



Sacramento Archeological Society, Inc. Newsletter

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November/December- 2009

“Tutankhamun and the Golden Age of the Pharaohs”

Exhibit at the de Young Museum

Sunday, November 15, 2009
8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

**Meeting place: de Young Museum (front entrance)
50 Hagiwara Tea Garden Drive at John Kennedy Drive,
San Francisco Golden Gate Park**

Join Society members on a **private docent-guided tour** of *Tutankhamun and the Golden Age of the Pharaohs*, a glorious exhibition of over 130 outstanding works from the tomb of Tutankhamun, as well as those of his royal predecessors, his family, and court officials. On view through March 28, 2010, this exhibit provides insight into the life of Tutankhamun and other royals of the 18th Dynasty (1555–1305 BC). On display are 50 of Tutankhamun’s burial objects and more than 80 additional objects from tombs of 18th Dynasty royals, as well the possessions of elite individuals with close connections to the royal family also will be exhibited. For more details, visit <http://www.tutsanfrancisco.org/content/about-exhibition>.

Tour begins promptly at 8 am; please arrive 5-10 minutes early! Meet in front of the de Young Museum entrance, where prepaid tickets will be distributed. A docent will lead us into and around the *Tutankamun* exhibition areas for approximately one hour. Afterwards members are free to view all of the museum’s exhibits on their own. Driving directions and parking information can be found at <http://www.tutsanfrancisco.org/visiting>.

To register, please email SAS President, April Farnham, and send \$32.50 payment for each individual ticket no later than October 1, 2009. Make all checks out to “Sacramento Archeological Society” and send to: Sacramento Archeological Society, P.O. Box 163287, Sacramento, CA 95816.

THIS PRIVATE TOUR IS OPEN EXCLUSIVELY TO MEMBERS OF SAS

Sacramento Archeological Society, Inc.'s Annual Meeting

Featuring

“THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF COLONIALISM”

by

Dr. Kent G. Lightfoot

Archaeologist, Professor of Archaeology and Anthropology, UC Berkeley

Saturday, December 5, 2009

2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

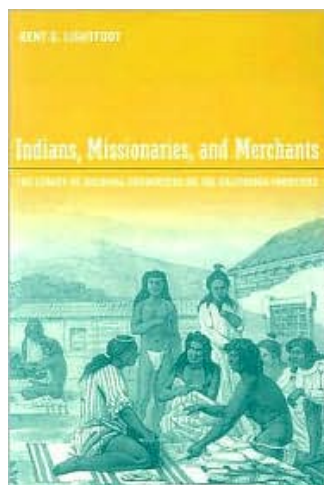
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The SAS Annual Meeting for 2009

Vallejo's Restaurant

1100 O St., #8

Sacramento, CA 95814



This year we are pleased to feature Dr. Kent G. Lightfoot, professor of Archaeology and Anthropology, UC Berkeley, as our guest lecturer at the Society's annual meeting. Dr. Kent G. Lightfoot has done extensive research in the areas of North American prehistory, coastal hunter-gatherer societies, the emergence of early village communities, and culture contact between Native peoples and European explorers and colonists. His work focuses on how indigenous peoples responded to European contact and colonialism, and how the outcomes of these encounters influenced cultural developments in postcolonial contexts. He employs multiple lines of evidence drawn from archaeological materials, ethno-historical accounts, ethnographic observations and Native oral traditions to consider the implications of early contacts with European explorers and later interactions in multi-ethnic colonial communities. Much of his research has focused on the Kashaya Pomo people and their incorporation into the colonial outpost of Fort Ross that was established by Russian merchants during the period of 1812 to 1841. He will sign copies of his book *“Indians, Missionaries, and Merchants”* that have been pre-purchased by you.

Following Dr. Lightfoot's presentation and brief Annual Meeting **Vallejo's Restaurant** will offer a fine Mexican buffet banquet. The Mexican cuisine will include carnitas, chicken fajitas, Spanish rice, salad w/cheese, beans with cheese, roasted peppers, chips, tortillas, guacamole, sour cream, pico de gallo, tomatoes, onions, cilantro, red and green salsa. Complementary soda and ice tea will be served. Dessert will also be available. **Reservations are required** by using the enclosed form by Friday, **November 20th**. The cost of the luncheon inclusive of tax and gratuity is **\$25**.

