

the annual conference begins in Detroit, Michigan. Under the leadership of Gary Cummins, a team of conservators led by Martin Burke will help even more members of the AAAM to preserve and protect relics of the past that are a part of our collective history.

This partnership is an example of how people working together can create and maintain continuing connections between federal agencies and non-profit organizations with similar goals. In his keynote speech at the AAAM meeting last summer in Birmingham, Director Stanton challenged the NPS to commit itself to greater partici-

pation in AAAM events. He urged NPS to assist the AAAM and its mission while creating relationships that can help the National Park Service better accomplish its mission as well.

Given the growing relationship between Harpers Ferry Center, the Stephen T. Mather Employee Development Center, NAI and the Association of African American Museums, we are on our way to meeting that challenge.

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## *NPS Diversity Web Page*

**I**n 1998, as part of my work for the Diversity Advisory Committee of the National Park Service, I was asked to create a National Park Service web page to assist the committee in its efforts to communicate service wide recommendations, strategies, and investigations of issues pertaining to the full implementation of workforce diversity in the National Park Service. Although the work of the Diversity Committee continues, the Diversity Web Page is now up and the information on this page can be accessed by any interested person.

The Diversity Web Page can be found at <<http://www.cr.nps.gov/history/divst.htm>> and begins with a statement by Robert Stanton, Director of the National Park Service. At the end of Mr. Stanton's statement is a link to the next page, Visit Our List of National Park Service Diversity Web Sites <<http://www.cr.nps.gov/history/1divst.htm>>. This page contains a list of all National Park Service Diversity efforts organized by a common theme. The categories are:

- National Parks That Illustrate Diversity
- National Park Web Sites That Illustrate Diversity
- National Park Service Diversity Publications
- National Park Service Diversity Programs and Partners
- National Park Service Diversity Announcements
- Historically Black Colleges and Universities
- Jobs
- Department of the Interior
- Other Diversity Web Pages

Although more than 50 sites are listed on the Diversity Web Page, the page is not complete. I will continue to add new sites and information as our efforts to meet Director Stanton's goal "... to preserve and maintain the nation's treasures entrusted in our care, to the highest levels of quality possible, and to accomplish this through a highly skilled, dedicated workforce that exemplifies the rich diversity of our national parks and our nation..."

Any suggestions for new material or comments on how to improve the National Park Service Diversity Web Page should be sent to [Harry\\_Butowsky@nps.gov](mailto:Harry_Butowsky@nps.gov).

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