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Graduate Student Highlight—Terry P. Brock

<u>Terry Peterkin Brock</u> is a Ph.D. Candidate in the Department of Anthropology. A historical archaeologist studying with <u>Dr. Kenneth Lewis</u>, Terry has had the good fortune of conducting his research in Southern Maryland at Historic St. Mary's City. There he works with **Dr. Henry Miller**, MSU Anthropology Ph.D. '84, examining the 19th century transition from slavery to freedom for African American laborers who lived and worked on a

Maryland plantation. Currently, Terry lives in Williamsburg, Virginia, where he holds an invited research fellowship from the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. He also works part-time as a field technician for the James River Institute of Archaeology. In addition to his research, Terry has been involved with the MSU Campus Archaeology

Program,

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Undergraduate Student Highlight—Rebecca Farnum

Rebecca Farnum will be graduating this May with a BS in Anthropology. Her research explores issues of food and water security in the Middle East and North Africa, tying together issues of community development, human rights, environmental justice, and global governance.

In 2011, Farnum was named an Udall Scholar for her work in environmental activism and policy.

Farnum specializes in Peace and Justice Studies and has done work with **Dr. Beth Drexler**. In the Department of Anthropology, Farnum began studying issues of public health policy in ANP 270: Women and Health as an underclassman. Her interest grew as she took several graduate anthropology courses on issues of health, environment, and justice.

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where he served as the first Campus Archaeologist

from 2008 to 2010. Having grown up in East Lansing, the position was particularly exciting, and allowed him the opportunity to learn a great deal about archaeology and the inner workings of a large university. During that time, he and **Dr.**Lynne Goldstein had a number of important archaeological discoveries, including the location of MSU's first academic building, College Hall. Additionally, he and Goldstein also developed a social media

campaign for the program, in

This year, Terry became a more integral part of his professional organization, the

Society for Historical Archaeology, serving as the chair for the new Social Media Technology Subcommittee. Among his responsibilities were the development of a social media platform to engage SHA members and non-members throughout the year through Facebook, Twitter, and a Blog. Called SHA Social, the platform launched this year. Terry currently serves in an unofficial editorial position for SHA Social, soliciting and publishing blog posts from members discussing current topics

in historical archaeology.

order to build relationships with the MSU community.

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Note From the Chair—Dr. Jodie O'Gorman



Our external reviewers recently spent two days meeting with students, faculty, and various administrators. Although I already knew it, hearing from professors at other universities how wonderful our graduate and undergraduate students are made me very proud to be a member of this department. The reviewers were impressed with how engaged the undergraduate students are, and at the success of our graduate students in obtaining dissertation research funding and placement. We look forward to seeing the reviewers' official report and using their suggestions to work towards further strengthening the department. Follow us on Facebook and check out our new website to keep up with our faculty and students.

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Anthropology Students Volunteer in Archaeology Labs

Stop by the archaeology laboratories at the Consortium for Archaeological Research at McDonel Hall on any given Friday and you'll find half a dozen or more anthropology students who volunteer in curating the MSU Museum archaeology collections.

These weekly sessions have been ongoing for several years and assisted tremendously in the proper maintenance of the Museum research collections and associated records. Student participants obtain hands on experience in the handling, storage, and recording procedures for

century- and millennium- old artifacts, layering on valuable training skills and building their resume.

In addition to working with artifacts, the activities currently include an ongoing project that involves the inventorying, digitization and archiving of archaeological research

reports going back 40 or 50 years to make them more readily accessible to researchers and students. After several years this is nearing completion and we <u>lal@msu.edu</u> or **Professor Lovis** at <u>lovis@msu.edu</u>. have made arrangements to post them for access at the Digital Archaeological Record (tDAR).

The laboratory sessions are under the joint supervision of Professor and Curator William Lovis and a Research Assistant from the Department of Anthropology, in a continuing partnership with the MSU Museum. The Friday sessions are not all work

though.



