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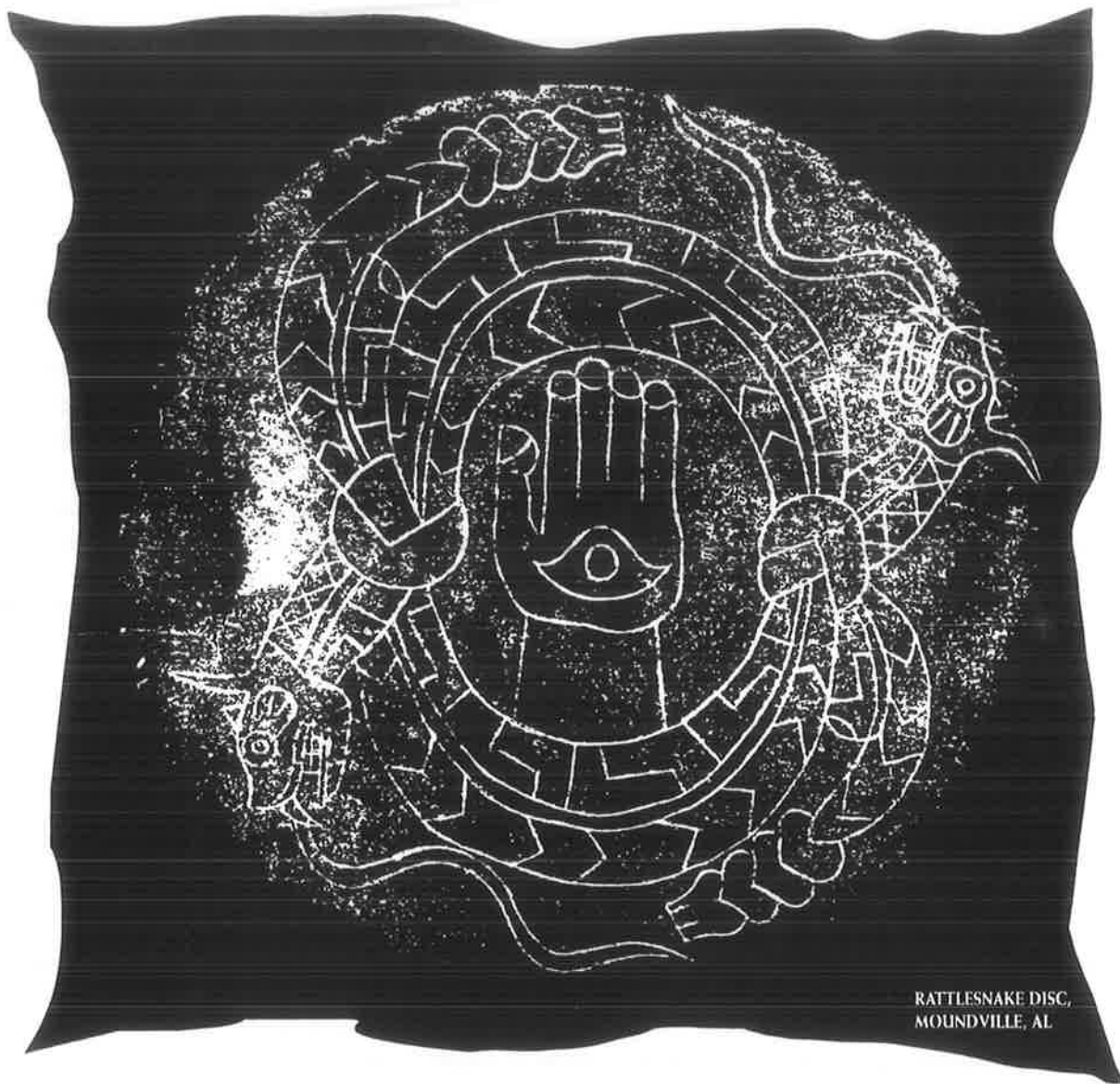
## Alabama Archaeology Week

The State of Alabama will be celebrating its first Archaeological week in 10 years from September 27th through October 2nd. The purpose of this special week is to heighten public awareness of Alabama's archaeological heritage. Our state is rich with archaeological remains which date from the Paleolithic to the historic period. In conjunction with Archaeology week will be the Moundville Native American Festival whose theme this year is "Drums Along The Warrior" (refer to your August newsletter for details). The Alabama Archaeological Society would like to encourage all local chapters to participate in Archaeology Week by scheduling field trips, presenting special programs, or developing other projects that will create interest in Alabama archaeology. Hundreds of full color posters announcing Alabama Archaeology Week have been mailed out to schools and organizations across the state (see following page). For additional information on Archaeology Week activities contact the Alabama Historical Commission at (205) 242-3184.

