Chairman's Comments

With 1984 upon us, all of us can look back on a number of accomplishments in 1983.

Our 1983 CNEHA Conference was our largest ever. Although the conference site, the New Windsor Cantonement in New York was not in or near a major city, 143 CNEHA members from 10 states and 3 Canadian provinces traveled to the conference. This success is a tribute to the enthusiastic efforts of Charles Fisher, Lois Feister, and the staffs of Peebles Island and the New Windsor Cantonement, who handled all the arrangements and made this such an enjoyable conference. For some of our members, there was a sense of "coming home" at New Windsor because it was the setting for many of the CNEHA meetings in the late 1960s and early 1970s. Because New Windsor was the site of the 1782/83 winter encampment of George Washington's Continental Army, the location provided the perfect setting for us to listen to fine papers on a wide variety of topics. The three day conference gave professionals, students and serious amateurs a chance to exchange ideas, meet new people, and renew old ties.

By now you have all received our new journal. Appreciation and a special thanks goes to Jo Ann Cotz for her fine job in editing the articles, doing the graphics and lay-out, and dealing with all the headaches in producing a journal. The reason for the journal's late mailing was due purely to economic problems. Even though Jo Ann was ready to take the edited copy to the printers in July, we did not have the three thousand dollars to pay for printing. We finally raised the required funds because of George Miller's example and encouragement to get a few of us to become life members and through the sale of back journals by Jo Ann Cotz.

At the board meetings in September and October, we agreed not to increase membership fees. Instead, we are mounting a major membership drive to raise funds in order to publish a journal on schedule. Last year we had only 183 members, but we need the fees from 300 members to pay for the journal. If you would like to work on our membership drive contact Cece Kirkorian or Bill Askins. You can also help by encouraging colleagues and students to become CNEHA members. In addition, please encourage your department or library to subscribe to our journal.

Jo Ann Cotz, beside being our editor, has been actively working on new plans for marketing back issues. Bill Askins compiled a listing of the table of contents of all our previous journals from which anyone can select and order back issues. Since Jo Ann began using this new back order format in July, our journal sales have increased. In 1982 the sales totaled $263, whereas in 1983 it amounted to $887. In addition, at the New Windsor Conference we raised over $200 on the sale of journals. In January we had a CNEHA table in the SHA bookroom, and we sold over $138 in back issues.

Thanks to everyone who worked at our journal table.

We are now planning for further activities for CNEHA. Lois Feister, Charles Fisher and Paul Huey will be editing the 1984 journal. If you would be interested in assisting in our publishing endeavors, we need
people with editorial experience and with graphic skills.

We are planning for the 1984 and 1985 CNEHA conferences and we will more details in our Spring newsletter.

Lastly, I wish to thank Dave Poirier for editing this newsletter. If you have any news for the Spring newsletter, especially if you will be directing an excavation that our members can visit, please contact Dave (203-566-3005) or me.

Have a nice winter.
Sherene Baugher

CNEHA '83

This past October 14-16 CNEHA held its annual meeting at the New Windsor Cantonment in Newburgh, NY, site of many of the organization's earliest gatherings. Ten states and 2 countries were represented by 143 people attending CNEHA's largest annual meeting to date. The areas represented, in descending order, were: New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Canada, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Delaware, New Hampshire, Washington, D.C., South Carolina, and Virginia.

During the 1983 annual business meeting Paul R. Huey, CNEHA Chairman for 1981-83, presented a brass and wooden plaque of appreciation to Margaret Fields of Altoona, Pennsylvania. Peggy Fields, a CNEHA charter member, served for many years as both the Treasurer and guiding force for the organization.

CNEHA '84

The Council's 1984 meeting will be next October and held in Binghamton, New York, co-hosted by the Dept. of Anthropology at SUNY and the Roberson Center. Current plans are to emphasize ethnicity research during part of the weekend. For further information or to submit an abstract, contact Program Chairman Randall McGuire, Department of Anthropology, SUNY, Binghampton, NY 13901.