Interested in volunteering? Contact:

Alex Connell (conellal@msu.edu)

Professor William Lovis (lovis@msu.edu)

The students in the volunteer sessions. organized by Anthropology graduate student Alex Conell, also partake in snacks, and learn about the projects they are engaged with,. They also get to see parts of the MSU Museum archaeology collections not normally on view

to the public, with topical and historical mini lectures provided by Dr. Lovis. For example, one group viewed a selection of early ceramics from

> Columbia being prepared for movement into the Museum artifact repository and another is working on a collection from Drummond Island. While the number of volunteer archaeology

positions is limited, if you're interested in participating you can email either Alex Conell at conel-

Photo Courtesy of Alex Connell

Undergraduate Research Accomplishments & Collaborations

On April 23rd, 2012, <u>eight undergraduate students presented their research</u> at the annual <u>University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum</u>. **James Schwaderer**, one of the participants, presented his winning poster entitled: *Projectile Point Color at Morton Village*. Schwaderer's work was advised by <u>Dr. Jodie</u> **O'Gorman**, and graduate students **Frank Raslich** and **Andy Upton**. Other students that presented re-



search that was advised by O'Gorman include: Ryan Jelso (Architectural Variation at Morton Village), Rachel Wise (Identifying Different Cultural Groups at a Multi-Ethnic Archaeological Village) and Josh Lieto (The Broad-Rimmed Bowl: A Descriptive Study and Analysis). Janine Baranski presented her research entitled A Study of the Associations between Offspring Survival and Birth Order, Offspring Sex and Previous Siblings in Rural Communities of Kenya. Janine's project was advised by **Dr. Masako Fu**jita. Kaitlin A. Scharra's research was advised by Dr. **Lynne Goldstein** and was entitled *Understanding Non-Elite* Mississippian Societies: A Mortuary Analysis of the East St. Louis Stone Quarry Site Cemetery. Circe Wilson presented her research entitled *Using Ceramics to Understand MSU's* Past. Circe's research was advised by Goldstein and **Katy** Mevers. Josh Lieto presented another poster entitled Prehispanic Chocolate for Tarascan Kings: Detection of Cacao in Spouted Elite Serving Vessels and was advised on this project by **Dr. Helen Pollard**.

Darwin Discovery Day was held at the MSU Museum on February 12th, 2012. Anthropology graduate students (Anneliese Bruegel, Julie Fleischman, Emily Niespod-

<u>ziewanski</u>, <u>Blair Starnes</u>, <u>Jennifer Vollner</u>) and members of the MSU Anthropology Club (**Aric Ashby**, **Autumn Beyer**, **Valerie Leah**, **Shannon Leary**, **Rebecca Richart**, **Rebecca Sobanski**) worked together to represent the department at this successful annual event.

Eve Avdoulos, recent Anthropology graduate, is off to the University College London to pursue a Masters of Public Archaeology degree. Eve notes, "It was my experiences with the <u>Campus Archaeology Program</u> as well as my internship at the <u>MSU Archives and Historical Collections</u> that cultivated my passion for public archaeology."

The following students gave Brown Bag presentations to the department: **Rebecca Sobanski** (*Cut From the Same Cloth: Indian Women and Their Political Re-Interpretation*); **Rebecca Richart** (*Alternative Models of Community Development and Success through the Lens of Refugee Gardening*); and **Leah Bridle** talked about her field experiences working in Bhutan.

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FACULTY HIGHLIGHT: Heather Howard

Dr. Heather Howard's research focuses on the production of knowledge in a variety of healthcare

is in Indigenous peoples' health and community-based participatory methods. Her work with Indigenous communities revolves around research capacity-building and the promotion of Indigenous knowledge frameworks in scholarship and research which is meaningful to the community.

She has recently completed two major collaborative research

projects with the Native community in To-

ronto. In one she worked with youth to gather the perspectives of Native persons living with diabetes, and of providers of health and social services which impact diabetes prevention and management in this community. She was also a co-lead investigator with Lynn Lavallee (Ryerson University) of the Urban Aboriginal Diabetes Research Project carried out with Anishnawbe Health Toronto and sponsored by the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-term Care.

Howard was just awarded a Canadian Institutes for Health Research grant to continue Native youth engagement in the dissemination of perspectives that were gathered during the initial research and to bring together health and social service providers to re-

view and assess strategies to incorporate research results into practices that support more efficient settings in Canada and the U.S. Her primary interest better quality services. Howard is working on a

> number of publications from this research which examine the hegemonic and counterhegemonic processes of knowledge production that take place at the interface of multi-tribal, diverse urban Native experiences with diabetes prevention/ management culture.

Howard collaborates with several MSU faculty on projects including arts and health, environmental health, health



Photo Courtesy of Heather Howard

reform policy, and knowledge translation in clinical practice. She is working with Dr. Linda Hunt (MSU Anthropology) on NIH-funded research examining perceptions of genetics and race in the clinical management of chronic illness, and with Dr. Rebecca Malouin (College of Human Medicine) on an AHRQ supported project examining the impact of infrastructure innovations in primary care in the midwest. Howard and Malouin recently received funding for a comparative study in southwestern Ontario sponsored by the Canadian Embassy.

