

similar with other cultural items removed from Pawnee sites in the area of Genoa and are therefore culturally affiliated with the Pawnee.

At an unknown time, cultural items were removed from the A.T. Hill site (25WT1), also known as the Pawnee Pike Village, located in Webster County, NE. The 3 unassociated funerary objects are 1 metal button, 1 metal coin or medal, and 1 glass bottle.

The metal button is an 1800 U.S.C. metal button, which was donated by A.M. Brooking and cataloged in 1937 (17662). The metal coin or medal was acquired from W.M. Robb and cataloged in 1936 (16058). The glass essence of peppermint bottle was donated by an unknown donor and cataloged in 1931 (10363). The A.T. Hill site was sporadically occupied by the Kitkehahki (Republican) band of the Pawnee from A.D. 1700 – A.D. 1830. Based on museum records, museum officials have determined that the cultural items were intentionally placed with human remains at burial and are similar to other funerary objects removed from this site. Therefore, museum officials have culturally affiliated the unassociated funerary objects with the Pawnee. Descendants of the Pawnee are members of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma.

Officials of the Hastings Museum have determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001 (3)(B), the 4,277 cultural items described above are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony and are believed, by a preponderance of the evidence, to have been removed from a specific burial site of an Native American individual. Officials of the Hastings Museum also have determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001 (2), there is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between the unassociated funerary objects and the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma.

Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with the unassociated funerary objects should contact Teresa Kreutzer-Hodson, Hastings Museum of Natural and Cultural History, PO Box 1286, Hastings, NE 68902, telephone (402) 461-2399, before January 18, 2008. Repatriation of the unassociated funerary objects to the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma may proceed after that date if no additional claimants come forward.

Hastings Museum is responsible for notifying the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska; Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians, Oklahoma; Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma; Ponca Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma;

Ponca Tribe of Nebraska; Sac & Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska; and Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, North Dakota that this notice has been published.

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Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Intent to Repatriate Cultural Items: Horner Collection, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

Notice is here given in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3005, of the intent to repatriate cultural items in the possession of the Horner Collection, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR that meet the definition of "sacred objects" under 25 U.S.C. 3001.

This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 25 U.S.C. 3003 (d)(3). The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution, or Federal agency that has control of the cultural items. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

The six cultural items are two basket caps, three baskets, and one pipe.

The Museum of Oregon Country, Oregon Agricultural College was renamed the John B. Horner Museum of the Oregon Country in 1936, and became commonly known as the Horner Museum. The Oregon Agricultural College was renamed the Oregon State College in 1937, and became Oregon State University in 1962. The Horner Museum closed in 1995. Currently, cultural items from the Horner Museum are referred to as the Horner Collection, which is owned by, and in the possession of, Oregon State University.

Horner Collection, Oregon State University professional staff consulted with representatives of the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians of Oregon; Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon; Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Reservation, Oregon; Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians of Oregon; Hoopa Valley Tribe, California;

Klamath Tribes, Oregon (formerly the Klamath Indian Tribe of Oregon); Pit River Tribe, California (includes XL Ranch, Big Ben, Likely, Lookout, Montgomery Creek and Roaring Creek Rancherias); Redding Rancheria, California; Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians of the Santa Ynez Reservation, California; Smith River Rancheria, California; Yurok Tribe of the Yurok Reservation, California; and Kumeyaay Cultural Repatriation Commission, a non-federally recognized Indian group.

On November 30, 1972, Mrs. J. E. Barrett donated one basket cap and one tobacco basket. The two cultural items were originally part of a loaned collection of Indian baskets dated February 28, 1927. Basket caps are used in ceremonial dances that are placed on young female dancers and women singers as part of the Tolowa Dee-ni' regalia, and continue to be used during ceremonial dances such as Nee-dash "Feather Dance" or Wealth-display dance. Tobacco baskets store tobacco for the use of transmitting prayers up to the Creator during everyday prayer, as well as during ceremonial occasions.

On March 25, 1985, one storage basket and one basket cap from the collection of Thomas and Ann Stephens, Ashland, OR, were donated to the Horner Museum by Eileen Waring Dew (Mrs. Lawrence). Museum records state that the cultural items were made by northwestern California Indians between 1880 and 1900. A storage basket is a sacred item that is used to store many different herbs and sacred plants used in traditional healing practices. Current ceremonial practices include use of specific herbs and plants as healing remedies, purification, and are often burned during the dance while prayers are offered and transmitted to the Creator.

On July 14, 1986, Charles A. and Audrey L. Boice donated a collection of Indian baskets from the collection of Olivia and C.N. Edman of Marshfield, OR, to the Horner Collection. Museum records indicate the baskets are from southern Oregon and northern California. Representatives of the Smith River Rancheria, California have identified one basket as Tolowa Dee-ni' in affiliation and that it is used for the cooking of food, such as acorns for ceremonies and other important community events. Acorns are highly revered and during certain ceremonies the acorn is the only food allowable for dancers and shaman to consume.

