The Association notes with regret the passing of Honorary Fellow Peter Lawrence of the University of Sydney. Professor Lawrence, for many years, had been the association's most active honorary fellow, attending and contributing to many of our annual meetings. He was preparing for a visit to the United States, which was to include participation in the 1988 Savannah meeting, when he was felled by a massive stroke. A full obituary appears on pp. 10-11 of this issue of the Newsletter.

I. IN THIS ISSUE

From the Editor; Final Schedule and List of Sessions for 1988 Meeting; Obituaries; News and Notes; Bibliographic.

II. FROM THE EDITOR

As of this writing, the Annual Meeting is just over a month away. Hopefully, you have all by now made your travel and lodging arrangements, have circulated your papers and comments, and are looking forward to a productive gathering.

Let me take this opportunity to express my appreciation to all of you who have provided information, moral support, and patience during the first year of my editorship. I have enjoyed corresponding with you over the past year and eagerly anticipate seeing many of you next month in Savannah.

III. DAY CARE AT THE SAVANNAH MEETING?

David Lipset is investigating the possibility of group day care during this year's ASAO meeting in Savannah. He needs to know soon what the demand for this service might be. If you are interested, please contact David at:

Department of Anthropology
215 Ford Hall
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, MN 55455
phone: (612) 625-3400
IV. UPDATE ON THE 1988 ANNUAL MEETING

I have one addition and one deletion from the list of sessions published in the Fall Newsletter.

A. Ross Bowden's Working Session on Sepik River social organization ("A Comparative Analysis of Sepik River Region Societies") has been postponed.

B. An informal session has been added, entitled "Current Problems in Samoan Ethnography and Development." Organizers Tim O'Meara, Eudene Luther, and Sharon and Walter Tiffany describe the session as "An informal gathering of people interested in Samoa and Samoans to discuss current research or writing except a certain recent debate."

V. FINAL SCHEDULE OF SESSIONS FOR 1988 MEETING

FORMAL SYMPOSIA

Schooling and the Transformation of Pacific Societies. Meeting Thursday 9-3:30 in General Oglethorpe Room.
Discussant: Ted Schwartz
Participants:
1. Suzanne Falgout (Colby) Hierarchy vs. democracy: two strategies for the management of knowledge in Pohnpei.
4. Robert W. Franco (Kapiolani Community College) Only gentle work for the women: Western education for Samoans and transformations in female socioeconomic status in Honolulu.
*Presented in absentia

**Female Initiation in the Pacific.** Meets Friday 9-5:00 in General Oglethorpe Room.
Organizers: Nancy Lutkehaus (USC) & Jim Roscoe (Maine).
Discussant: Shirley Lindenbaum (New School)
Participants:
1. Kathleen Barlow (Macalester) Female "initiation" in Murik society.
2. Brigitta Hauser-Schaublin (Basel) Puberty rites, women's naven and initiation: women's rituals of transition in Abelam and Iatmul culture.
3. Terry Hays (Rhode Island) Oceanic female initiation in cross-cultural perspective.
5. Jim Roscoe (Maine) Images of women: female-centered rites and local polity among the Yangoru Boiken.
9. Patricia Townsend 'She has washed': first menstruation among the Seniyo-Hiyowe of East Sepik Province, Papua New Guinea.
*In absentia

**Marriage in Transition in Oceania.** Meets Saturday 9-3:30 in Trustee B Room.
Organizer: Rick Marksbury (Tulane)
Discussant: Sharon Tiffany
Participants:
1. Rick Marksbury: Introduction to marriage in transition.
2. Dan Jorgensen: From sister exchange to 'daughter-as-trade store': money and marriage in Telefomin.
4. Laura Zimmer: The commercialization of Gende marriage.
8. Pamela Rossi and Laura Zimmer: Love and marriage among the young urban elite in Port Moresby.
10. Sherwood Lingenfelter: Education, economic change and marriage in Yap.

