

# The Informant

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The Department welcomes two new Assistant Professors who are beginning their appointments  
Winter Quarter 2008: **Dr. Casey Walsh and Dr. Greg Wilson.**

## KUDOS:

**Congratulations to Heather Thakar Hucks as recipient of the Mildred E. Mathias  
Graduate Student Research Grant for 2007-08. Her project is entitled:  
*An Analysis of Seasons of Occupation for Selected Prehistoric Chumash Settlement Sites on  
Santa Cruz Island.***

Congratulations to the following students for receiving the following:

**Mark Neal MA**  
**Chris VonRueden MA**  
**Dustin McKenzie MA**  
**Sakai Sachiko ABD**  
**Gisela Lanzas ABD**  
**Mark Schuller PhD**

## DEPARTMENTAL EVENTS:

**Tanya M. Peres**  
**Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology**  
**Middle Tennessee State University**

### **MISSISSIPPIAN ANIMAL USE IN AND OUT OF THE DOMESTIC SPHERE**

**4:00 p.m.**

**Friday, January 11, 2008**

**HSSB 2001A**

Previous studies of late prehistoric animal use in the Mid-Cumberland region of the Southeast United States have focused on creating a general model of subsistence. Peres' current research aims to refine and expand this model and is focused on the processing of animals for food, tools, and ceremonial uses in the late prehistoric period. Currently her sample includes faunal remains from two Mississippian (AD 1200-1450) sites located in the Nashville Basin of Tennessee. The Fewkes Site (40WM1), occupied during the Middle Mississippian (AD 1350-1450) period, was a town consisting of five mounds and a village. The faunal assemblage from this

site was recovered from numerous domestic features as well as those associated with human burials. The second site, Castalian Springs (40SU14), is the largest of four Mississippian mound sites located on the eastern edge of the Nashville Basin of Tennessee. The site, dating to AD 1200-1325, consists of several mounds (at least one burial mound), an elite-occupied area, a non-elite occupied village, a palisade wall, and work areas outside of the palisaded town. While Castalian Springs is best known for the more than 30 marine shell gorgets recovered in the 1890s, recent excavations have yielded features consistent with three types of activity areas. A peripheral manufacturing area, excavated in 2005, is located outside of the palisade wall, but in close proximity to the naturally occurring mineral springs. A circular semi-subterranean structure, partially excavated in 2006, is located near the mounds, and has been preliminarily interpreted as a sweat lodge. Most recently, a rectangular wall trench structure associated with an elite lineage group was identified to the east of the sweatlodge (excavated in 2006-2007). The areas at both sites focused on in this analysis span a range of activities carried out at both of these prehistoric towns, and potentially represent different status groups. Peres' analysis looks to the archaeological record and ethnohistorical accounts to answer questions about human-animal relationships at these sites.

**A reception in HSSB 2024 will follow the talk.**

Dr. Nico Tripcevich  
Laboratory Manager, Archaeological Research Facility  
UC Berkeley

**DIGGING DIGITALLY:  
GIS IN ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELDWORK**

4:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, January 23, 2008  
**HSSB 1021**

In the last decade technological innovations have changed the way that most archaeologists communicate, take photographs, and locate themselves on the surface of the earth. However, the basic act of recording the provenance of features and artifacts during fieldwork, and the ensuing analysis of these features, is usually accomplished with paper and pencil using the well-established methods of the last century. Digital technologies consisting of GPS, GIS, digital recording systems, and digital cameras promise to alter the way that archaeology is conducted in the coming years, and this talk will examine some of these changes.

Which of these new technologies are ready for use in your next field season, and which ones are still very new and somewhat risky? This talk will explore new developments in spatial technologies in archaeology in accessible and non-specialist language.

**A reception in HSSB 2024 will follow the talk.**

**EVENTS:**

**Dr. Richard Wrangham has arrived at UCSB as a visiting fellow of the Sage Center for the Study of the Mind. He will be giving a series of lectures**

**during January. All lectures will be held in the Sage Center, (Psychology 1314) see the schedule below.**

Dr. Wrangham is Ruth B. Moore Professor of Biological Anthropology at Harvard University. He is the author of *Demonic Males: Apes and the Origins of Human Violence* (with Dale Peterson). Professor Wrangham is a leader in primate behavioral ecology. His current work focuses on the behavior of chimpanzees in Kibale Forest National Forest, Uganda. He is the recipient Rivers Medal from the Royal Anthropological Institute and the Baran-von-Swaine Award, and he is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Monday, 1/14, 10:30 am Why cooking matters: energy and time

