I IN THIS ISSUE

The Eighth Annual Meeting of the ASAO was held in Clearwater, Florida, February 28 to March 4, 1979. The reports of the meetings and symposia are included in this Newsletter. The summer Newsletter will include revisions of the bylaws and the new ASAO brochure. Please note in back of this issue a form for dues payment, which are due in March of each year.

II. REPORT OF BUSINESS MEETINGS: CLEARWATER, 1979

A. Board of Directors Meeting

The meeting was convened by Chair Bob Tonkinson. The Board established the last week in February or as close to this date as possible for future annual meetings. Vern Carroll was appointed to the ex-officio position of Local Facilities Coordinator for the annual meetings, a new position created by the Board the duties of which are detailed later.

Sharon Tiffany presented the Secretary's financial report. She suggested that the separation of the offices of Secretary and Treasurer be considered. Julia Hecht is assuming the office of Secretary (Treasurer) and will keep a list of tasks done in order that the Board may evaluate this proposal at a later date. The Board thanked Sharon for a job well done and a performance that has extended to a host of jobs beyond the usual during her tenure.
The Board thanked Vern Carroll and Mac Marshall for their extensive efforts in seeking new options for printing and funding the ASAO Monograph Series, a vital part of ASAO's operation. They have effected a turn-around in prospects and publication finances have never looked better. Changes at the University of Michigan Press University Microfilms International have decreased press time and a new type-reading process and printer may soon improve the operation by eliminating human error in key-boarding. Mac Marshall's report on the Monograph Series noted that six monographs have been published and that sales are steady. Additional details are included in the plenary session minutes.

Ivan Brady was asked to seek possible papers for the ASAO Occasional Paper Series, instituted some time ago, but never activated due to the publications' financial situation, which has now improved considerably.

Bob Tonkinson reported that a proposal to the Wenner-Gren Foundation to support a Distinguished Lecture Series at the annual meetings is being developed. It was decided that support should be sought first for a single lecture to be given at the 1981 meetings. In addition to Wenner-Gren, queries will be forwarded to NEH and ACLS.

The subject of Pacific Islander attendance at annual meetings was raised and several suggestions of possible ways to fund Pacific Islander participation were entertained. General consensus supported a program of contributions (with receipts for tax deductions) solicited through the Newsletter. Gene Ogan was designated as coordinator for the effort to fund Pacific Islander participation. Sharon Tiffany suggested that organizers of formal symposia seek outside funding to bring Pacific Islander participants to the meetings.

The Board discussed requests for the ASAO mailing list and decided not to release it to individuals, who are free to disseminate their information through the Newsletter. Commercial interests will be charged for the list, and lists may be traded with other professional organizations.

Bob Tonkinson and Dan Hughes announced that they will not stand for re-election to the Board when their terms expire in August of this year. However, Bob will continue to serve as Chairman of the Board until next year's meetings. The following persons were nominated by the Board: Sherwood Lingenfelter, Denise O'Brien, Margaret Rodman, Michael Rybkiewich, and Annette Weiner.

B. Plenary Session

The plenary session was convened by Chair Bob Tonkinson. The Board asked that people interested in becoming more involved in Association activities let Board members know.
Sharon Tiffany, ASAO Secretary, reported that the balance in the ASAO General Fund as of 29 January 1979 was $1,397.10. Forty-three (43) institutions currently subscribe to the Newsletter and individual memberships (re-counted shortly after the meetings) stand at three-hundred and twenty-seven (327). However, many individual subscribers are in arrears. Membership lists will be screened and those in default will be notified that they will be dropped from membership and Newsletter mailing lists if they do not remit their dues within a prescribed time. The Secretaryship was officially transferred to Julia Hecht.

Mac Marshall reported on the Monograph Series. The pessimistic outlook conveyed at last year's meetings has been brightened by three factors: the raise in dues with $5 transferred from each full membership to the Publications Fund has assured substantial annual capital in contrast to the sparse income realized from royalties; 2) subventions from the institutions of the editors of ASAO Monographs No. 6 and No. 7 have partially covered the costs of production (other editors are urged to seek such subventions); and 3) Wenner-Gren awarded ASAO a $2,000 grant in support of the continuation of the series. With the recent increment from Wenner-Gren, the Publications Fund has a balance of $2,500.