Don't miss this annual society “members only event”. For more information, contact Jan Johansen, Past President of Sacramento Archeological Society at 530-756-6970.

Renewal of Annual Memberships

Since January 1 is approaching and all memberships except those who join recently (after September, 2009) are renewed at this time, please support the society by paying your 2010 dues by **January 1, 2010**.

The annual dues are:

Student/Limited Member	\$15
Individual Membership	\$30
Family Membership	\$40
Sponsor	\$100 - 499 (individual) \$500 - 999 (business)
Patron	\$1000

Membership Benefits

Individual and Student Limited: One-year subscription to SAS Newsletter

Members-only meetings

Members-only fieldwork

Field trips

Special Lectures

Classes and events sponsored by SAS

Family: All of the above for each Family Member

One SAS Newsletter per Family Membership

Sponsor: All of the above plus prominent mention in the SAS Newsletter and event programs for one year

Patron: All of the above plus autographed book from keynote speaker, as applicable

To minimize administrative costs please remit the payment with the **attached form**.

Please make out your check to "**Sacramento Archeological Society, Inc.**" and mail it either early with your annual meeting reservation to or separately before January 1 to:

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Thank you in advance for your prompt payment. We really appreciate your support.

Election of 2009 Board of Directors

During the Annual Meeting the 2010 Board of Directors will be elected. Additional officer participation is requested. Please make recommendations to April Farnham at april_farnham@sbcglobal.net. The early slate of the board is:

Candidate	Office	Candidate	Office
John Foster	President	Dennis T. Fenwick	Member at Large
	Vice-President	Jan Johansen	Member at Large
Carolyn McGregor	Secretary	Tom Johansen, MD	Member at Large
	Treasurer	Ruth McElhinney	Member at Large
April Farnham	Past President	Diane Rosales	Member at Large
		Lydia Peake	Member at Large
		Roger Peake	Member at Large

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Annual Meeting Reservation Form / Membership Renewal Form

Please send your annual meeting reservation as soon as possible and no later than Friday, November 20, 2008. Membership renewal is due January 1, 2010.

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Name(s): _____ Phone: _____

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<u>Annual Meeting</u>	# of attendees
Luncheon	\$25 _____ \$_____
Luncheon total	\$_____

Annual Dues for 2010

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Student/Limited Member	\$15	_____	\$_____		
Individual Membership	\$30	_____	\$_____		
Family Membership	\$40	_____	\$_____		
Sponsor	\$100	_____	\$_____		
Dues total					\$_____
Total enclosed					\$_____

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2009 Scholarship Winners Presentations

By

Samuel Crenshaw, Sheel Jagani, Benjamin Harris, and
Monica Nolte

Saturday, January 23, 2010

2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Location to be announced

In 2009 four scholarships were awarded to support the archeological/anthropological education and graduate research. The four recipients will speak on the areas of study that were made possible by the scholarships.

The four presentations are as follows:

- Field School in Nemea and Mycenae Greece – **Samuel Crenshaw**, UC Berkeley Undergraduate Student
- Mycenae Field School – Pestas House – **Sheel Jagani**, UC Berkeley Undergraduate Student
- Public Archaeology in the San Francisco Bay Area – **Benjamin Harris**, Sonoma State University Graduate Student
- "Summer research among the Smithsonian osteological collections: developing a new method for interpreting activity from archaeological human remains" – **Monica Nolte**, San Francisco State University Graduate Student.

Put January 23, 2010 from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. on your calendar. For more information contact Jan Johansen or stay tuned for the January/February 2010 newsletter for location and details.

SAS Activity Highlights

“The Ruins of Ancient Egypt”

**Video & Slideshow Presentation
by George Foxworth**

Thank you George for preparing us for the Tutankhamun and the Golden Age of the Pharaohs” exhibit at the de Young Museum. Your three-week trip to “all” important sites in Egypt was well presented through slides and commentary. Actually after the presentation of your travels we are ready to book a tour and pack our bags.