The CNEHA Executive Board, as installed at the October meeting, is representative of a wide geographic area and of professional interest. Please contact any of the following members of the Executive Board if you have questions about CNEHA or would be able to assist the organization in any way.

Bill Askins . . . New York City
Sherene Baugher . . New York City
Beth Anne Bower . . Boston, MA
Jo Ann Cotz . . . Midland Park, NJ
Lu Ann DeCunzo . . Annandale, NJ
Louis M. Feister . Waterford, NY
Robert Ferguson . . Nova Scotia
Charles Fisher . . Troy, NY
Roselle Henn . . New York City
Paul R. Huey . . Waterford, NY
Karlis Karklins . . Ontario
Cece Kirkorian . . Greenwich, CT
George Miller . . Williamsburg, VA
David A. Poirier . . Hartford, CT
Bert Salwen . . New York City
Budd Wilson . . Egg Harbor City, NJ

HELP!!

Ron May (5401 Baltimore #47 LaMesa, CA 92041) has requested aid/information pertinent to excavations of whalers' camps. He has "uncovered a layer from the 1850-1896 Ballast Point Whalers' Camp in San Diego Bay. Can you direct him to archaeological reports or references on whalers?"

Research on Congregational church architecture, graveyards and villages in Hawaii has revealed great similarities in spatial organization to their New England counterparts. Information is being requested on the
PRESERVATION ALERT

The HISTORIC SHIPWRECK PRESERVATION ACT, (H.R. 3194 S.1504) is currently pending in Congress. Your opposition to the commercial exploitation of historic shipwrecks and your strong support of the Act's historic preservation approach to the management of historic shipwrecks is needed now. Contact your Congressman and urge their positive action on this Act. Also urge the committee chairmen to support a speedy mark-up and enactment of the bill without any weakening amendments.

Address To:
Congressman Walter B. Jones, Chairman
House Committee on Merchant Marine & Fisheries
1334 Longworth H.O.B.
Washington, D.C. 20515

Congressman John F. Siberling, Chairman
House Subcommittee on Public Lands and National Parks
312 H.O.B. Annex 1
Washington, D.C. 20515

Senator Malcolm Wallop, Chairman
Senate Subcommittee on Public Lands and Reserved Water
SD-308
Washington, D.C. 20510.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Please consult your mailing address label to check your current membership status. The attached membership form should be used for renewal or passed on to a colleague for their information. Your interest and support in CNEHA is appreciated.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I hereby apply for membership in the Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology, as checked below:

(1) Individual $10.00
(2) Student $7.50
(3) Life $200.00
(4) Non-Profit $12.50
(5) Institution $20.00
(6) Fellow** $10.00

**Fellowship is open to all who feel a primary commitment to northeast historical archaeology and wish to support the Council's activities at a higher voluntary membership rate.

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1984 MEETING - BOOK TABLE

The book table is being organized by Roselle Henn. As in the past we hope to have a broad cross section of recent publications. Members are encouraged to display unpublished research projects which are available for distribution. In an effort to make contract reports more accessible to the general archaeological community, we invite firms to participate in the book table display. If you wish to exhibit books, monographs, research projects, reports, fliers, bibliographies, etc., please contact Roselle at 187-14 91 Avenue, Hollis, New York, 11423.

