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**Legal and Financial Aspects of Architectural Conservation**, edited by Marc Denhez and Stephen Neal Dennis. This book is a compilation of papers and reports presented by experts from 10 countries at an international conference at Smolencie Castle, Slovakia, in November 1994, sponsored by the US Committee of the International Council on Monuments and Sites (US/ICOMOS) and Academia Istropolitana in Bratislava, Slovakia. It documents strategies for protecting the cultural heritage of societies in the midst of reinventing themselves and describes various legislative approaches that can help to restore tourist destinations and conserve neighborhoods.

## BULLETIN BOARD

To celebrate Black History Month, **National Register, History, and Education** presents "Aboard the Underground Railroad," a virtual travel itinerary that introduces researchers, historians, preservationists, and anyone interested in African-American history to the fascinating people and places associated with the Underground Railroad. Located on the National Register of Historic Places' web site,

"Aboard the Underground Railroad" is a collaboration between the Park History, National Historic Landmarks, and National Register of Historic Places programs and provides documentation and photographs on 21 historic places that are either listed in the National Register or designated National Historic

Landmarks. The virtual travel itinerary also includes a map of the most common routes taken on the Underground Railroad and maps of individual states that mark the location of the historic properties. In addition, "Aboard the Underground Railroad" explains how the network was born and how it has become ingrained in American culture.

The itinerary will be showcased on the National Park Service's Cultural Resources web page for Black History Month. To travel along the Underground Railroad, visit the National Register home page at <[www.cr.nps.gov/nr](http://www.cr.nps.gov/nr)>.

**The Booker T. Washington National Monument** and the Organization of American Historians are sponsoring a symposium March 19-21, 1998, at the Marriott Hotel in Roanoke, Virginia.

The symposium, entitled "Washington and DuBois at the Turn of Two Centuries," will bring together historians, educators, site interpreters, community leaders and others to discuss the legacies of Booker T. Washington and W.E.B. DuBois.

Panelists and special guest speakers will discuss how the ideals and teachings of these two African-American leaders relate to today's society and ongoing civil rights discussions, and the role of educators, historians, and museum and site interpreters in making these issues relevant to schoolchildren and the general public.

The program includes Julian Bond, well-known civil rights activist and scholar, other preeminent historians of Washington and DuBois, many of the rising stars in Southern and African-American history, and historical site interpreters.

Registration packets, including full program, are available from the park. Please call 540-721-2094.

### SAH Study Tour

The rich architectural heritage of **Spanish Colonial Mexico** is the focus of the SAH's 1998 foreign study tour. The two-week itinerary will take participants to a selection of cities, towns, and rural settings where one of the finest chapters in the history of architecture and town planning of the Americas was written. Registration deadline is March 26; contact the SAH office in Chicago at 312-573-1365 (voice), 312-573-1141 (Fax), or <[info@sah.org](mailto:info@sah.org)> (email).

### Electronic Form Available

Do you prepare a lot of National Register of Historic Places nomination forms? If so, you may be interested in participating in a beta test of the National Register's new electronic forms software. Using a run-time version of Microsoft Access, it includes content edit checks and online help. The software is free and available at the National Register Information System web page under "FORMS" at <[www.nr.nps.gov/nrishome.htm](http://www.nr.nps.gov/nrishome.htm)>.

## Courses

**Managing Change and Imagining Tomorrow: Cultural Strategies in the Communications Age** is an interdisciplinary program for mid-career professionals that brings theoretical and practical perspectives to organizational change, communication, and the shaping of knowledge. The program combines distance learning through the internet with a two-week summer institute at the Museum of Anthropology. To receive a 1998 brochure and information on earning a Certificate in Museum Studies, contact Kersti Krug, Program Director, Museum of Anthropology, The University of British Columbia, 6393 NW Marine Drive, Vancouver, BC Canada V6T 1Z2; 604-822-8224; fax: 604-822-2974; email: <[krug@unixg.ubc.ca](mailto:krug@unixg.ubc.ca)>, or visit the

Museum's web site at <[www.moa.ubc.ca/Mstudy/certif.html](http://www.moa.ubc.ca/Mstudy/certif.html)>.