Howard is a member of the board of the MSU Canadian Studies Center and holds a research faculty affiliation with the Centre for Aboriginal Initiatives at the University of Toronto.

Graduate Student is Recipient of Prestigious Award

Sean Dunham (Ph.D. Candidate) is the recipient of the Society for American Archaeology Student Paper Award for the paper titled "Late Woodland Landscapes in the Eastern Upper Peninsula of Michigan" presented at the 77th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, a national organization, in Memphis, Tennessee on April 20, 2012. This paper is part of Dunham's ongoing dissertation research that examines settlement and subsistence practices in the Eastern Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT HIGHLIGHT—Rebecca Farnum



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Farnum has participated in numerous research projects, exploring issues of African famine relief, Michigan innercity economic development, online teaching, and the emergence of monotheism. Farnum currently interns at the Center for Gender in

Global Context, where she helped develop the first study abroad program focused on issues of gender identity and sexual orientation (kicking off summer 2012 in Amsterdam) and co-chaired MSU's first Undergraduate Gender & Sexuality Research Showcase. After summer study abroad trips to Egypt and Israel in 2009 and 2010, Farnum spent summer 2011

interning at The White House, where she worked in Michelle Obama's Correspondence Office.

On campus, Farnum is co-chair of the Campus Interfaith Council and the MLK Student Planning Committee. She is also involved with Students for Peace & Justice, Act for Justice, and the LBGT Resource Center. Her community activism led to her receiving the 2012 Excellence in Diversity: Individual – Emerging Progress Award from MSU's Office for Inclusion and Intercultural Initiatives.

After graduating, Farnum will travel to Britain on a Marshall Scholarship, where she will pursue an MS in Water Policy and International Development at the University of East Anglia and an MS in Nature, Society, and Environmental Policy at the University of Oxford.

Photo Courtesy of Rebecca Farnum

Guest Lectures

<u>Dr. Lyle W. Konigsberg</u> visited our department and gave a talk entitled "Estimating the Distribution of Probable Age-at-Death From Dental Remains." Konigsberg is a professor in the department of anthropology at the University of Illinois at Urbana – Champaign.

<u>Thomas Lynch</u>, a highly acclaimed poet, essayist, and funeral director, shared some of his experiences at a special departmental lecture organized by anthropology graduate student **Kristin Sewell**. This event was sponsored by: The Department of Anthropology, the Office of the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education, the Office of the Provost, the Residential College in the Arts and Humanities, and the Department of English.

Anthropology alumna, <u>Dr. Kimberly Simmons</u> (Associate Professor of Anthropology and African American Studies at the University of South Carolina), was a distinguished Black History Month speaker for the MSU-AAAS' "*Re-negotiating Meaning in Black Studies Today*" series. This event was sponsored by MSU's African American and African Studies and co-sponsored by the <u>Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies</u> and was supported by the <u>Department of Anthropology</u>.

Thank you to all who participated in this year's Brown Bag presentations!

Midwest Mesoamericanists Meeting—2012

Our department hosted this year's <u>Midwest Mesoamericanists Meeting</u> (March 9 - 10, 2012), organized by <u>Dr. Helen Pollard</u>. This annual meeting is an academic gathering of archaeologists, art historians, and historians who work at universities in the Midwest on the subject of Ancient Mesoamerica. Faculty, graduate, and undergraduate students routinely attend this meeting.

More News From Around the Department

Dr. Najib Hourani, in partnership with Dr. Mona Fawaz (Architecture and Urban Planning, American University of Beirut), was invited to organize an international research workshop for the Mediterranean Research Meeting, in Montecatini Terme, Italy. Entitled "What is New about Neoliberal Urbanism?: Middle Eastern Cities in Comparative Perspective," the three-day workshop brought together sixteen scholars from the U.S., Middle East, Europe, and India to theorize contemporary urban processes including the creation of neoliberal government, property regime transformation, and the rise of new modes of urban surveillance. Hourani and Fawaz are currently planning a follow-up meeting of the research group in Beirut in 2013.

This spring at the *Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting* (April 18 – 22, 2012) in Memphis, a symposium in honor of **Dr. Helen Pollard** took place. The symposium was organized by current and former students and includes colleagues from the U.S., Mexico, and France.