Health in the Modern Pacific Context. Meeting Saturday 9-3:30 in General Oglethorpe Room.
Organizer: Leslie Marshall (Iowa)
Discussant: Leslie Marshall (Iowa)
Participants:
3. Jim Boutilier (Royal Roads) Medical expedition to Easter Island.
4. Rick Feinberg (Kent State) Medical and spiritual healing on Nukumanu.
5. Carol Murry (Hawaii) Variations in community health status between district center and outer island Pohnpei populations.
8. Craig Severance, Ehukai Sako & Kala Mossman (Hawaii) Predictions of the development of obesity, a risk factor for chronic illness among native Hawaiians.
9. Judith Fitzpatrick (UC, Santa Cruz) Going to the doctor in Torres Strait, Australia's marine outback.
11. Maria Lepowski (Wisconsin) Sorcery and penicillin: illness on a Coral Sea island.
*Attendance not certain

WORKING SESSIONS

The Power of Food. Meeting Thursday 2-5+ in Trustee A.
Organizer: Jane Fajans (U of Chicago)
Participants:


4. Miriam Kahn. Rethinking the concept of "life-cycle": transformation as the exchange of substance between human beings and food.

5. Martha Kaplan. Power, social boundaries and the Lovo (earth oven) in Fiji.


Other interested participants: Robert Welsch, Dan Jorgensen, Fitz Poole.

The Humble Anthropologist: Essays From the Field. A Memorial To Ed Cook. Meeting Thursday 9-3:30 in Trustee B.

Organizer: Phil Devita (Plattsburgh)
Participants:
1. David Counts: McMaster University (West New Britain) Too many bananas, not enough pineapples, and no watermelons at all.


6. Terry Hays: Rhode Island (New Guinea) Pigs of the forest, and other unwritten essays.


11. Margaret and Bill Rodman: York & McMaster (Vanuatu) To die on Ambai: on the possibility of doing fieldwork forever.

*Attendance uncertain
Lingua Franca and Vernacular: Language Change in Oceania.
Meeting Friday 9-3:30 in Trestee B.
Participants:
3. Elizabeth P. Hahn: The use of English in the Tongan newspaper: a foreign language or second language?
8. Lamont Lindstrom: Language change and the code-mixing of a pidgin and a vernacular (Vanuatu).
9. Don Brenneis: Sweet and jungly: resilience, diversity and change in Fiji Hindi as spoken in rural Vanua Levu.

Domestic Violence in the Pacific. Meeting Friday 2-5+ in Trustee A Room.
Organizer: Dorothy Counts (Waterloo)
Discussant: Jill Korbin (Case Western Reserve . . . in absentia)
Participants:
1. Dorothy Counts (Waterloo) Belated awareness: some thoughts about the anthropological perception of domestic violence.
5. David E. Lewis (College of Eastern Utah) Tungaru conjugal jealousy and sexual mutilation.
7. *Jill Nash (SUNY Buffalo) Reasons for infrequency of physical violence between spouses among the Nagovisi of North Solomons Province (Bougainville).
*Attendance not certain

**Sorcery Observed? Ambiguities in Sorcery Discourse.** Meeting Saturday 9-2 in Trustee A Room.
Organizer: Paula Brown (SUNY Stony Brook) & Carol Jenkins (PNG Institute of Medical Research)
Participants:
3. Karen Brison (UC San Diego) Interpretations of cause of death among the Kwanga, East Sepik Province, PNG.
4. Amy Burce (Texas) "Proof" vs. "feeling": some implications and effects of Western and Waria approaches to sorcery.
5. Bruce M. Knauft (Emory) Sorcery paraphernalia among the Gebusi of New Guinea.

**INFORMAL SESSIONS**

**Current problems in Samoan Ethnography and Development.** Meeting Thursday 9-10:30 in Trustee A Room.
Organizers: Tim O'Meara, Eudene Luther, Sharon Tiffany, Walter Tiffany.

