital Video includes video recordings
7. Animation includes animated graphics

In the last few years many data formats have been developed to make data exchange and migration easier. Although some of these formats are proprietary (i.e., marketed by one company), many are open and are independent of the software that is used. In general, open data formats are preferred for digital preservation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

Editor's Note: Please see below for CTA's response to Lewis Smith regarding the collection of artifacts on public land, The Society of Historical Archaeology's press release regarding the presentation of the John L. Cotter Award to Dr. Carol McDavid, and the flyer for the 3rd annual "Careers in Archeology" social on Friday, October 26, at the TAS Annual Meeting.

CTA & TAS: CONTINUING A MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL RELATIONSHIP Marie Archambeault

This year CTA and TAS partnered to run a booth in the SAA exhibit hall at the Austin Convention Center. For 3 days, volunteers talked to potential members, recruited for the TAS field school, and discussed with archeologists from other states how CTA and TAS serve avocational and professional archeologists in Texas. It was a huge success thanks to everyone who pitched in! For the CTA section of the booth, Mindy Bonine and I created a poster board display and brochures that explain the basic goals of the CTA. These display materials will be on exhibit

So as not to put the cart before the horse, in the coming year the Curation Committee will try to put digital preservation into perspective, in terms that all of us can understand. We will draw upon the many resources out there and report back as often as necessary. Members are encouraged to share their knowledge and expertise about digital preservation by contacting the Curation Committee. CTA has been in the forefront of developing standards in our profession and digital preservation will be one of the next challenges for the foreseeable future.

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again at the TAS meeting in San Antonio. Special thanks go out to everyone who volunteered their time at the CTA/TAS booth, including Margaret Howard, Kevin Miller, Nick Trierweiler, Mark Denton, Bill Martin, Mindy Bonine, Dawn Ramsey, Michael Strutt, Leonard Voellinger, Melissa Voellinger, Doug Boyd, Jennifer McWilliams, Becky Chapman, Ron Ralph, Maureen Brown, and anyone else whose name may have been left off of my list! THANK YOU!



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Via e-mail

8 May 2007

Re. Collecting of artifacts on public land

Dear Mr. Smith:

Dr. Jim Bruseth has passed along to the Council of Texas Archeologists (CTA) a copy of your proposal, an e-mail letter you wrote to him (dated 27 March 2007), and a letter written by the THC to Senator Deuell (dated February 2, 2007), and asked us to put in writing our views on your proposal. Dr. Bruseth, as he must have mentioned to you, conveyed verbally to the CTA the essence of your proposal and we were and are, as a community, opposed to it.

Given that you are a historian, perhaps I can construct an analogy that will strike home our perspective to you. You are probably familiar with people who collect maps and other illustrations from old books, which they frame and then hang as art. Most of these maps and illustrations are cut from books in part because the resale value of the illustrations individually is greater than the book as a whole, especially if the binding is worn or broken. When such books are privately owned it is the right of the owner to dispose of the book as he or she sees fit. But the same book in a public library is a different matter. How would you, as a historian, feel about someone going to a public library and cutting out from rare books the illustrations they fancy, just because the library allows them free access to the book? You could argue that the book has not been checked out in 20 years or more so nobody is interested in it. But would that be right? The books in public libraries are held in trust for the public. Not as a source of illustrations for people to plunder if they like the looks of them.

Archeological sites on public land are the equivalent of books in public libraries. They are lands held in trust for the public. We all share them and can appreciate their intrinsic qualities. If we all took part of them away, what would be left would not represent what was originally there. What you are proposing by permitting surface collecting is similar to people going to libraries and cutting out the pages they like and leaving the rest for others to ponder what might have been there. The long-term value of such land is the preservation of what was there for future groups to appreciate and learn from.

As professional archeologists, we work every day on sites that are going to be destroyed because of development. Our laws extend formal protection to a VERY small portion of the total landscape. Go look into the archeology of Houston, for example. There have been huge amounts of development, and very little is known about the prehistory of that landscape. The vast majority of our prehistory is gobbled up by commercial development. Seeing this destruction continuously, many in the professional archeological community think that the protection afforded public land is too little, not excessive.