During the past year, ASAO Monograph No. 6, Mission, Church and Sect in Oceania edited by James Boutilier, Daniel Hughes and Sharon Tiffany, has appeared, our first out of University of Michigan Press/University Microfilms International. ASAO Monograph No. 7, The Pacification of Melanesia edited by Margaret Rodman and Matthew Cooper, should be out very soon. Two more books, ASAO No. 8, Siblingship in Oceania: Studies in the Meaning of Kin Relations edited by Mac Marshall, and ASAO No. 9, Middlemen and Brokers in Oceania edited by William Rodman and Dorothy Counts, are in the final editorial process and should be out by meeting time next year.

We can anticipate significant royalties from the books out during the coming year. Mac urged that members check to see that their institutional and personal libraries have copies of the Series' volumes. Local bookstores should be urged to stock particularly the more recent publications.

Bob Tonkinson reported that the revised bylaws are available and will be printed in a forthcoming Newsletter. An information brochure on ASAO, including membership information, an explanation of symposium, working session, informal session and general ASAO meeting organization, and a note on ASAO publications will soon be available. It will be distributed to the membership with a forthcoming Newsletter. Individuals who can use additional copies for publicity purposes (posting on bulletin boards, distributing to students and colleagues) are urged to make a request of the Secretary.

Gene Ogan spoke to the issue of Pacific Islander participation in annual meetings. He will work out a subscription program for building a travel fund and will develop a nominations and review procedure. Details will be announced in the Newsletter as available.
No additional nominations for Board members were forthcoming from the general membership. All Fellows and Voting Members will be contacted by mail for any further nominations and will be polled by mail in April.

C. Fellows and Voting Members Meeting

The voting membership chose to elect a maximum of two Honorary Fellows in this year’s election. Nominations and election will be conducted by mail.

The Board of Directors was urged to authorize a $75 contribution in the name of ASAO to the Margaret Mead Fund for the Advancement of Anthropology (American Museum of Natural History). Contributions would be solicited from the membership, with the difference made up out of the General Fund if necessary. It was also recommended that a note be published in the Newsletter suggesting that members donate directly to the Fund. Margaret Mead was an ASAO Honorary Fellow.

The voting membership was reminded that a Program Chair and Local Arrangements Chair were still needed for next year. Fred Myers agreed to serve as Program Chair and Vern Carroll proposed that Michael Howard serve as Local Arrangements Chair.

III. MEETINGS CZAR APPOINTED (Submitted by Vern Carroll)

At the 8th Annual Meeting of the Association, the Board of Directors created a new position within the organization, that of Local Facilities Coordinator (known affectionately as Local Arrangements Czar). This will be a continuing position with the appointee to serve at the pleasure of the Board.

The point to creating this position is to insure continuing oversight of the process by which sites are selected, local arrangements are made, and annual meeting programs articulated with the locale in which they are held. In addition, our having this position will promote forward planning of meetings, the orderly recruitment of regional specialists to scout out possibilities, and the development of extensive site files.

The Board retains the right to dictate which general region the meeting will be held in each year (following the formula now firmly established that in odd-numbered years our meetings will be held closer to the East Coast than to the West, and closer to the West Coast than the East in even-numbered years).

The Local Facilities Coordinator (LFC) will be responsible for the entire process of selecting the site, negotiating terms, insuring adequate space for the various annual meeting functions, getting adequate reservation information to the membership and overseeing
the physical conduct of the meetings. No Board member or other officer shall make any representations concerning specific sites or any other aspects of local arrangements except via the LFC.

The LFC will deputize Arrangements Persons (LAP) to perform various tasks. The terms of such mandates might vary in each case and will be subject of negotiation between the LFC and LAP. This means that all LAP serve at the pleasure of the LFC and that LAP receive their instructions from—and answer only to—the LFC. All LAP should be certain about the extent of their mandate and not exceed it without authorization from the LFC.

Since the title LAP may not be sufficiently comprehensible or impressive (to resort managers or tenure committees) to achieve the effects desired, all formally designated LAP should feel free to arrogate themselves whatever title they think serves their needs best (ignoring the fact that others may hold the same title in a given year): "Program Arrangements--Xth Annual Meeting" is one I have found useful.

As of this writing (9 March) there are three designated LAP:

Mike Howard -- San Diego, 1980
Cathy Carlin -- Gulf Coast (back-up for next year; possible 1981)
Glen Peterson -- Savanna and Sea Islands possible 1981

If other Association members (preferably those who have attended several of our meetings and have a clear idea of our special requirements) would like to volunteer to undertake research assignments I shall be happy to hear from them. I shall also be happy to correspond with anyone who does not understand the arrangements described above, or who has any quibble with them. I have a nice list of Florida sites that want some more visiting; there is also a nice project for someone on New Mexico, Arizona sites; another possibility is Baja.

