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HERMITAGE SUMMER INTERNSHIPS: President Andrew Jackson's home, The Hermitage, near Nashville, TN has summer internship positions in historical archaeology. Contact Ms. Jillian Galle, Research Archaeologist, at (615) 889-2941 for additional information.

REMEMBERING SLAVERY: This Library of Congress project makes available for the first time of many of the hundreds of interviews of elderly ex-slaves made by the Federal Writers' Project in the 1930s. The interviews are available in both recordings and transcriptions. Additional information is available by calling (202) 707-5221 or on the WWW at <http://www.locweb.loc.gov/loc/cfbook>.

MARYLAND MUSEUM OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE: This new museum, planned for Baltimore's Inner Harbor, will be dedicated to collecting, preserving, and interpreting the history, arts, material culture, and spiritual expression of African-Americans in Maryland. The project, a public/private partnership, is part of the Department of Housing and Community Development's African-American Initiative. For information contact Ms. Nikki Smith at (410) 514-7643.

VOLUNTEER EXCAVATION OPPORTUNITY: Dr. Mary McCorvie (McCorvie_Mary/r9_shawnee@fs.fed.us) Forest Archaeologist at Shawnee National Forest, is planning a project at Miller Grove, a southern illinois freedmen fanning community, for June 1999.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN BIBLIOGRAPHIES FROM THE NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY: Ms. Deborah Richardson, Head of Educational Programs at the NAL, has compiled three bibliographies in the "Selected Sources from the AGRICOLA Database" series: 1) African-American History and Culture, 2) African-Americans in Agriculture, and 3) African-American Sociology and Economics. Additional information is available from the NAL at (301)504-5779 or <http://www.nal.usda.gov>.

AFRICAN IMPACT ON THE MATERIAL CULTURE OF THE AMERICAS: Proceedings from this 1996 conference are now available by mail from the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts for \$20.00 (plus \$1.20 sales tax each and shipping \$3.00 for the first copy, \$1.75 additional copies). MasterCard, Visa, and checks (payable to "MESDA/Impact") accepted. P.O. Box 10310, Winston-Salem, NC 27108.

FRIENDS OF THE FREEDMEN'S CEMETERY: The Freedmen's Cemetery in Alexandria, VA is the rediscovered resting place of Freedmen (some of whom served in the Union Army) and "Contrabands." The site is adjacent to the area to be affected by the proposed reconstructed of the Wilson (1-95) Bridge. The Friends were formed to research and monitor the site. Additional information is available from the Alexandria Black History Resources Center at (703) 838-4356.