

# Department of Defense Legacy Resource Management Program

# Cultural Resources UPDATE

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# **WELCOME**

# The Legacy Resource Management Program

And the pre-proposals are in! Over 200 pre-proposals came into the Legacy staff members for review. These 200+ proposals request, \$ 24.9 million! Thank you to the authors who worked so hard on getting their proposals in on time.

Cultural Resources and culturally-focused/related Integrated Resources attracted 63 pre-proposals.

The Review Committee will meet 10 October to discuss the pre-proposals. The Legacy staff will then send feedback and requests for Full Proposals to the authors. **Full Proposals** are due **1 November**.



# Scientists: Rising seas will flood historic sites

Americans are used to hearing about the natural disasters prompted by rising seawaters due to global warming. However, a recent article run by the Associated Press (AP) warns that the loss of cultural resources and historic sites may also be a consequence of global warming.

According to the article, melting glaciers will cause the oceans to rise one meter in the next century. This rise will threaten numerous historic American sites, and cover Jamestown, Virginia, America's first English colony.

FOR THE COMPLETE ARTICLE, VISIT:

HTTP://WWW.CNN.COM/2007/TECH/SCIENCE/09/24/RISING.SEAS.AP/INDEX.HTML

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# **NEWS**

## **Languages Racing to Extinction**

STEFAN LOVGREN

PORTIONS FROM NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC NEWS, SEPTEMBER 18, 2007

From Alaska to Australia, hundreds of languages around the world are teetering on the brink of extinction—some being spoken only by a single person, according to a new study. The research has revealed five hotspots where languages are vanishing most rapidly: eastern Siberia, northern Australia, central South America, Oklahoma, and the U.S. Pacific Northwest.

To identify the five hotspots, the researchers did not target specific languages but looked at entire language families in trouble. They used three main criteria to establish if a region should be considered a hotspot for languages extinction:

- the diversity of languages spoken
- the level of endangerment to the tongue
- and the scientific documentation of a language

"Essentially all Native American languages are under threat," he said. "And in the rest of Australia, most of the Aboriginal languages have already become extinct." Gary Holton is an expert on Alaskan languages at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. "As we enter a time of mass language extinction, we will find that our definition of what counts as a language and who counts as a speaker will change," he said. Some people who have only partial knowledge of a language may be considered speakers of the tongue once the older, fluent generation has died, Holton said. The death of one language may also give birth to another language, he said.

When a language is lost, centuries of human thinking about animals, plants, mathematics, and time may be lost with it, Swarthmore's Harrison said. "Eighty percent of species have been undiscovered by science, but that doesn't mean they're unknown to humans, because the people who live in those ecosystems know the species intimately and they often have more sophisticated ways of classifying them than science does," he said. "We're throwing away centuries' worth of knowledge and discoveries that they have been making all along."

FOR MORE INFORMATION, OR THE COMPLETE ARTICLE, VISIT: HTTP://NEWS.NATIONALGEOGRAPHIC.COM/NEWS/2007/09/070918-LANGUAGES-EXTINCT\_2.HTML NEWS continued from page 1

### PASSING OF A LONGTIME COLLEAGUE

Ronald N. Johnson, 69, of Summerville, SC, died Thursday, August 30, 2007 at a Charleston hospital. Ron was employed in Civil Service for thirty-five years as Historical Preservation Officer at the Southern Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command. He had extensive knowledge of the service and of cultural resources law and practice, and a deep committment to the CR program that arose from his deep committment to the Navy.

Many who knew him saw Ron as a pillar of the Navy's program. He never hesitated to offer advice or suggestions, always with great courtesy and unmistakeable firmness. He never forgot that among the most important beneficiaries of our Cultural Resources programs are the people who live and work on our installations, and in the surrounding communities.

Navy people and communities throughout the southeast will benefit from Ron's work for decades to come, which is as fine a legacy as anyone in our business can ask.

WORDS FROM JAY THOMAS, NAVFACHQ, BDD.

