

Amy Smith, long-time Society for the Anthropology of Consciousness member who ultimately became



the organization's Secretary/Treasurer, died suddenly on August 16, 2012. Amy served on the SAC Executive Board continuously since 2000, first as a student representative and then, since 2002, as Secretary/Treasurer. Amy was a vivacious, dedicated, and enthusiastic individual who brought an enormous amount of energy to everything she did. She did her fieldwork in Nepal and earned her Ph.D. in 2004 from the California Institute of Integral Studies for her dissertation entitled, "Community Forestry in Nepal: Issues of Power and Empowerment." In her capacity as SAC Secretary/Treasurer, Amy

organized conferences, helped set up the SAC website's chat board, and oversaw the SAC Facebook page. She appreciated the open forum and accepting atmosphere that SAC offered to scholars of all stripes, and, for many, she became the face of that openness and acceptance as she communicated with members and others about SAC and its work. Whether it was in keeping track of the minutiae involved in the day-to-day duties of her office, or in her broad perspective on the place of SAC in the fields of anthropology and consciousness studies, Amy was able to provide the direction and vision that has helped SAC mature into the section that it is today. We already miss Amy more than words can express and we wish her well as she embarks on the next leg of her journey.