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Alabama Archaeology Week

Alabama Archaeology Week 2004 is scheduled for September 25th to October 2nd. Please visit the website for more information:

www.usouthal.edu/archaeology/archweek.html

NORTHEAST

Contact: Carla Moses, 256-782-8143, cmoses@jsucc.jsu.edu, or Hunter Johnson, 256-782-8089, hunterj@jsucc.jsu.edu

Saturday, September 25, 9:00 am until 4:00 pm Cathedral Caverns State Park

Dr. Harry Holstein will give hourly talks on the 1988 Cathedral Caverns excavation, and artifacts from the excavation will be on display. Larry Smith will give hourly discussions on the inhabitation of the area by American Indians. Hunter Johnson will demonstrate flintknapping, Josh Cordle and Jamie Dickeson will show how American Indians made dugout canoes, and Jeff Patterson and Chuck Burns will demonstrate the use of the atlatl and long bow.

Cost: \$8.00/adults, \$5.00/children 6-12 years old
Special school rates- \$5.00 per student

Group Rates: \$6.00/person (25 people or more)

Tuesday, September 28, 9:00 am until 4:00 pm

Sequoyah Caverns

Inside the caverns Gail King will give a talk on the Cherokee Indian Sequoyah. Hunter Johnson will speak on the use of caves by American Indians. Throughout the day visitors can view educational demonstrations, including stone tool production. Sean Williamon will show how American Indians made pottery, and Jeff Patterson and Chuck Burns will demonstrate atlatl and long bow use. At the historic home located on the premises, Rebecca Ridley will give a presentation on the architectural design and history of the building.

Cost for school groups: \$6.95/adults,
\$3.95/children,

Cost for general public: \$8.95/adults,
\$4.95/children ages 4-12, under 4 free

Saturday, October 2, Jacksonville State University

**Field next to Stephenson Hall on Highway 21
Alabama Archaeological Week Festival**

Gail King will talk about "The Cultural Evolution of the Cherokees and Creeks in Northeastern

Visit the NEW AAS Web Page:

<http://www.southalabama.edu/aas.html>

Alabama," and Larry Stephens will discuss Civil War history in northeastern Alabama. Patsy Hanvey will show how American Indians made pottery, Josh Cordle and Jamie Dickeson will give a demonstration of how American Indians made dugout canoes, Jeff Patterson and Chuck Burns will show how atlatls and long bows are used, and there will also be a demonstration on stone tool production.
FREE

NORTHWEST

Contact: Jean Allan, 205-489-5111,
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Saturday, October 2, 11:00 am to 3:30 pm

Bankhead National Forest Brushy Lake Campground

Archaeofest - "This Land is Your Land" features an anti-looting exhibit. Demonstrations include flintknapping, making prehistoric pottery, stone carving, blowgun and atlatl use. A small-scale archaeological excavation will be in progress to show techniques and tools of the trade. Living history performers, Cherokee storytelling, and a hands-on archaeology box for children, as well as displays on cave archaeology, rock art, Native American use of plants and animals, and ancient sky watchers add to the day. Hotdogs, soft drinks, and Indian Mound cake will be served at noon. Please bring lawn chairs or a blanket.

Directions: To get to the Campground from Double Springs, take Hwy. 33 north 15 miles to the Pine Torch sign and turn right. Follow the paved road and turn left at the sign pointing to Brushy Lake. From Moulton, take Hwy. 33 south 9 miles to the Pine Torch sign and turn left. Follow the paved road and turn left at the sign pointing to Brushy Lake.
FREE

WEST CENTRAL

Contact: Steven Meredith, 205-566-5376,
mered003@bama.ua.edu, or Paul Jackson,
pdjackson@panamconsultants.com
Tuscaloosa

Saturday, September 25, 8:00 am Leaving from Tuscaloosa Public Library

Join us on a field trip to site 1Tp21, a soapstone outcrop from which the prehistoric peoples chiseled stone bowls, which they traded throughout the Southeast. Archaeologists will be on hand to talk about how and why prehistoric peoples made, used, and traded these unique vessels. Bring a lunch and wear clothes suitable for a walk in the woods.
FREE

Monday, September 27

Volunteer archaeologists will visit area Elementary schools and discuss the field of archaeology with students.
FREE

***Tuesday, September 28, 6:00 pm
Panamerican Consultants, Inc., 924 26th Ave. E***
Join us at PCI archaeology lab to see flintknappers and potters demonstrate their crafts.
FREE

***Thursday, September 29, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Tuscaloosa Public Library***
Archaeologists will setup tables at the Library. Bring your artifacts for identification.
FREE

***Wednesday, September 30, 7:00 pm
ten Hoor Hall, University of Alabama***
Presentations focusing on current archaeological research in Alabama and Mississippi will be given by UA graduate students.
FREE

***Wednesday through Saturday, October 6 - 9
Moundville Archaeological Park***
Moundville Native American Festival featuring Southeastern Indians demonstrating arts and crafts, traditional dances, songs, and games. Cost: Admission charge to the park.

***Friday, October 8, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Moundville Archaeological Park
Office of Archaeological Research***

Come see The University of Alabama's Archaeological Research Lab during one of the Southeast's largest Native American festivals. Researchers will be on hand to answer questions and discuss the world of archaeological analysis. Cost: Admission charge to the park.

NORTH CENTRAL

Contact: Matt Gage, 205-371-2266
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Birmingham

Saturday, September 25, 9:00 am

Leaving from the Emmett O'Neil Public Library in Crestwood Village, Mountain Brook

Site 1Tp21 is a soapstone outcrop from which the prehistoric peoples chiseled stone bowls, which were traded throughout the Southeast. Our field trip will include a visit to the site, and archaeologists will be on hand to talk about how prehistoric peoples made, used, and traded these unique vessels. Bring a lunch and wear clothes suitable for a walk in the woods.

FREE

Monday, September 27, 6:00 pm

Conference Room,

Lynn-Henley Research Library

Birmingham Public Library

Dr. Justin Lev-Tov will discuss some of his work in Israel and the surrounding area. Dr. Ksenija Borojevic's specialization in early plant use includes research into the origins of plant domestication in the Middle East.

FREE

SOUTHWEST

Contact: Bonnie Gums, 251-460-6562
bgums@jaguar1.usouthal.edu

Orange Beach

Thursday, September 23, 6:00 pm

Orange Beach Public Library

Bonnie Gums will present a talk entitled "Prehistoric Peoples at Orange Beach," at Orange Beach Public Library, 26267 Canal Road (1/4 mile east of

Hwy 161). For more information please contact Angela Rand at 251-981-8179.

FREE

Mobile

Tuesday, September 28, Noon

Center for Archaeological Studies

University of South Alabama

Dr. Philip Carr will present a talk entitled "Stone Tools meet Computers: Interpreting Prehistoric Artifact Distributions." Please join us and bring a bag lunch.

FREE

Tuesday, September 28, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Center for Archaeological Studies

University of South Alabama

Tour the USA Center for Archaeological Studies, and learn about archaeology in the Mobile area. Groups of 10 or more should call ahead for reservations. Contact Bonnie Gums at 251-460-6562.

FREE

Thursday, September 30, Noon

Center for Archaeological Studies

University of South Alabama

Lunchtime talk entitled "Archaeology at Old St. Stephens" by George Shorter. Please join us and bring a bag lunch.

FREE

To be Announced

George Shorter will give the talk "Archaeology at Old St. Stephens, Spanish Mission, AmericanFort, Territorial Capitol: Your Heritage in Danger." Visit www.usouthal.edu/archaeology/archweek.html for more information.