# DOD SELECTS TRIBAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES FOR GRANTS

The Department of Defense will award instrumentation grants totaling \$1.7 million to nine Tribal Colleges and Universities. These grants will be made under the fiscal 2007 DoD Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority Institutions Infrastructure Support Program. The grants will enhance programs and capabilities at these minority institutions in scientific disciplines critical to national security and the DoD.

The April 2007 call resulted in the submittal of eighteen proposals to the Office of Defense Research and Engineering by the Army Research Office. The Army Research Office plans to award nine equipment grants ranging from \$107,000 to \$248,000. Each award will have a 12-month performance period.

Awards will be made only after written agreements are reached between the department and the institutions.

## KEN BURNS' NEW DOCUMENTARY

Playing in many areas across the USA on local PBS stations, September 24- October 6, is Ken Burns' new documentary. *The War* is the story of World War II, as seen, through the eyes of several individuals and families across American.

HTTP://WWW.PBS.ORG/THEWAR/FOR BROADCAST TIMES AND MORE DETAILS.

#### ACHP UPDATE

President George W. Bush has announced his appointment of four individuals to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP).

New appointments to the ACHP are Mayor Thomas R. Miller of Franklin, Tennessee, and John A. Garcia of Albuquerque, New Mexico. Miller will serve as the ACHP's designated representative for the nation's mayors. Garcia will fill one of the general public positions on the 23-member council.

Reappointed to the ACHP to historic preservation expert positions for a second four-year term are Julia A. King of St. Mary's City, Maryland, and Ann A. Pritzlaff of Denver, Colorado.

"We are delighted to welcome Mr. Garcia and Mayor Miller to the ACHP, and to retain the expertise and enthusiasm of Ms. Pritzlaff and Dr. King who have been vital to our preservation efforts," said John L. Nau, III, ACHP chairman.

#### SNEAK PREVIEW (BUT STILL PLODDING THROUGH THE SYSTEM):

- Resource Planning and Research Potential:
  Nineteenth-Century Sites in Virginia's Coastal
  Plain (Legacy Project # 05-262)
- Performance Testing of Historically Appropriate Blast-Resistant Windows (Legacy Project # 04-219)
- Archaeological Collections Management Procedures (Legacy Project #06-319)

## **FUN FACTS ABOUT FORT SILL**

- Phillip H. Sheridan, George A. Custer, and William T. Sherman were the founders of the U.S. Army Field Artillery Center at Fort Sill.
- Of all the forts built on the south plains during the Indian Wars, Fort Sill is the only active installation.
- The Fort Sill National Cemetery in Elgin, OK is the 120<sup>th</sup> National Cemetery.
- At first the garrison was called "Camp Wichita" and referred to by the Indians as "the Soldier House at Medicine Bluffs."



#### Call for Nominations

## Preserve America Presidential Awards

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation is accepting nominations for exemplary heritage tourism and historic preservation programs and projects that meet 2008 Preserve America Presidential Award criteria. Beginning this year, preservation projects that are primarily publicly funded now are eligible for consideration, unlike past years when preservation projects had to be primarily privately funded. Nominations for the DoD must be in to Maureen Sullivan, maureen.sullivan@osd.mil, no later than 15 October. Visit <a href="http://www.preserveamerica.gov/">http://www.preserveamerica.gov/</a> for more information, including the nomination form, instructions, and award criteria.

### ACHP Delivers Preserve America Summit Recommendations to President and First Lady

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) has published findings and recommendations for the future of the federal government's historic preservation efforts based on the national Preserve America Summit held in New Orleans, Louisiana, in October 2006, and presented them to the White House.

John L. Nau, III, ACHP chairman, said the Preserve America Summit Report has been delivered to President and Mrs. Laura Bush, and the federal government is beginning to implement the recommendations derived from the panels convened before and during the Summit last year on the occasion of the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act. Mrs. Bush, honorary chair of Preserve America, opened and participated in the Summit. Almost 450 experts took part in the 11 panels formed to consider the nation's heritage preservation successes in the past and take stock of what steps to take next.

