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This issue of *The Applied Anthropologist* continues our tradition of feature articles, arresting commentaries, and intriguing sets of book reviews. Rebecca Forgash of Metropolitan State College of Denver is to be commended for her work coordinating the five articles that cover tourism and anthropology. These build upon innovative presentations made at the Spring 2011 Annual Conference of the High Plains Society for Applied Anthropology. Larry Van Horn is to be commended for his work, as before, in the role of Book Review Editor. Applied work involving the National Park Service remains one of anthropology's most compelling venues.

Other journals and newsletters are offering important information that complements what we are publishing. In addition to the well-established journals *Human Organization* and *Practicing Anthropology*, both published by the Society for Applied Anthropology, there is the *Journal for Applied Anthropology in Policy and Practice* (published by Berghahn through its United Kingdom base). Robert Guang Tian, a frequent contributor to these pages over the years, has been key in establishing the *International Journal of Business Anthropology*. Like *The Applied Anthropologist*, it is extending its e-reach through on-line initiatives. Gordon Bronitsky, who is well-established in the Rocky Mountain region, publishes the newsletter *From All Directions*. It includes information on events, seminars, exhibitions, and festivals held in conjunction with indigenous colleagues worldwide.

We are pleased to announce that Constance Holland has joined Joanne Moore and Teresa Tellechea as an Associate Editor of *The Applied Anthropologist*. She has been a college professor in sociology and political science, most recently at Colorado Mesa University, with a particular focus on the challenges of meeting water supply needs in the SW United States and internationally. Environmental protection and narrative interpretation among water users are complementary areas of expertise. Earlier in her professional life she served as an emergency planner in northern California. We also are pleased to announce that Tim Schommer has joined our team as an editorial assistant. Tim is an M.A. candidate in International Development at the University of Denver's Josef Korbel School of International Studies. He has a B.F.A. in Graphic Design and eight years experience in that field. He served in Ghana through the Peace Corps. He intends to combine his expertise in design, development, and communications to tackle poverty issues in Africa.

We would like to congratulate Walter Littlemoon and his wife Jane Ridgway on the recent completion of their documentary based on their book, *They Called Me Uncivilized: The Memoir of an Everyday Lakota Man* which we reviewed in our most recent Volume 30, No. 1-2. This documentary, "The Thick Dark Fog," was directed and produced by Randy Vasquez, and won the 2011 award for Best Documentary at the American Indian Film Festival. The film will be screened at the HPSfAA Spring 2012 Annual Conference. Please visit www.thickdarkfog.com for more information.

At the Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA) meetings in March, 2011, in Seattle, Washington, seventeen individuals from the private sector, government, and academia came together to form the Pacific Northwest Local Practitioner Organization. Local Practitioner Organizations (LPOs) are regional professional organizations of practicing anthropologists, college professors, students, community activists, and others interested in the anthropological perspective and in using the tools of anthropology and related disciplines to help solve contemporary human problems. Domains of application represented in the initial group include organizational development, natural resource conservation, international development, evaluation research, program planning, and policy development. Special events, publications, and collegial professional and social interactions are anticipated, these to include in-depth topical seminars and strategy sessions on effective work in the policy arena. Initiated by Emilia González-Clements, Kevin Preister and Darby Stapp, themselves all practicing anthropologists, the group determined that the Pacific Northwest region which the LPO will represent is Alaska, British Columbia, Washington, Oregon, western Montana, Idaho and northern California. For more information, contact Kevin Preister at kpreister@jkagroup.com.

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