To suggest what sorts of criteria will be employed in site selection, the following outline of the ideal site is offered. Again dissenting views will be welcomed.

1. Comfortable, spacious, attractive meeting rooms.

2. Plenty of places for informal meetings of 2, 3, 6—or a dozen persons, at any (reasonable) hour, away from bedrooms. Adequate and convivial facilities should be available for "happy hour" and for late evening socializing.

3. Regular, dependable, and inexpensive transportation available from the nearest airport (not more than an hour's drive). An airport well served from all parts of the country.
4. Every effort made to minimize costs (we are mindful of the problems of students or the unemployed) although we shall not settle for vastly inferior facilities in an effort to save 10 - 20% on hotel bills.

5. Dining flexibility (dining room, coffee shop and room service open at all hours, nearby restaurants with great ethnic food, optional participation in group meals).

6. The capacity of the site staff to meet our conference needs—lots of space, A-V equipment, coffee service, efficient registration procedure, without huge investments of our time once the meetings have started. These needs—directly related to our primary purposes—greatly limit our capacity to book ourselves into any place that is really cheap.

While the Program Chairman will continue to be appointed each year by the Board, a measure of continuity in this aspect of our operations will be achieved by asking the newly appointed Program Chairman to obtain a full briefing from the previous incumbent and consulting with her or him on any matter that seems complicated. These two persons will coordinate the search for their successor and be prepared to make recommendations to the Board during the annual meeting.

IV. REPORT ON SYMPOSIA AND SESSIONS


Chair: Gilbert Herdt
Center for the Health Sciences
760 Westwood Plaza
Los Angeles, California 90024

Our symposium was a rousing success. All of the invited participants (save one) were able to attend and the audience was seasoned with many senior and newer faces. Our aim was to present new findings on male initiation in New Guinea and that we did. The papers proved to be of an unusually high calibre, ethnologically and theoretically. The relationship of ritual secrecy, cultural communication and identity emerged as a theme on which our discussions were focused. The meeting was not only gratifying and stimulating, but it also produced the possibility that these papers may be published. Discussions towards that end are now under way with the University of California Press. Interested persons may contact G. H. Herdt.
Dependency theory has emerged as one of the primary foci in the study of underdevelopment. To date, however, few attempts have been made to apply dependency models in Oceania. Our working session had two principal aims: (1) to examine the extent to which dependency theory might be applicable in an Oceanic context and (2) to explore the extent to which cases from the South Pacific might offer new insights into dependency theory itself.

Most participants agreed that dependency theory is applicable in island settings. Yet significant differences exist between dependency in Oceania and Latin America, where the theory originated. The baseline for economic and political transformation is different. The types of economic and political domination in Oceania are not identical to those found in other underdeveloped areas.

The South Pacific as a whole is less involved in extractive capitalist modes of production than other areas. At the same time,
the region is remarkably dependent on welfare from the United States, France, New Zealand, Australia, and other developed areas. The outpouring of aid is reflected in the rise of government-sponsored, service economies. The rise of a tertiary sector in the relative absence of primary and secondary sectors means that structures of production, at least at the village level, remain relatively untouched while structures of consumption are dramatically altered. In Micronesia, the rule seems to be government-funded wage labor and massive involvement in federal welfare programs. On Yap, 1200 programs are available to 5000 islanders.

Under these conditions, village social structures may not be immediately eroded. Indeed, funds provided by wage laborers in towns or abroad can increase village ceremonial activity, but given fluctuating economic conditions, land shortages and rising populations, how long can the status quo be preserved? Looking at the total situation, the magnitude of change is already clear.

The case materials presented in the working session were as diverse as the titles indicate. Some papers concentrated on more general processes of dependency, including welfare bureaucracies, while others dealt with local level processes. Participants suggested that these two perspectives could be brought closer together by examining different kinds of ties between metropolis and satellite in historical context. Different industries and different economic sectors such as tourism, agriculture or mining might be given special treatment rather than treating whole islands. It was also suggested that special cases and theories might be re-analyzed in light of dependency theory; the Tolai are one possible example.

As the working session moves toward symposium status next year, participants will be rethinking processes of dependency, changing forms of dependency, and the extent to which the dependency paradigm may run its intellectual course as did the modernization, acculturation, and economic development paradigms that preceded it. Questions raised this year will receive more precise treatment next year. Those interested in participating in a more formal symposium in 1980 should contact the organizers.

