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Saturday in the OAS Lab Rescheduled!

After a summer that was unexpectedly busy, we are ready to reschedule the first *Saturday in the OAS Lab*, an opportunity for AAS members to volunteer in the lab. The new date is October 20. The first date chosen, Saturday of Easter weekend, saw too many conflicts. As you may recall from the February *Stones & Bones*, *Saturday in the OAS Lab* is a program being set up to provide members of AAS with an opportunity to participate in a variety of archaeological activities. If there is sufficient interest, this will be a regularly scheduled ongoing program of activity.

Our first Saturday will still be devoted to preparing the field specimen (FS) artifacts from Site 1Lu25 for curation. Site 1Lu25, the Perry site, is a large shell midden located on Seven Mile Island near Florence, Alabama. The excavations at 1Lu25 prior to creation of Pickwick Lake were one of the largest single site excavations ever done in the southeast. As a friend of mine describes it, the excavation area was just about the size of a college football field, including the end zones.

On October 20, we begin unpacking, sorting, and repacking the Field Specimens from 1Lu25. In the cataloging system of that time, Field Specimen numbers were placed on the more important, unusual, or otherwise notable artifacts found. Among the FS artifacts are pottery vessels, shell and stones bead necklaces up to 15 ft long, caches of projectile points, and a wide variety of other stone, bone, and shell artifacts. OAS has approximately 55 boxes of FS material from 1Lu25. Only a handful of these artifacts have ever been on public display.

We have already repackaged and curated over 46,000 chipped stone artifacts from the site along with a project to reanalyze parts of the chipped stone collection. Now we are ready, with your help, to curate the FS material.

The task for Saturday will be to prepare as many specimens as possible for cataloging and transfer to the Erskine Ramsay Archaeological Repository. Volunteers will work in small groups, no more than about 4 per staff member. Each

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<http://www.gulfmart.com/org/aas.htm>

group will get a box of material to repackage, label, and sort by general artifact group: bone tool, polished stone, shell necklace, etc. We have stocked up on archival bags, boxes, tissue, etc. in preparation. We don't expect to finish 1Lu25 in one day, but if the response justifies it, we will make this a regularly scheduled activity. As the program moves forward, individuals interested in other parts of the curation process such as specimen collection inventory, cataloging excavation records, working on the collections database, working on type collections, and so on, will have an opportunity to gain this experience.

Saturday in the OAS Lab is for AAS members only. All participants in the program must be AAS members in good standing. (No small children, please.) Due to space, we will be limited to about 20 volunteers. Reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Volunteers should be at the lab by 9:00 and plan to stay until 4:00. Lunch will be in the lab. We will send out for food, or you may bring your own if you prefer.

For reservations, contact Kim Rutherford, OAS Collections Manager at (205) 371-2266 or kruther@bama.ua.edu. The lab is located at Moundville Archaeological Park, in Moundville, 13 miles south of Tuscaloosa on Highway 69. The lab is just around the plaza loop road from the Admissions Building.

Donations

Howard King made a generous contribution in memory of his father, Eulis King, to the **Edward C. Mahon** and **Wimberly Scholarship** funds. Eulis King was a member of the Alabama Archaeological Society since 1967 and founder of the Cullman Chapter.

Membership Sponsors

The Alabama Archaeological Society would like to thank Rodney and Paula Johnson for sponsoring the membership of the Episcopal Day

School in Gadsden. Sponsoring a school or library is an excellent way for the Society to increase its membership. If everyone in the Society would sponsor one school or library, our membership could increase dramatically. What better way to reach young people throughout the state than to sponsor a school. One sponsorship could potentially reach hundreds of students. This show of support for your local school or library would not only serve to increase interest in the Alabama Archaeological Society but would also disseminate knowledge about archaeology in Alabama as well.

It is my understanding that Eugene Futato has sponsored a school in his area for several years. The editors of *Stones & Bones* would like to say thank you to the Johnsons and Eugene for their work in supporting the Society in this manner and challenge everyone to do the same. We encourage chapter presidents to bring this topic up at their next meeting. A chapter could sponsor several schools and libraries in their city.