EAST CENTRAL

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Montgomery

Friday, September 24, 10:00 am until 3:00 pm

Capitol Auditorium

Current Research in Alabama Archaeology kick-off Archaeology Week! Fourteen speakers will be presenting on topics from the shell middens of the Gulf Coast to the early pottery-making traditions of the Valley and Ridge, and to the late prehistoric villages of the Tennessee River Valley.

FREE

Tuesday, September 28, Noon

Capitol Auditorium

Dr. Jack Bergstresser will talk about African American archaeology. Bring a bag lunch.

FREE

Thursday, September 30, Noon

Capitol Auditorium

There will be a Meet and Greet where visitors may bring a bag lunch. Visitors may also bring in their artifacts for identification.

FREE

SOUTHEAST

Contact: John Bongino, 251-460-7976
geoarch1979@yahoo.com

Dothan

Tuesday, September 28, 7:00 pm

Houston Love Memorial Library

John Bongino will present "Prehistoric Peoples of Southeast Alabama" and Dr. Philip Carr will talk about "Investigating the Past through Archaeology."

FREE

For general suggestions or information about Alabama Archaeology Week, please contact Phil Carr at: pcarr@jaguar1.usouthal.edu. Submitted by Phil Carr.

50th Anniversary of the AAS

The Alabama Archaeological Society will be celebrating our 50th anniversary at the December 4, 2004 meeting in Decatur, Alabama, hosted by the Huntsville, Muscle Shoals, and Cullman Chapters. Please keep this issue of the newsletter

handy as it includes directions to the meeting site and suggestions for nearby lodging.

Focusing on the FIRST 50 years of AAS, the program intends to remind the members of all the good archaeological preservation work we have accomplished--and maybe point us as a group towards the future opportunities. Feel free to bring along a poster or scrapbook of AAS memories to share. There is still room on the program for anyone wishing to give a paper, so please contact me at 205-556-5841 if you want to be on the program-- slide shows welcomed!!

Submitted by Margaret Russell.

Winter Meeting Directions

From the North

Take I-65 South to Decatur exit #340. Take Highway 20/Alt 72 West, and cross over the Tennessee River into Decatur. The highway merges with U.S. Hwy. 31 South. Continue south on Hwy. 31 (6th Avenue) for .8 mile. At the 8th traffic light after crossing the river, turn right onto Gordon Drive. Go .6 miles crossing over the railroad overpass and turn left at the first traffic light onto 2nd Ave. SW. After .1 mile, as you go straight through the traffic light the road becomes Central Parkway. Continue south on Central Parkway for .6 miles to the second Decatur Utilities building on the left at 1002 Central Parkway.

From the South

Take I-65 North to Decatur exit #334 at Priceville. Turn left onto Hwy. 67 and go west 4.3 miles to Decatur. Continue on Hwy. 67 (Beltline Road) for .3 mile after crossing U.S. Hwy 31 (6th Avenue). Turn right on Central Parkway at the first traffic light after crossing the railroad overpass. Continue north on Central Parkway for 2.3 miles. Turn right into the first Decatur Utilities building at 1002 Central Parkway.

From the Northeast

From Huntsville, take I-565 West to its end at the junction with I-65. Continue west on Hwy. 20/Alt 72 and follow directions above for travel from the north.

From the West

From Muscle Shoals take Hwy. 20/ALT 72 East to Decatur (about 50 miles). Turn left on Hwy. 67 (Beltline Road). Go 1.2 miles then take the left exit onto Hwy. 24 (Moulton Street) towards Decatur. Go 2.1 mile and at a traffic light, take the right fork onto Gordon Drive (no street sign). Go .3 mile, then turn right on 2nd Ave. SW at the light just before the railroad overpass. Go .1 mile and continue through the traffic light. The road becomes Central parkway. Go .6 mile, then turn left into the second Decatur Utilities building at 1002 Central Parkway.

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Committee Chairs

Program Committee: Margaret Russell
Publications Committee: Eugene Futato
Archives Committee: Bart Hensen
Resources Committee: Teresa Paglione
Publicity Committee: Howard King
Finance Committee: Judith Knight
Education Committee: Linda Derry

Passings

We are sad to report that Christine Wimberly recently passed away. She was probably the last of the Alabama WPA archaeologists. Christine was the wife of Steven B. Wimberly. She was also the author of the student textbook "Exploring Prehistoric Alabama Through Archaeology".

Cotton Field Meditations 2

The sites are fading away. Lately I've been walking on prehistoric sites that I have not seen in almost forty years. Almost all of them are recorded sites, and almost all of them were recorded by a collector of Indian relics. Thinking back, I remember them as being relatively dense scatters of flint debris between the rows of cotton. Today, as I walk the rows, I see only occasional pieces of

flint. Every year, the plow, harrow and disc break the artifacts into smaller pieces and disperse them farther and farther apart. The sites have become almost invisible. If I did not know where they are I might not find them. If I were walking them for the first time today I would probably not consider recording them as a site. They are disappearing. Some of them are already gone.

Other than myself, no trained, practicing, scientifically oriented archaeologist has ever seen these sites. None of them will ever see these sites. The only evidence that these sites ever existed will be the site forms prepared by a collector. There are very valid reasons for that. No one knows better than I the necessity of earning a reliable, sufficient income. We all recognize that necessity. Most academically trained archaeologists are either teachers or governmental managers mandated by law. Their days are taken up by teaching or by managing. The fact remains that were it not for a collector, there would be no record that the sites ever existed. In fact, were it not for collectors, there would be no record that entire classes of sites ever existed. If it were not for collectors, the archaeological record available to science would be seriously skewed.

That suggests to me that collectors of Indian relics are an integral part of the study of Alabama prehistory. They should be encouraged to continue to collect artifacts that are disturbed by erosion or cultivation. They should be encouraged to record the sites and the artifacts they recover from them. They should be encouraged to cooperate with archaeologists who look at them as helpers, not as looters.

The situation is different....but the same...along the Tennessee River. Wave action and high water eat into the banks every year...year after year. Sites I collected from as a young man are now just remnants of the sites I knew. Who really believes that artifacts that wash out of the banks and into the river, and are not picked up by collectors, will ever be important to archaeology? Submitted by Charles Hubbert.

A Talk with Sam Mosley

Last month, *Stones & Bones* reported the passing of Sam Mosley, one of the founding members of the Alabama Archaeological Society. The following comments about Sam Mosley was provided by Mark Cole along with a transcript of an interview Mark did with Mr. Mosley in 2002.

Shown below is Sam Mosley holding a steatite bowl. Photo submitted by Mark Cole.



Sam Mosley was a very gracious and intelligent man which I had an opportunity to meet on numerous occasions. He played an important role in the formation of the Decatur Society and the Alabama Archaeological Society and will be sorely missed by those that knew him.

We have lost the final founding father of our Society. I am grateful that he agreed to share some of his memories as the keynote speaker for the Paleoindian Conference last September. In later conversations, I became aware that he greatly appreciated that opportunity and shared from his heart.

Sam allowed the following comments to the author to be copied by audiotape in 2002. This conversation about the origins of our Society and some of the people involved, took place with

Mosley, the author, and two other members of our society in Mosley's home. I hope you enjoy reading this as much as I enjoyed talking with him.

The Founding Fathers of the Alabama Archaeological Society

This thing started out in 1951 with Frank Soday having been on the river for the better part of 1951 and had discovered the Quad Site at that time I believe. This was the early days of Chemstrand and Frank was the vice president of research.