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The **National Preservation Institute** has published its 1998 schedule of seminars in historic preservation and cultural resource management. Course agendas, locations, and dates may be obtained by telephone: 703-765-0100; by email: <[info@npi.org](mailto:info@npi.org)>; or by visiting their web site: <[www.npi.org](http://www.npi.org)>.

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The **American Association for State and Local History** announces its spring 1998 professional development workshops. The topics are "Dream Houses and Money Pit\$: Issues in Historic House Museums" (March 26-28, St. Augustine, FL); "Interpretation and Community History" (April 1-15, Oxford, MA); "Interpretation On-Line" (April 30-May 2, Kalamazoo, MI); and "Making History with Your Community" (June 15-30, Oxford, MA). For more information, contact Deanna J. Kerrigan, telephone 615-255-2971; email: <[history@aslh.org](mailto:history@aslh.org)>.

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**1998 and 1999  
National Park Service  
Museum Management  
Program Courses**

The National Archives and Records Administration, the National Register of Historic Places, and the Northeast Document Conservation Center, with funding from the National Park Service Cultural Resources Training Initiative, are offering a course, **The Information Ecosystem: Managing the Life Cycle of Information for Preservation and Access**, March 10-13, 1998. The course teaches managers how to effectively create, manage, adapt, and re-use information, particularly electronic information, in a project setting. It is designed for middle and upper managers of cultural and natural resources within federal and state government, non-profits, and corporations, who are responsible for

supervising the creation, management, use, and/or adaptive re-use of information. For information, contact Gay Tracy, Northeast Document Conservation Center, 100 Brickstone Square, Andover, MA 01810-1010; tel: 508-470-1010; fax: 508-475-6021; web: <[nedcc@world.std.com](mailto:nedcc@world.std.com)>; email: <[Tracy@nedcc.org](mailto:Tracy@nedcc.org)>.

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The Northeast Document Conservation Center, with funding from the National Park Service Cultural Resources Training Initiative, is offering a course, **Preservation Reformatting in a Digital World**, in the fall 1998. This course teaches managers how to effectively plan and manage projects to reformat deteriorating or fragile architectural drawings and plans, documents, drawings, graphic prints, photographs (particularly cellulose nitrate and cellulose diacetate negatives), and related materials into microfilm, photographic prints, and digital format for preservation and access. It is designed for architects, archivists, curators, historians, interpreters, landscape architects, librarians, managers of cultural and natural resources, project managers, state historic preservation officers, and webmasters. For information, contact Gay Tracy, Northeast Document Conservation Center, 100 Brickstone Square, Andover, MA 01810-1010; tel: 508-470-1010; fax: 508-475-6021; web: <[nedcc@world.std.com](mailto:nedcc@world.std.com)>; email: <[Tracy@nedcc.org](mailto:Tracy@nedcc.org)>.

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The National Anthropology Archives, the Human Studies Film Archives, the Committee on the Preservation of the Anthropological Record, University of Nevada, the Northeast Document Conservation Center, with funding from the National Park Service Cultural Resources Training Initiative, are offering a course, **Preservation of Our Field Records Legacy at the Millennium: A Short Course for Anthropologists, Archeologists, and Ethnographers**, in late winter or early

spring 1998. This course provides professional anthropologists with an overview of how to create, manage, and responsibly ensure that significant information from their field records is not lost to future scholars and peoples. The course describes basic preservation procedures for both documentation and associated objects; files management techniques; legal issues of ownership, privacy, publicity, and intellectual property; and basic procedures for ensuring the survival and future usefulness of this vital informational legacy. It is designed for anthropologists, archeologists, archivists, ethnographers, librarians, and tribal archivists. For information, contact Gay Tracy, Northeast Document Conservation Center, 100 Brickstone Square, Andover, MA 01810-1010; tel: 508-470-1010; fax: 508-475-6021; web: <[nedcc@world.std.com](mailto:nedcc@world.std.com)>; email: <[Tracy@nedcc.org](mailto:Tracy@nedcc.org)>.

## *Meetings/Conferences*

The **Council on America's Military Past (CAMP)** will hold its 32nd Annual Military History Conference May 6-10, 1998, in Lexington, Kentucky. Emphasis will be on the Opening of the West and on the military in the Old Northwest Territory, and conflicts from the French and Indian War through the Civil War, plus all other American and Canadian military history. For more information, call 703-912-6124, or fax: 703-912-5666.