The Editors.

Humor in Archaeology

We recently heard from Jean Hartfield, a long time member of the AAS. She wrote to tell us how much she enjoyed reading in *Stones & Bones*.

Read Stowe's articles about humorous events from past archaeological adventures. Jean is not the only member that has expressed this same sentiment. The editors of *Stones & Bones* encourage our readers to send in their favorite humorous stories about their experiences in Alabama archaeology.

What's Happening

Archaeological Services, Inc.

During recent months, Archaeological Services, Inc. has been involved in several interesting

projects. We have also participated in a couple of presentations.

One of these projects was located several miles north of Gadsden, Alabama on the Coosa River. This survey recorded four Archaic and Woodland sites and re-discovered the Gadsden Furnace. The furnace was "in blast" during the late 19th and early part of the 20th Century. The industrial site played a major role in the early economic development of Alabama.

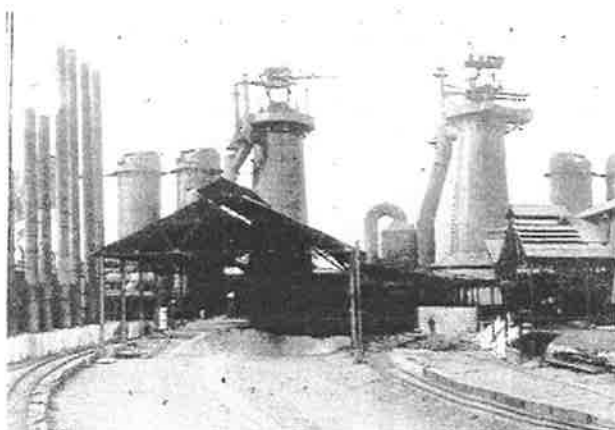
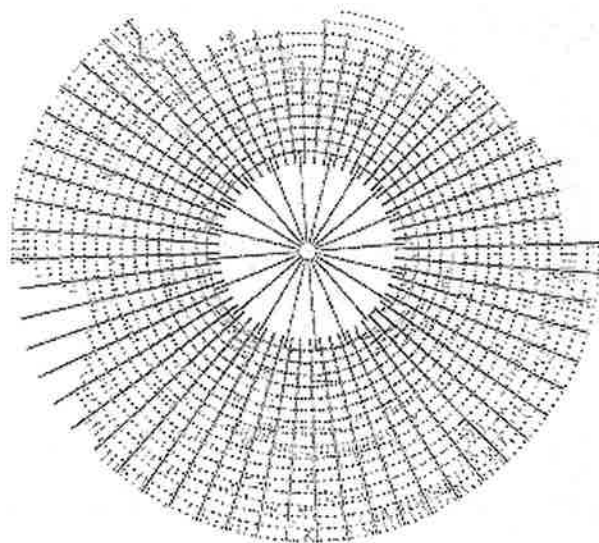


Photo of the *Gadsden Furnace* at the turn of the Century

Another project recently conducted was located about 50 miles west of the state line near New Augusta, Mississippi. The fieldwork consisted of a survey for a proposed seismic study of the Cypress Creek Salt Dome in the DeSoto National Forest. Read Stowe and Jon Gibson, of Poverty Point fame, were Co-Principal Investigators. The shape of the area to be tested presented some interesting problems. Several thousand shovel tests were conducted of proposed "shot holes" in an area 9 miles in diameter. The survey located 250 sites, which had been occupied during the Archaic, Woodland, Mississippian and Historic periods.



Plan of the 3D seismic project in New Augusta

A third interesting survey was conducted of 2,200 acres near Ridgeland, a couple of miles north of Jackson, Mississippi. About 30 prehistoric sites (mostly Archaic and Woodland) were located. However, the more spectacular sites were two opulent historic mid-19th Century plantations. These are known as *Annandale* and *Ingleside*. These plantation sites and structures meet all of the criteria for the National Register. Henry Vick, son of the wealthy founder of Vicksburg, was engaged to 16 year old Helen Johnstone, who lived at *Ingleside*. While in New Orleans finalizing plans for the wedding, Vick got involved in a card game at the St. Charles Hotel and ended up in a duel. Since Vick was challenged, he shot first, and, being a gentleman, it was into the air. His opponent did not, killing Henry with a ball to the chest.

