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KUDOS:

To **Gregory Wilson** for being this year's recipient of the C.B. Moore award, which is given out annually at the Southeastern Archaeological Conference to a scholar for outstanding contributions to Southeastern Archaeology. Greg will receive this award this week.

DEPARTMENTAL EVENTS

Departmental Brown Bag

A Pre-Ceramic Village Site in the Coachella Valley

Mariam Dahdul

November 7th at 1pm.

HSSB 2001A

The Desert Dunes site has been identified as a Pre-Ceramic village area situated in the northwest end of the Coachella Valley in Riverside County, California. Excavations at one of three loci within the site uncovered a possible clay floor beneath approximately 60 cm of midden.

Thousands of artifacts and ecofacts were recovered from this locality alone, indicating long-term occupation by Native Americans at a time prior to the introduction of ceramic technology into the valley. Very few archaeological sites dating to this time period have been recorded in the Coachella Valley, and all of these have been isolated deposits associated with short-term use areas. The identification of such a large site complex will undoubtedly provide much needed information on prehistoric lifeways during this time period.

EVENTS:

CITS RESEARCH LECTURE SERIES FALL 2007

Join us next Thursday Nov. 8th at 12noon for another CITS lecture. Next Thursday's lecture will be on the Growth and Development of the Online

John Woolley, Chair
Department of Political Science
Thursday, November 8, 2007 12:00 P.M.

All lectures take place in the **Collaborative Technologies Lab, Trailer 932, East of the Davidson Library**. <www.cits.ucsb.edu/ctl.htm>

Presidential scholar and Chair of the UCSB Political Science department John Woolley will discuss the development and growth of his online American Presidency Project. Professor Woolley's current research focuses on change over time in the American presidency and presidential use of unilateral action. Together with graduate student, Gerhard Peters, Woolley has developed an extensive web-based resource on the American presidency, which is widely used by scholars and others interested in the presidency and American political history. The web-based resource is an eight year work in progress that contains over 75,000 records from the State of the Union address of George Washington to the over twenty Fireside Chats of Franklin D. Roosevelt. To visit the American Presidency Project website go to <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/>

Nanotechnology Occupational Health and Safety Conference
Friday, November 16 - Saturday, November 17
UC Santa Barbara

This conference will bring together union leaders, human resource managers, social scientists, media, public policy officials, and scientists to examine issues relating to potential risks for nanotechnology researchers and workers, and ways to limit those risks. A major objective of the conference will be to initiate a conversation on these issues between specialists and practitioners. The unifying theme is that labor and management should pay close attention to the new technology and scientific evidence about its risks; and that the scientific community should be aware of workplace concerns and the history of occupational health and safety issues that have been important with past technologies. The conference will include reports on the experience of previous technologies where this message was not full appreciated.

Friday, November 16

Panel Sessions, Corwin Pavilion
9:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Evening Reception, Lagoon Plaza
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Keynote Address and Dinner, Corwin Pavilion
Joan Denton, Director, California Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 17

Panel Sessions, Multicultural Center
9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Panels:

What is Nanotechnology and What are the Workplace and Laboratory Risks?
Present and Future of Nanoparticle Risk Measurement
Lessons of History and Aspects of Workplace Risks
Current Regulatory Framework: What Would Informed Policy Approaches Look Like?

The Global Context
Benefits Enhancement and Risk Reduction
Looking to the Future: Health and Safety in the Lab and Workforce
This event is free and open to the public. Registration is required and available online.

<http://www.cns.ucsb.edu/nanoconference/>

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PAUL D. BARCLAY (Lafayette College)
TRACKING THE TRACKER: KONDÔ "THE BARBARIAN" KATSUSABURÔ, IMPERIAL JAPAN, AND
THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES OF TAIWAN, 1873-1930

Thursday, November 15, HSSB 6th Floor, McCune Conference Room, 4-6pm.

In response to Taiwanese nationalism and the curiosity that only forbidden archives can generate, histories of Japanese colonialism in Taiwan (1895-1945) have flourished since the lifting of martial law on the island in the 1980s. As participants and objects-of-inquiry in this scholarly renaissance, Taiwan's Indigenous Peoples have been portrayed as the most unfortunate victims of Japanese aggression, as pristine avatars of Taiwanese cultural diversity, and as symbols of the island's savage condition before Chinese immigration. Through the eyes of an

Aborigine-language interpreter known to history as "Kondô the Barbarian," I trace a history of Japanese-Taiwan Aborigine relations. Kondô's position in the colonial order of things suggests that the infamous Wushe rebellion of 1930 was the culmination of numerous bureaucratic bungles. From Kondô's perspective, bloody massacre was both preventable and predictable. Taking the warnings of Japanese subalterns seriously, I argue that the chasm between field-grade functionaries and leading officials exemplifies structurally conditioned miscommunication between policy-makers in national capitals and the "men-on-the-spot" at the peripheries of territorially ambitious states. Kondô's story is thus a cautionary tale for the visionaries who believe the peoples of the world can be managed from a centrally located apex of power and knowledge. Paul D Barclay is Associate Professor of History at Lafayette College in Easton, PA. He is author of numerous articles about Japanese imperial rule in Taiwan and is completing a book-length project on the Qing-Meiji transition in that colony. Professor Barclay is a recipient of a 2007-08 National Endowment for the Humanities fellowship.