Frank was interested in starting an organization that preserved the archaeology of the region. I came in and immediately started hunting the river. I had a cabin site on Finley Island (actually the mainland, the island had been flooded but they called it the Finley Island camping area). I went to work in a boat some days and would stop off and hunt arrowheads on the way home.

The point where the research department was located was actually an Indian site and we picked up a number of points there. Monsanto's entire island there was an enormous site that Roger Schaeffer had done lots of work on, and we still found a lot of points along the shore. The crowd Soday got together was made up mostly of Chemstrand people because he worked there also. There was Chick Craig, myself, Roger Schaeffer, Dr. Soday and one more.

I came in 1964 for only a year and a half, and then it (Chemstrand) swapped over. I was a short timer for Chemstrand and then they changed the name and Monsanto took over. By that time I was out in Israel.

Back in those early days, 5-6 people made up the Decatur Society, formed it. If I remember correctly, the state formed their society in 1954 or 1955. We debated very seriously whether to ask the Birmingham group to start a state organization. They were a very clickish group, but we were a clickish group ourselves I suspect.

Frank got together with them and decided that to get this thing really going, we should combine our talents and have an Alabama Archaeological Association rather than just a Decatur group and a Birmingham group. Decatur was actually here

before the state. We formed chapters in Huntsville, the Tri-Cities and Cullman came a little later. They suddenly came together and formed what we know today as the Alabama Archaeological Society.

I never was a state officer, but one of the first officers of the Decatur chapter. Frank Soday was president, Schaeffer was secretary, Chick Craig was the editor, I was the first vice president. We met once a month. We would have a speaker come in and he would talk about certain phases of Indian life. Frank gave the first half a dozen meetings himself. He just started imparting his knowledge to us. He loved to do that. David Hulse used to come once or twice while I was there. Tom Atkeson (Wheeler Wildlife Manager) used to come occasionally back in the 1950's. I think that we met in the Decatur utilities building.

In 6-8 months we went from 6 people to 12-15. It got as large as 25 people. When Frank Soday left Chemstrand that killed the chapter. The day he left, now it was still active, I was president of it back when he left and then they transferred a bunch of people from Monsanto to North Carolina and that took some of the starch out of it. I went overseas and that took some of the starch out of it.

Frank Soday

Soday was a prince of a fellow. I took this discoidal to Frank Soday in my pocket. I pulled it out and said "Frank, take a look at this sun disc I found on the river", he looked at me funny and said "That's no sun disc, that's a discoidal!"

He was a real authority on the American Indian. He started out before we really organized into an organization, and would give a series of lectures to a small group. There were only about 6 of us and he started with the very earliest of artifacts found in the country. Little gravers, scrapers, fluted points; he was very interested in the old stuff. Now he wouldn't turn down a good looking pot, but his real interest was the frontier of time as the Indian knew it.

He had a fabulous collection. He would have died and rolled over if he knew it was sold. Frank was on the river himself every free minute of his

time. He was really into it and I did the same thing. I was on the river 365 days one year.

He was in Oklahoma and he got interested in the subject and just started digging into it. He was just the type of person who liked to learn but he had a collection before he came to Decatur, he was already collecting. I had collected on Village Creek in Birmingham back in the 30's. I had a few odd pieces, but nothing of any consequence. Frank was involved with some mound up there, probably Spiro, I am not sure though.

Jack Cambron and David Hulse

Jack would borrow your collection if he could. I picked up every rock on North Pride. I had boxes and boxes of things. I told him, yeah, you can borrow them, I just want to be sure I get them back. So he and Frank Soday came and looked through them, I don't know what they ever did about them but they did return them.

Jack worked for the Decatur Daily (local newspaper). He was a pressman, and my next door neighbor when I lived on Finley Island was Herman Free who worked for the Decatur Daily. He was the chief pressman. He ran the place.

I don't know what kind of experience Jack had before he came to Alabama. He and David Hulse decided that they would describe all of the points that they could. Well, David did the artwork I think and Jack did the descriptions. Together they published a book called the point types book.

This sort of rubbed me the wrong way because here is Jack and he doesn't even have a college education and he is writing this stuff as if it were the gospel. They (archaeologists) had a hard time with that but there was nothing they could do about it. Frank Soday pushed them to do this. He pushed Jack and David and he would push anybody that was interested.

Archaeology in Alabama During the 1950's

There was a lot of secrecy (with archaeological sites at that time). Chick Craig used to heckle the heck out of me about where I went and I would tell him I went down the river. Well where is your site- down the river.

I don't think I have but one true fluted point. My dad had some that I have, but he found those

down in the Tri-Cities area. My brother Tom was interested in it. He never joined the Society, but he was an avid hunter. Dad would come up from Birmingham to visit him and come up to visit me and we would always go arrowhead hunting when he would come. Tom had a site down there that we called North Pride Landing. It produced a tremendous amount of early man artifacts, and yet very few fluted points. Very few points at all, mostly what I call square base points.

I had another little site out here on Finley Island (Nebo Hill), it is about where 3Ms plant is now. I discovered it rabbit hunting, and I took off a bunch of points there, but they are all square notch points. It was typical for that site but other artifacts were all early man artifacts. Flake scrapers, snub nose scrapers, graters. All of it was early man. I found one fluted point there.

I also have lava off Finley Island with a man's handprint on it. Finley Island would come up when the water started dropping in the fall and it was the first Island that would come up. The one right across the river from it would come off later; I have a bowl off of it also. That is the one with all the house brick on it. But it was the eastern end of Finley Island I got this piece of lava with the guys handprint on it.

I picked up every piece on Nebo Hill. I wrote an article on it (Journal of Alabama Archaeology, Mosley, 1959). Nebo Hill is before you get to Finley Island, there was a road that went in. Nebo Church was on that road, and right across the road from this church, the land sort of fell off and that is where the site was.

It was an isolated site, very small, it wasn't as big as this house, the artifacts were very concentrated on the site and very specific to what may have been just a summer camp back away from the river.

I took every flake off it. Two or three times and it would rain and I would take every flake off it. But that is where I found my only fluted point. It was broken; one piece was lying here, and the other half was lying right by it. I picked them up and put them together and they fit just perfectly. These were just lying together as if they had just recently been broken.

I have been out there looking for it and GE has got a warehouse or something out there just above where the sites was. There are fenced areas in there and I couldn't get a look. I found a soapstone bowl on a hill just over from Nebo Hill. It was a gullied out, washed out area, and this bowl was sitting right on top of it, upside down, and broken into a hundred pieces, I've got it in here. I worked on that thing for a month, washing it, very carefully. I rocked my brush back and forth to get all the mud and grit out of it so the pieces would really fit together right. Finally got it done, started taping it up, gluing it up. It all came out fine. It has one little hole in the bottom about the size of a cork bottle. It may have been published in *Sun Circles and Human Hands*.

I have a sandstone bowl out in the garage, in a cardboard box all laying in pieces. You start to wash it and the sandstone crumbles. It just has no body about it at all and I finally decided the best thing to do was just leave it alone. I had it all, this was underwater in the river most of the year and it just leached out whatever was holding it together.

I left in 1960 and did not collect again. I came back about 3-4 years with Chemstrand and went back to Mexico. So in that period I was involved with the Society, but not hunting. Oh, we went down to the river occasionally, just to take the wife to show her what this thing was like.

