

# HOLMES HAPPENINGS

Official Newsletter of  
Lowell D. Holmes Museum of Anthropology

## FALL SEMESTER

The fall semester is off to a great start. We have three new staff members in the museum. You can meet them all on page 4 of the newsletter. The Museum Methods class is in full swing and the Museum Studies Certificate continues to grow. Several former students have found employment in museums which is fantastic. They will be featured in an upcoming newsletter.



The Mountain-Plains Museums Association Conference was held in Corpus Christi Texas, September 26-30. Director, Rachelle Meinecke attended the conference as the Kansas Representative for the Kansas Museums Association.



Kansas Museums  
ASSOCIATION

The Kansas Museums Association Conference will be in Hays on November 6th-8th. Graduate Student, Hans Schrader and senior, Lilith Samples will also be attending the conference

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# PIZZA HUT MUSEUM

There have been some exciting things happening in the Pizza Hut Museum. In May, the Smoky Hill Museum in Salina borrowed some items from the collection for an exhibit on Pop Culture. In July, a documentary duo originally from Australia now based in Brooklyn, NY, came to Wichita to learn more about Pizza Hut history for a documentary they are creating. They interviewed Pizza Hut co-founder, Dan Carney, PH museum curator Rachelle Meinecke and history professor, Jay Price. They spent time in Special Collections filming some interesting documents related to Pizza Hut history. The documentary is entitled "Slice of Life" and showcases buildings across the country that were once Pizza Huts but are now other businesses. In September, the museum was featured on the noon edition of KSN Good Morning Kansas. Jay Price was gracious enough to let them interview him about the museum.

"IT'S NOT A MUSEUM. IT'S NOT A PLACE OF ARTIFACTS; IT'S A PLACE OF IDEAS."

JEANIE KAHNKE



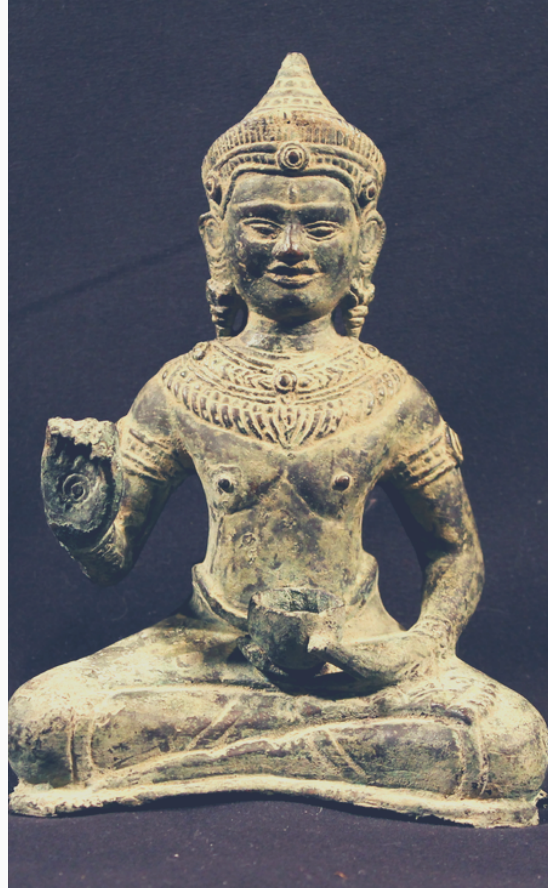
Rose Tucker and Matthew Salleh from Urtext Films with Rachelle Meinecke



Smoky Hill Museum in Salina



Filming Good Day Kansas on KSN



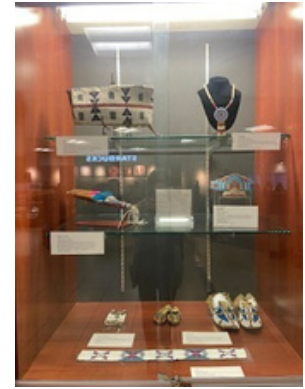


"A PEOPLE WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF THEIR PAST HISTORY, ORIGIN AND CULTURE ARE LIKE A TREE WITHOUT ROOTS"

MARCUS GARVEY



## FALL EXHIBITS



Student curators and seniors Lilith Samples and Nautika Richards created two new exhibits for the Rhatigan Student Center. These were the first exhibits for both students. Lilith's exhibit (on the left) is entitled "*Up in Smoke*" and features items related to tobacco and tobacco use from around the world. Nautika's exhibit is entitled, "*Native American Beadwork*" This exhibit includes beautifully made and colorful examples of beadwork from various Native American tribes. The Museum Methods class is working on an exhibit for the Library that will feature various head ware from China. The exhibit should be in place by mid November

## NEW ACQUISITIONS

We received a generous donation by Trey Oliver and Carrie Oliver-Bertram. The donation consists of 13 masks that were collected over a series of trips around the world by their parents Bill and Mary Lynn Oliver. The students in the Anthropology 606, Museum Methods class have working on cataloging and photographing each mask.



2023.1.4 from the Bamana people of Mali



2023.1.5 from Indonesia

# MEET THE STAFF

## Rachelle Meinecke - Director

Rachelle is the coordinator of the Museum Studies Certificate and teaches museum studies Classes. She is also the curator of the Pizza Hut Museum.



## Hans Schrader- Registrar & GA

Hans is a graduate student in Anthropology. He recently completed his Museum Studies Certificate and would like to pursue a career in museums.

Studying the diversity of human experiences is what drew him to anthropology. "The many similarities and differences in traditions, art and social structure across cultures fascinate me and I simply enjoy learning about them"



## Lilith Samples- Curator/social media

Lilith is a senior in Anthropology with an emphasis in history and geology. After graduating she plans on traveling and looking for field work and eventually work in a museum.

"I really enjoy learning about other cultures, their values, and the stories that are passed on to each generation. As well as finding and analyzing lost artifacts from people hundreds if not thousands of years ago, seeing what they enjoyed and how they lived"



## Nautika Richards - Curator

Nautika is a senior in Anthropology. She enjoys reading and learning about history as well as watching movies and hanging out with animals.

"What I enjoy about Anthropology is how studying it has helped me to discover more about the past and different cultures and how it has helped me to appreciate other cultures and the artifacts that come with them."







## MUSEUM AND EDITORIAL TEAM

### MUSEUM DIRECTOR

Rachelle Meinecke

### MUSEUM REGISTRAR

Hans Schrader

### CURATOR AND SOCIAL MEDIA

Lilith Samples

### CURATOR

Nautika Richards

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## LOCATION

### NEFF HALL

First floor, with exhibits throughout the building

## HOURS

1 PM - 5 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

or by appointment

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