We understand that surface collecting and looting occurs on public land in spite of the law. This is unfortunate. However, as any law enforcement officer will tell you, violations occur to virtually all laws. Despite our imperfect legal system, the fact remains that the existing law generally works to discourage looting and surface collecting on public lands among the general population. Under the current law, there is nothing to prevent you or any other amateur archeologist from taking a picture of a surface find, marking on a map, and then reporting it to a park authority, so that its presence, and potentially the presence of an important site, can be known. Moreover, there already exists ample opportunities for archeological enthusiasts to undertake legally sponsored fieldwork through the local archeological societies, the Texas Archeological Society, or the Texas Archeological Stewards Network. We encourage those individuals to contact one of those organizations if they are indeed interested in documentation and excavation of sites.

In summary, the Council of Texas Archeologists feels that if the law were changed to allow surface collecting, even through the permitting process you propose, it would result in the rapid destruction of sites in Texas, as individuals raced to collect items exposed on the surface, and even some only partially exposed. I can say that the Council of Texas Archeologists opposes your proposal and will vociferously contest it if it is introduced as legislation. If you wish to discuss this further feel free to contact me (tel. 254-445-2587; e-mail: chasuz@toast.net) and I will articulate in more detail our objections to your proposal.

Respectfully,



Charles D. Frederick, Ph.D.
President, Council of Texas Archeologists

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cc. The Honorable Robert F. Deuell, M. D., Texas State Senate

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Texan Receives National Archaeology Award

The Society for Historical Archaeology has presented its 2007 John L. Cotter Award in Historical Archaeology to Dr. Carol McDavid for her outstanding achievement using historical archaeology to engage local communities. Established by the SHA in 1998, this award is named for John Lambert Cotter (1911-1999), a pioneer in historical archaeology education and an advocate for the discipline. Each year, the SHA presents this award to an individual in the first five years of their career in recognition of a single, outstanding achievement. Dr. McDavid is being honored in 2007 for helping stimulate discussions about Diaspora studies and critical theory in public archaeology. Drawing on social theory, community-based strategies, and new technologies, McDavid has explored how to create a public archaeology discourse that is more democratic, open, multivocal, and relevant to archaeology's diverse audiences. In doing so, McDavid has changed the way archaeologists can both learn about and share archaeological research with the public.

Dr. McDavid's research focuses on broadening the stories that can be told about African American archaeology sites. She seeks to both expand the audiences for African American history and to tie this regional history to the worldwide African Diaspora. For her first project, she engaged the public in deciding whether, and how, to publicly interpret 19th century African American life at the Levi Jordan Plantation Project in Brazoria, Texas. Archaeological research on the plantation, conducted by Kenneth L. Brown at the University of Houston, had recovered evidence relating to the activities of all those who once lived and worked there, both prior to and after emancipation. After first making sure that local descendants approved and were involved, McDavid set up an interactive Internet web site where community members helped archaeologists decide how to present and discuss the history of this plantation. Through these web pages, community residents and members of the broader, interested public added oral history recollections about the plantation and joined archaeologists in deciding what the artifacts recovered from the property tell us about life in 19th century rural Texas. The original web site is archived at www.webarchaeology.com, and plans are underway to update the site in the future.

McDavid's research model for community involvement earned her a Masters Degree in Anthropology at the University of Houston and later a Doctorate in Archaeology at Cambridge University in England. She now serves on the Board of Directors of the Levi Jordan Plantation Historical Society and provides ongoing input related to the organization's public archaeology programs. Currently, McDavid continues her community engagement research as Project Director for Public Archaeology at the Yates Community Archaeology Project, which is sponsored by the Rutherford B. H. Yates Museum in Houston's 4th Ward. This program focuses on the history and preservation of Freedman's Town, a vibrant and historically important African American community whose founders comprised some of Houston's earliest citizens. Freedmen's Town is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as an historically significant neighborhood. She also serves as a member of the Board of Directors for the Harris County Heritage Society.

In introducing Dr. McDavid's accomplishment's during the award ceremony, Dr. Paul Shackel summarized for the Society's members why McDavid is a deserving recipient of the 2007 John L. Cotter Award in Historical Archaeology: "Carol's work has helped to stimulate discussion about Diaspora studies and critical theory in archaeology. Her civil engagement helps to address contemporary social issues and is a model for the next generation of archaeologists who want to be socially responsible and engaged with descendant communities."