**Problems of Research in Irian Jaya.** Meeting Thursday 10:30-12+ in Trustee A Room.
Organizers: Gabriele Strukenhofecker (U of CA, San Diego) & Andrew Strathern (U of Pittsburgh).

**Melanesian Ethnography: Method and Interpretation.** Meeting Thursday 3:30-5+ in Trustee B Room.
Organizers: Warilea Iamo (UPNG) & Laura Zimmer (UPNG)

**Nationalism and Political Consciousness in Oceania.** Meeting Friday 9-10:30 Trustee A Room.
Organizer: Amy Burce.

**The United States in Oceania.** Meeting Friday 3:30-5+ in Trustee B Room
Organizer: Larry Mayo (Salisbury State College)
Artistic and Mythical Expression in Contemporary Politics. Meeting Saturday 2-3:30 in Trustee A Room
Organizer: Karen Nero (UC Berkeley)

Clowning in Oceania: Secular and Ritual Comedy in a Performance Context. Meeting Saturday 3:30-5+ in Trustee A Room.
Organizer: William Mitchell (Vermont)
Participants:
2. Mark Mosko. When they play, they pay.
5. David Counts & Dorothy Counts. Exaggeration and reversal: clowning among the Lusi-Kaliai

Thinking Regional Analysis in Melanesia. Meeting Saturday 3:30-5+ in Trustee B Room.
Organizers: Etyan Bercovitch (Stanford) & Mark Busse (U of CA, San Diego)

The Coup in Fiji. Meeting Saturday 3:30-5+ in General Oglethorpe Room.
Organizer: Martha Kaplan (U of Chicago).

Special Session
Teaching Pacific Islands Anthropology. Meeting Friday 10:30-2 in Trustee A. Course outlines and materials will be on display.
Organizer: Bob Franco (Kapiolani Community College).
Participants:
Alan Jorgensen (Western Ontario)
Ron Ploeg (Centrumgebouw Zuid)
Mary McCutcheon (Smithsonian Institution)
Rank Young (San Diego)
Joel Urbanowicz (CSU, Chico)
Ken Finney (Hawaii)
Charles Smith (Public Sector Consultants)
David Gegeo (Hawaii)
Bill Rodman (McMaster)
Dorothy Counts (Waterloo)
Virginia Cox (Boise State)
Caroline Webber (Bakersfield College)
Karen Nero (UC Berkeley)
Will Shankman (Colorado)
Ron Ivory (Washington)
Bob Franco (Kapiolani Community College)
VENING ACTIVITIES

*Evening Plenary Session: Wednesday 8 P.M. in the Trustee Room.*

*Eminent Lecture: Marilyn Strathern. Thursday 9 P.M. in the Trustee Room.*

*Friday night party. Friday 9 P.M. in the Trustee Room. The contest this year is on BODY DECORATION, South Pacific style. Bring your jewelry, paint your bodies, expose your tattoos! We already have a couple of tasteful and valuable prizes for contest winners, but donations are always welcome.*

*Closing Plenary Session: Saturday 6:30 P.M. in the Trustee Room.*

VI. OBITUARIES

**Peter Lawrence 1921–1987**

Peter Lawrence died of a stroke on December 12, 1987 in Sydney, Australia. He had retired a year ago and was working on a long-planned book on the nature of religion.

A native of Lancashire, England, Lawrence studied classics at Cambridge, and after war-time service in naval intelligence, he returned to study anthropology under Meyer Fortes. He earned his Ph.D. for research among the Garia of Papua New Guinea in 1949–50, and he visited Garialand each year since 1971. *The Garia* (1984), said Roy Wagner, was the work of a determined (against the Radcliffe-Brownian orthodoxy), resourceful, and distinguished contributor to Melanesian ethnology.