Michael Howard
Houston
"Dependency and development: Some theoretical considerations"

Daniel T. Hughes
Ohio State
"Colonialism and dependency in Oceania"

& Sherwood Lingenfelter
SUNY/Brockport
"Micronesian dependencies: Theory, ideology and studying up"

Craig J. Severance
Hawaii-Hilo
Glenn Petersen  CUNY-Baruch College  "Social formations and dependency on Ponape"

James Peoples  Southern Illinois  "The effects of dependence on household economic allocations in Kosrae Island, Micronesia"

Richard Marksbury  Tulane  "From womb to tomb: Dependency that is and dependency that shall be (Yap)"

Jean-Marc Philibert  Western Ontario  "Living under two flags: Economic adaptation of a New Hebridean village"

Amy Burce  Stanford  "Plantation production and uneven development in Papua New Guinea"

Paul Shankman  Colorado  "The political economy of migration in Western Samoa"

Michael Howard  Houston  "The perpetuation of dependency among Australian Aborigines"

Ben Finney  Hawaii  "Islands of welfare"

3. Working Session: Sorcery and Social Change

Chair: Marty Zeleneitz  
Department of Anthropology  
McMaster University  
Hamilton, Ontario  
CANADA L8S-4L9

The session focused on the relationship between sorcery and social change and on certain aspects of sorcery that are regarded in the literature as contentious: the "legitimacy" of sorcery from a local perspective; sorcery as a means of social control; the distinction between sorcery as a system of beliefs and practices and sorcerers as practitioners or manipulators of such a system. It was suggested that much of the contention resulted from empirical differences. Material illustrating these points from the Kilenge area of West New Britain was presented by Marty Zeleneitz.

Jack Fischer presented a paper on ethical questions posed by the study of sorcery. With increasing literacy in English among anthropological subjects, the publication of specific sorcery accusations may reify and perpetuate disputes which, under normal circumstances, have been forgotten in the past.
Steven Nachman dealt with the complex of buai sorcery and magic on Nissan Atoll. The use of buai sorcery is strictly proscribed and therefore legitimized for particular settings. Buai is seen as a replacement for the systems of sorcery lost during the early contact period and is a return to traditionalism.

Bob Tonkinson discussed the decline of sorcery in southeast Ambrym. One major factor was the widespread public access to and use of sorcery after "new" sorcery was brought home by returning laborers, which removed sorcery from the exclusive and legitimate controls of the chiefs.

The Rodmans' paper questions the validity of categories concerning sorcery and witchcraft.

A formal symposium on Sorcery and Social Change is being planned for next year. People interested in participating should contact Marty Zelenietz as soon as possible.

John Fischer
Tulane
"Ethical issues in the study of sorcery in modernizing societies"

Steven Nachman
Western Carolina
"Buai: Expressions of sorcery in the dance"

William Rodman
Margaret Rodman
McMaster
"A different kind of sickness altogether"

Robert Tonkinson
Australian National University
"The changing status of sorcery in an Ambrymese culture, New Hebrides"

Marty Zelenietz
McMaster
"Sorcery and social change: the Kilenge context"

William Mitchell
Vermont
Discussant

Shirley Lindenbaum
New School for Social Research
Discussant

4. Working Session: Women in Oceania

Co-chairs: Denise O'Brien
Department of Anthropology
Temple University
Philadelphia, PA 19122

Sharon Tiffany
Department of Anthropology
University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
Whitewater, WI 53190
Twenty papers were presented during the "Women in Oceania" session organized by Sharon Tiffany and Denise O'Brien. The range of topics included: theories and models of women; women, production, and exchange; women and politics; motherhood; women, religion, and ritual; sex roles and illness; and expatriate women in the Pacific. The discussants were Ward Goodenough, Lew Langness, and Annette Weiner. The group met for the final general discussion Saturday evening and to plan for a formal symposium for the 1980 meetings. The formal symposium planned for the 1980 meetings will be restricted to a limited number of themes centering around models of women in society, power, and historical change. The participants in the 1979 session and their topics are listed below.