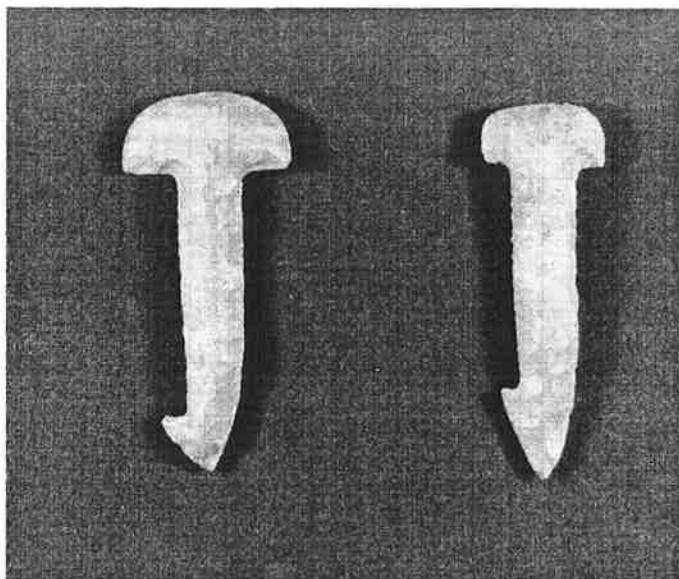
David talked Jack into coming over to his house every night for weeks and weeks, and work on the collection. Jack would go in there, Frank would be gone to New York or wherever and would just work away. He was dedicated if anybody ever was. In a way he had a pretty good education.

David was a heckuva guy too. He would go out duck hunting in the coldest weather and he would ask if your feet were cold. You would say David, they are about to freeze to death and he would say mine aren't bothering me a bit; of course he didn't have feet.

He wouldn't crawl like some have said, he walked on artificial legs and he could walk as well as you can. Never saw him with his legs off. I think he was in some type of wartime accident, but

not as a soldier. He was working in a powder plant, or something I really don't know.

Interesting Artifacts



Shown above are two fish spear points that were found by Mr. Orlando Amos in 1934, when he was 14 years old. They were found on his grandparents farm in Colbert County near Russellville, Alabama, along Tower Creek. Submitted by Mr. Wyatt Amos.

Alabama Anthropological Society

The Alabama Anthropological Society was in many ways the predecessor to the Alabama Archaeological Society. Their publication, "Arrow Points" is still used today by archaeologists to find sites and data about sites discovered by the Anthropological Society. Jim Farrier found this circular while going through his collection of "Arrow Points". We thought our society members would find it interesting.

Alabama Anthropological Society
Headquarters: Montgomery

ORGANIZATION.

The Alabama Anthropological Society was organized in Montgomery, May 13, 1909, to meet the need for some agency, broadly projected, through which students might be brought together for study and research, in an orderly and systematic way, in the field of anthropological science, and by which collections of materials could be assembled for use in such studies and researches.

ACTIVITIES.

The activities of the society involve monthly and annual meetings, the preparation of scientific papers, exploration trips and the excavation of mounds, the building up of a museum, and the publication of the results of research.

MEMBERSHIP.

No qualifications, other than interest in the work of the society. Annual dues \$2.00. Members receive all publications free of other cost than dues.

NEEDS.

New members. Additions of relics to its museum. Information as to exact location of all existing Indian mounds, village sites, workshop sites, cemeteries, trails, etc., etc.

The collections of the Society are deposited in the museum of the Alabama Department of Archives and History, State Capitol.

Lend a helping hand and further a praiseworthy work. Correspondence solicited.

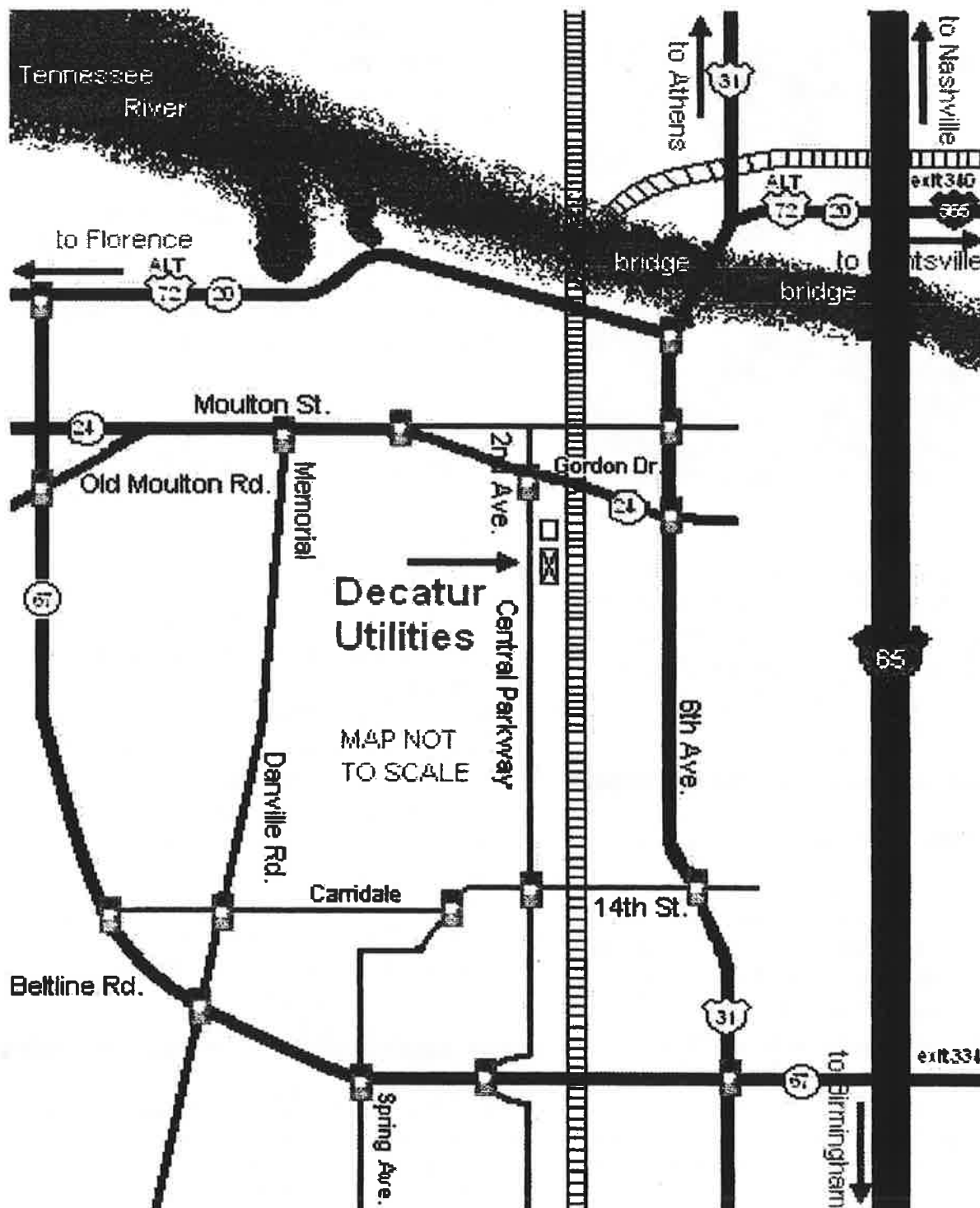
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Montgomery, Alabama.
Submitted by Jim Farrier.