Congratulations to **Nicole Raslich** (graduate student) for recently being awarded a position from the <u>Newberry Consortium In American Indian Studies</u> to participate in the "Workshop in Research Methods" at the <u>Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology</u> at Harvard University. Nicole participated in this

workshop, which aims to highlight museums as research sites as well as examine the value of historic objects for scholars working in American Indian Studies and related disciplines.

<u>Taz Karim</u> (Ph.D. Candidate), was recently appointed Chair of the "Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco Study Group," a special interest group of the <u>Society for Medical Anthropology</u>. During this three-year term, Karim will be in charge of organizing meetings, conference panels, the group website, and outreach panels. This is yet another example of the ways in which our graduate students become leaders in their respective fields.

Dr. Monir Moniruzzaman recently delivered his research findings and recommendations on the current state of human organ trafficking at the U.S. Congress Human Rights Commission and the U.S. Senate Committee on Foreign Relations on January 23rd, 2012. Congressmen James P. McGovern and Frank R. Wolf chair the Human Rights Commission, while Senator John F. Kerry governs the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. The purpose of Moniruzzaman's briefing is to help begin an informed discussion about the current trends in organ trafficking and to consider moving forward in the policy world to address these egregious human rights violations.

Skeletal Collection in Italy

This past summer the Department of Anthropology continued an exciting research collaboration with the Laboratory of Medieval Archaeology at the University of Salento in Lecce, Italy. **Dr. Todd Fenton** and graduate students **Jen Vollner**, **Carolyn Hurst**, **Ashley Kendell**, and **Emily Niespodziewanski** traveled to southern Italy to analyze the human skeletons excavated from the church cemetery at Apigliano, a medieval peasant village in use from approximately AD 1200 to 1400.

The work focuses on the human skeletons excavated from rock-lined tombs. The tombs are hypothesized to represent family burials that were used multiple times, as they contain a commingled mix of ages and sexes. An interdisciplinary collaboration with MSU's <u>Forensic Biology Laboratory</u> will test the family tomb hypothesis by extracting the mitochondrial DNA from the skeletons. In addition, plans for isotopic analyses hold promise in revealing the diets of these peasants, and whether the first members of this community migrated to Italy from across the Adriatic. Thus far, preliminary results suggest that life was arduous at Apigliano, yet they also challenge the idea that peasants lived unhealthy lives, since there is little evidence of disease within the skeletal sample.

ALUMNI HIGHLIGHT: Colleen Milligan

<u>Dr. Colleen Milligan</u> is now in her second year as an Assistant Professor at California State University,

Chico. Besides teaching, one of Milligan's roles at Chico State is to help run their Human Identification Lab which works with local and state law enforcement on forensic anthropology cases and they have had a busy year with both cases and recoveries.

One of the major operations their Human Identification Lab had from this past year was the San Bruno Pipeline Explosion in September 2010. The pipeline explosion destroyed or damaged 73 houses in the neighborhood of San Bruno, CA. Milligan worked with local first responders and the National Transportation Safety Board on the recovery of three individuals from

that explosion.

As part of their lab's involvement, Milligan traveled

to Washington D.C. this past June to present a summary of their recovery at the National Institute of

Justice Annual Conference. In addition, the lab assisted with 9 recoveries for various Northern California counties between July and September 2011. These recoveries, which include faculty and graduate students, has had Milligan and the rest of her team on quad bikes, in helicopters, hiking to 8,100 ft, and camping in the Klamath National Forest.

Milligan is currently helping put together the 8th Annual Chico Forensic Conference which will feature a variety of experts in the field of forensic anthropology. On a different note, Milligan spent part of the past year help-

chico State. This year is the first competition season for the rowing club, which consists of 30 students on

both a men's and women's team.

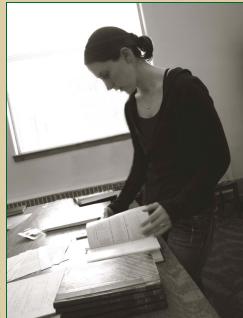


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Faculty Member Awarded a Fulbright Scholar Award

<u>Dr. Mindy Morgan</u> has been awarded a Fulbright Scholar Award to teach American Studies at the University of Zadar, Croatia from March 5 – June 30, 2012. She is appointed in the Department of English and is teaching graduate and undergraduate courses related to American Indian Studies.

Dr. William A. Lovis Receives Distinguished Career Award



<u>Dr. Bill Lovis</u> was awarded the <u>Midwest Archaeological Conference</u> (MAC) <u>Distinguished Career Award</u> at the 2011 annual MAC meeting that was held in La Crosse, Wisconsin. MAC is a regional archaeological organization with about 500 members from across the midcontinental U.S. and publishes <u>Midcontinental Journal of Archaeology</u>, a well-respected, peer-reviewed journal.