 For further information on Carol McDavid, or for background information on the above mentioned community archaeology programs, contact:

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To Learn more about...

Levi Jordan Plantation Web Project (<http://www.webarchaeology.com/html/Default.htm>)

Yates Community Archaeology Program (<http://www.publicarchaeology.org/yates/>)

Society for Historical Archaeology (www.sha.org)

The Society for Historical Archaeology (SHA) is the largest scholarly group concerned with the archaeology of the making of our modern world, A.D. 1400 to the present. The Society's 2500 professional and avocational members seek to identify, excavate, interpret, and conserve archaeological sites and artifacts that are found on land and underwater.

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The John L. Cotter Award In Historical Archaeology (http://www.sha.org/news/CFN_cotter.htm)

Established as the third societal award by the Society for Historical Archaeology in 1998, this award is named for John Lambert Cotter (1911-1999), a pioneer in historical archaeology education and an advocate for the discipline. Cotter was the first President of the Society (1968), first editor of the discipline's professional journal *Historical Archaeology*, the excavator of Jamestown, Virginia (1953-1957) and the chief architect of behind the development of urban archaeology (in Philadelphia in the 1970s). This award however refers to its namesake's long career as a teacher and his lifelong support of each new generation of scholars that entered the discipline. Cotter, who taught the first formal course in historical archaeology in the United States at the University of Pennsylvania, kept his door always open to Penn undergraduates, hobbyist archaeologists, high school students, and the general public, as well as his own graduate students. His influence on the younger generation of scholars extends across North America and spans more than five decades.

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Don't Miss the 3rd Annual CTA-TAS “Careers in Archeology” Social!

Please join us on **Friday, October 26, 2007, from 9:00-10:00pm**
(after the Public Forum) at the **TAS Annual Meeting, Menger Hotel,**
Downtown San Antonio, Texas.

The Council of Texas Archeologists (CTA) and the Texas Archeological Society (TAS) (organized by the Membership/ad hoc Student Committee) have joined forces to provide state-wide university and college students, TAS members, and CTA members opportunities to meet with professional archeologists and learn about potential archeology careers and to check out what's happening in Texas archeology and cultural resource management (CRM).

Free hors d'oeuvres and cash bar included!!!

If you have any questions or would like to sign up to participate in the Social (we have tables/1/2 tables at no charge to promote your archeology) please contact Maureen “Mo” Brown (512) 927-7876 or Email: maureen.brown@thc.state.tx.us



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Council of Texas Archeologists

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- Company/Contractor to be listed \$100.00
(Company listing also requires one of the following professional categories.)
- Professional (annual income more than \$20,000 per year) 25.00
- Professional (annual income less than \$20,000 per year) 15.00
- Student (annual income more than \$20,000 per year) 25.00
- Student (annual income less than \$20,000 per year) 15.00
- Institution/Library (receive CTA newsletter only, no voting privileges) 25.00

Total amount remitted to CTA \$ _____

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Mary Baumschlueter Guenther (soon to be Menger) arrived in San Antonio in 1846. Her husband died shortly after her arrival, and she opened a boarding house at the corner of St. Mary's and Commerce Streets. William Menger stayed as a guest at the boarding house upon his arrival in San Antonio, and the couple married in 1851. Four years later they moved their boarding house to Alamo Plaza and established a brewery nearby. Additional renovations and upgrades during the first decades of the twentieth century signal the hotel's continued importance among the city's social elite and important visitors. Throughout its early history, the Menger served as the hotel of choice for visiting dignitaries, politicians, and socialites. 19 - Menger Hotel, San Antonio, Meeting Facility. 20 - Menger Hotel, San Antonio, Banquet Hall. 21 - Menger Hotel, San Antonio, Hallway. 26 - Menger Hotel, San Antonio, Deluxe Room, 1 King Bed, Guest Room. 27 - Menger Hotel, San Antonio, Room, 1 Double Bed, Guest Room. 28 - Menger Hotel, San Antonio, Suite, 1 King Bed, Guest Room. What's around Menger Hotel, San Antonio. Top spots nearby. 24-hour business center. Conference space. Meeting rooms. Conference space size (feet) - 11618. Conference space size (meters) - 1079.