2004 SCHAC Conference

September 17-19, Selma Alabama
SCHAC stands for South Central Historical Archaeology Conference. The south central

Map showing location of Winter Meeting



Lodging in Decatur

On US Hwy. 31 (6th Avenue)

American Inn

2617 Highway 31 S.
Decatur, AL 35601
256-353-7853

Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites

1101 6th Avenue NE
Decatur, AL 35601
256-355-3150 or 800-355-3150
Dcualsales1@cooperhotels.com

Knights Inn

3429 Highway 31 S.
Decatur, AL 35601
256-355-0190

Magnolia Motel

1101 6th Avenue SE
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256-353-5102

Nitefall Motel

2611 Highway 31 S.
Decatur, AL 35603
256-353-0481

Stay Lodge Extended Stay

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Decatur, AL 35603
256-353-7290

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Decatur, AL 35601

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All Suites Hotel

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Best Western Inn & Suites

Beltline Road at Front Avenue
Decatur, AL 35603
256-301-1388 or 800-528-1234

Comfort Inn & Suites

2212 Danville Road
Decatur, AL 35601
256-355-1999 or 888-568-1999

Courtyard by Marriot

1209 Courtyard Circle SW
Decatur, AL 35603
256-355-4446 or 800-321-2211
www.courtyard.com

Hampton Inn

2041 Beltline Road
Decatur, AL 35601
256-355-5888 or 800-426-7866
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Jameson Inn

2120 Jameson Place SW
Decatur, AL 35601
256-355-2229 or 800-526-3766

Microtel Inn & Suites

2226 Beltline Road SW
Decatur, AL 35603
256-301-9995 or 888-771-7171
www.microtelinn.com

Ramada Limited

1317 E. Hwy. 67
Decatur, AL 35601
256-355-2229 or 800-526-3766

region of the U.S. does NOT have a long tradition of historical archaeology, and it has a comparatively small number of resident archaeologists who specialize in the historic era. A few years ago, the lonely few decided to come together once a year in an informal setting to network and share information about their individual projects. Since this region represents a poorer segment of the South, the organizers thought the name "SCHAC" was ironically appropriate.

The organization is still small, informal and welcoming to all that share an interest in historical archaeology. There is usually lots of socializing, a days worth of presentations, and a half day workshop to build and share skills. This year SCHAC will be meeting in Selma at the historic St. James Hotel (reservations 334-872-3234, ask for the SCHAC rate). The gathering will begin on Friday afternoon with registration at the hotel and then a candlelight reception that evening at a nearby historic foundry. Presentations will be on Saturday, and Sunday's workshop topic will be "Public Outreach Strategies that Promote Stewardship."

Proposals for Saturday Presentations will be accepted until Sept 1. For more information, contact Linda Derry, 334-875-2529 or email at cahawba@bellsouth.net. Visit the SCHAC webpage at:

www.uark.edu/campus-resources/archinfo/schac

Submitted by Linda Derry.



New Members

David Parker, LaGrange GA
Kevin Harrelson & Jeannine Windham,
Jacksonville AL

Sarah Gundlach, Mobile AL
Mary Spanos, Alabaster AL

Renewals

M/M James Anderson, Ashville AL
Angela Fabrizi & Frank Atkins, Huntsville AL
Gary Barker, Kingston Springs TN
Charlie & Brenda Baucom, Mosspoint MS
Richard Broughton, Huntsville AL
Jerry Brown, Huntsville AL
Drew Buchner, Memphis TN
Center for Maya Research, Barnardsville NC
Janett Chalker, Wetumpka AL
Jefferson Chapman, Knoxville TN
Jessica Crawford, Lambert MS
Frank Schnell, Columbus GA
Beverly Curry, Huntsville AL
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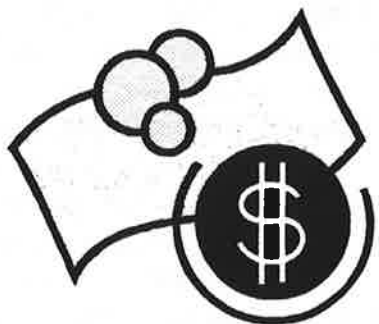
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 Carolyn Wertelecki, Mobile AL
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Donations

Robert Camp, Phil Carr & Amy Young, Howard King, Jim & Judith Knight, J.K. Lanning, Tom McCaskey, Teresa Paglione and Margaret Russell all donated to the pottery book. Teresa Paglione also donated to the Handbook and Education funds. Kent Reilly donated to the Education fund. Thanks everyone!!

Totals:	Education:	\$305.00
	Wimberly:	\$480.50
	Mahan:	\$928.00
	Pottery:	\$1235.00

We only have \$765.00 left for the match grant on the Pottery Book!! Please send in your contribution to the AAS c/o Eugene Futato, 13075 Moundville Archaeological Park, Moundville, Alabama 35474



Chapter News

Southwest Chapter

The SW chapter held their monthly meeting on June 24 at the Center for Archaeological Studies. The program was given by Ms. Shelly Berger a professional archaeologist and the Registrar at the Museum of Mobile who gave a presentation on how artifacts are described for museum display.

For the July meeting, members of the SW Chapter journeyed to Fort Walton Beach, FL to meet with the Emerald Coast Archaeological Society. During the morning they were given a tour of the Temple Mound Museum by Gail Myers, archaeologist and Director of Education for the museum and ended the tour with a visit to the Temple Mound. They then had a picnic lunch at the Wayside park, scene of a two year Deptford archaeological investigation. They then toured the Indianola mound, a suspected burial mound that is currently being surveyed for development as a condominium site. During the afternoon, they met with ECAS at their regular meeting. The highlight of the meeting was a presentation by John Jansen, a Native American craftsman who described his attendance at an invitation only meeting of master potters at Moundville. He then gave a description of making pots in the "old way" and showed examples of his handiwork. It was decided that the September meeting of ECAS will be dedicated to the attendees making their own pot under the direction of John and the SW chapter will be invited to participate.

During August, president Tom McCaskey gave presentations on the Orange Beach Phase III survey conducted this past spring to the Pensacola Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and to the Nine Mile Road Kiwanis Club.

Submitted by Tom McCaskey

What's Happening

Troy University

Members of the Troy University Archaeological Research Center were involved with a Phase I survey in Wetumpka, Alabama. In June, they completed shovel testing along both sides of the Coosa River in Wetumpka between the Bibb Graves Bridge and the bridge at the Coosa River Parkway (about 1 1/2 miles on each side of the river) for the River Walk project. They also conducted documentary and photographic research on the city of Wetumpka and its Historic District. Crew members included: Stephen Williams, Clarissa Eleam, Monica Norton, Linda Sexton, Anderson Brooms and Becky Pitts. Principal Investigator was McDonald Brooms. The River Walk project will entail placing walkways along each side of the Coosa river between the two bridges, creating a nature walk for the city of Wetumpka. The River Walk would also include signage that gives historical/archaeological information about the area.

Forty three sites were previously recorded within and adjacent to the project area, ten additional sites were discovered and recorded. Artifacts consisted of: white quartz flakes, white quartz cores, Knox Chert flakes, glass fragments, whole white quartz projectile points and a few broken white quartz projectile points, one sherd of check stamped pottery, and one sherd of whiteware.