Sharon W. Tiffany  Wisconsin-Whitewater  "Women, men and models: Perceptions and problems in social anthropology"

Dorothy K. Billings  Wichita State  "Women's roles in New Ireland and New Hanover"

James A. Boutilier  Royal Roads Military College  "No place for a woman: European women in the Solomon Islands, 1893–1942"

Leslie Conton  Alaska  "Women as visionaries in Usino, Papua New Guinea"

Dorothy Counts  Waterloo  "Kaliai women: Public and private realities"

Shulamit R. Decker Korn  Wooster  "Domination and domain: Some problems in conceptualizing sex-based role expectations, Tonga"

Charles W. Forman  Yale  "The place of women in the Christian churches of Oceania"

Deborah Gewertz  Amherst  "Domains of dominance among the Chambri"
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5. Working Session: Language and Politics in Oceania

Co-Chairs: Don Brenneis  Fred Meyers
Department of Anthropology       Department of Anthropology
Pitzer College                  Claremont CA 91711

Much to our surprise, the papers and discussion in this session covered many of the issues suggested in the abstract. Among the major themes were the role of language in constructing and renegotiating political relations, the relationship between formalization and creativity in political discourse (a la Maurice Bloch), access to speech and to different linguistic varieties as resources, and the constraints and opportunities characteristic of different genres of speech events. Another issue was the effect of social organization on speech – particularly the impact of consensus majority principles of decision-making on verbal strategies. We plan to meet again next year as a formal symposium entitled: Language and politics in Oceania: the social ecology of speech events. Anyone interested in participating should contact Don Brenneis or Fred Meyers.

Peter Black  George Mason
Bradd Shore   Sarah Lawrence
Don Brenneis  Pitzer
Fred Meyers   Pitzer
Michael Howard Houston
James Clifford Santa Cruz

6. Informal Session: Ethics and Expectations of Researchers in the Pacific

Chair: Michael Hamnett
East-West Center
1777 East-West Road
Honolulu, Hawaii 96848

Despite the hour, seventeen people attended the evening session. Michael Hamnett made a presentation on the growing concern with the ethics of social science research and the increasing restrictions on research. Several critical issues have not received...
sufficient attention: (1) provision for benefits to the subjects being studied; (2) the problem of imposing western models of society on non-western society; and (3) the obligation for foreign researchers to collaborate with host country researchers. It was suggested that ASAO could help to sensitize researchers to ethical problems and host country government officials to the problems of doing research. Through the Newsletter, ASAO could serve as a clearing house for host country solicited research.

To raise the level of awareness about ethical and political problems, it was decided to organize an on-going "working" or "teaching" session at future ASAO meetings. The first of these is being planned by Michael Rynkiewich and Michael Hamnett at the 1980 meetings.

V. 1980 PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

The program chair for the 1980 meetings will be Fred Meyers, Pitzer College, Claremont, California, 91711.

All communication and requests for Symposia and other sessions should be directed to him as soon as possible. Formal Symposia already proposed include:

Women in Oceania
Dependency and Development in Oceania
Language and Politics in Oceania
Sorcery and Social Change.

Working Sessions proposed are:

Personal Names and Naming
Organizer: Bradd Shore
Department of Anthropology
Sarah Lawrence College
Bronxville, New York 10708

Ethics and Research in Oceania
Organizer: Michael Hamnett
East-West Center
East-West Road
Honolulu, Hawaii
Informal Sessions proposed are:

Places where more than one person has worked

Organizers: Jane Goodale
Department of Anthropology
Bryn Mawr College
Bryn Mawr, PA 19010

Karl Heider
Department of Anthropology
University of South Carolina
Columbia, SC 29208

Images of the anthropologist in Oceania

Organizer: Robert Tonkinson
Department of Anthropology
Australian National University
Box 4, P.O. Canberra, ACT 2600
Australia

VI. RESEARCH, BIBLIOGRAPHIC AND PROFESSIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Glenn Peterson announces that he will be continuing his field work in Ponape this summer with a grant from the CUNY Research Foundation. He will be investigating political skills transferred from the traditional, chiefly system to the introduced, legislative and bureaucratic systems and the Ponapean perceptions of the relationship between the two.

B. The University of Guam is soliciting applications for the following position: Director, Micronesian Area Research Center (MARC). A Ph.D. in a social science discipline, experience in academic or research administration, and publications required. For further information contact Dr. Lucius Eldredge, Search Committee, Marine Laboratory, University of Guam, P.O. Box EK, Agana, Guam 96910.

C. The University of Guam is also soliciting applications for a position in the Department of Anthropology-Geography for an anthropologist. Instructor to Professor for Fall 1979. Specialities preferred: (1) archaeology (2) Oceania. Send all transcripts, three letters of reference and vita to University of Guam.