Lovis was recognized for his long and excellent history of research, service to the organization, and mentorship of students.

The MAC 2012 meeting will be held here at MSU in October, and is being organized by Lovis and **Dr. Lynne Goldstein**.

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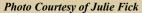


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OUTREACH

Last October, **Jared Beatrice** (Ph.D. Candidate) presented a lesson on hominid fossils to three sixth grade social studies classes at Williamston Middle School. In collaboration with <u>Julie Fick</u>, Science Education Specialist at the MSU Museum, Beatrice developed a hands-on activity that made use of an old collection of fossil casts owned by the Museum. By examining the specimens in small groups, the students learned about basic principles of human evolution, adaptation, and health in the past. The lesson also included an introduction to important recent hominid fossil discoveries such as *Ardipithecus ramidus*.





WHERE ARE THEY NOW? - Recent Ph.D.'s

Dr. Marieka Brouwer Burg is an Affiliate Assistant Professor at the University of New Hampshire where she currently teaches Introduction to Cultural Anthropology courses. Brouwer Burg is also a research specialist with the <u>Belize River East Archaeology project</u>, where she serves as the project's GIS specialist, database manager, archaeological illustrator, and photographer. After returning from the field in June, Brouwer Burg will continue to teach at UNH, while writing articles and waiting for her postdoctoral fellowships to bear fruit.

<u>Dr. Dillon Carr</u> is an Assistant Professor at Grand Rapids Community College where he teaches several introductory courses, while working on publications. Carr finds teaching to be rewarding and hopes to recruit future MSU Anthropology majors!

<u>Dr. Lindsey Jenny</u> holds a joint appointment as the Academic Support Coordinator for the College of Human Medicine and as an Instructor for the Division of Anatomy in the Department of Radiology at MSU. Jenny teaches the anatomy lab for both colleges and lectures for ANTR 350 and the ABLE summer anatomy seminar. She coordinates the East Lansing campus' Directed Study Groups for the basic sciences.

Dr. Angela Soler holds a postdoctoral fellowship at the <u>Pima County Office of the Chief Medical Examiner</u> in Tucson, Arizona. As one of two forensic anthropologists in the office, Soler assists in processing the 200 cases that the office receives on average per year. Soler's casework ranges from conducting biological profiles, positive identifications, and analysis of trauma for both local Arizona residents, as well as foreign nationals who die in the desert attempting to cross the border.

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RETIRED FACULTY HIGHLIGHT: Dr. Chuck Cleland

Nearly 12 years have passed since I retired from MSU and my wife Nancy and I moved to the Charlevoix area. Our home is located in the small village of Norwood, which is on a bluff just a quarter of a mile from Lake Michigan.

Since moving to beautiful northern Michigan, I have

been involved in community affairs and have served as the President of the Norwood Historical Society and as Chair of our Township Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals. Following my former colleague Lou Snow's example, I became a Master Gardener through

the MSU Extension Program and enjoy gardening during our very

short growing season. My other hobbies include cross country skiing, hiking, leisure reading, and traveling. Bird-watching has especially become a serious pastime for me. During our retirement, Nancy and I have traveled to the Caribbean, Scotland and England, Turkey, Egypt, East Africa, Hawaii, and many parts of the United States. Travel has given us the opportunity to visit many spectacular archaeological sites: the Olduvai Gorge in Tanzania, the Valley of the Kings in Egypt, Ephesus in Turkey, and Mesa Verde and Moundsville in the US stand out. My involvement with anthropology in



Photo Courtesy of Chuck Cleland

recent times has included speaking engagements at various Michigan colleges and universities and at historical societies. I still do occasional consulting work with Indian tribes in both the United States and Canada. By far my biggest project however has been the production of a book concerning Indian

treaties. This book, called "Faith in Paper: the Ethnohistory and Litigation of upper Great Lakes Indian Treaties," was published in late 2011 by the University of Michigan Press. My website provides more details.

I remain active in research and writing, particularly through participation in the Society for Historical Archaeology and the Register of Professional Archaeologists. Many former students have visited us in Nor-

wood but we are hoping to see former colleagues too.