"The National Historic Preservation Act was created at the grassroots level to preserve our heritage and benefit present and future generations," Nau said. "Today we realize more fully the value and benefits of historic preservation to the vitality and quality of our lives, our nation, and all our diverse communities. The recommendations resulting from the Preserve America Summit will help us better guide our efforts to more wisely and broadly share the cultural, educational, and economic benefits of preservation."

The recommendations endorsed by the ACHP and submitted to the President include:

- Create a comprehensive inventory of historic properties through a multi-year plan that expands current inventories and makes them more compatible and accessible.
- 2) Promote cultural diversity in the identification of historic properties by evaluating the National Register of Historic Places for its inclusiveness and encouraging local, state, and tribal governments to evaluate their own inventories.
- Respond to disasters by forming a technical advisory committee to develop guidance, a plan for dissemination and training, and emergency and mitigation strategies consistent with the Department of Homeland Security's National Response Plan.
- 4) Address security needs by developing guidance, including guidance on all-hazards risk assessment.
- 5) Conserve cultural collections by pursing cost-effective collaboration between the historic preservation community and the broader cultural heritage community, including support for the Institute of Museum and Library Service's "Connecting to Collections" initiative.
- 6) Promote innovation by creating a clearinghouse through the National Park Service National Center for Preservation Technology and Training to disseminate information in innovative technologies and encourage their use.
- 7) Measure and share preservation's benefits by developing consistent ways to measure direct and indirect impacts (particularly economic) and by pursuing and promoting necessary research.
- 8) Provide more technical assistance to local communities to promote historic preservation and heritage tourism, and explore the concept of a Preserve America Community agent or similar mechanism to work more actively with local communities.
- 9) Increase synergy between the development community and public sector partners by implementing the recommendations of the National Park System Advisory Board Committee on the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Credit and by seeking ways to expand use of federal financial assistance programs for historic preservation.
- 10) Enhance heritage education by developing a communication strategy for providing information to the educational community about Web sites, curriculum guides, and other outreach products that promote heritage education.
- 11) Engage youth in historic preservation by promoting programs that involve them in hands-on preservation activities and through the possible establishment of an ongoing youth summit as part of the Preserve America initiative.
- 12) Optimize U.S. participation in the international preservation arena by improving information exchange and facilitating U.S. participation in international preservation activities.
- 13) Explore improvements to the program structure of the federal preservation program though creation of an independent review panel.

THE ENTIRE PRESERVE AMERICA SUMMIT REPORT AND OTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THE INITIATIVE ARE AVAILABLE AT WWW.PRESERVEAMERICA.GOV.

# DENIX

DENIX is undergoing a migration to a new system, complete with an updated appearance. While the migration is taking place, no new items will appear on the current website. The "freezing" of the current DENIX website will begin 1 October. Be sure to watch this column for the announcement of the newand-improved DENIX Grand Opening!

## REPORTS (all publicly available):

Military Historic Context Emphasizing the Cold War Including the Identification and Evaluation of Above Ground Cultural Resources for Thirteen Department of Defense Installations in Georgia (Legacy Project # 03-175)

DoD Sustainability Application Guide for Historic Properties (Legacy Project # 04-220)

Desert-wide Cultural Resource Site Protection in the Mojave Desert (Legacy Project # 05-257)

Be sure to check the other CR pages: Archaeology, BRAC, Cold War, Curation, GIS, Guidance Documents, Historic Preservation, Historic Contexts, Links, Military Museums, National Historic Landmarks, Native Americans, Workshops/Conferences/Presentations, <u>Preserve</u> America, Program Alternatives, and <u>Underwater</u> Archaeology.

## FRESH FACES AROUND THE OFFICE

SUBMITTED BY: JOANNA HALL

Even with a Bachelor of Arts in Historic Preservation from the University of Mary Washington, Joanna did not fully appreciate historic preservation at the federal level and the Department of Defense's involvement in it, until she worked as the Real Property Intern in the DoD Federal Preservation Office. After looking at the DoD Facilities Assessment Database (FAD), Joanna found that one of the reasons for DoD's large influence in this field is its vast real property inventory. Her internship for the Federal Preservation Office involved organizing the historic real property inventory in the FAD and analyzing it in terms of use, age, condition, location, and mission dependency. In addition, she attended several meetings with the DoD Federal Preservation Office and the Federal Preservation Work Group on the management of historic real property inventory.

