

## X. Upcoming conferences

### The announcement of next year's personal-histories panel

You are invited to an informal, round-table-panel historical discussion of the transformations in theory and method which occurred during the late 1970s and early 1980s. The oral-historical panel is scheduled for Monday, October 22 2007, from 4.00 to 6.00pm, at the Cambridge University Biffen Lecture Theatre, Genetics Building, Downing Street Site, Cambridge University. A super homemade tea will be served beforehand at the Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology beginning at 3.00pm. A wine reception follows also at the Museum. A lovely formal dinner is then planned at St John's College.

Professor Henrietta Moore from LSE, Professor Meg Conkey and Professor Ruth Tringham from UC Berkeley, and Professor Alison Wylie from the University of Washington, will reconstruct their experiences, moving from the New Archaeology, opening and founding post-processual approaches.

There is no charge except for the dinner.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Pamela at [pjs1011@cam.ac.uk](mailto:pjs1011@cam.ac.uk)

## XI. Necrology: Bruce Trigger

### A reflection on Bruce and Barbara Trigger based on oral-historical interviews and personal correspondence

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Bruce G. Trigger, a world-esteemed, multi-talented and many-faceted intellect, a great and brilliant archaeologist and historian, died on 1 December 2006 in Montreal leaving 'the world a smaller and saddened place'.<sup>1</sup> His wife, Barbara Welch, a lesser-known but equally sophisticated thinker, died of heart failure on 18 January 2007. 'They were a team',<sup>2</sup> observed Barbara's sister. Although obituaries and tributes seldom capture even a small part of the depth of a human life, the Triggers, indeed beloved and respected, are here briefly remembered.

Barbara Welch came up to Cambridge in 1958, pursuing her life-long fascination with volcanoes; 'she had a thing about islands',<sup>3</sup> commented fellow undergraduate geographer, Elizabeth Staley. Arriving just ten years after women were first awarded degrees by this august, ancient, all-male university,

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<sup>1</sup> Ontario archaeologist, Marti Latta, correspondence, 17/04/07.

<sup>2</sup> Janet Welch, in conversation, 19/04/07.

<sup>3</sup> Fellow Cambridge undergraduate and geographer, Elizabeth Staley, in conversation, 13/04/07.