Annandale, an Italian Renaissance style mansion, had 42 rooms with 24-foot-wide hallways. It was used as headquarters by Union General Sherman while operating in the Jackson area.



Photo of Annandale in the 19th Century, burned in 1926 (Mississippi Dept. of Archives and History)

Read Stowe gave the keynote presentation at the Poverty Point meeting last Spring. The title of the talk was "Early Pottery on the North-Central Gulf Coast-First Japanese Imports or Cheap Imitations?" Assisting with the presentation was one of Read's former students, Eric Williams, who is an archaeologist at Clark Base in Okinawa, Japan. Eric is currently excavating a Jomon Period site. Eric provided samples of early ceramics from Japan. In keeping with the Japanese theme, Becky Stowe read some "Redneck Haiku" which brought down the house.

Read and Becky also had an artifact identification day for the Gulf Coast Chapter of the Mississippi Archaeological Association. Another of these identification days will be held in Lucedale this fall.

We were lucky this summer to have a number of archaeologists helping us in both Alabama and Mississippi: David Abbott, graduate student at USM; David Pittman, another grad student at USM; Sammy Rutherford, Oklahoma DOT archaeologist; Glenn McDaniel, recent anthropology graduate at USA; Jean "Granny" Hartfield, a pleasure to be around and "Old Man" Jon Gibson, past chair Anthropology Department and recently retired director of Archaeological Research at the University of Southwestern Louisiana.

Contributed by Read and Becky Stowe.

Troy State University Archaeological Research Center

TSUARC recently conducted a Phase I survey for a sewer line project in Covington County from which one archaeological site was discovered. Shovel tests on the site produced a large amount of lithic debitage and sand tempered pottery. Diagnostic artifacts consisting mainly of simple stamped sherds suggest an Early Woodland cultural association. What is so unique about this site is its environmental location and depth. The survey began by walking over two miles along a small intermittent stream that ran through a ravine in excess of forty feet deep in some places. This terrain did not allow for a flood plain to develop along the creek and no sites were discovered here. At the termination of the survey, the deep ravine suddenly came to an end and the creek flowed through the wide flood plain of the Conecuh River. At this point the flood plain of the Conecuh is over a half mile wide, meaning that the site is not relatively close to the river. I grew up less than a mile from this site and have often seen this location covered with the Spring floodwaters of the Conecuh. When we discovered the site, I was somewhat surprised that a site this large (90 meters long) would be located on an intermittent stream as well as in a flood prone area. Shovel testing revealed that the site lay 40 centimeters beneath the surface and extended to a depth of almost a meter.

Typically we have discovered sites this large along the terraces above the rivers and the 1st terrace above large tributaries in the Coastal Plain. With this new information we now have a new location to search for large village sites. The discovery of this site is proof that environments of the past may not have been what they are today. Fortunately, flooding of the Conecuh River and the subsequent deposition of sandy sediments have created a protective layer 40 centimeters thick over the site through time. What this site has to offer is a potentially undisturbed cultural

deposition from the Early Woodland period and possibly further back in time. A Phase II investigation is recommended which will produce a great deal more information than our current knowledge of the site.

Submitted by McDonald Brooms.

USDA-NRCS

This summer a 1.5 mile section along Choccolocco Creek was surveyed prior to watershed improvements (water quality) in Calhoun County. The planned improvements include clearing and snagging debris (mostly fallen trees) in the creek as well as grading, shaping and otherwise protecting the creek bank in eight highly eroded sections with rip rap rock, willow tree plantings and erosion control blankets. Only one site (CA630), a small artifact scatter, was discovered in the project area. Technical assistance and advice was also provided to the NRCS Northwest AL Resources Conservation and Development (RC&D) Office regarding the public or community (re)use of three historic schools that may be demolished or sold if no funds for rehabilitation or maintenance are made available and a proposed walking/ hiking trail near the community of Waterloo (RC&D Offices assist local councils in coordinating the improvements of environmental, social and economic conditions in rural areas.)

