

# TCPA BULLETIN



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Dues should be paid to the Secretary-Treasurer by not later than close of the Annual Business meeting each calendar year.

Membership Renewal Form is available at:

http://ww.mtsu.edu/~kesmith/TCPA/index.html

Dues may be paid online by PayPal, by mail, or at the Annual Meeting.

# **Annual Meeting 2014**

The Annual Business Meeting of the Tennessee Council for Professional Archaeology will convene at **3:00 PM**, **Friday**, **January 24**, **2014** at the Ed Jones Auditorium in the Ellington Agricultural Center on Edmondson Pike in Nashville. Elections will be held for two board positions (2014-17 terms), President-Elect (2014-2015 term to assume President position 2016-2017), Secretary-Treasurer (2014-2015 term), along with discussions of a number of issues important to the future of the TCPA. *All current members and potential members are encouraged to attend.* 

As per tradition, the business meeting is held in conjunction with the Annual Conference on Current Research in Tennessee Archaeology (CRITA). The tentative schedule for CRITA 2014 is as follows: Friday, January 24: 1:30 PM – meeting of the Tennessee Archaeological Advisory Council; 3:00 PM -- Tennessee Council for Professional Archaeology; 4:30 PM – Reception (following TCPA). Saturday, January 25: 8:25 am -- Introductory Remarks; 8:30 am-Noon: Current Research Presentations; Noon-1:30 pm: Lunch; 1:15 pm onward: Current Research presentations.

### PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

As many of you are aware, personal issues – including most recently some unanticipated heart surgery – have distracted me from TCPA duties over much of the past year. So, this will be a brief report in my position as outgoing President. We have continued to facilitate communication through the TCPA website, the bulletin (late but in hand), the email list TCPA-L, the TCPA Facebook page, and the e-journal *Tennessee Archaeology*.

I hope all of you will plan to attend the upcoming Annual Business meeting, but for those who are unable, I have included a number of updates since our last meeting in January 2013 for your information.

Kevin E. Smith, Out-Going President

#### TCPA Officer Elections, January 24

Nominations are requested for two vacant member-at-large positions on the Board of Directors (2014-2017), President Elect (2014-2015 to assume Presidency for 2016-2017), and Secretary-Treasurer (2014-2015). Please note that terms beginning in 2013 are assumed at the close of the annual business meeting on January 24, 2014. Board members rotating off this year are Sarah Sherwood (Executive Board 3) and Nick Honerkamp (Executive Board 4). The Nominations Committee for 2014 elections includes:

Shannon Hodge (Chair): Shannon.hodge@mtsu.edu Boyce Driskell Valerie McCormack

The Nominations Committee will be responsible for coordinating the vote at the Annual Business Meeting. Please note that our bylaws do not allow for proxy or absentee ballots -- only eligible voting members present at the Annual Business meeting may participate.

#### **Publications and Public Outreach**

Since our last meeting, the editorial coordinators (Kevin E. Smith and Michael C. Moore) e-published Volume 7, Issue 1 on November 18, 2013. This issue including three articles and two research reports comprising 102 pages, including 58 figures and 12 tables. Review of submitted articles for Volume 7, Issue 2 is currently in progress, but additional submittals are requested.

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In early 2014, a new Facebook page was launched for the journal *Tennessee Archaeology*.

#### https://www.facebook.com/tennarchjournal



#### John B. Broster Recognized with TCPA Career Achievement Award in Professional Archaeology

At the 2013 Current Research in Tennessee Archaeology meeting, the TCPA recognized John B. Broster with a Career Achievement Award. The following is the text from the presentation: John was born in Florida but moved with his family to Tennessee where he grew up in Lewisburg and Nashville. He graduated from Hillsboro High School, and then briefly attended the Merchant Marine Academy in New York, before returning to the Nashville area, where he attended Middle Tennessee State College, Peabody Demonstration School, and eventually received an undergraduate degree from Vanderbilt University in 1968. He excavated at a number of local sites during the 1960s, and also spent three seasons working in southern Mexico on projects run by Dr. Ronald Spores. He eventually completed a masters degree at the University of New Mexico in 1971 -- after which he traveled to the Netherlands to join an archaeological excavation sponsored by the University of Michigan.