## Wiregrass Festival of Murals

Yoholo-micco, or Chief Eufaula, has been selected as one of the mural subjects by the Wiregrass Festival of Murals Project in downtown Dothan, Alabama. The portrait of Chief Eufaula was recently completed by noted muralist Bruce Ricketts of Nova Scotia, Canada. A portion of Chief Eufaula's address to the Alabama legislature in Tuscaloosa is included as part of the mural which is on the Burdeshaw Bicycle Building on south St. Andrew Street. The mission of the Wiregrass Festival of Murals is to initiate and oversee the development of a project designed to pictorially depict the history and culture of the Wiregrass region through skilful execution of painted murals on the sides of existing buildings in the old central business district of Dothan. The primary objective of this effort is to encourage and stimulate the growth of the local economy through the development of tourism while providing a catalyst for downtown redevelopment, as well as enhancement, of the cultural arts of the community and the documentation of the region's history. (Taken from *Chattahoochee Tracings*, Summer 1993).

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Fayette: September 27th at 5:15 until 7:00 PM in the Fayette Civic Center at 530 N. Temple Street for Fayette, Lamar, Pickens, and Tuscaloosa Counties.

Anniston: October 5th at 5:15 until 7:00 PM in the Alabama Power Company meeting room at 925 Quintard Avenue for Calhoun, Cherokee, Clay, Cleburne, Etowah, Randolph, and Talladega Counties.

Montgomery: October 12th at 5:15 until 7:00 PM in the State Capitol Auditorium (use Union Street entrance) for Autauga, Chilton, Elmore, Montgomery, and Tallapoosa Counties.

### **What's Happening Around the State**

#### ***Jacksonville State University ...***

completed two sessions of Summer Field School in May and June under the direction of Dr. Harry Holstein. The site chosen for this year's field school is located in Calhoun County. Students uncovered an abundance of evidence supporting the fact that the site was occupied from the Archaic through the Late Woodland Period. Dr. Holstein reports that the most amazing thing about the site was the diversity and abundance of both botanical and fauna remains recovered. While most storage pits contained large quantities of wild flora, one pit contained several liters of charred corn kernels. This find is particularly surprising and very significant in view of the fact that no evidence of the Mississippian culture was found during the field school. While fauna remains of turtle, bird, deer, and other common species were found during excavations, another surprising find was the remains of what might be elk. Further information will be forthcoming once botanical and fauna analysis has been completed and C-14 dates have been obtained.

#### ***University of Alabama ...***

is currently conducting phase II testing at 1Bt15 in Blount County for the Alabama Highway Department. Cultural material has been recovered as deep as 60 cm. below surface. The major component on the site is classic Alexander occurring at a depth of 40 cm. below surface. Unfortunately, much of 1Bt15 was destroyed years ago by road construction. However, what remains of the site is considered important and mitigation is anticipated.

recently completed a ground penetrating radar survey of the Prattville cemetery in Autauga County. The cemetery is located on a high hill which has been undercut by past borrow pit activities at the base of the hill. Unfortunately, these excavations are creating an erosion problem which threatens the cemetery. The Prattville cemetery contains the remains of many of Autauga County's founding fathers including those of Daniel Pratt.