Jacksonville State University

The Jacksonville State University Archaeological Resource Laboratory (ARL) has been involved with several interesting archaeological projects over the last few months. Between January and June of 2004 an archaeological Phase I survey was conducted upon nearly 500 acres of the Shoals Creek Ranger District of the Talladega National Forest. This survey was sponsored by the National Forest Service under a Challenge Cost-Share Agreement. The field supervisor was John Noel and Hunter Johnson was the Principal Investigator. Twenty-one archaeological sites were

recorded and two previously recorded sites were revisited by JSU survey crews. Eighteen of the sites were lithic scatters and the remaining three sites were stone mound and stone wall sites. Two of the lithic scatters contained temporally diagnostic Middle to Late Archaic Morrow Mountain bifaces. The final report "A Phase I Archaeological Investigation of Areas Within the Shoals Creek and Talladega Ranger Districts of the Talladega National Forest" was submitted to the U.S. Forest Service in Montgomery, Alabama.

In April of 2004 the ARL conducted a Phase I archaeological investigation of a proposed bridge replacement on the Old Downing Mill Road over Choccolocco Creek in Calhoun county. The field work was conducted by Amy Eberhart and Marcus Ridley. Hunter Johnson was the Principal Investigator. JSU ARL survey crew revisited a previously recorded site 1Ca631, the Mallory/Downing Mill site. Two standing structures are what remain of a former mill complex. Downing Mill which was constructed in the 1830's, sits immediately adjacent to Choccolocco Creek and this structure has been converted into a modern residence. Approximately 360 feet to the northwest, across Choccolocco Creek, are the portion of the brick walls and foundation of the late 1830's cotton/gin mill. During the survey eight Native American artifacts and 78 historic artifacts were recovered.

A final report entitled "A Phase I Cultural Resource Survey of a Proposed Bridge Replacement on Old Downing Mill Road Over Choccolocco Creek in Calhoun County, Alabama" was submitted to Thompson Engineering, Inc.

During April of 2004, JSU archaeologists performed a Phase I archaeological and architectural survey along 11.72 miles of Mudd Street in Calhoun County. Gabe Bloxom, Gregg Dickey, Dustin Morin, Jeff Patterson, Marcus Ridley, Joseph Brock Tyra, Joe Williams, and Field Supervisor, Rebecca Ridley conducted the fieldwork under the direction of Principal Investigator, Hunter Johnson. Marcus Ridley supervised the architectural survey, while Summer Chandler, Architectural Historian, reviewed several of the historic buildings. During the investigation 34 standing historic buildings and nine archaeological sites were

recorded. Further research will be conducted regarding one of these resources, 1Ca644. Excavations at 1Ca644 resulted in the recovery of over one hundred prehistoric artifacts including: Ledbetter Cluster and Elora hafted bifaces, chipped-stone debitage, and grit-tempered pottery. Artifacts were recovered to depths below 70 cm, indicating that archaeological features may still lie undisturbed at this site. Phase II testing at 1Ca644 should begin soon.

Another interesting project is the Shelton Stone Mound Complex, 1Ca637. ARL staff and JSU students conducted a limited investigation of 20 stone mounds and eight stone walls which straddle a steep hillside overlooking White's Gap on Choccolocco Mountain in Calhoun County. The mounds are on the property of Mr. A.C. Shelton who has been very supportive of the archaeological research. ARL staff are presently developing a detailed map of the mound complex. Future investigation may include limited excavations of some of the mounds and walls to determine their function and/or origin. Numerous other stone mound and stone walls have been recorded throughout Northeast Alabama. A preliminary report by Tiffany Ward entitled "The Shelton Stone Mound Complex (1Ca637)" was submitted to Mr. Albert C. Shelton. Hunter Johnson was the Principal Investigator.

Finally, JSU staff has become involved with a group of concerned regional citizens who are worried about the possible destruction of the Davis Farm archaeological complex in Oxford, Alabama. Historically, the Davis farmstead is one of the earliest structures in Calhoun County. The house and farm outbuildings are historically significant. A historic cemetery with graves dating to the 1850's lie directly behind the house. The house overlooks a beautiful large spring, Boiling Spring. This spring has undoubtedly attracted populations for thousands of years. The Davis Farm archaeological complex consists of thirteen recorded prehistoric multicomponent sites that Native American populations occupied as early as the end of the ice age and continued occupying along this portion of Choccolocco Creek up through the 16th Century. By the 1500's, the Davis property contained a

major Native American town centered around a prominent 30 foot high truncated temple mound. JSU ARL staff and students have excavated portions of six of these sites. Three of the excavated sites 1Ca187, 1Ca190 and 1Ca635 lie in the immediate vicinity of the Davis farmstead. These sites and several nearby unexcavated sites are in danger of destruction. Previous investigations of 1Ca187, 1Ca190 and 1Ca635 indicated they were Native American Woodland and Mississippian village sites. This property is currently up for sale. The land lies at the already heavily developed I-20 Golden Spring interchange. The ARL, the JSU Environmental Policy and Information Center, Alabama Historical Commission, and several other conservation groups and individuals are trying to work with Oxford City officials to find a way to "Save the Farm".

Submitted by Harry Holstein.

Native American Day & Stamp Unveiling

In a ceremony on Saturday, September 11, 2004, the United States Postal Service will unveil a stamp depicting the stone statue found near Lebanon, Tennessee, at the site where it was unearthed in 1939. The event will take place at the Sellars Farm State Archaeological Area, a Mississippian Period mound and village occupied from 1000 to 1300 A.D. The unveiling will be a featured part of "Native American Day: Honoring the Ancient Ones."

As part of the ten stamp pane, "Art of the American Indian" being issued to commemorate the opening of the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington on the National Mall on September 21, the statue stamp will have special cancellation on a pictorial cache envelope. The complete pane will sell for \$3.70 or with the cache envelope for \$5.00. Additional envelopes can be purchased for \$1.50.

The ceremony, beginning at 9:30, will open with an "Honor Song for the Ancestors" performed by Little Corn, the Ancestor's Drum, a

Native American group from Nashville, and will be followed by the unveiling and the stamp sale.

Also, the new Interpretive Kiosk will be dedicated by the Tennessee State Parks, marking the completion of Phase One of the Sellars Farm Area development.

"Native American Day: Honoring the Ancient Ones", 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., also offers a number of activities centering around the archaeological area and the lifestyle of the Mississippian Indians who inhabited it. A series of demonstrations and presentations can be visited on the trail leading to the village site.

Alice Green will present stories from the Mississippian tradition. "Miss Alice", librarian at Watertown, has been giving storytime at Wilson County libraries for years.

Doug Jones, a primitive reenactor, will demonstrate period bows and arrows, stone and bone tools, flintknapping and throw sticks.

John Froeschauer of the Tennessee State Parks will demonstrate spear throwing and the use of the atlatl.

Parris Stripling, flint knapper, will demonstrate knapping techniques.

September 11 also marks the beginning of the 2004 Tennessee Archaeology Awareness Week and a special display will be presented by the MTSU Anthropology Department and Dr. Kevin Smith.

Walking tours of about a mile and a half of the mound and village archaeological site will be available after the unveiling ceremony throughout the day until 3:00. These will be over natural terrain paths, so comfortable shoes are advised.

Admission and activities are free. Parking is on site. To reach the Sellars Farm State Archaeological Area southeast of Lebanon, Tennessee, From I-40 go south at the (Watertown/Sparta Pike exit 239B) on Highway 70 for two miles. Turn left on Poplar Hill Road. Sellars is 3/4 mile on the left before the Spring Creek Bridge.

USA Native American Day - 4th Friday in September.

Tennessee American Indian Day - 4th Monday in September.

Submitted by Jean Allen.



Mississippian effigy USA37

Happy Halloween!!!



[The General Membership of the Alabama Archaeological Society will be asked at the Winter Meeting to vote on the following five additions to the Society's By-laws.