NOTE FROM THE NEW ENGLAND QUARTERLY

Upon its founding in 1928, the editors of THE NEW ENGLAND QUARTERLY announced that the journal was being established "for the benefit of those who are interested in the history of civilization in New England; and in hope of making them more numerous." That hope has been realized. In the past fifty-six years, studies of New England have multiplied as approaches to the subject have diversified. We have noticed that some especially fine investigations are currently emerging that examine the role of labor and technology in the development of the New England economy. We are concerned that NEQ be in the forefront in publishing the best studies in this area, as it has in the areas of intellectual, social, and literary history. Toward this end, I cordially invite scholars working in the areas of economic history -- or indeed any other area that furthers our understanding of New England's past -- to forward their essays to me so that I might send them to the editors for consideration:

Mr. William Fowler, Managing Editor
THE NEW ENGLAND QUARTERLY
Meserve Hall
Northeastern University
Boston, MA 02115

HISTORIC DISTRICTS & ARCHAEOLOGY

Does your local landmark, preservation or historic district ordinance include the protection of archaeological sites? If so, please send a copy of the law or contact Victoria Prinz at the Albuquerque Landmarks & Urban Conservation Commission, Box 1293, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103 or call 505-766-5083.

EXHIBIT

The Museum of Our National Heritage will have an exhibit: UNEARTHING NEW ENGLAND'S PAST until January 13, 1985. This exhibit is an introduction to the historical archaeology of New England and the ceramics found on ten sites dating from the 17th to the 19th Centuries. Contact the Museum at 617/861-6560 for additional information.
In Memoriam: Iain C. Walker, 1938-1984

On May 6th, Iain C. Walker, an active member of the CNEHA Executive Board from 1970 to 1978, succumbed to cancer at the age of 46. He is survived by his wife, Sou, in Greely, Ontario, and his mother and brother in Scotland.

Iain was born in Edinburgh on January 13, 1938. After earning a Master's degree from the University of Edinburgh in 1961, he moved to Canada where he was employed as an archaeologist in the archaeological research program at the Fortress of Louisbourg, Nova Scotia, from 1962 to 1966. He then transferred to the Historic Sites Division (now the Research Division of the National Historic Parks and Sites Branch, Parks Canada) of the Canadian government in Ottawa as Staff Archaeologist. The following year Iain was awarded a Canada Council Doctoral Fellowship to study the clay tobacco-pipe industry at the University of Bath, England. Iain returned to the National Historic Sites Service in October 1969 and, while serving as Head of Artifact Research, completed and published his monumental work on "Clay Tobacco-Pipes, with Particular Reference to the Bristol Industry." He was awarded a Ph.D. by the University of Bath in 1973. Iain subsequently held several positions with Parks Canada: Staff Archaeologist (1974-77), Acting Head of the Historical Resources Impact Assessment (1977-78) and Head of Publications (1978-79). In April 1979, he transferred to the Archaeological Survey of Canada, National Museum of Man, Ottawa, as Head of the Collections Management Section. During the past two years, he headed the newly-formed Historical Archaeology Section of the museum's History Section.

Iain was a meticulous researcher and a prolific writer as attested by his numerous articles and monographs in the fields of prehistorical and historical archaeology and material culture research. Iain was also active in a number of archaeological societies. While at university, he was successively Treasurer and President of the University Archaeological Society. He was elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland in 1961 and a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London in 1980. From 1970 to 1978, he served three consecutive terms as an Executive Board member of CNEHA, and was elected to its Publications, and Budget and Finance committees for the first two years. In recognition of his contribution to the field of historical archaeology, Iain was one of the four referees appointed during 1972-75 to judge entries for the John M. Goggin Award for Method and Theory in Historical Archaeology, an annual award instituted in 1972 and administered by the Conference on Historic Site Archaeology. He was Secretary-Treasurer of the Ottawa Chapter of the Ontario Archaeological Society from 1973 to 1980.

For those of us who profited from Iain's extensive knowledge of many subjects, we have lost a great intellect. For those of us who knew him, we have lost a good friend. He will be missed.

Karlis Karklins

May 1984
RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Dewar, R., K. Feder & D. Poirier

Cordell, Ann S.
1984 Ceramic Technology at a Weeden Island Period Archaeological Site in North Florida. CERAMIC NOTES no. 2, Ceramic Technology Laboratory, Florida State Museum.