Southern Research's final report, Archaeological Testing at the Hogjaw Valley Site, 1JA643, Jackson County, Alabama, by Daniel T. Elliott and Scot J. Keith, is being prepared following comments from the Alabama Historical Commission. Southern Research conducted testing at this site prior to a proposed MRCS Emergency Watershed Protection erosion stabilization project on the Tennessee River (discussed in the May/June issue of *Stones & Bones*). Alabama NRCS hopes to soon include this report on the Cultural Resources section of the State Office web page, where other cultural resources activities are presented (www.ga.nrcs.usda.gov/al/).

The Cultural Resources Specialist, Teresa Paglione, has also been conducting surveys for the

USDA Forest Service associated with the southern pine beetle infestations in the Oconee National Forest (Georgia) and the Bankhead National Forest (Alabama) and volunteering as supervisor at the Forest Service's Passport in Time (PIT) project at Scull Shoals in the Oconee National Forest (on the Oconee River south of Athens, GA). Passport in Time (www.passportintime.com) is the USDA Forest Service's volunteer archaeology and historic preservation program where the general public is invited to work with professional archaeologists and historians on projects that include archaeological excavations, rock art restoration, archival research, historic structure restoration, and more.

Submitted by Teresa Paglione.

From the Past



"Pop" Smith and a cache of 27 Benton Points, Hodges, Alabama 1968 (Photo by Read Stowe). According to Charles Hubbert, the cache was found on Patton Island on the Tennessee River by "Mom" Smith. They had taken a break from artifact collecting to eat lunch when Mom looked down on the bank below where she was sitting and saw one of the points sticking out of the dirt.

Calendar

The **100th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association** will be held November 28 - December 2, 2001 at the Marriot Wardman Park Hotel in Washington, D.C. Beginning this year, the AAA Preliminary Program will be available on the AAA Web site, www.aaanet.org. This includes the schedule of all sessions and meetings as well as all registration and housing forms. Please check the web site beginning September 1.

The **2001 Southeastern Archaeological Conference** will be held November 14-17, 2001 at the Marriott Hotel, Chattanooga Tennessee.

Evolution on PBS

A new series titled "Evolution" is set to debut September 24th on PBS and the Web. The series is produced by leading public broadcaster WGBH Boston, the producer of the award-winning science series NOVA. The series will air September 24th, 25th, 26th, and 27th between 8:00 and 10:00 p.m. (check your local listings). You can log on to <http://www.pbs.org/evolution> for more information and as a companion to the series beginning September 24th.

New Publications from the University of Alabama Press

Laudonniere and Fort Caroline

History and Documents

Charles E. Bennett

New Foreword by Jerald T. Milanich

Laudonniere and Fort Caroline remains the most complete work on the establishment of Fort Caroline in 1562, which heralded the permanent settlement by Europeans within the present limits of the United States.

Originally published in 1964 by the University Press of Florida, the volume is now once again available in a paperback edition with a new foreword. Here are a few comments by your colleagues:

"A generation of archaeologists and historians became fascinated with early colonial history through Charles Bennett's *Laudonniere and Fort Caroline*, which sadly, has been out of print for some time. With this new edition, scholars of American colonial history and anthropology can once again have this essential corpus of information at our fingertips."

--Kathleen Deagan, Distinguished Research Curator at the Florida Museum of Natural History and author of *Spanish St. Augustine: The Archaeology of a Colonial Creole Community*.

"Charles Bennett's *Laudonniere and Fort Caroline* is a fascinating and highly readable collection. It recounts the narrative history in clear and straightforward language, while also presenting translations of importing historical evidence that together shed much light on the brief and tragic history of this colonial effort."

--John T. McGrath, historian at Boston University and author of *The French in Early Florida: In the Eye of the Hurricane*.

"A welcomed reissuing of important commentary and documents about the French experience at Fort Caroline. This book will appeal to scholars and others interested in the early European activities in the greater Southeast. Charles Bennett has put together a wonderful collection of documents, pictures, and history to recount the rise and fall of the French at Fort Caroline."

