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FINAL REMINDER!

Saturday, December 8th is the date of the Annual Meeting of our Alabama Archaeological Society to be held in the Science Building at St. Bernard College near Cullman, Ala. See the November STONES & BONES for details. There has been an excellent response to the request for reports on current work in the State. Plan to arrive early in the morning for a full day of activities. The business meeting with election of officers will be at 10:00 AM. Come and bring your family and interested friends. You do not have to be a member of the Society to attend.

1974 NOMINATIONS

Our Nominating Committee presents for your consideration (per the requirements of our Constitution) the following slate for your approval at the December 8th Annual Meeting. As usual, other nominations from the floor, for any office, are acceptable for consideration by the attending membership.

Our thanks are extended for the very considerable work and conscientious effort of Chairman Howard King and his Committee Members, Jack Cambron and David Chase, in coming up with this fine slate:

PRESIDENT: Mr. Charles E. Moore, Florence, Ala.

A member and Past President of the Muscle Shoals Chapter, he has been interested in archaeology for many years and has been collecting artifacts since he was 6 years old. He is a member of the Florence Historical Board and Project Officer of that Board for the Indian Mound and Museum in Florence.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: Mrs. Marjorie Gay, Standing Rock, Ala.

Is at present 2nd Vice President and Program Chairman, and has done an excellent job in this capacity. She is Corresponding Secretary of the Eastern States Archaeological Federation and was our alternate representative to the ESAF in 1972 and 1973.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: Dr. Albert Trouse, Auburn, Ala.

Was President of the East Alabama Chapter during 1968, 1969 and 1970, and has been a State Society Director at Large during 1971, 1972 and 1973.

SECRETARY-TREASURER: Mr. Rodger L. Schaefer, Decatur, Ala.

Is a charter member of the State Society and helped in its organization. Served as a Director at Large for the first 3 years of our Society's existence. Has been Secretary for the past 15 years and Treasurer for the past 11 years.

EDITOR OF NEWSLETTER, ASSISTANT TREASURER: Mr. Brittain Thompson, Birmingham, Ala. Past President of the Birmingham Anthropological Society. Member of the State Society since 1955 and President in 1957, 1958, 1959 and 1961. Newsletter Editor since 1962.

EDITOR OF THE JOURNAL, ESAF REPRESENTATIVE: Mr. David L. DeJarnette, Moundville, Ala.

Has been Editor of our JOURNAL OF ALABAMA ARCHAEOLOGY since 1961, and our Representative to the ESAF since 1963. Was a Director at Large in 1961, 1962 and 1963. Was Field Director of State Society excavations from 1960 until 1970.

EDITORIAL ASSISTANT: Mrs. Christine Wimberly, Birmingham, Ala.

Has long been involved in archaeology, having worked with the TVA excavations in north Alabama prior to flooding of the Tennessee Valley sites. Has been Editorial Assistant of our JOURNAL since 1966. Has written several books: POISONOUS SNAKES OF ALABAMA, INDIAN POTTERY FROM CLARKE AND MOBILE COUNTIES, MOUND STATE MONUMENT.

EDITORIAL ASSISTANT: Mrs. Valerie Scarrett, Moundville, Ala.
Has been JOURNAL Editorial Assistant for past several years. Also edits and works with various reports, papers and manuscripts on salvage excavations and other archaeological activities in Alabama.

ESAF ALTERNATE: Mr. Robert W. Gay, Standing Rock, Ala.

Has been a member of the State Society since 1964, also a member of the East Alabama Chapter at Auburn. Has attended many ESAF meetings, and Annual Meetings of numerous professional Societies.

NEWSLETTER EDITORIAL ASSISTANTS: Mr. & Mrs. Jerry J. Nielsen, Moundville, Ala. Jerry Nielsen received his B.A. in Anthropology from Georgia State University in 1967 and his M.A. in Anthropology from the University of Alabama in 1971. Has been actively involved in archaeological research for 13 years, the last 6 of which while employed by the University of Alabama as Staff Archaeologist.

Judith Nielsen received her B.A. in Fine Arts from Dominican College in New Orleans in 1969 and is currently employed by the University of Alabama as Secretary to the Curator at Mound State Monument.

PHOTOGRAPHER: Dr. A. G. Long Jr., Guntersville, Ala.

Most of his work in archaeology for the past several years has been armchair research and much reading. He is a past President of the State Society.