The Phoebe A. Hearst Museum

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Basket Collection Tour

Even though the weather was inclement on October 13th a group of six members braved the elements and thoroughly enjoyed the tours of the Phoebe Hearst Museum and the Berkeley Basket Collection. The Phoebe Hearst Museum had exhibits appealing to a variety of interests: beer vessel from around the world through time, pre-historic tools, and a fascinating Egyptian collection. Thank you **Paolo Pellegatti** for leading the tour. Thanks also to **Natasha Johnson**, North American collections manager for the Museum and **Ralph Shanks**,

scholar/consultant for the museum staff for sharing details on the Native American baskets.

The collection is huge. Without the experts we would have been overwhelmed.

Other Archaeological News

For current archaeology news refer to <http://www.archaeologynews.org/>. The following are recent articles of interest.

Witch Bottle Discovered; Made to Ward Off Evil Spirits?

October 29, 2009

Earlier this year a 17th-century witch bottle - originally made in Germany to hold other kinds of spirits—was discovered during an archaeological dig in the county of Staffordshire. Such jugs that were usually buried near a house or building intended to keep evildoers away.

"It's not an everyday find," said excavation manager Andrew Norton of Oxford Archaeology, a U.K. archaeological-services company. "Most of what we find are broken bits of pots and people's rubbish."

For more information see [http://www.archaeologynews.org/story.asp?ID=517690&Title=Witch Bottle Discovered; Made to Ward Off Evil Spirits?](http://www.archaeologynews.org/story.asp?ID=517690&Title=Witch+Bottle+Discovered;+Made+to+Ward+Off+Evil+Spirits?)

Austrian archaeologists make Babylonian find in Egypt

By Lisa Chapman
October 29, 2009

Austrian archaeologists have found a Babylonian seal in Egypt that confirms contact between the Babylonians and the Hyksos during the second millennium B.C.

For more information refer to [http://www.archaeologynews.org/story.asp?ID=517530&Title=Austrian archaeologists make Babylonian find in Egypt](http://www.archaeologynews.org/story.asp?ID=517530&Title=Austrian+archaeologists+make+Babylonian+find+in+Egypt)

Burial Jars Dating Back to Third Century Found in Palmyra

By H. Sabbagh
October 28, 2009

The Syrian-Japanese Archaeological Expedition uncovered 13 individual graves during their work at the private burial chamber number 129 located near the Northern defensive wall of the ancient city of Palmyra. The graves dating back to the third century AD, during the heyday of the Palmyrene kingdom were used to bury children that apparently were less than two years old when they died. Some of the graves are simple holes in the grounds containing a coffin, in addition to two graves consisting of medium-sized clay jars containing skeletons of children that are estimated to have been only a few months old when they died.

For more information see [http://www.archaeologynews.org/story.asp?ID=517037&Title=Syrian-Japanese Archaeologists: Burial Jars Dating Back to Third Century](http://www.archaeologynews.org/story.asp?ID=517037&Title=Syrian-Japanese+Archaeologists:+Burial+Jars+Dating+Back+to+Third+Century)

Europe's oldest stone hand axes emerge in Spain

By Bruce Bower Web edition: Wednesday, September 2, 2009

A new analysis finds that human ancestors living in what is now Spain fashioned double-edged stone cutting tools as early as 900,000 years ago, almost twice as long ago as previous estimates for this technological achievement in Europe.

For more information refer to 2009-09-02 **Science News** - 900,000 year-old hand axe found in

http://www.sciencenews.org/view/generic/id/46
964/title/Europe%E2%80%99s_olde
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Mark Your Calendars

November 14, 2009, Saturday - 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., Chag Lowry, "California Indian Veterans" lecture, Maidu Interpretive Center

November 15, 2009, Sunday - 8:00 – 9:00 a.m., “Tutankhamun and the Golden Age of the Pharaohs” exhibit, de Young Museum

November 16, 2009, Monday – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Board Meeting, Peake’s home

December 5, 2009 Saturday- 2:00 – 5:00 p.m., SAS Annual Meeting – Dr. Kent Lightfoot, UC Berkeley, archaeologist/anthropologist and author of *Indians, Missionaries, and Merchants*, Vallejo’s Restaurant

December 5-6, 2009, Saturday and Sunday, California Archaeological Site Stewardship Program (CASSP)

Training Workshop at BLM Office in Sacramento, register by contacting Beth or Chris Padon by phone at (562) 431-0300 or by Email to bpadon@discoveryworks.com. Limited to 25 participants so sign up ASAP!

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Note: SAS sponsored events are highlighted in blue.



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