Beginning in the 1960's, **Dr. Chuck Cleland** has contributed a great deal of work towards the discovery of <u>prehistoric sites</u> in Michigan. Cleland was an expert witness in many <u>Great Lakes Indian treaty</u> fishing court cases from 1974 – 2008. His involvement was, in part, the result of describing the archaeological evidence of prehistoric gill nets in a paper that he wrote in the 1970's. "The string of court victories gave today's Indians a legitimacy in the eyes of the larger population," Cleland noted in a recent press piece issued by the Traverse City Record-Eagle. Cleland retired from MSU in 2000.

Visiting Scholar—Dr. Hilton da Silva

The Department of Anthropology hosted **Dr. Hilton da Silva** this semester, a visiting professor from Universidade Federal do Pará (UFPA), Brazil. Da Silva is a biological anthropologist and physician whose research focuses on health and nutrition of rural populations of the Amazon region in Brazil. During his eight-week stay, da Silva continued his research collaboration with **Dr. Masako Fujita** and also taught a seminar course in anthropology entitled *Bioanthropological Perspective on Health and Disease in Socioecological Changes in Developing Countries*.

Awards & Achievements

At the previous Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Julie Fleischman (Graduate Student) received the J. Lawrence Angel Award from the Physical Anthropology section for her paper "An Evaluation of the Chen et al. Pubic Aging Method on a North American Sample." The J. Lawrence Angel award is presented for the best student paper from the prior year's meetings. Fleischman was also awarded an Acorn Grant by the Forensic Sciences Foundation to support her research, "Radiographic Positive Identification Using Midline Sternotomy Wires: A Validation Study." The FSF Acorn Grants are intended to help the investigator initiate original problem-oriented research. The J. Lawrence Angel award is a longstanding and most honorable mark of distinction and recognition within the Physical Anthropology Section of the Academy. The recipient of last year's award was Jane Wankmiller (Ph.D. Candidate), also a graduate student in our department.

<u>Blair Starnes</u>, a doctoral student in both <u>African</u> <u>American and African Studies</u> and the Department of Anthropology, recently organized and chaired a panel, titled "Our Things Remembered: Unearthing

Relations Between Archaeology and Black Studies," at the Annual Meeting of the National Council for Black Studies. This panel of SBA members explored the relationships between African Americans and archaeology. The numbers of black professional archaeologists are relatively small given the popularity of African American and African Diaspora archaeology projects within the field. The panel sought to highlight and reflect on the relationships between blacks as field workers and scholars of archaeology, as well as the potential of Black Studies as a core element in archaeological studies of African descendants in the United States.

Nick Passalacqua received a Student Affiliate Scholarship from the Forensic Sciences Foundation at the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences. This scholarship funds the conference registration for the author of the best student abstract.

Adrianne Daggett was awarded an NSF Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant for her project Early Iron Age Social and Economic Organization in Sowa Pan, Botswana.

TRIBUTE—Dr. Susan Applegate Krouse

The Department of Anthropology, along with the <u>American Indian Studies Program</u> and the <u>MSU Museum</u>, sponsored a tribute to **Dr. Susan Applegate Krouse** (1955 – 2010). The

sponsored a tribute to **Dr. Susan Applegate Krouse** (1955 – 2010). The event was held at the MSU Museum and was centered around the opening reception of the *Wanamaker Collection* – an exhibit that displayed work carried out by Krouse. The Wanamaker Collection is permanently housed in the <u>Mathers Museum of World Cultures</u> at Indiana University in Bloomington and consists of over 8,000 images of Native Americans made between 1908 and 1923 by Joseph K. Dixon and represents over 150 tribes. This event, the first of three, celebrated Krouse's contributions as a colleague, scholar, and a leader at MSU.

The second tribute, a two-day event, which took place March 14-15, focused on her teaching legacy and celebrated the dedication that she had for her students. The third tribute, held on April 19th, focused on Krouse's commitment to the Native American Community. These events have been sponsored by the Department of Anthropology, American Indian Studies Program, Department of Art, Art History and Design, Department of Writing, Rhetoric and American Cultures, Rhetoric & Writing Graduate Program, MSU Libraries, and the College of Arts & Letters.



Photo Courtesy of Heather Howard

2011 Department of Anthropology Photo Contest Winners



1st: Leah Bridle, Anthropology Major "Indigenous Brokpa Dancers in Traditional Spider Hats and Festival Garb" - Bhutan

2nd: Sylvia Deskaj, Graduate Student, "Valley of Our Blood" northern Albania

3rd: **Dr. Bill Lovis**, Anthropology Professor, "Boy Cast Netting" - Costa Rica







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