--Robert J. Thunen, anthropologist at the University of North Florida.

216 pages, illustrated

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AND to accompany this new paperback edition, we have also reprinted--

Three Voyages

Rene Laudonniere

Translated from the French and with an
Introduction and Notes by Charles E. Bennett
New Foreword by Jerald T. Milanich

This first-person, eyewitness account, written in 1565 by a major participant in all three attempts to establish a French colony on the south Atlantic coast of North America, offers a valuable primary resource about the exploration of the New World.

University Press of Florida released this volume in 1975 and after being out of print for a long time, it is now available again in paper, with a new foreword by Jerry Milanich that places this historical document in context with its times and current research. Wide support for this work includes the following commentary:

"The sources contained in the volume are rich in ethnographic and historical detail, and provide an unparalleled glimpse of early French interaction with the Timucuan Indians and others in the late 16th century. The volume is destined to become required reading for anyone interested in Southeastern Indians or early European exploration in this region.:

--John E. Worth, archaeologist for the Coosawattee Foundation and author of *The Timucuan Chiefdoms of Spanish Florida*.

"Laudonniere, the founder and commander of the French Fort Caroline outpost in Florida, wrote with great insight and a lively prose style. His history remains our most reliable French work on the history of that undertaking, as well as revealing much about the European understanding of the Americas during that era"

--John T. McGrath

"If Cabeza de Vaca's account of his trek across the southern United States is the first great American account of travel and adventure, then the Rene Laudonniere narrative is the first American tragedy. Laudonniere, sailor, explorer, commander, and survivor, documented the French expeditions to the Southeast. It is from him that we learn of the French interactions with the local Timucuan,

problems with the colony at Fort Caroline, and ultimately Fort Caroline's fall at the hands of the Spanish."

--Robert J. Thunen

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Charles E. Bennett is a historian and former Florida congressman. He was co-author of the Moss-Bennett legislation and was instrumental in the establishment of the Fort Caroline National Memorial and the Timucuan Ecological and Historical Preserve. Jerald T. Milanich is Curator in Archaeology at the Florida Museum of Natural History.

Setting the Agenda for American Archaeology

The National Research Council

Archaeological Conferences of 1929, 1932,
and 1935

Edited by Michael J. O'Brien and R. Lee
Lyman

This collection elucidates the key role played by the National Research Council seminars, reports, and pamphlets in setting an agenda that has guided American archaeology in the 20th century. In the 1920s and 1930s, the fascination that Americans had for the continent's prehistoric past was leading to a widespread and general destruction of archaeological evidence. In a drive toward the commercialization of antiquities, amateur collectors and "pot hunters" pillaged premier and lesser-known sites before the archaeological record could be properly investigated and documented. Adding to the problem was a dearth of professionals and scholars in the field to conduct professional investigations and to educate the public about the need for preservation and scientific research methods.

In stepped the National Research Council, a division of the National Academy of Sciences, as the Committee on State Archaeological Surveys. The CSAS initiated an enormously successful outreach program to enlist the aid of everyday

citizens in preserving the fragile but valuable pre-historic past. Meetings held in St. Louis, Birmingham, and Indianapolis provided nuts-and-bolts demonstrations by trained archaeologists and laid out research agendas that both professionals and amateurs could follow.

Setting the Agenda contains the complete reports of the three NRC conferences, a short publication on the methods and techniques for conducting archaeological surveys, and a guide for amateur archaeologists. An extensive introduction by the editors sets these documents in context and provides insight into the intentions of the NRC committee members as they guided the development of American archaeology.

Michael J. O'Brien is Professor of Anthropology at the University of Missouri at Columbia and co-editor of *Changing Perspectives on the Archaeology of the Central Mississippi Valley*. R. Lee Lyman is Professor of Anthropology at the University of Missouri at Columbia and co-editor of *Measuring the Flow of Time*, also published by The University of Alabama Press.

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Island Lives

Historical Archaeologies of the Caribbean

Edited by Paul Farnsworth

This comprehensive study of the historical archaeology of the Caribbean provides sociopolitical context for the ongoing development of national identities.

