Remembering Members and Friends of the AAPA

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It is the custom of the AAPA to honor and remember members the American Association of Physical Anthropologists and other colleagues who have passed away since our last meeting in March 2019.

Ofer Bar-Yosef (George G. and Janet G.B. MacCurdy Professor of Prehistoric Archaeology, Emeritus in the Anthropology Department at Harvard University) passed away on March 14, 2020. He was member of the National Academy of Sciences, the British Academy, and the Academy of Science of the Republic of Georgia, and was among the world's foremost experts on major transitions in human activities from the Paleolithic through the early Neolithic. He conducted archaeological research around the globe, with significant field projects in Israel, the Sinai, Turkey, the Czech Republic, the Republic of Georgia, and the People's Republic of China. He contributed substantially to debates on human dispersals out of Africa, lithic analysis, human-Neanderthal interactions, the relationship between environmental and behavioral change, early pottery production, and the development of agriculture, among other topics. He was also an active, engaged, and supportive mentor throughout his entire career to students and colleagues in in the broad fields of paleoanthropology and prehistoric archaeology.

C. Loring Brace (Emeritus Professor of Anthropology and Curator of Biological Anthropology at the University of Michigan) passed away on September 7, 2019. After completing his Ph.D. with William Howells at Harvard in 1962, in 1967 he took up a joint appointment (Department of Anthropology and the Museum of Anthropology) at the University of Michigan. He was a pivotal figure in biological anthropology and was instrumental in breaking away from the early 20th century's categorical approach to human variation. Working with his colleague, Frank Livingstone, he championed continuity and variation across living populations and in connections between living populations and earlier hominins, especially Neanderthals. He published over 250 scholarly papers and several books. He was also a talented teacher and mentor having served on 38 doctoral committees spanning his core interests in paleoanthropology and bioarchaeology to neuroanatomy and primatology.

Jack Kelso (University of Colorado, Boulder) passed away on May 25, 2019. He had a distinguished career as a scholar, teacher, mentor and administrator. He received his doctorate in anthropology at the University of Michigan in 1958 and was appointed as an instructor in the Department of Anthropology, University of Colorado, Boulder, that same year. His early research focused on the "new physical anthropology" with interests in the effect of human population structure on human microevolution. He was also influenced by Leslie White's theories of cultural evolution and this resulted in a career-long interest in the co-evolution of human biology and culture. He was a talented teacher and educational innovator, and his impact extended beyond the classroom to public television, as well as a NSF funded series of Summer Institutes on the Teaching of Anthropology. He was also interested in capacity building

and instituted the development of a supportive teaching community for first-year students at Colorado and summer courses for high school students considering going on to college.

Tibor Koertvelyessy (Emeritus Professor of Anthropology at Ohio University, Athens, Ohio) passed away on October 23, 2019. He received his doctorate from the State University of New York at Buffalo in 1973 and began his career at Ohio University the same year, remaining there until his retirement in 2007. His academic work focused on historical demography and population structure, particularly in Hungary and in Newfoundland. He had many other academic achievements including serving as the Associate Editor of the journal of the American Association for Anthropological Genetics (AAAG). As a teenager, he fled Hungary with his family in 1956 during the communist take-over and arrived in the US in 1957. In addition to his academic achievements, he will be remembered for his shining countenance and encyclopedic knowledge of soccer.

Frank Marlowe passed away on September 25, 2019. He studied anthropology at Berkley and the University of Texas. He later received an MFA in film from UCLA and made a variety of critically acclaimed documentary films. He returned to UCLA for a Ph.D. in Anthropology and then joined the faculty at Harvard, before taking positions at Florida State University and the University of Cambridge. His seminal theoretical and empirical research focused on human evolution, the behavior of hunter-gatherers, and patterns of cross-cultural variation among human societies. Using evolutionary theory, his research centered on parenting, mating, sexual selection, the evolution of human life history, cooperation and economic behavior. The majority of his empirical research was carried out with the Hadza hunter-gatherers, with whom he worked for 21 years (1993-2014). This work culminated in his book, *The Hadza Hunter-Gatherers of Tanzania* (2010). He held professorships at Harvard University, Florida State University, Durham University, and Cambridge University, and served as president of the Evolutionary Anthropology Society, a section of the American Anthropological Association.