## **Alabama Cemetery and Human Remains Protection Act**

The *Stones & Bones* reported in a recent edition that the Alabama legislature passed the Alabama Cemetery and Human Remains Protection Act during the 1993 regular session. This law sets penalties for damaging a cemetery (a class A misdemeanor) and for disturbing human remains (a class C felony); both historic and prehistoric. While the law afforded protection to human burials, it did not allow for circumstances that might arise where the removal or relocation of a burial might be desirable in order to save or protect them. In view of this oversight, the Alabama legislature amended the law during the special session in August. The amended law allows for the excavation and relocation of burials (both historic and prehistoric) by a professional archaeologist but only under permit by the Alabama Historical Commission. The AHC is currently developing permit guidelines for archaeologists involved in situations where removal of burials is necessary. Avoidance of burials will be the primary alternative under the new guidelines but where this is not possible, the guidelines will closely follow existing standards for the excavation of archaeological sites under section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

## **Alabama Historical Commission Plans Public Meetings**

Want to have input into the affairs of the Alabama Historical Commission? Well, here is your chance. The Alabama Historical Commission (AHC) is required by the National Park Service to hold Federal Public Participation Meetings to solicit the input of the public on their Statewide Historic Preservation Plan. Usually, public participation is limited to a once a year meeting held in Montgomery. This year, however, Larry Oakes, director of the AHC, has decided to take the meetings to the people. Thirteen meetings will be held between now and the end of spring in all areas of the state. The AHC staff will be on hand at each meeting to present to you their annual goals and objectives. Highlights of the meetings will be the AHC's goals to save significant sites and structures, the AHC's grant objectives as well as the criteria that goes along with being funded by an AHC grant, the AHC's survey objectives, and their goals for public education. These are all important goals and objectives that every member of the Alabama Archaeological Society should be interested in. The *Stones & Bones* staff strongly encourages each of you to attend the meeting in your area and voice your approval or concerns with the AHC's Statewide Historic Preservation Plan. This is everyone's opportunity to be heard so get out and get involved. The future of Alabama archaeology depends on you!

The first five meeting dates and locations are listed below. The remaining eight meeting will occur after the first of the year and will be announced at a later date.

Andalusia: September 20th at 5:15 until 7:00 PM in the Dixon Center at Lurleen B. Wallace Jr. College for Butler, Conecuh, Covington, Crenshaw, Escambia, and Pike Counties.

Mobile: September 21st at 5:15 until 7:00 PM at 256 State Street in the Detonti Historic District for Mobile and Baldwin Counties.

The survey was sponsored by the Prattville Historical Society which is interested in protecting and preserving the cemetery.

recently completed an architectural survey of Leeds, Alabama. Gene Ford, architectural historian with the University, conducted the survey which resulted in 20 nominations to the National Register of Historic Places. The survey was funded in part by a grant from the Alabama Historical Commission.

### ***Troy State University...***

is currently conducting mitigation procedures at the site of Kennedy's Mill in Baldwin County. Kennedy's Mill was the first sawmill in the Tensaw Country and was constructed in 1811. Historic records indicate that the Kennedy's complex also included a grist mill and a cotton gin. While remains of the wooden dam can be seen in the two creeks adjacent to each other, everyone was surprised when the Troy State crew uncovered massive timbers on the banks of the creek which had been covered with silt and debris for the last 80 or 90 years. Excavations have thus far recovered exceptionally well preserved insitu timbers associated with both the dam and mill. The objective of the excavations is to recover and document as much of the dam and mill as possible in order to draw up architectural plans and specifications. The project is sponsored by the Alabama Highway Department which plans to replace two bridges at the site.

### **In the Alabama Archaeological Society's Past**

Twenty years ago the *Stones & Bones* announced that the site known as the La Grange shelter or "Doodlebug Shelter" in North Alabama would be excavated by a crew under the direction of Dr. David DeJarnette. Test excavations had taken place the previous year under Charles Hubbert, where Dalton remains were found. (Information contributed by Steven B. Wimberly of Birmingham- Sept. 1973 issue of *Stones & Bones*).

### **Chapter News**

#### ***Dothan Chapter***

In June, chapter members visited 1CO54 in Enterprise which was excavated under the direction of Professor MacDonald Broome of Troy State University. Professor Broome plans to talk with chapter members this fall on the importance of his findings.

Chapter members will be participating in a general survey of Southern Alabama Paleo points throughout the fall. Troy State University archeological staff will assist Dothan chapter members in recording their Paleo Indian point finds on the AAS forms used in the ongoing state wide inventory.