***COMMUNITY GATHERING TO HIGHLIGHT CHINA'S ROLE IN NANOTECHNOLOGY
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT***

/UCSB nanotechnology departments invite the public to a free, informal evening to discuss Chinese nanotechnology R&D and what it means for Chinese economic growth/

Santa Barbara*, Calif.* -- UC Santa Barbara's Center for Nanotechnology in Society (CNS) and the California NanoSystems Institute (CNSI) are inviting the Santa Barbara community to attend a casual public forum called "Nano-Meeter" to discuss China's role in nanotechnology R&D on **Thursday, November 29, 2007 from 7:00 -- 8:00 p.m. in the Faulkner Gallery at the Santa Barbara Public Library.**

This Nano-Meeter (formerly called "Nano Café") will provide an overview of China's effort to become a world technology powerhouse through large-scale government investment in nanotechnology and other high-tech fields. How innovative is China's science and technology? Will China become a world nanotech player in what is predicted to become a \$3 trillion global industry?

Leading the discussion will be Rich Appelbaum, CNS Co-Principal Investigator and Professor of Sociology, and Alec Wodtke, UCSB Professor of Chemistry. Prof. Appelbaum recently returned from an extensive

research trip in China, where he and graduate fellow Rachel Parker interviewed key leaders in Chinese nanotechnology R&D. Prof. Wodtke heads a \$1.5 million U.S.-China research and training partnership established by the National Science Foundation.

China has established itself as a global leader in nanotechnology research and development. According to British think tank Demos, China ranks 9th in spending on nanotechnology and nanoscience and 3rd (after the U.S. and Japan) in nanoscience publications.

Participants are invited to listen and participate in an informal question-and-answer session. No science background is required to attend and participate in the Nano-Meeter.

Nanotechnology is the manipulation of materials on a very small scale. With it, scientists can create new technologies to make, among other things, better and faster information systems, energy systems, and medical devices. Nanotechnology is also, however, an emerging science with little known about its risks and implications. Home to CNS and CNSI, UC Santa Barbara is one of the leading international centers for nanotechnology research.

The Nano-Meeter series is a quarterly community event sponsored by CNS and CNSI.

Refreshments will be served. This event is free and open to the public. Space is limited. RSVPs are requested.

WHO: Prof. Richard Appelbaum, Co-Principal Investigator, Center for Nanotechnology in Society, UC Santa Barbara; Prof. Alec Wodtke, Professor of Chemistry, UC Santa Barbara*

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WHERE: Faulkner Gallery, Santa Barbara Public Library, 40 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara*

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WHEN: Thursday, November 29, 2007, 7:00 -- 8:00 p.m.*

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R.S.V.P.: events@cns.ucsb.edu; (805) 893-8850

CAMPUS INFORMATION:

Energy Saving Tips for your Computer

To celebrate Sustainability week, here are a few tips for saving energy from the National Renewable Energy Laboratory. While this list is not meant to be comprehensive, following these suggestions will aid our campus sustainability efforts.

Turn off all desktop computers and peripheral devices, including monitors and printers, at night and during any prolonged absence such as weekends or vacation time.

Use the Energy Star power-management feature to turn off your monitor after 10 minutes. See the following NREL URL for instructions: http://www.nrel.gov/sustainable_nrel/computers.html

Limit screen-saver use (they do not save energy).

When buying, purchase flat-screen monitors. They use significantly less energy.

PS. A special thank you to NREL from whom much of this information was borrowed. Visit:

http://www.nrel.gov/sustainable_nrel/energy_saving.html for more information.