Joanna gained a new perspective of the field, specifically in the management of historic properties, which will be useful to her career in historic preservation. She is beginning graduate work at George Washington University, where she plans to focus on historic preservation planning and policy. Joanna is thankful for this internship that will give her a head start in her studies and in her future career.

## IRFI: INFORMAL REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

NAGPRA Management Action Plan

Upon inadvertent discovery of archaeological human remins, consultation with the appropriate Tribes is initiated. Through consultation a Management Action Plan is developed for the specific site and specific remains.

I cannot find an example of a MAP in any of the NAGPRA course paperwork, nor has Tyndall AFB ever faced this situation to produce a plan.

Does any one have a Management Action Plan and SOP for NAGPRA/inadvertent discoveries? Specifically, I am looking for an example of how to develop the MAP and what are some of the criteria involved.

If you have a Management Action Plan or an criterion for development, please forward it to Wesley Westphal, Chief Environmenal Conservation, at Wesley. Westphal@tyndall.af.mil.

## ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES PROTECTION TRAINING PROGRAM

Attention all Native American Law Enforcement Officers and archaeologists!

The Federal Law Enforcement Training Center and Tyndall Air Force Base is co-hosting the Archeological Resources Protection Training Program 21-25 April 2008 at Gulf Coast Community College in Panama City, Florida.

This course is being offered to all law enforcement officers and archaeologists - Federal, State, and local.

To register, contact Virginia McCleskey, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center. Forensics Investigative Technologies, Glynco, GA 31524, (912) 554-4828, (912) 267-3464 (FAX) for a registration form.

For more information on the course, please see the following website:

http://www.fletc.gov/training/programs/forensics-andinvestigative/archeological-resources-protectiontraining-program-arptp/

Lodging will be available at the Sleep Inn, 5126 West Highway 98, Panama City, Florida 32401 ((850) 763-7777 at \$72.00 per night. Class is within walking distance. Amenities include - Queen bed, cable TV, Micro Fridge, Iron Board, Coffee pot, High Speed Internet in the rooms and Wireless in the lobby, Continental Breakfast, Pool.



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ACHP THE SECTION 106 ESSENTIALS

PLACE: SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA DATE: 1-2 OCTOBER 2007

NATIONAL PRESERVATION CONFERENCE

PLACE: SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA DATE: 2-6 OCTOBER 2007

MARITIME HERITAGE CONFERENCE 2007

PLACE: SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA DATE: 9-12 OCTOBER 2007

NAGPRA AND ARPA: APPLICATIONS AND

REQUIREMENTS

PLACE: SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA DATE: 10-11 OCTOBER 2007

2007 Conservation Law Enforcement Program

WORKSHOP AGENDA--CANCELLED PLACE: VANDANBURG AFB, CALIFORNIA

DATE: 15-19 OCTOBER 2007

IDENTIFICTION AND EVALUATION OF MID-20TH

**CENTURY BUILDINGS** 

PLACE: OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA DATE: 16-17 OCTOBER 2007

SECTION 106: AN INTRODUCTION

PLACE: SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA AND WASHINGTON, DC DATE: 17-19 OCTOBER AND 13-15 NOVEMBER 2007

ARCHAEOLOGICAL DAMAGE ASSESSMENT CLASS

PLACE: FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS DATE: 22-26 OCTOBER 2007

GIS: PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS FOR CULTURAL

**RESOURCE PROJECTS** 

PLACE: PHEONIX, ARIZONA & PHEONIX, ARIZONA DATE: 23-24 OCTOBER & 25-26 OCTOBER 2007

**CEMETERY MONUMENT CONSERVATION WORKSHOP** 

PLACE: PENSACOLA, FLORIDA DATE: 23-25 OCTOBER 2007

HISTORIC LANDSCAPES: PLANNING, MANAGEMENT,

AND CULTURAL LANDSCAPES REPORTS

PLACE: DENVER, COLORADO DATE: 24-25 OCTOBER 2007

**NEPA** COMPLIANCE AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

PLACE: PORTLAND, OREGON & COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