### ***Troy State Chapter***

The Troy State Archaeological Society will resume monthly meetings on the third Thursday in September at 3:30pm in the archaeology lab which is located in Smith Hall on the Troy State University campus. Anyone interested in archaeology is welcome to attend.

### **New Members**

William R. Dean Jr.  
Birmingham, AL

Mr. & Mrs. Everett Hatcher  
Birmingham, AL

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Birmingham, AL

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Jacksonville, AL

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Dothan, AL

John Bryan  
Dothan, AL

Shane Estes  
Mobile, AL

Douglas C. Sims  
Jackson, MS

Dr. William W. Hallmon  
Arlington, TX  
(New Life Member)

### **☺ Member News ☺**

AAS member Clay Bell of the Dothan Chapter visited Cahokia Mounds State Historical Site in Illinois this summer. Cahokia Mounds were first inhabited around 700 A.D. by the Late Woodland culture and were later occupied by the Mississippian culture. Monks Mound is located at Cahokia and is the largest Indian mound north of Mexico.

Troy State Chapter member Dr. Peter Howard had the opportunity to visit Pompeii this summer and took many slides and photographs which he will share with TSU chapter members at a future meeting!

## **The Calendar**

**Southeastern Archaeological Conference: Raleigh, North Carolina,  
Radisson Plaza Hotel, November 3-6, 1993.**

**Native American Day: Florence Marina State Park, Omaha, Georgia, September  
11. For further information contact Paul Bradshaw at (912) 838-4706 or 4244.**

**The Moundville Native American Festival will be held each day between  
September 27th and October 2nd. "Drums Along the Warrior" will be this year's theme.  
For more information call 205-371-2572 or write to Alabama Indian Resource Center,  
13075 Moundville Archaeological Park, Moundville, Alabama 35474.**

### **THE RED MAN'S HAND**

**WORKS OF ART SAYS THE WHITE MAN  
POINTING TO THIS AND THAT  
BY THE RED MAN'S HAND  
NOW ONLY MUSEUM PIECES WHICH IS  
VERY SAD  
THEY ARE SO MUCH MORE TO THOSE  
WHO UNDERSTAND WHAT LIFE WAS  
LIKE FOR THE RED MAN  
HAVE YOU EVER WALKED BENT OVER  
LIKE AN EIGHTY YEAR OLD MAN  
JUST LOOKING FOR SOMETHING  
MADE BY THE RED MAN'S HAND  
OR GRUBED THROUGH DIRT TO BETTER  
UNDERSTAND THEIR WAY OF LIFE THE  
REMARKABLE RED MAN  
TO HOLD A BEAUTIFUL POINT IN YOUR  
HAND  
THEN AND ONLY THEN YOU BEGIN TO  
UNDERSTAND  
LISTEN YOU CAN ALMOST HEAR IN  
THE STILL OF THE NIGHT  
AS A WARRIOR FASHIONS A POINT  
BY THE FLICKERING FIRE LIGHT  
AS THE MORNING SUN WARMS THE DAY  
A YOUNG WARRIOR STOPS AT A SPRING  
ALONG THE WAY  
REFRESHED BY THE COOL WATER**

AND THE SOUND OF SINGING BIRDS  
LAYING BACK HIS HEAD ON A MOSS  
PILLOWED ROCK  
THEN THE SOUND OF A BREAKING TWIG  
COULD IT BE-YES TWAS A DEER HE DID SEE  
SLOWLY SO SLOWLY HE REACHED FOR  
HIS SPEAR  
BUT GONE IN A FLASH WAS THE DEER  
WHEN OVERHEAD A MOUNTAIN LION LEAPED  
TO MAKE IT'S KILL  
BUT THE YOUNG WARRIOR HELD FAST  
HIS SPEAR  
MOTIONLESS FELL THE LION NEVER  
AGAIN TO STALK OR KILL  
TREMBLING THE YOUNG WARRIOR LOOKED  
UP TO THE SKY  
SAYING OH GREAT SPIRIT PLEASE  
BLESS THE DEER  
NOW ONLY POINTS ON A MUSEUM WALL  
THEIR STORIES LIKE THE RED MAN  
HAVE LONG BEEN GONE

(Contributed by AAS member Don Sivley of Cullman, AL)



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