Wednesday, 1/23, 10:30 am The married cook: an ecological theory of human pair-bonding

Monday, 1/28, 10:30 am Why humans are peaceful warriors

**The Carsey-Wolf Center for Film, Television, and New Media is sponsoring two events in January that may be of interest:** January 15: Mark Crispin Miller lecture, *Loser Take All: Election Fraud and the Subversion of Democracy, 2000-2008*

January 31: Santa Barbara International Film Festival Panel, *Location, Location, Location: The Greening of Hollywood*

Descriptions of both events are included below. If you would like to offer extra credit to students for attending one or both of them, please contact Cathy Boggs at [cboggs@cftnm.ucsb.edu](mailto:cboggs@cftnm.ucsb.edu) or (805) 252-9518.

- **Mark Crispin Miller Lecture**

**Loser Take All: Election Fraud and the Subversion of Democracy, 2000-2008**

**January 15, 4-6 p.m.**

**UCSB McCune Conference Room**

**Free**

Dr. Miller will discuss election fraud in the 2000 and 2004 national and state elections, emphasizing the processes and consequences of compromised democracy, and the implications for the 2008 election.

Mark Crispin Miller is a Professor of Media, Culture and Communication at New York University. He is well-known for his analyses of politics and propaganda, his works of cultural criticism, and his activism on behalf of democratic media reform and the renewal of America's election system. His most recent book is *Fooled Again: The Real Case for Election Reform*.

This lecture is sponsored by UC Santa Barbara's Carsey-Wolf Center for Film, Television, and New Media, Interdisciplinary Humanities Center, Department of English, and Department of Political Science. Event information and a downloadable flyer are available at [www.cftnm.ucsb.edu](http://www.cftnm.ucsb.edu).

- **Location Location Location: The Greening of Hollywood**

**January 31, 2008**

**Marjorie Luke Theater, Santa Barbara Junior High School**

**6-8 p.m.**

Join us for a lively discussion of the greening of Hollywood, from creating environmentally sustainable media production practices to building green consciousness in the media industries and their audiences. Panelists include representatives from the film studios, the California Film Commission, the Environmental Media Association, and the California Integrated Waste Management Board.

Students will be admitted free with valid student ID. Additional information and an event flyer will be available shortly at [www.cftnm.ucsb.edu](http://www.cftnm.ucsb.edu).

This panel is sponsored by UC Santa Barbara's Department of Film and Media Studies and the Environmental Media Initiative of the Carsey-Wolf Center for Film, Television, and New Media, in conjunction with the Santa Barbara International Film Festival.

**JOB OPPORTUNITIES (details are posted under “Academic Positions” in the Departmental Reading Room):**

- **The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire**, Department of Geography and Anthropology, is inviting applications for a tenure track faculty position – Assistant Professor. Applicants will be expected teach courses including introductory cultural anthropology, ethnography, etc. Apply by March 1, 2008.
- **The Department of Sociology, Anthropology, & Criminal Justice at Towson University** is currently conducting a tenure-track search at the assistant professor level for a scholar in the discipline of anthropology with primary expertise in forensic anthropology/archaeology. The ideal candidate will have expertise in crime scene analysis and/or the study of human rights proceedings. We also seek applicants who are qualified to help the department create a new introductory course in physical anthropology. The search ad for our position is attached. The position begins Fall 2008.

**FELLOWSHIPS/GRANTS (details posted under “Fellowships/Grants” in Dept. Reading Room):**

- **Harvard Postdoctoral Fellowships in Japanese Studies for the Academic Yr 08-09:** Edwin O. Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies at Harvard Univ. will offer several postdoctoral fellowships in Japanese studies to recent PhDs of exceptional promise, to give them opportunity to turn their dissertation into publishable manuscripts.  
Eligibility: Must receive PhD degree in 2003 or later, in any area of the humanities or social sciences.