The proposed changes would ensure that the policies and procedures associated with annual AAS grant programs will become part of the Society's By-laws so they can be easily referenced. Currently these grant procedures are only documented in old minutes of the Board of Directors' meetings and are difficult to find and use.]

1. [Add the following to IV C of the By-laws. (Regular Committees of the Society, Archaeological Resources Committee):]

This committee shall also be responsible for the administration of the Society's Research Grant Award and the Society's Scholarship program.

2. [Add the following to SECTION IV of the By-laws, Regular Committees of the Society, as sub-section H.]

H. Public Education and Outreach Committee

A Public Education and Outreach Committee shall be appointed by the President and shall consist of three members with the approval of the Board of Directors for a period of three years, one to be appointed each year. The committee shall take steps to promote among the general public a better understanding of Alabama's archaeology and its findings in order to encourage conservation and stewardship of Alabama's archaeological sites and collections. This committee shall be responsible for the administration of the Society's Public Education Grant Award.

3. [Add the following to the By-Laws as SECTION VIII. (Current SECTION VIII will become SECTION XI)

SECTION VIII. Alabama Archaeological Society Research Grant Awards.

A. Purpose, Philosophy, and Eligibility

The Alabama Archaeological Society will grant an award of up to \$500 each year to an archaeological research project. Awards will be made in harmony with the objectives of the Society, as stated in Article III of the Constitution of the Alabama Archaeological Society. The intent of the Research Grant program is to assist in field, laboratory, museum, or library research projects that will lead to (a) the advancement of scientific knowledge of Alabama's past through publication of results, and (b) a greater public appreciation of Alabama archaeology through public dissemination of results other than by scientific publication. Grant proposals will be judged on both criteria, and no proposal will be funded that does not explicitly address both criteria.

Any current member of the Society is eligible to apply for a Research Grant. The project director or their appointee will be required to contribute a presentation of the project results at the winter meeting of the Society following the award.

B. Procedures for Application

Applications for Research Grants will be solicited in the *Stones & Bones* Newsletter, together with proposal guidelines, the deadline for submission of proposals, and the name, mailing address, and e-mail address of the current Chair of the Archaeological Resources Committee. Research Grant proposals are to be submitted to the Archaeological Resources Committee Chair by a deadline of October 1. Each proposal should consist of a cover letter addressed to the Committee Chair, a two-page, single-spaced project narrative, and a one-page budget. Electronic submission of these materials is encouraged. The cover letter must clearly identify the person or persons responsible for the project and their institutional or chapter affiliations, if any, together with pertinent contact information. The project narrative must clearly identify the project's significance, expected outcome, schedule, and plans for the dissemination of results. The narrative should specify in what manner the project will advance scientific knowledge of Alabama's past, and in what manner the project will enhance the public appreciation of Alabama's archaeological heritage. The project budget must specify the amount requested, up to \$500. If the total project budget is greater than the amount requested, the total budget should be presented in full, together with an explanation of the specific support role or roles to be played by the Research Grant award, and a listing of other funding sources proposed in support of the project.

C. Procedures for Evaluation

The evaluation procedure will be as follows. Copies of all proposals submitted by the deadline will be distributed by the Archaeological Resources Committee Chair to a subcommittee of three Committee members appointed by the Chair. This subcommittee will review the proposals, and will report rankings of the proposals to the Chair, using a ranking method to be determined by the Chair. Based on this information and the concurrence of the Archaeological Resources Committee Chair, the Chair will formulate a recommendation for consideration by the Board of Directors. At the winter meeting of the Board of Directors, the Chair will present a summary of this annual process, together with a motion that the recommended proposal be accepted for funding at a monetary level up to \$500 to be recommended by the Chair. The Board of Directors will vote on this motion at the winter meeting, and an announcement of the recipient will be made at the winter general meeting of the Society.

D. Funding of Research Grants

Funding for Research Grants will come from contributions to the Edward C. Mahan Research Fund. All donors to the Mahan Fund will be listed in the *Stones & Bones* newsletter unless a contributor wishes to remain anonymous. The Archaeological Resources Committee will insure that funds are solicited in the *Stones & Bones* newsletter or other media, and will initiate fund drives as needed to reach or exceed a \$500 Mahan Fund balance by the winter meeting of each year. In the event that the Mahan Fund balance is less than \$500 at the time of the December meeting, the Board of Directors may vote to fund the nominated proposal at any level up to the current balance. Alternatively, the Board of Directors may vote not to award the grant in that year due to a shortage in the Mahan Fund. Any amount in the Mahan Fund balance exceeding that granted in a given year will be applied toward future awards. No more than one award may be granted in a given year.

4. [Add the following to the By-Laws as SECTION IX.]

Section IX. Alabama Archaeological Society Scholarships

A. Purpose, Philosophy, and Eligibility

The Alabama Archaeological Society will award up to two Alabama Archaeological Society Scholarships per year. The monetary amount of these scholarships will not exceed \$500 in sum, for all scholarships awarded in a given year. The purpose of these scholarships is to lend support to outstanding students in the field of archaeology who are actively pursuing academic degrees at baccalaureate, masters, and doctoral levels within the State. The intent of allowing up to two such awards per year is to provide for the support of academic programs at both the baccalaureate and post-baccalaureate levels in the State. Nominees must be currently enrolled as full-time students in a degree program. Sponsors must make a case that their nominees exhibit the potential for making permanent, significant contributions to the field of archaeology.

By granting scholarships, the Society wishes to identify and reward exceptional current students of archaeology in the State. Indications of academic merit, in the form of grade point averages, standardized test scores, honors, achievements in field or laboratory research, papers worthy of publication, or similar measures should be in evidence. Nominees need not be currently involved in a research project, nor must they, or their sponsors, submit a research proposal. It is expected that awarded Scholarship funds will be applied by the winners to the expenses of completing their degree program. Nominated students must be current members of the Alabama Archaeological Society.

B. Procedures for Application

Applications for Alabama Archaeological Society Scholarships will be solicited in the *Stones & Bones* Newsletter, together with nomination guidelines, the deadline for submission of nominations, and the name, mailing address, and e-mail address of the current Chair of the Archaeological Resources Committee. Scholarship nominations are to be submitted to the Archaeological Resources Committee Chair by a deadline of October 1. Each eligible student nominee must have an academic sponsor, who must submit the nomination on the student's behalf. In no case should the nominated student submit any portion of the nomination directly to the committee. The nomination must take the form of a letter addressed to the Chair of the Archaeological Resources Committee. Electronic submission of the nomination letter is encouraged. The letter must clearly identify both the nominee and the academic sponsor, and must include pertinent contact information for both. The nomination letter must indicate the academic degree being sought, and progress made to date toward that degree. The letter should include and discuss all of the information necessary for the committee to evaluate the nominee. No transcripts, reports of standardized tests, copies of written work, nor additional letters of support should be included with the letter of nomination by the academic sponsor. Rather, the sponsor should summarize the academic credentials and achievements of the nominee in the body of the nomination letter.