At an unknown time and date, pipes were donated to the Horner Collection. Museum records show one pipe is tubular in design and the tag indicates

that it is from California. The pipe is identified as a sacred item traditionally and contemporarily used to smoke tobacco during prayer and/or for purification. Representatives of the Smith River Rancheria, California have identified the tubular shape of the pipe as typical of Tolowa Dee-ni' culture and as a sacred object.

Tribal representatives of the Smith River Rancheria, California have identified the six cultural items as Tolowa in cultural affiliation and as sacred items. Descendants of the Tolowa Dee-ni' people are members of the Smith River Rancheria, California.

Officials of the Horner Collection, Oregon State University have determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001 (3)(C), the six cultural items described above are specific ceremonial objects needed by traditional Native American religious leaders for the practice of traditional Native American religions by their present-day adherents. Officials of Horner Collection, Oregon State University also have determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001 (2), there is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between the sacred objects and the Smith River Rancheria, California.

Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with the sacred objects should contact Sabah Randhawa, Executive Vice President and Provost, President's Office, Oregon State University, 600 Kerr Administration Building, Corvallis, OR 97331, telephone (541) 737-8260, before January 18, 2008. Repatriation of the sacred objects to Smith River Rancheria, California may proceed after that date if no additional claimants come forward.

The Horner Collection, Oregon State University is responsible for notifying the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria, California; Big Lagoon Rancheria, California; Blue Lake Rancheria, California; Cachil DeHe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community of the Colusa Rancheria, California; Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria, California; Elk Valley Rancheria, California; Hoopa Valley Tribe, California; Karuk Tribe of California; Pit River Tribe, California (includes XL Ranch, Big Bend, Likely, Lookout, Montgomery Creek and Roaring Creek Rancherias); Quartz Valley Indian Community of the Quartz Valley Reservation of California; Redding Rancheria, California; Resighini Rancheria, California; Yurok Tribe of the Yurok Reservation, California; and Kumeyaay Cultural Repatriation Commission, a non-federally

recognized Indian group that this notice has been published.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Inventory Completion: The University Museum, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

Notice is here given in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3003, of the completion of an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects in the possession of The University Museum, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR. The human remains and associated funerary objects were removed from Clark, Dallas, Garland, Hot Springs, Howard, Lafayette, Little River, Miller, Ouachita, Scott, and Yell Counties, AR.

This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 25 U.S.C. 3003 (d)(3). The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution, or Federal agency that has control of the Native American human remains and associated funerary objects. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

A detailed assessment of the human remains and associated funerary objects was made by The University Museum, University of Arkansas professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Caddo Nation of Oklahoma.

In 1933, human remains representing a minimum of eight individuals were removed from the Strickland Island Farm (3SC7), Scott County, AR, during museum sponsored excavations. No known individuals were identified. The 106 associated funerary objects are 84 ceramic sherds, 1 group of ceramic sherds, 5 arrow points, 2 bone daggers, 4 bone needles, 1 bone knife or scarper, 3 bone awls, 1 bone flaker, 1 terrapin shell, 1 group of dog bones, 1 antler tool, 1 group of shells, and 1 "skiver."

In 1934, human remains representing a minimum of one individual were removed from the Nick T. Wheatley Place (3CL8), Clark County, AR, during museum sponsored excavations. No

known individual was identified. The four associated funerary objects are two arrow points and two stone celts.

In 1970, human remains representing a minimum of three individuals were removed from the Poe site (3SC28), Scott County, AR, during museum sponsored excavations. No known individuals were identified. The six associated funerary objects are four ceramic sherds, one group of lithic fragments, and one animal bone.

Artifacts found at the Strickland Island Farm, Nick T. Wheatley Place, and Poe sites indicate that they were occupied during the Fourche Maline period (A.D. 500-800).

In 1929, human remains representing a minimum of three individuals were removed from Lester Place (3LA48), Lafayette County, AR, by unknown persons. The human remains were donated to the museum that same year. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

In 1929, human remains representing a minimum of one individual were removed from the Clyde Hodges site in Garland County, AR, by unknown persons. The human remains were donated to the museum that same year. No known individual was identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

In 1930, human remains representing a minimum of one individual were removed from the Murphy Place, Garland County, AR, by unknown persons. The human remains were donated to the museum that same year. No known individual was identified. The one associated funerary object is an incised effigy bowl.

In 1933, human remains representing a minimum of six individuals were removed from the Aikman Farm (3YE15), Yell County, AR, during museum sponsored excavations. No known individuals were identified. The 29 associated funerary objects are 1 ceramic water bottle in the form of a human, 1 undecorated ceramic water bottle, 2 ceramic bowls, 8 ceramic sherds, 2 ceramic pipes, 1 clay ball, 7 arrow points, 1 quartz crystal, 1 polished stone, 1 group of animal bone fragments, 3 metal buttons, and 1 group of nail fragments.

In 1940, human remains representing a minimum of six individuals were removed from the Adair site (3GA1), Garland County, AR, during museum sponsored excavations. No known individuals were identified. The one associated funerary object is one group of rocks.

In 1940, human remains representing a minimum of 28 individuals were removed from the Cooper Place (3HS1),