**Deadline: January 15, 2008**

For more info: check the reading rm or [www.fas.harvard.edu/~rijs/](http://www.fas.harvard.edu/~rijs/) ; (617) 495-3220

Mail completed app to: Dr. Theodore J. Gilman, Associate Director  
Postdoctoral Fellowships, Reischauer Institute  
1730 Cambridge St, Rm. S233  
Cambridge, MA 02138

- **Graduate Collaborative Project Award**  
**Deadline: January 15, 2008**  
\*(For projects taking place in the 2008-2009 academic year)

The Interdisciplinary Humanities Center offers an annual collaborative project award (up to \$3,000) to encourage graduate student collaboration beyond the confines and conventions of particular departments and disciplines within the Arts & Humanities, and between the Arts & Humanities, Social Sciences, and Sciences. Groups of graduate students from at least two departments and academic programs are eligible to apply. A faculty advisor is recommended but not required. Eligible projects include conferences, symposia, exhibitions, and performances. Projects that experiment with a combination of dissemination formats are encouraged.

- **IGCC fellowships & grants.** We have just a few quick reminders today if you plan to apply. So far, only a limited number of applications has been received, so be encouraged to apply..just a couple of hours of your time could be worth a great deal to you in 2008-09!

**\*\_Applications\_\***

Have you had a chance to download an internship, fellowship, or faculty grant application? If you have not, we want to make sure you had the appropriate link for the download.

\*Washington DC Internship Application:\*

[http://igcc.ucsd.edu/cprograms/funding/dc\\_internship\\_menu.php](http://igcc.ucsd.edu/cprograms/funding/dc_internship_menu.php)

\*Dissertation Fellowship Application:\*

[http://igcc.ucsd.edu/cprograms/funding/df\\_app\\_menu.php](http://igcc.ucsd.edu/cprograms/funding/df_app_menu.php)

\*Faculty Research Grant Application:\*

[http://igcc.ucsd.edu/cprograms/funding/fac\\_grant\\_menu2.php](http://igcc.ucsd.edu/cprograms/funding/fac_grant_menu2.php)

\*\_Applicant Q&A Sessions\_\*

Do you have a question about applying for IGCC fellowships and grants?

Join one of our live web seminars and get clarification on how to prepare your application.

2008 Schedule: <http://igcc.ucsd.edu/cprograms/infosessions.php>

\_ \*Applications Submitted via EMAIL

\*\_ Depending on what session you attended, you may not be aware that the application submission process has been simplified. Instead of applying via Apply Yourself, you just submit your application as a single PDF email attachment to [IGCC-CP@ucsd.edu](mailto:IGCC-CP@ucsd.edu) <<mailto:IGCC-CP@ucsd.edu>>.

More:

<http://igcc.ucsd.edu/slideshows/IGCC%20Funding%20Opportunities.pps#290,16,Slide16>

\_ \*Letters of Recommendation

\*\_ Now is a good time to check in on any letters of recommendation that you requested for your applications. Remind your recommenders that they can submit their letter of recommendation as an email attachment or simply an email to [igcc-cp@ucsd.edu](mailto:igcc-cp@ucsd.edu) <<mailto:igcc-cp@ucsd.edu>>.

//\*\_ Special Reminder About Local Campus Accounting Requirements (esp. UCLA, UCSC, UCSB applicants):

\_ \*Don't forget that you may need to submit your application to your campus' office of Contracts and Grants/Sponsored Projects BEFORE submitting it to IGCC. If you don't know how to do this, please contact the financial administrator in your department. Some campuses, like UCLA, require a special form to be filled out or have another process (and deadline) in place for when you apply for outside funding.

\*\_ Guide to Applying:

\_ Here's a helpful guide to preparing the best application possible. A lot of valuable tips are in the slides towards the back of the presentation.  
<http://igcc.ucsd.edu/slideshows/IGCC%20Funding%20Opportunities.pps>

IGCC Campus Programs

Institute on Global Conflict & Cooperation (IGCC)

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ISBER will assist you with the proposal submission including budget preparation, preparation of agency and internal forms, required certifications, uploading documents for electronic submissions, and coordination with Office of Research for review and submission. Extramural proposals are submitted on behalf of the UC Regents, and therefore proposals are subject to review prior to submission. Paula Ryan <paula@isber.ucsb.edu> should be consulted early on in the project development (but no less than seven business days prior to the agency deadline).

Barbara Walker, Director of Research Development for the Social Sciences, can provide you with detailed consultation and assistance on all aspects of research proposal design and writing, including assistance with constructing the argument, conceptual issues, formatting, etc. Contact <blewalker@isber.ucsb.edu>.