Long before the founding of Jamestown in 1607, there were Spanish forts, bustling towns, sugar plantations, and sea trade flourishing in the Caribbean. While richer nations, particularly the United States, may view the Caribbean today as merely a place for sun and fun, the island colonies were at one time far more important and lucrative to their European empire countries than their mainland colonies. From the 15th to the 19th centuries, as competing colonial powers vied with each other for military and economic advantage in

the Western Hemisphere, events in the Caribbean directly influenced the North American mainland.

This is one rationale for the close study of historical archaeology in the Caribbean. Another is the growing recognition of how archaeological research can support the defining of national identities for the islands, many of them young independent states struggling to establish themselves economically and politically. By looking at cases in the French West Indies, specifically on Gaudeloupe, in the Dutch Antilles and Aruba, in the British Bahamas, on Montserrat and St. Eustatius, on Barbados, and within the U.S. Virgin Islands, the contributions to *Island Lives* have produced a broad overview of Caribbean historical archaeology.

Island Lives makes clear that historical archaeology in the Caribbean will continue to grow and diversify due to the interest Caribbean peoples have in recording, preserving, and promoting their culture and heritage; the value it adds to their "heritage tourism"; and the connection it has to African American history and archaeology. In addition, the contributors point to the future by suggesting different trajectories that historical archaeology and its practitioners may take in the Caribbean. In doing so, they elucidate the problems and issues faced worldwide by researchers working in colonial and post-colonial societies.

Paul Farnsworth is Associate Professor of Anthropology at Louisiana State University.

Contributors include: Douglas Armstrong, Norman F. Barka, Andre Delpuech, Charles R. Ewen, Paul Farnsworth, Conrad "Mac" Goodwin, Jay B. Haviser, Thomas C. Loftfield, Lydia M. Pulsipher, David R. Watters, Laurie A. Wilkie.

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Mississippian Ceremonial Building in Illinois

A group of amateur and professional archaeologists who spent the summer excavating the site of an ancient village along the Illinois River uncovered what they believe are the remains of a public ceremonial building.

The crew spent two months unearthing a 30-by-40 foot section of the building, defining its outline by charcoal remaining from burnt support timbers and discolored soil showing where trenches that held the timbers were dug.

Lawrence Conrad, who led the second-straight summer expedition at the Mississippian village that dates to the 1300s, said he believes the building was burnt on purpose..

"I think we have a ritually destroyed building on public grounds," he said. "These buildings, to them, were sacred. They couldn't use this wood for kindling or to build another house, so they burned it and buried it."

The site, known as the "Town at the Edge of the World," was apparently the northernmost outpost of Mississippian culture, which stretched from the Illinois River valley to eastern Texas and central Florida. The town was fortified with wood palisades and appears to have been a capital, home to a few hundred people.

Known as the Hildemeyer site, the ancient village - now covered by cornfields - has been recognized as significant for more than 70 years. Conrad led the first professional excavation last year after the land changed hands and the new owner gave permission.

Conrad, director of archaeology at Western Illinois University, is looking for someone to take over the project. He plans to retire so he can finish processing artifacts from previous digs and publish the findings.

Taken from "Archaeologists Find Remains of Ceremonial Building during Summer Dig," Daily Southtown (ILL), Tuesday, July 31, 2001.

Submitted by Teresa Paglione

Sites Added to the Alabama State Site File

March 1 - June 30, 2001

Autauga	22
Baldwin	3
Calhoun	1
Cherokee	5
Clarke	2
Cleburne	1
Chilton	6
Coffee	1
Coosa	9
Colbert	1
Covington	1
Dale	8
Dallas	1
Etowah	1
Franklin	1
Geneva	2
Greene	9
Hale	1
Henry	4
Houston	1
Jefferson	1
Lamar	3
Lauderdale	3
Lawrence	17
Lee	4
Limestone	6
Lowndes	3
Macon	2
Madison	18
Marion	1
Marshall	1
Mobile	11
Montgomery	1
Morgan	3
Pickens	1
Shelby	19
Talladega	11
Tallapoosa	1
Tuscaloosa	13

Speaker's Bureau

The following individuals have volunteered to present programs on a variety of topics at Chapter meetings. Please contact them directly. It is expected that more will be announced in future newsletters.