Don Melnick (Thomas Hunt Morgan Professor of Conservation Biology and Professor of Anthropology at Columbia University, New York) passed away on April 18, 2019. He received his Ph.D. in Physical Anthropology from Yale in 1981 and joined the Columbia faculty in 1982. He was widely recognized for his expertise in primate population and evolutionary genetics, his early work focusing on the population genetics, social behavior, dispersal, and evolutionary diversification of primates. His interest expanded into conservation and he served as the founding Executive Director of the Center for Environmental Research and Conservation (CERC), a consortium of organizations including Columbia, the American Museum of Natural History, the New York Botanical Garden, the Wildlife Conservation Society, and the EcoHealth Alliance. He also served as co-chair of the United Nations Millennium Task Force on Environmental Sustainability, charged with reporting on the Millennium Development Goals for global environmental sustainability to the Secretary General.

Geoffrey Grant Pope (Professor of Anthropology, William Paterson University) passed away on February 17, 2019. He was a Palaeoanthropologist with a particular interest in human origins, especially the evolution of modern humans in Asia and Asian prehistory. He authored over 60

articles, as well as a book on the biological basis of human evolution. His special contribution was the landmark essay 'Bamboo and Human Evolution' published in Natural History (1989) in which he made a compelling argument that ancient Asians made sophisticated tools (much like their African and European counterparts) but since they were made from bamboo (not stone), they were not as well preserved. He was also an enthusiastic advocate of the multiregional theory of human evolution. In addition to his academic contributions, he was also a dedicated teacher and mentor whose courses were enlivened by his vivid storytelling about humans' shared past and enhanced by his "famous" slides illustrating his first-hand experience in eastern Asia.

Holger Schulkowski (Professor of Bioarchaeology, Bournemouth University) passed away on March 30, 2020. He received his doctorate at Göttingen in 1990. He was a post-doctoral fellow at the University of Copenhagen before taking up a position at the University of Bradford, UK, which he held from 2000-2010 before moving to the University of Bournemouth. His interests were wide-ranging and extensive, focusing on aspects of assigning age and sex estimates to use of complex isotopic or histological methods of enquiry. He was one of the first in Britain to take an explicitly biocultural approach to isotopic studies of human remains and demonstrated that isotopic and histological studies can only exist within the wider bioarchaeological study. He was active in the British Association for Biological Anthropology and Osteoarchaeology (BABAO) since its inception in 1998 and received their Honorary Lifetime Membership Award in 2018. He was committed to the field and loved his work and all the people he could share it with. He cared deeply as much about moving research forward as about the people he worked with, mentored and taught.

Dennis Slice (Professor, Scientific Computing at Florida State University) passed away on June 14, 2019. His passion was morphometrics and his research involved collaboration with leading academics in such fields as forensics, orthodontics, evolutionary biology, biomedical engineering, paleoanthropology, evolutionary psychology, industrial hygiene, and marine biology, as well as many others. He is well known for the development of general methods to solve particular problems and the incorporation of those methods into software for general distribution and use. He received his doctorate from the Department of Ecology and Evolution at the State University of New York at Stony Brook (now Stony Brook University) in 1993, where he worked closely with F. James Rohlf. He was an Honorary Professor for the Department of Anthropology, Vienna (2013-2018) and received the Rohlf Medal of Excellence for his work in Morphometrics at Stony Brook University in 2017.

Stephen L. Zegura (Professor, Anthropology, University of Arizona) passed away on May 26, 2019. He was a geneticist who received his doctorate at the University of Wisconsin in 1971 and took up his position at University of Arizona in 1972. Over his long career his contributions include groundbreaking work on the peopling of the Americas, the Y chromosome as a marker of human pathways, and the origins, genetics, and evolution of all humanity. He was also an enthusiastic teacher and mentor who challenged and inspired his students both scholastically and in life. He was honored to write the physical anthropology entry for the Britannica Book of the Year for over a decade. In recognition of his distinguished service to University of Arizona,

he received the 2009-2010 Raymond H. Thompson Award for the contributions he made to the School of Anthropology throughout his career.

Elke Zimmermann (Director of the Institute of Zoology of the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover, Germany) passed away on July 25, 2019. She was a well-known primatologist focusing on lemurs and in 1998 was the lead author on the description of a new mouse lemur species, *Microcebus ravelobensis* and afterwards contributed substantially to further species descriptions of mouse lemurs and sportive lemurs. Her work on species-specific acoustic repertoires, in particular our growing understanding of loud calls (sportive lemurs) and advertisement calls (mouse lemurs), pointed to the importance of vocalizations in the context of mate search and ultimately in the speciation of cryptic species. She was also one of the first to analyze the vast ultrasonic acoustic repertoires of mouse lemurs by means of various generations of highly sensitive acoustic recording techniques. After assuming her position in Hannover, she broadened her research to aspects of reproductive biology, female dominance, health, and lateralization, while maintaining her interests in the evolution of acoustic communication, communication of emotions, hearing, and the dynamics of cognitive performance across different life stages.