D. The University of Guam is trying to change the status of the Micronesian area research unit from a resource to a research unit. They are requesting assistance in building their collections, asking those who have published on Oceania to send copies of books, articles or citations of such publications, especially for Micronesia. See address above.
E. Gary Klee (San Jose State) will be conducting a summer field course in Hawaii on environmental studies. The dates of the Hawaii Program will be May 31 to June 14, 1979. For further information, contact Gary Klee, Environmental Studies Department, San Jose State University, San Jose, CA 95192.

F. Anyone wishing to purchase either of the following new books at a 50 percent discount should contact Mac Marshall (Department of Anthropology, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa 52242). The books will be sold on a first-come-first-served basis with proceeds going to the ASAO Publications Funds.

Harrison, Sheldon P. and Salich Albert.


Jensen, John Thayer et al.


G. An International Seminar on the Cross-Cultural Study of Circulation was held in Honolulu, Hawaii. This seminar was sponsored by the East-West Population Institute, East-West Center and the Institute of Applied Social and Economic Research (Port Moresby) with financial assistance from NSF. The seminar was concerned with repetitive forms of population movement (circulation) within Melanesia. Themes included personal narratives of movement experience, extensive field data analysis and interdisciplinary and international comparisons. The summary reports may be obtained from:

The Publications Office
East-West Population Institute
1777 East-West Road
Honolulu, Hawaii 96848

Papers are being revised for a publication jointly edited by Murray Chapman (Hawaii) and Mansell Prothero (Liverpool). This

The Institute of Applied Social and Economic Research, established under an Act of the Papua New Guinea Parliament in 1975 commenced operations in January 1976. Under the terms of a previous agreement with the Australian National University the Institute took over most of the assets of the Australian National University's New Guinea Research Unit in Port Moresby.

The functions of the Institute, as laid down in the Act, include the promotion of research into social, political and economic problems in order to enable practical solutions to be formulated, the dissemination of research findings, the provision of consultancy services to government, and the provision of practical research opportunities to train Papua New Guinean research workers.

The main publications of the Institute are:

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The IASER Monograph presents the results of social and economic research in Papua New Guinea by staff of the Institute and other researchers. Four titles are published each year, their lengths ranging from about 100 to 200 pages. Annual subscription is K15.00. Individual copies of numbers 1-4 cost K2.50 plus postage; from number 5, individual copies cost K3.50 plus postage.

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PAPUA NEW GUINEA POST COURIER SELECTIVE INDEX

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Papua New Guinea

I. The Anthropology Resource Center Newsletter, mentioned in the March 1979 issue, is featuring a series of short articles on "The New Pacific: Island Economies and Multinational Investment." Contributors include Paul Shankman, Eugene Ogan, George Marcus, DeVerne Reed Smith and Carol MacLennan.

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VI. A WORD FROM THE EDITORS

We would like to print more information which can only come from the readership of this Newsletter. Do any of you have letters, reports, editorial comments or observations on the organization or events in the Pacific which would interest some segment of the membership? If so, please send these to us, the Newsletter editors.

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University of New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

Dr. Roger Ward
1037 Fern Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70118
TO: All Fellows and Members of the Association for Social Anthropology in Oceania

FROM: Julia A. Hecht, ASAO Secretary

RE: ASAO Annual Dues

Annual dues for Fellows and Members of ASAO were established by the Board of Directors in February 1978 at the rate of $15.00 US, and $10.00 US per annum for students. March of each year was also established as the month in which annual dues for individuals become payable.

Please use the tear-off section below so that we may correct any errors in our mailing list. Foreign members are urged to remit dues either in U.S. funds or their exchange equivalent. Your canceled check will serve as your receipt.

Your colleagues, students, or friends who wish to join may write to me directly for information or with their membership dues. There are no forms necessary for becoming a member.

Julia A. Hecht
ASAO Secretary
Department of Anthropology
Lawrence University
P.O. Box 599
Appleton, Wisconsin 54911 USA

Enclosed is my check for $15.00 in payment of my ASAO dues for the year 1979-80. (Please make payable to ASAO).

Enclosed is my check for $10.00 in payment of my student ASAO dues for the year 1979-80. (The student rate is payable upon written petition to the secretary. Please make checks payable to ASAO.)

My address is correct as it currently appears on the ASAO mailing list.

My address is not correct as it currently appears on the ASAO mailing list. Please change my address to read:

I am a new member. Please add my name and address to the ASAO mailing list.

(Name--Please Print)