In September 1973, John became one of the first three regional archaeologists with the newly created Tennessee Division of Archaeology (along with Carl Kuttruff and Brian Butler). John conducted some of the early work at Pinson Mounds before moving back to New Mexico in 1975 -- where he spent the next decade or so working at the University of New Mexico, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and with San Juan Basin archaeological consultants.

John returned to Nashville in 1985, beginning his second stint of state service on the Fernvale project. He worked briefly as the SHPO archaeologist before moving into the Middle Tennessee regional archaeologist position in 1986. He was promoted to his current position of Archaeologist Supervisor in 1996.

John's interest in history and prehistory undoubtedly came in part from his late father Roy Broster, who was an active leader in the Southeastern Indian Antiquities Survey -- ancestor of the modern Middle Cumberland Archaeological Society.

John is perhaps best known for initiating the Tennessee Paleoindian Projectile Points and Site Survey in 1988 with his fellow Division staff member Mark Norton. The over 4000 projectile points documented by that survey are among the largest samples in the Paleoindian Database of the Americas. Major sites investigated during the course of this survey include Carson-Conn-Short, Burgess-Mabry, Sinclair, and Widemeier. This research has resulted in a number of publications in Current Research in the Pleistocene, Journal of Alabama Archaeology, Tennessee Anthropologist, and Tennessee Archaeology, along with several book chapters published by the University presses of Utah and Alabama.

One highlight of John's Paleoindian work in Tennessee was that with Emanuel Breitburg on the Coats-Hines mastodon site in 1994 -- where they documented mastodon-paleondian interaction at one of only four such sites known in the eastern United States.

Before seeing the Paleoindian light, John also participated in excavations at several Middle Cumberland Mississippian sites.

John is well known for his willingness to share his knowledge with students, professionals, avocationals, and anyone else with an interest. Please join me in congratulating John Broster for his years of service on our behalf."



#### **TCPA Archives Nearing Completion**

As per discussions at the 2013 business meeting, digitizing of TCPA paper records proceeded throughout spring 2013. The majority of these records, extending back to the early 1990s, are now digitized. Indexing is in progress with transfer of paper records to the Albert Gore Research Center at Middle Tennessee State University for permanent archiving. Digital copies will be retained by the organization for reference purposes. The Tennessee Council for Professional Archaeology Records will be a permanent part of the Gore Center collection of records from archaeological organizations operating in Tennessee.

## TCPA President Recognized with Historic Preservation Award

The 2013 Certificate of Merit Awards were presented by the Tennessee Historical Commission on May 16, 2013 in conjunction with the Statewide Preservation Conference at the Putnam County Courthouse in Cookeville. Executive Director Patrick McIntyre presided over the event, which drew a diverse group of participants from across Tennessee to celebrate achievements in history and heritage preservation. Eighteen awards were presented in the categories of Historic Preservation, Books or Public Programming, and Special Commendations. Commission began its Merit Awards Program in 1975. According to the press release: "Dr. Kevin Smith was recognized for the Castalian Springs Mounds Research Project. A nationally-known and -respected archaeologist and Professor of Anthropology at MTSU, Smith has been researching and excavating since 2006 the Castalian Springs Mound Site (40SU14), an important Mississippian Period complex owned by the State of Tennessee. Featured in various publications and presentations, this project has resulted in greater understanding of the site within the context of southeastern U.S. prehistory. Smith is

also commended for his personal interest and direct support of the preservation of this property, including his regular monitoring and his arranging maintenance projects at the site."

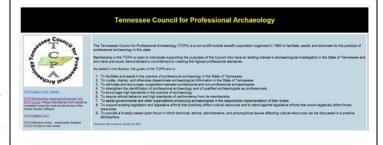


#### **TCPA Web Pages and Email List**

The current on-line home of the TCPA is:

http://www.mtsu.edu/~kesmith/TCPA/index.html

TCPA-L (an email distribution list hosted by Middle Tennessee State University) and our Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/Tennessee.Archaeology) serve as the primary means of communication with our membership. Please be sure to contact the list manager if your email changes or you are not receiving email notices (Listmanager: Kevin E. Smith, kevin.smith@mtsu.edu).





#### **SEAC NASHVILLE 2015**

The Board of the Southeastern Archaeological Project has approved the proposal to hold the 2015 Annual Meeting in downtown Nashville. This will be the second meeting ever held in Nashville – the last in 1986. More on this at the TCPA Business Meeting.