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HOUGHTON LIBRARIAN CONTINUES QUEST FOR HUMAN ORIGINS Lisa Shiel pursues the truth through the latest in her Human Origins Series

Lake Linden, Mich. (January 30, 2006) – Most people accept the prevailing scientific thesis that humans descended from ancient ape-like ancestors through a long, somewhat convoluted process of evolution. But Lisa A. Shiel is not most people. Not content to tolerate the missing links and inconsistencies of established dogma, she delved into the realms of anthropology, archaeology, evolution, and ancient historical records to find more satisfying answers.

Shiel works as a librarian and technical services specialist at Houghton's Portage Lake District Library and is a certified Michigan professional librarian. In her off-time, she founded the Michigan Upper Peninsula Bigfoot Organization and pursued her interest in human origins and writing, applying research skills learned earning her master's degree in Library Science. She has been interviewed on radio, TV, and newspapers in the US and Canada.

A storyteller at heart, Shiel decided to put forward her own theories using a fiction format. In 2004, she wrote *The Hunt for Bigfoot: A Novel* (Slipdown Mountain Publications, 2004) in which she wrapped an engaging and fast-paced mystery around her theories about the origins of humanity and the relationship between humans and the widely reported, but frequently discounted, elusive hairy hominids commonly known as Bigfoot or Sasquatch. Last month, the release of *Lord of the Dead* (Slipdown Mountain, 2005), Book Two in the Human Origins Series, continued the adventure and search for the truth buried in the ancient records. Her nonfiction book – *Backyard Bigfoot: The True Story of Stick Signs, UFOs, and the Sasquatch* – is scheduled for publication in March, also by Slipdown Mountain.

Shiel will be available to autograph her books at Slipdown Mountain Publications' booth at the Copper Country Mall on Friday and Saturday, February 10th and 11th.

Of *Lord of the Dead*, Bob Spear (Heartland Reviews) said, "The action reminds me of the movie series, 'The Mummy,' with incredible high adventure. The pace is frenetic and the story lends plausibility to a number of evolution theories. We rated this book a solid four hearts."

Nick Redfern, a frequent on-screen TV expert and the author of *Body Snatchers in the Desert*, said, "*Lord of the Dead* skillfully immerses the reader in the strange and murky worlds of human origins, archaeological secrecy, and ancient cultures. With believable characters, a fast-paced plot, and a fantastic premise at its heart, [it is] not to be missed by anyone with an interest in the mysteries of this world and beyond."

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