

want to stay healthy long enough to enjoy (and/or survive) the trip. I wish I had had a copy of this on some early trips into Latin America; I might have been spared a few memorable attacks of Montezuma's Revenge. Highly recommended.

➤ *Tok Blong Pasifik*. 1995. A Quarterly of News and Views on the Pacific Islands. No.49(2). SPPF, 1921 Fernwood Road, Victoria BC, Canada V8T 2Y6. The current issue contains articles about the resumption of nuclear testing in Moruroa, and the sovereignty issue in Hawai'i.

➤ *The University of the South Pacific Bulletin*, July 1995, notes that a major program is under discussion to develop the lower waterfront area of the Laucala Campus to house a Marine Studies Program. Funding is being provided through the Fiji Government. The project is slated to include a lecture theatre, research facilities, a floating dock, accommodations, a post-harvest fisheries processing facility, an aquarium room and marine public education center, library and audio-visual facilities, a reference collection, museum and four science teaching laboratories. Marine science got a further boost with a \$100,000 grant from the Trade Mission of the Republic of China to provide equipment for the Institute of Marine Resources, in the Solomon Islands.

➤ Wardwell, Allen. 1994. *Island Ancestors: Oceanic Art from the Masco Collection*. University of Washington Press. \$60.00.



EASTER ISLAND FOUNDATION NEWS

Now available to our Rapanuiphile readers: *Adventures in Easter Island* by Dr. Juan Grau, published in Chile by Ediciones OIKOS Ltda. We have a few copies available in both English and Spanish (*Aventuras en Isla de Pascua*). Both are paperback, 307 pages, illustrated with black and white drawings and with a Prologue by Grant McCall who assures prospective readers that they "... are about to embark on a wild ride through both fact and fiction; human relations and the forces of nature." These books are part of a series, "Little Jose's Ecology" and described by the author as "a children's book for adults."

Dr. Grau is a medical doctor, columnist, and ecologist (General Secretary of the Ecological Institute of Chile); he was granted the Global 500 United Nations Award in 1987.

Adventures in Easter Island can be ordered through the EIF at 666 Dead Cat Alley, Woodland, CA 95695. Visa/Mastercard accepted. Please allow three weeks for delivery. Price is \$25 plus postage. Specify if you want the English or the Spanish version.

In our listing of upcoming publications by the EIF, *RNJ* 9 (3) we inadvertently left off an important pending book by A. Elena Charola, "Death of a Moai: Deterioration and conservation of Easter Island's statues".

Dr Charola's most recent book, *Easter Island: The Heritage and its Conservation* will soon be published in a Spanish language edition.

☞ Plans are progressing for an international meeting, "Easter Island in the Pacific Context". The conference will be sponsored by the Easter Island Foundation and hosted by the Maxwell Museum of Anthropology at the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, in mid-summer, 1997.

Our next issue of *RNJ* will contain a 'call for papers' and details of the conference, including dates and special events. Dr Christopher Stevenson is the Chairman of the Committee which includes Dr William Ayres, Dr George Gill, Dr Atholl Anderson, Dr Steven Fischer, Prof. Charles Love, and Dr Georgia Lee. The conference is being coordinated by Far Horizons Archaeological and Cultural Trips of Albuquerque, Dr Garth Bowden of the Maxwell Museum of Anthropology, Barbara Hinton, President of the Foundation and Kay Kenady Sanger of the EIF.

Papers concerning Easter Island and the Pacific will be invited, with particular emphasis on Polynesian Social Organization, Prehistoric Adaptation, the Archaeology of Stone Architecture, the Environment, the Language and Traditions.

Albuquerque is famous for its old Southwest hospitality, exciting living Indian pueblos, and ancient ruins. Aside from exchanging ideas and conversation with colleagues, there will be opportunities to experience Polynesian dances, crafts, and other cultural events. Optional pre-and post-conference tours are being planned.

All of the attendees of the last conference which was held in Laramie, Wyoming in 1993, agreed upon the importance of regular conferences for exchange of information, networking and keeping in touch with others doing research in the field. You don't want to miss this meeting! Watch for our announcement in the next issue of *RNJ*.

Heading to South America? Check out the South American Explorers Club. Offices and clubhouses in Lima, Peru, and Quito, Ecuador. A fine (offbeat) source of information and research material. Their quarterly Journal, *South American Explorer*, is full of travel tips and great stories.

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