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The **annual meeting of the Society for History in the Federal Government** will be held on March 19 and 20, 1998, at Archives II, National Archives and Records Administration, College Park, Maryland. The theme of the meeting will be "Interpreting Federal History: Documents, Artifacts, and Structures." For more information, contact SHFG 1998 Program Committee, Society for History in the Federal Government, Box 14139, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044-4139.

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**The 20th annual meeting of the Society for Historian of the Early American Republic (SHEAR)** will take place at Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, July 16-19, 1998. The featured theme of the meeting will be "The Invention of American Nationalism(s)." For more information, contact Jack Rakove, Program Chair, Department of History, Stanford University, Stanford, CA 94305-2024; phone: 415-723-4514; fax 415-725-0597; email: <rackove@leland.stanford.edu>.

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**Museums and the Web: An International Conference**, will be held in Toronto, April 21-26, 1998. Organized by Archives & Museum Information Network, the meeting is expected to bring together members of the museum and the WWW community. Further information about Museums and the Web is available from <www.archimuse.com/mw98>, or phone: 412-683-9775; fax: 412-683-7366.

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**The Southwest Oral History Association** will hold its annual meeting on April 24-26, 1998 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The theme is "The Oral Tradition: Preserving Our Heritage." The conference will focus on the tradition of oral history and the preservation of the life experience and will address issues of preservation in format, subject, significance, funding, marketing, publishing, and other areas of interest. For more information, contact Bradley Williams, Ninth Judicial Circuit Historical Society, 125 South Grand Avenue, Pasadena, California 91105; phone: 818-583-7018; fax: 818-795-0266.

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**The National Council on Public History** will hold its 1998 Annual Meeting in Austin, Texas on April 15-19, 1998. The theme is "International, Multicultural, Interdisciplinary: Public History Policy and Practice." For further information, contact Carl Phagan

and Kris Mitchell, Batelle Pantex, P.O. Box 30020, Building 12-2B, Amarillo, Texas 79120-0020; email: <kcmitch@pantex.com>.

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**The Missouri Historical Society and Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)** are collaborating on a national conference on the role of museums in communities. The conference, "Museums Partnering with Communities," will be held April 17-18, 1998, in St. Louis, Missouri. For more information, contact Deanna J. Kerrigan, phone: 615-255-2971; email: <kerrigand@mindspring.com>.

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**The American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works (AIC)** will hold its annual meeting on June 1-7, 1998, in Arlington Virginia. The theme is "Disaster Preparedness, Response and Recovery." The meeting will bring together a broad audience of conservators, museum professionals, and organizations such as FEMA, the American Red Cross, the Department of Defense, insurance providers, fire departments, and companies providing disaster response services. For more information, contact the AIC at 1717 K Street NW, Suite 301, Washington, DC 20006; phone: 202-452-9545; fax: 202-452-9328; email: <InfoAIC@aol.com>; web site: <http://palimpsest.stanford.edu/aic/>.

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**Technical Preservation Services, NPS**, is co-sponsoring a conference on using historic preservation tax incentives to rehabilitate historic properties April 27-28, 1998, in San Francisco, California. "Tax Incentives for Developing Historic Properties" is intended for owners of historic property, non-profits, lenders, attorneys, architects, and government officials. Developers, bankers, NPS program managers, and IRS tax specialists will introduce effective strategies for historic property development. Call 202-343-1185 or email:

brooks\_prueher@nps.gov for more information.

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**The Society for Commercial Archeology (SCA)** will hold its annual conference on October 21-24, 1998, in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The theme is "Drivin' the Dixie: Automobile Tourism in the South." Participants will tour the routes of the Dixie Highway in North Georgia and Tennessee and examine a broad range of Southern roadside architecture. For information, contact Jeffrey L. Durbin, 404-651-6546; email: <Jeff\_Durbin@mail.dnr.state.ga.su>; web site: <www.sca-roadside.org>.

## Survey

### Stand and Be Counted!

Since 1994, the number of preservation commissions in America has grown from 1,836 to 2,225, a meaningful 16% increase. Because every preservation commission has a stake in what happens to America's cities, towns, and communities, the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (NAPC), The National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers (NCSHPO), and the National Trust are collaborating to update and expand the national census of local preservation commissions.