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destruction along the Tennessee River.

In addition: The Alabama Humanities Foundation
has an extensive Speakers list. Visit their website at
www.Bham.net/ahf or call 205-930-0540 for a complete
list of speakers and topics.

AAS Scholarships

The Alabama Archaeological Society will award two scholarships this year in the amount of \$250.00 each to two students actively engaged in an archaeological research project. Proposals for the scholarships must be submitted to the Scholarship Committee by January 31st. The Scholarship Committee will review the proposals and make recommendations to the Board of Directors at the Spring BOD meeting. The Board of Directors will vote on the proposals at the Spring meeting and an announcement of the recipients will be made by March 31st.

Minimum criteria for the grants are: 1) the student recipients must be a member of the Alabama Archaeological Society, 2) the research project that the student is involved with must be located in the state of Alabama, 3) the student must be an undergraduate or a graduate student enrolled in a college or university in the State of Alabama with an active anthropology program, 4) the student must submit a letter of endorsement from an anthropology program, and 5) the student will be required to present a paper on his or her research project at the Winter meeting.

Public Education

The Alabama Archaeological Society will award public education grants this year in the amount of \$500.00. Single grant awards shall not exceed \$500.00. Proposals for the grants must be submitted to the Public Education Committee Chairman by January 31st. The Public Education Committee will review the proposals and make recommendations to the Board of Directors at the Spring BOD meeting. The Board of Directors will vote on proposals at the Spring meeting and an announcement of the grant recipient (s) shall be made by March 31st.

Minimum criteria for the grants are: 1) the project director/grant administrator must be a member of the Alabama Archaeological Society, 2) the public education project must be located in the State of Alabama, 3) the project director or his or her representative will be required to give a presentation on the project at the Winter meeting.

Research Grant

The Alabama Archaeological Society will grant an award of \$500.00 this year to a deserving archaeological research project. Grant proposals must be submitted to the Archaeological Resources Chairman by January 31st. The Archaeological Resources Committee will review the proposals and make recommendations to the Board of Directors at the Spring BOD meeting. The Board of Directors will vote on the proposals at the Spring meeting and an announcement of the recipient shall be made by March 31st. Minimum criteria for the grant are: 1) the project director/grant administrator must be a member of the Alabama Archaeological Society, 2) the project must be located in Alabama, 3) the project director or his or her representative will be required to present a paper on the archaeological project at the Winter meeting and, 4) the project director or other personnel working on the project must submit a written report for publication in the Journal of Alabama Archaeology within twelve months of receiving the grant.

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CORRECTION

The editors of Stones & Bones would like to make a correction to the May/ June issue. The May/June issue was improperly labeled Volume 42 Issue 3. The Volume number should have been 43. We apologize for our mistake.

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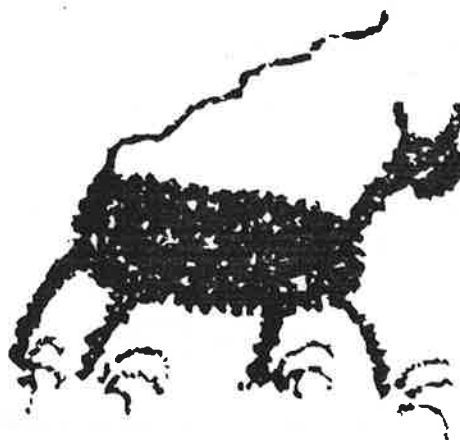
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The editorial staff at *Stones & Bones* is looking for articles to publish and we would like those articles to come from you the members. If you have visited a site recently that you found to be of interest (it doesn't have to be in Alabama) tell us about it. If you have been doing research on a particular topic, tell us about it. If you have been involved in anything else archaeological, tell us about it. These do not have to be professional papers, so please feel free to contribute. If you have color pictures (if you only have black and white photos that's fine) which accompany your article, please send those as well and we will include them with your article.



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