Lawrence's professional career was spent in Australia, at A.N.U. (1948–57), Western Australia (1960–63), Queensland (Professor and Head, 1966–70), and Sydney (1963–65; Professor 1970–86). He was a frequent visitor to North America where he lectured widely and attended meetings of the ASAO, of which he was elected Honorary Fellow. He was a Visiting Professor at Queens (1969), Pittsburgh (1970), and Victoria (1975). Lawrence's principal theoretical interest was in the intellectual life of primitive peoples, and his *Road Belong Cargo* (1964), *Gods, Ghosts, and Men in Melanesia* (edited with M. Meggitt, 1965), and especially his Inaugural Lecture at Queensland, "Daughter of Time" (1967), did much to reestablish the intellectualist approach to magic and religion pioneered by Sir E.B. Tylor.

Lawrence wrote on religion, social structure, politics and law. He maintained his interests in classics and history, and these were expressed in his *Don Juan in Melanesia*, a delightful satiric attack on the ahistoric posture of British structural-functionalism in 64 stanzas. But much of his teaching emphasized the applied value of anthropology, in
particular for colonial administrators committed to indigenous development. His first and perhaps enduring passion was teaching at the Australian School of Pacific Administration (beginning in 1957) where he created the anthropology curriculum. He had a major role, too, in the transformation of ASOPA into the International Training Institute (Australian Department of Foreign Affairs) which has contributed much in recent years to the education and careers of administrators from Third World countries.

Tom Harding
University of California
Santa Barbara, CA

Brenda Bishop  May 15, 1920 – October 20, 1987

Brenda Bishop, Secretary of the Pacific Science Association, passed away on October 20, 1987 at Straub Clinic and Hospital. Ms. Bishop was born in New Zealand and educated at the University of Auckland. During World War II she served on the staff of the U.S. Army Headquarters and the U.S. Foreign Economic Administration in Noumea, New Caledonia. Thereafter she was a staff member of the Auckland Institute and Museum. She joined the Pacific Science Association in 1949 and moved to Honolulu when its secretariat was established in 1950 at Bishop Museum. For the following 37 years she served an important role in the organization of nine Pacific Science Congresses, held in major cities of the Pacific area, as well as in numerous inter-Congress scientific meetings. She was editor of the Pacific Science Information Bulletin, Associate in Pacific Science at Bishop Museum, and contributor of numerous articles to Museum publications. She was a member of the Hawaiian Academy of Science, the Hawaiian Historical Society, and the Auckland Institute.

VII. ERRATUM

Owing to a minor foul-up in communications, the Fall Newsletter erroneously reported that Leslie Marshall was involved in a Mexican study involving a possible causal link between infant mortality and mothers' schooling. Leslie notes that while this sounds like an interesting study, she, alas, has had no part in it.
VIII. NEWS AND NOTES

A. NEW JOURNAL: ALASKA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY announces a new journal, *Pacifica*, with the first issue to appear in Fall 1988. Manuscripts with a Pacific Rim (Basin) theme, as well as scholarly articles dealing with international or interdisciplinary subjects are invited for review. Technical articles should be written for a wide audience. Editor will be Robert D. Craig, founder and former editor of the journal *Pacific Studies*. Send articles and request for a complimentary first issue to:

Dr. Robert Craig  
Alaska Pacific University  
Anchorage, Alaska 99504

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C. PACIFIC ISLANDS POLITICAL STUDIES ASSOCIATION (PIPSA) announces a conference to be held in Apia, Western Samoa, May 23-25, 1988. The subject of the conference will be "Post-Independence Relationships in the Pacific Island States. For further information about the program and arrangements, contact:

Dr. Jerry K. Loveland
The Institute for Polynesian Studies, BYU-HC
Box 1979
Laie, HI USA 96762

PIPSA is also announcing its membership drive for teachers, students, researchers and practitioners, to exchange information about government and political systems of the Pacific Islands; to inter-link Pacific Island teachers, researchers and government policy makers; and to provide a forum for discussion of a variety of political issues affecting the Pacific. A two-year membership is free upon request and includes a subscription to the PIPSA newsletter. Applications should be sent to Dr. Loveland at the above address.