DATE: 24-25 OCTOBER & 15-16 NOVEMBER 2007

2007 SESAH ANNUAL MEETING

PLACE: NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE DATE: 24-27 OCTOBER 2007

HISTORIC STRUCTURES REPORTS: A MANAGEMENT

TOOL FOR HISTORIC PROPERTIES

PLACE: GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

DATE: 13 NOVEMBER 2007

Section 106: A Review for Experienced

**PRACTITIONERS** 

PLACE: COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA DATE: 13-14 NOVEMBER 2007

SECTION 4(F) COMPLIANCE FOR TRANSPORTATION

**PROJECTS** 

PLACE: AUGUSTA, MAINE DATE: 14-15 NOVEMBER 2007

SERDP/ESTCP PARTNERS IN ENVIRONMENTAL

TECHNOLOGY TECHNICAL SYMPOSIUM & WORKSHOP

PLACE: WASHINGTON, DC DATE: 4-6 DECEMBER 2007

MILITARY MUSEUM HIGHLIGHT

HILL AEROSPACE MUSEUM



Picture from museum website.

The only military museum in Utah, the Hill Aerospace Museum is located on Hill AFB. The museum features more than 80 airplanes, jets, and missiles in two galleries.

The museum exhibits focus on the history of flight and aircraft. Exhibits also mark the accomplishments of units assigned to Hill AFB, and exceptional soldiers such as the base's name sake, Major "Pete" Hill, and the Berlin "Candy Bomber," Colonel Gail S. Halvorsen. The museum collection also includes a wide variety of ordnance, an assortment of aerospace ground equipment, military vehicles, uniforms, and thousands of other historical artifacts.

The museum hours are daily from 9:00 to 4:30pm, except New Years Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Admission is free, and a gate pass is not required for museum access.

For more information about exhibits or reservations, visit: <a href="http://www.hill.af.mil/library/museum/index.asp">http://www.hill.af.mil/library/museum/index.asp</a>.

If you are interested in posting photographs, announcements, news articles, courses, or conference information please suemit items to

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# THE LAST ETHNIC MARKER TO FADE FROM A CULTURE IS THE WAY WE PREPARE FOOD. TO CELEBRATE DIVERSITY AND OUR HERITAGE A RECIPE WILL BE PUBLISHED EACH MONTH.

# NEXT MONTH PLEASE SEND YOUR FAVORITE **AUTUMN** (YES ANOTHER ONE!) RECIPE TO: HILLORI.SCHENKER.CTR@OSD.MIL

NOTE: Acorns are a traditional American food, popular throughout history with many Native American groups and European settlers, alike. Acorns can be used to thicken a stew, bake bread items, or make pancakes. While acorns make a delicious meal, most varieties must be treated first to leach out the bitter-tasting tannins. The leaching process is not difficult, but does take patience.



### **AUTUMN RECIPE:**

# **ACORN DUMPLINGS**

½ cup acorn meal or finely ground hazelnuts1 egg, beaten½ cup whole wheat flour2 Tbsp milk¼ tsp baking powder2 Tbsp vegetable oil½ cup water

#### **DIRECTIONS**

Prepare roast, as usual, from your favorite roasting cut of beef. Before serving roast, combine water with acorn meal and stir into the simmering stew. In a bowl, combine dumpling ingredients and beat until smooth. Drop by tablespoonfuls into the stew. Cover tightly and steam 10-15 minutes. Serve hot with roast and vegetables.

# Previous editions of the *UPDATE* can be found on the web

## LEGACY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The Legacy program was established by Congress in 1990 to provide financial assistance to DoD to preserve our natural and cultural heritage. The program assists the DoD in protecting and enhancing resources while supporting military readiness. A Legacy project may involve regional ecosystem management initiatives, habitat preservation efforts, historic preservation projects, archaeological investigations, invasive species control, Native American consultations, and/or monitoring and predicting migratory patterns of birds and animals.

See www.dodlegacy.org for more information.

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