This monograph, which represents Cordell's M.A. thesis in anthropology, is a technological analysis of pottery recovered from excavations into village and ceremonial contexts at the McKeithen site in Columbia County, Florida. Checks ($8.00) for CERAMIC NOTES no. 2 should be made payable to the UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA FOUNDATION (postage is included):

Dr. Prudence M. Rice
Ceramic Technology Laboratory
Florida State Museum
Gainesville, FL 32611

Truex, James E., editor
1982 The Coastal Archaeology Reader: 1900 to the Present, Volume V of Readings in Long Island Archaeology and Ethnohistory. Suffolk County Archaeological Association, P.O. Drawer AR, Stony Brook, NY 11790


SOCIETY FOR INDUSTRIAL ARCHAEOLOGY

The 13th annual conference of SIA was held in Boston, June 14-17, 1984. Tours included much of the metropolitan Boston area, for which extensive publications were produced. Guide to the Industrial Archaeology o: Boston Proper (Peter Stott, MIT Press $7.95 & $1.50 postage), four illustrated SIA 1984 tour brochures ($10), and a two-color poster featuring Currier & Ives' 1876 birds-eye view of Boston ($5) are available from:

SIA Southern New England Chapter
c/o Frederick D. Roe
SNEC Treasurer
837 Winter Street
Holliston, MA 01746

The SEMINAR ON NEW YORK STATE HISTORY has published its first issue of Working Papers which features papers presented at Seminar meetings during the Spring of 1982. The Seminar is part of the field program of the Division of Historical & Anthropological Services and is a traveling lecture discussion series. The first issue includes scholarly articles by: Oliver Rink, "New Netherland & the Amsterdam Merchants, 1640-1664;" Jessica Kross, "The Evolution of an American Town;" Doris Daniels, "The Feminism of Lillian Wald;" George W. Franz, "Who is Marti Van Buren & Why Do Scholars Care?"; Lawrence Foster, Religion & Sexuality in the Burned-Over District. Working Papers may be obtained from the Seminar on New York State Hist., Div. of Hist. & Anthro. Services, Cultural Education Center, Albany, NY 12230
The Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology (CNEHA) is a non-profit organization which aims to stimulate and encourage the collection, preservation, advancement and dissemination of knowledge and information concerning the practice of historical archaeology in the American Northeast (United States and Canada). The Council is concerned with the entire historic period from the initial contact of Old and New World peoples during the age of European expansion to and through the Industrial Revolution.

The Council invites the participation and support of avocational, student, and professional archaeologists, historians, material culture researchers, preservationists, and all others who share its interests. All memberships (except for "Life") are for one year (October to October) and include subscription to the Journal Northeast Historical Archaeology and a special rate for meeting registration. The annual meeting is held each October, providing opportunities to give papers, exchange ideas, and discuss current research. The journal, now in its 13th Volume, offers a means of publishing the records of field work and research results in historical archaeology in the northeast as well as works of more general interest.

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( ) Joint* 12.00  Institution 20.00
( ) Fellow** 25.00  ( ) Business 30.00

( ) I cannot join at this time but wish to be informed of future meetings and publications of CNEHA.

* Joint Membership is for any two people at the same mailing address. Such members receive only one copy of publications.
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SIA/OSIA FALL TOUR 1984

The Society for Industrial Archaeology and the Ontario Society for Industrial Archaeology's Fall Tour will focus on Niagara Falls, St. Catharines and Hamilton, Ontario - October 12 - 14, 1984. For more information contact:

SIA/OSIA Fall Tour
c/o St. Catharines Hist. Museum
343 Merritt Street
St. Catharines, Ontario
Canada, L2T 1K7

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

Rhode Island Archaeological Council
For information:

Ms. Gail Gustafson
Rhode Island Historical Preservation Commission
150 Benefit Street
Providence, RI 02903

Friends of North Carolina Archaeology
For information:

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109 East Jones Street
Raleigh, NC 27611

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Hartford, CT 06106
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