D. Geoff White writes that the government of the Solomon Islands Western Province is seeking someone to assist with documenting the oral history of World War II in that area. They would like to find a person with her or his own support who would be willing to organize and conduct interviews for a project which was begun several years ago. This might provide an opportunity to carry out personal research in conjunction with the government project. In addition, Geoff notes that it would be a wonderful entree for a graduate student looking for a field site and an "in" with
the powers that approve research. Anyone interested in following up on this possibility should contact:

Barbara Riley  
Cultural Affairs Advisor  
Western Province  
Gizo  
SOLOMON ISLANDS

IX. BIBLIOGRAPHIC

A. Doug Munro (Darling Downs Institute of Advanced Education) and Tito Isala (U. of Queensland) have recently published a book in the Tuvaluan language entitled *Te Aso Fiafia: Te Tala o te Kamupane Vaitupu, 1877-1887*, which means *The Joyous Day: The Tale of the Vaitupu Company*. It was written especially for the centenary celebration at Vaitupu of the repayment of the company's debt to a German trading house, to which it owed $13,000.

Isala, a Vaitupuan by birth, suggested to Monroe last year that they write such a book, and it is the first partnership between a Tuvaluan and a European to produce a book for and about Tuvaluans in the Tuvaluan language.

Doug has a limited number of copies for sale at the discount price of $Australian 4.00 (no P&P). His address for the first six months of 1988 will be:

History Discipline  
Flinders University  
Bedford Park  
South Australia 5042

B. *Polynesian Seafaring and Navigation: Ocean Travel in Anutan Culture and Society* by Richard Feinberg, Foreword by Ben Finney, is now available from Kent State University Press. The current run is cloth bound and selling for US$30.00. Orders should be addressed to:

Kent State University Press  
Kent State University  
Kent, OH 44242  
USA

C. *Chuave Politics: Changing Patterns of Leadership in the Papua New Guinea Highlands* by Wayne Warry has recently been published by the Australian National University. The book is Monograph Number 4 of a series published by the Department of Political and Social Change and is available in paperback for A$12.00. To order copies
or to obtain a complete listing of Monographs, Working Papers and other publications, please write:

Department of Political and Social Change
Research School of Pacific Studies
Australian National University
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Canberra ACT 2601
AUSTRALIA

D. Terry Hays calls members' attention to two articles of potential interest in the November/December issue of Islands. These include "Beachcombers in Paradise: The Ultimate Escape" by James C. Simmons (pp. 34-45) and "New Currents, Changing Realities in Palau" by Frances Fitzgerald (pp. 46-67).

E. Members may also be interested in two rare and used book outlets that have recently come to my attention. These are:

1. Edward J. Lefkowicz, Inc. which buys, sells, and publishes books relating to the sea and maritime activities. Specialties include nautical science, voyaging and navigation, naval history, whaling, and Bounty lore. Catalogues and information may be obtained from:

   Edward J. Lefkowicz, Inc.
P.O. Box 630
Fairhaven, MA 02719
USA

2. The Book Bin is a dealer in out-of-print and rare books dealing with "Hawaii and the Pacific Islands." Bob Baird, owner and principal book buyer, grew up in American Samoa and Hawaii. The operation consists of two used book stores in Oregon and a quarterly catalogue. Each issue of the catalogue contains 320 to 350 titles, indexed by subject. In addition to books, the catalogue includes individual back issues of journals, magazines, Bishop Museum publications, and "assorted ephemera (mostly tourist items)." The Book Bin keeps an active request file of titles wanted by individual customers, and quotes to them when copies are located. The next issue of the catalogue will be #15. It is scheduled to be out around the end of February and will focus on Melanesia (especially Papua New Guinea), Australia, and New Zealand.

   Catalogues are free and may be obtained by writing:

   The Book Bin--Hawaii
   351 NW Jackson St.
   Corvallis, OR 97330
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