Tom Putnam <Tom.Putnam@oist.ucsb.edu>

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

- **The Department of Sociology and Anthropology of the University of Wisconsin-Parkside** invites applicants for a tenure-track Assistant Professor of Anthropology position from people with extensive expertise in Cultural Anthropology with a global/international orientation, and a regional focus on Africa, Asia, Latin America, or Oceania. The position begins in August 2008.
- **The Department of Sociology/Anthropology/Justice Studies at the University of Idaho** invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor of Anthropology beginning August 2008. The appointment will be for an archaeologist with an emphasis in either prehistoric or historic archaeology. Apply by 12/3/07 online at <http://www.hr.uidaho.edu> and see www.class.uidaho.edu/soc_anthro/ for more information.
- **Sonoma State University, Department of Anthropology** is seeking a biological anthropologist at the Assistant Professor level. The department is interested in candidates who can teach a broad range of biological anthropology courses but whose research and teaching interests include forensic anthropology and human osteology.
- **Field archaeology positions in the Career Intern Program with the United States Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service in California**

This link will take you to Intern Program page <http://www.usda.gov/da/employ/CareerInternWebSite.htm>
The application may be found at this site. A resume and complete college transcripts must accompany the application and sent to:

Tracy McDermott, Human Resources Specialist

USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service

430 G St. #4164

Davis, CA 95616-4164

She may be contacted at 530.792.5646 if you have questions.

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

- **Announcing the conference call for papers for the 2008 Center for Archaeological Investigations Visiting Scholar Conference.** This year's conference, entitled "Human Variation in the New World: a meeting of archaeology and biological anthropology," will take place 25-26 April in Carbondale, Illinois, on the campus of Southern Illinois University. The conference is celebrating its 25th year. The abstract deadline is 15 December 2007. We seek abstract submissions from archaeologists, skeletal biologists, and geneticists investigating human adaptation, diversity, or migration in the Americas. Please visit the conference web site: <http://www.siu.edu/~cai/bma/vsconf.htm>. Benjamin M. Auerbach, Ph.D. Organizer, 2008 CAI Visiting Scholar Conference. Contact: CAI Admin <caisiuc@siu.edu>
- **NATSA 2008 Call for Papers**
The 14th Annual North American Taiwan Studies Conference
University of Washington
June 27-29, 2008
Deadline of Abstract Submission: **December 15, 2007**
Translating the Political, Re-envisioning the Social: What's the Next Turn for Taiwan?
We sincerely invite scholars who are interested in our topics submit paper abstracts. The format of presentation includes panel presentation and poster presentation. Please indicate what kind of presentation you want to give when submitting your abstract through our online submission system at <http://www.na-tsa.org/index.htm>. The

system will be **open from November 1 through December 15, 2007** (Eastern time, USA). Conference contributors may be eligible for travel grants; details will be announced on the website in February 2008. Please contact the secretary Edwin Szeto at secretary08@na-tsa.org for any questions.

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

- **University of Heidelberg, South Asia Institute** has initiated a new M.A. degree in Health and Society in South Asia. The course is intended for students who plan to work in health-related fields in South Asia and/or those who wish to pursue an academic career in anthropology or a cognate social science.

OTHER:

The opening production of the 2007-2008 season of theater and dance is coming soon (Nov 9, "Woyzeck"). Here's the upcoming season of Theater/Dance events at a glance:

**THEATER UCSB
2007-2008 SEASON**

"Woyzeck"

By Georg Büchner

Translated by Gideon Lester

Directed by Tom Whitaker

Nov 9-11 & 13-17 @ 8:00 PM / Nov 11 & 17 @ 2:00 PM

UCSB Performing Arts Theatre (no late seating)

Fall Dance Concert 2007

Under the concert direction of Tonia Shimin

Nov 30 & Dec 1 @ 8:00PM / Dec 2 @ 2:00 PM

UCSB Hatlen Theatre

"The Knight from Olmedo"

By Lope de Vega

Translated by Gwynne Edwards

Directed by Leo Cabranes-Grant

Feb 15-17 & 19-23 @ 8:00 PM / Feb 17 & 23 @ 2:00 PM

UCSB Performing Arts Theatre (no late seating)

"Idiot's Delight"

By Robert Sherwood

Directed by Irwin Appel

Feb 29-March 1 & March 6-8 @ 8:00 PM / March 2 @ 2:00 PM

UCSB Hatlen Theatre

Spring Dance Concert 2008

April 11-12 @ 8:00PM / April 13 @ 2:00 PM

UCSB Hatlen Theatre

"Plumfield, Iraq"

A world premiere by Barbara Lebow

Directed by Risa Brainin

May 16-17 & 22-24 @ 8:00 PM / May 18 @ 2:00 PM

UCSB Hatlen Theatre

UCSB New Plays Festival

Under the Festival Direction of Carlos Morton

May 23-25 & 27-31 @ 8:00 PM / May 25 & 31 @ 2:00 PM

UCSB Performing Arts Theatre (no late seating)

\$13/Students, Seniors

\$17/General Admission

For tickets, call (805) 893-7221

More information about each of the productions will follow.

Call us at 893-3022 for more information.

Eric Mills, Program Assistant

Department of Theater and Dance