C. Procedures for Evaluation

The evaluation procedure will be as follows. Copies of all nominations submitted by the deadline will be distributed by the Archaeological Resources Committee Chair to a subcommittee of three Committee members appointed by the Chair. This subcommittee will review the nominations, and will rank these using a ranking method to be determined by the Chair. Nominees seeking baccalaureate and post-baccalaureate degrees will be ranked separately. Based on this information and the concurrence of the Archaeological Resources Committee Chair, the Chair will formulate a recommendation for consideration by the Board of Directors. The Chair may recommend two Scholarships at \$250 each at the baccalaureate and post-baccalaureate levels. In that case the names of the nominees recommended for each Scholarship will be included in the recommendation to the Board of Directors. Alternatively, should deserving nominees be lacking at either degree level, the Chair has the option of recommending one \$500 Scholarship to be awarded to the highest ranking nominee at any level. At the winter meeting of the Board of Directors, the Chair will present a summary of this annual process, together with a motion that the recommended nomination(s) be accepted. The Board of Directors will vote on this motion at the winter meeting. An announcement of the Alabama Archaeological Society Scholarship recipient(s) will be made at the winter general meeting of the Society, where they or their representative will receive a framed certificate or plaque commemorating the award.

D. Funding of Alabama Archaeological Society Scholarships

Funding for Research Grants will come from contributions to the Steve B. Wimberly Scholarship Fund. All donors to the Wimberly Fund will be listed in the *Stones & Bones* newsletter unless a contributor wishes to remain anonymous. The Archaeological Resources Committee will insure that funds are solicited in the *Stones & Bones* newsletter or other media, and will initiate fund drives as needed to reach or exceed a \$500 Wimberly Fund balance by the winter meeting of each year. In the event that the Wimberly Fund balance is less than \$500 at the time of the winter meeting, the Board of Directors may vote not to award the Scholarships in that year due to the shortage. Any amount in the Wimberly Fund balance exceeding that awarded in a given year will be applied toward future awards.

5. [Add the following to the By-Laws as SECTION X.]

Section X. Alabama Archaeological Society Public Education Grant Awards.

A. Purpose, Philosophy, and Eligibility

The Alabama Archaeological Society will award up to \$500 each year to a public education project. The intent of the Public Education Grant is to provide financial encouragement to deserving projects that (a) promote a better understanding of Alabama Archaeology and its findings among the general public or in Alabama=s classrooms, and (b) clearly promote the conservation of Alabama=s archaeological sites and/or collections. Grant proposals will be judged on both criteria, and no proposal will be funded that does not explicitly address both criteria. Eligible projects must also be in harmony with the objectives of the Society, as stated in Article III of the Constitution of the Alabama Archaeological Society

Any current member of the Society is eligible to apply for a Public Education Grant. Upon completion of the funded project, the project director will be required to provide a brief summary of the project suitable for the Society=s newsletter, evidence that the funded project was accomplished within a twelve month period after the announcement of the award, and a written evaluation of the project=s effectiveness in meeting the goal(s) proposed in the application.

B. Procedures for Application

Applications for Public Education Grants will be solicited in the Stones & Bones Newsletter, together with proposal guidelines, the deadline for submission of proposals, and the name, mailing address, and e-mail address of the current Chair of the Public Education Committee. The Public Education committee may solicit applications through additional media if they so desire. Public Education Grant proposals are to be submitted to the Public Committee Chair by a deadline of October 1. Each proposal should consist of a cover letter addressed to the Committee Chair, a two-page, single-spaced project narrative, and a one-page budget. Electronic submission of these materials is encouraged.

The cover letter must clearly identify the person or persons responsible for the project and their institutional or chapter affiliations, if any, together with pertinent contact information. Applicants should offer evidence of their ability to communicate with the segment of the public they are proposing to target, and if their project proposes to generate materials for classrooms, the applicant must demonstrate a familiarity with state and/or local curriculum requirements.

The project narrative must clearly identify the goal of the project, the audience(s) that will be targeted, the estimated number of individuals who will participate in the project,

the products or programs that will be created, and a schedule. The narrative should address the grant criteria and should specify in what manner the project outcomes will be measured and evaluated for effectiveness.

The project budget must specify the amount requested, up to \$500. If the total project budget is greater than the amount requested, the total budget should be presented in full, together with an explanation of the specific support role or roles to be played by the A.A.S. funds, and a listing of other funding sources proposed in support of the project.

C. Procedures for Selection

The selection procedure will be as follows. Copies of all proposals submitted by the deadline will be distributed by the Public Education Chair to the larger committee. The committee will review the proposals, and will report rankings of the proposals to the Chair, using a ranking method to be determined by the Chair. Based on this information and the concurrence of the Public Education Chair, the Chair will formulate a recommendation for consideration by the Board of Directors. At the winter meeting of the Board of Directors, the Chair will present a summary of this annual process, together with a motion that the recommended proposal be accepted for funding at a monetary level up to \$500 to be recommended by the Chair. The Board of Directors will vote on this motion at the winter meeting, and an announcement of the recipient will be made at the Society=s winter general membership meeting.

D. Funding of Public Education Grants

Funding for Public Education Grants will come from contributions to the Public Education Fund. All donors to the Public Education Fund will be listed in the Stones & Bones newsletter unless a contributor wishes to remain anonymous. The Public Education Committee will insure that funds are solicited in the Stones & Bones newsletter or other media, and will initiate fund drives as needed to reach or exceed a \$500 Fund balance by the winter meeting of each year. In the event that the Public Education Fund balance is less than \$500 at the time of the December meeting, the Board of Directors may vote to fund the nominated proposal at any level up to the current balance. Alternatively, the Board of Directors may vote not to award the grant in that year due to a shortage in the Fund. Any amount in the Public Education Fund balance exceeding that granted in a given year will be applied toward future awards. More than one award may be granted in a given year, but the total awarded each year may not exceed \$500.

E. Evaluation

The Public Education Committee will monitor the progress of award recipients, and at the end of each fiscal year, the Committee will prepare a brief report for the Board of Directors that summarizes and evaluates the Public Education project(s) completed during that year. This report will also briefly summarize the committee=s own fund raising, grant promotion, and grant selection activities.

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Alabama Archaeological Society Student Paper Award

Any person currently enrolled in a BA or MA granting program and a member of the AAS may submit a paper for the student paper award. Only single-authored papers are eligible and the paper must be presented at the annual winter meeting. The paper should be written for presentation to a general audience consisting of amateurs, professionals, and students. The length of the paper should be such that it can be presented in a 15-minute time slot and additionally should include references cited to aid in judging. Papers must be submitted in advance of the meeting for judging by a committee appointed by the AAS Board of Directors and a completed registration form should accompany the submission.

Submit three double-spaced copies of the paper to the AAS Student Paper Award Committee by November 15th. The author will insure that the same version of the paper reviewed for the competition is offered for presentation at the annual meeting. Only one paper submitted per applicant may be considered for the award. Mail the entry to: Dr. Philip Carr, AAS Student Paper Award, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, HUMB 34, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL 36688-0002.

The winner of the Student Paper Award will be announced at the Annual Business Meeting of the Alabama Archaeological Society associated with the Winter Meeting. The winner must pick up the book prize at the meeting. The committee reserves the prerogative to defer the award in the event of a shortage of competitive entries.

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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 October 31st. The Scholarship Committee will review the proposals and make recommendations to the Board of Directors at the Winter BOD meeting. The Board of Directors will vote on the proposals and an announcement of the recipients will be made at the Winter Meeting.

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 October 31st. The Public Education Committee will review the proposals and make recommendations to the Board of Directors at the Winter BOD meeting. The Board of Directors will vote on proposals and make an announcement of the grant recipient (s) at the Winter Meeting.

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 October 31st. The Archaeological Resources Committee will review the proposals and make recommendations to the Board of Directors at the Winter BOD meeting. The Board of Directors will vote on the proposals and an announcement of the recipient shall be made at the Winter Meeting. 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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