This local historic preservation commission census, otherwise known as the United States Preservation Commission Identification Project, first began in 1991. The initial phase of the project was to compile a list of all known historic preservation commissions in the country. By the end of Phase I, a total of 1,803 commissions were identified and placed in a computer database. The focus on commissions intensified with Phase II of the project, which collected information about the structure of local commissions, recognized some commonalities, and identified training needs.

This questionnaire, the third and most comprehensive phase of the project, will give us a sense of

how well local preservation commissions work. The NAPC staff developed the draft survey, which was peer reviewed by a diverse and representative group of 25 preservation practitioners. This version was then refined and presented for review at the 1997 National Preservation Conference in Santa Fe. With the help of the reviewers, we have taken this opportunity to significantly expand the survey. The primary goals of this survey are the following:

- update basic data on commission profiles, processes and procedures;
- ascertain the effectiveness of local commissions, (i.e., are old buildings being protected and are new buildings being well designed?);
- identify the major needs and concerns of local commissions;
- determine training needs of local commissions;
- gather information on how the Certified Local Government (CLG) grant funds are being used; and
- collect and compile local preservation ordinances and design guidelines for future analysis.

According to Pratt Cassity, Executive Director of the NAPC, commissions will receive their survey by mid-February. Cassity said, "the results of this survey will not only help us measure the demonstrable outcomes of local preservation, but it will also help commissions learn from one another and perhaps chart an improved future course."

Commissions that return completed surveys will receive a copy of *Takings Law in Plain English*, a publication of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. In addition, commissions will also receive a complimentary 6-month subscription to *The Alliance Review*, the bi-monthly publication of the NAPC.

Results of the survey will be posted on the National Park Ser-

## Corrections

We failed to identify Sande Anderson as an author of "Are We Missing the Boat?" (*CRM*, Vol. 20, No. 9); co-author was Linda Cook. Sande Anderson is the senior historian in the NPS Alaska Support Office.

We listed an incorrect credit for one of the maps used in "Los Adaes—An 18th-Century Capital of Texas in Northwestern Louisiana," by George Avery (*CRM*, Vol. 20, No. 11). The map on page 42 was adapted from Figure 4 of Timothy Perttula's 1992 book, *The Caddo Nation: Archaeological and Ethnohistoric Perspectives*, University of Texas Press, Austin.

vice web page at  
<<http://www2.cr.nps.gov/clg/USPCIP>>.

Look for your survey in the mail. Remember, your community counts! If your commission does not receive a survey by March 1, 1998 please call Chris Cochran at the NAPC at 706/542-4731. You can also email the NAPC at [NAPC@sed.uga.edu](mailto:NAPC@sed.uga.edu).

## Summer Employment

The **Historic American Buildings Survey/Historic American Engineering Record (HABS/HAER)** is seeking applications from qualified individuals for summer employment documenting historic sites and structures of architectural and technological significance. Duties involve on-site field work and preparation of historical reports and measured and interpretive drawings for the HABS/HAER Collection at the Prints and Photographs Division of the Library of Congress. Projects last 12 weeks, beginning in May/June. Salaries start at approximately \$4,500 for the summer, depending on levels of education, experience, and project location.

For more information, telephone: 202-343-9626/-9618; email: [robyn\\_brooks@nps.gov](mailto:robyn_brooks@nps.gov); or visit the HABS/HAER web site: <http://www.cr.nps.gov/habshaer/jobcomp.htm>. Forms may be downloaded from the site.

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**The United States Committee, International Council on Monuments and Sites (US/ICOMOS)** is seeking US-citizen graduate students or young professionals for paid internships in Australia, Croatia, Chile, France, Ghana, Great Britain, India, Lithuania, Poland, Russia, Slovak Republic, Spain, Transylvania, Turkey, and other countries in the summer of 1998. Participants work for public and private non-profit historic preservation organizations and agencies, under the direction of professionals, for a period of three months. Internships in the past have required training in architecture, architectural history, landscape architecture, materials conservation, history, archeology, interpretation, museum studies, and cultural tourism. Applications are due no later than March 9, 1998.

For further information and to receive application forms, contact Ellen Delage, Program Director, US/ICOMOS, 401 F Street, NW, Room 331, Washington, DC 20001-2728, phone: 202-842-1862, fax: 202-842-1861; web site: [www.icomos.org/usicomos](http://www.icomos.org/usicomos).



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