- Agency: University of California Institute for Mexico and the United States (UC MEXUS)

Title: UC MEXUS and UC MEXUS-CONACYT Grant Programs

Deadlines:     March 10, 2008 UC MEXUS-CONACYT Programs  
                  March 31, 2008 UC MEXUS Grants Programs  
                  February 4, 2008; June 2, 2008; and October 6, 2008

Small Grants

Guidelines: <http://ucmexus.ucr.edu/>  
or by contacting [funding@research.ucsb.edu](mailto:funding@research.ucsb.edu)

Synopsis of Program: The program funds research, collaboration development, binational conferences, faculty and student research exchanges, creative activity, instructional development, public education projects, and dissertation research in all disciplines of the following areas:

\* Mexican Studies: Mexico's history, society, politics, culture, arts, and economy.

\* United States-Mexico Relations: contemporary and historical economic, political, demographic, and cultural interactions between Mexico and the United States.

\* Latino Studies: the history, society, culture, and condition of Mexican-origin populations in the context of American society and institutions, including their interaction with other U.S. immigrant groups.

\* Critical Issues: urgent public policy or academic topics affecting Mexico, the United States and Mexico, the U.S.-Mexico relationship, or Mexican-origin populations in the U.S.

\* UC-Mexico Collaborations: collaborative work between UC and Mexican scientists in all disciplines, including basic and applied sciences, humanities, and the arts.

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**CONFERENCES AND CALL FOR PAPERS (details are posted under “Conference Papers and Symposia” in the Departmental Reading Room):**

- **UC Santa Cruz Asia-Pacific-Americas Research Cluster**

Graduate Student Conference on Uprooting Area Studies

February 2, 2008

CONFERENCE DATE: Saturday, February 2, 2008 at the University of California, Santa Cruz

SUBMISSIONS:

Papers from any discipline are welcome. Please send to [aparc.ucsc@gmail.com](mailto:aparc.ucsc@gmail.com) the following: your title, abstract (500 word limit), institutional and departmental affiliation, and class year by Monday, December 31, 2007. Applicants will be notified by January 10, 2008. Conference updates will also be posted to APARC's website at [www2.ucsc.edu/aparc/](http://www2.ucsc.edu/aparc/).

Important note: Due to budgetary constraints and policies, we are unable to fund student airfare. Participants are asked to secure funding at their home institutions. We sincerely hope that this will not prevent contributions to this promising event.

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- **What Is Public Culture?**

**University of California, San Diego Visual Arts Department Graduate Conference**

We welcome all graduate students with related interests to submit abstracts (300-400 words) or full papers by January 15th, 2008. Participants will be notified in mid January, and final papers will be due in mid March.

Please send all submissions to [visarts-conference@ucsd.edu](mailto:visarts-conference@ucsd.edu).

More information about our department, programs and conference can be found at

<http://visarts.ucsd.edu>.

Democracy: A failed marriage?". Whether "traditional" social democracy is proclaimed dead, still surviving, or mutated, what has happened to it in the post-Cold war era is its encounter with liberalism. All attempts to renovate social democracy ?the Third way, the social-democratic version of participatory democracy - have necessarily, albeit in different ways, engaged with the liberal tradition.

Essays should be approximately 1.500 words long. Please submit contributions in any electronic format to: [papoulias@re-public.gr](mailto:papoulias@re-public.gr)

Deadline for articles: 28 February 2008

For more information, see <http://www.re-public.gr/en/?p=259>

- **Call for Papers/Abstracts/Submissions**

**7th Annual Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences**

May 29 - June 1, 2008

Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa, Honolulu Hawaii, USA

Submission Deadline: February 14, 2008

Co-Sponsored by: University of Louisville - Center for Sustainable Urban Neighborhoods

Web address: <http://www.hicsocial.org>

Email address: [social@hicsocial.org](mailto:social@hicsocial.org)

The 7th Annual Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences will be held from May 29 (Thursday) to June 1 (Sunday), 2008 at the Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa in Honolulu, Hawaii. The conference will provide many opportunities for academicians and professionals from social sciences related fields to interact with members inside and outside their own particular disciplines.

You may now submit your paper/proposal by using our new online submission system! To use the system, and for detailed information about submitting see: [http://www.hicsocial.org/cfp\\_ss.htm](http://www.hicsocial.org/cfp_ss.htm)

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**FIELD SCHOOLS & TRAINING INITIATIVES (details are posted under Grad and Field Schools in the Departmental Reading Room):**