DIRECTOR AT LARGE: Mr. James Cambron, Decatur, Ala.

Is a long time member of the Decatur Chapter, the State Society and many other Societies. Has written a number of articles on archaeology. Is author with David Hulse of HANDBOOKS OF ALABAMA ARCHAEOLOGY, PARTS I & II. Is a past President of the State Society.

Mr. David Chase, Montgomery, Ala.

Is a past President of the State Society, and a present member of the Montgomery and East Alabama Chapters.

Mrs. Drusilla B. McGowan, Auburn, Ala.
Was Secretary and Treasurer of the East Alabama Chapter in 1971 and 1972, and was Hostess to the Annual Meeting of the State Society this past summer, at Auburn.

Mrs. Joe A. Searcy, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Is a member of the faculty in the Anthropology Department at the University of Alabama. Her area of specialization is the American Indian. Is at present in process of writing 2 books, one for children and one for adults, about Indians of Alabama. Is a past President of the State Society.

Mr. Amos J. Wright Jr., Huntsville, Ala.
Is a member of the Huntsville Chapter, and a past President of the State Society.

MEETINGS

THE SOCIETY FOR HISTORICAL ARCHAEOLOGY will hold its 7th Annual Meeting at the Claremont Hotel, Berkeley, Calif., on January 10-12, 1974. Information and the program have not yet been distributed, but tentative plans include tours of Buena Vista Vineyard, Benicia and the John Muir House. The Oakland Museum plans to show 2 Documentary films: "The Kaleidoscope of California Land" and "The California House". You do not have to be a member of the Society to attend the meeting. Membership fees, on a calendar year basis, are: Individual, \$7.50; Joint, \$10.00;

(Married couple, one set publications); and Institutional, \$15.00. Membership includes the annual publication HISTORICAL ARCHAEOLOGY and a Newsletter issued several times a year.

The Annual Meeting of the AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE will be held in San Francisco, Calif., February 24 to March 1, 1974. The theme is "Science: Challenges of Today - Outlook for the Future". Richard E. Leakey will present the National Geographic Society lecture on February 24th - "Earliest Man: A New Perspective from Kenya".

THE ALABAMA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE meeting is to be held at the University of Alabama in Birmingham on April 5-6, 1974. Deadline for papers is January 15, 1974. (Editor's Note: Let's have some archaeology papers - on time!)

THE SOCIETY FOR AMERICAN ARCHAEOLOGY will meet in Washington, D.C., May 2-4, 1974. Deadline for papers is December 10, 1973.

FLORIDA ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY will hold its Annual Meeting in Jacksonville, Fla., at the Hilton Hotel, March 15-17, 1974. Dr. Tom Gouchnour is Chairman. Dr. Gordon Willey will be guest speaker at the Annual Banquet. (Marjorie Gay. E.Ala.Chapter)

MORE HELP FOR ARCHAEOLOGY

The Office of Archaeological Research has been established on the University of Alabama campus. Archaeological research projects with various State, Federal and private agencies will be processed through this office. Financial support from the University will enable staff personnel to work more closely with the Alabama Archaeological Society as well as develop new and varied archaeological programs.

Mr. Charles Hubbert, an employee of the Office of Archaeological Research at the University of Alabama, assisted a number of high school teachers in learning certain methods and techniques in the field of anthropology this past summer. The program was sponsored by the School of Education at the University of Alabama so that high school teachers could in turn give their students the opportunity to learn about our important prehistoric past. (Carey B. Oakley, University of Alabama)

WRITE YOUR CONGRESSMAN!!!

THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL PRESERVATION AND SALVAGE BILL, H.R.296: The last information I received, this bill (and related bills) was waiting to be scheduled by the Parks and Recreation Sub-Committee of the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, Roy A. Taylor of North Carolina, Chairman, for the final joint wording of the bills. It is critically important that the wording of this bill be carefully checked and that the legislation be passed in this 93rd Congress. The great acceleration in land alteration requires a continuing program for archaeological investigation and research. Funds must be available on short notice to complete the survey, salvage, research and reporting necessary.

A striking example of this need occurred last week: a very large mound, totally unreported and unknown before, was located within a few miles of LaGrange, Ga. This site was exposed by the land clearing now being done in the West Point Dam area, the Chattahoochee Project, a joint Alabama-Georgia undertaking. Neither time nor funds are available to do even a preliminary survey or test excavation. This is just one example of a situation which is happening daily across the country. There has not been sufficient funds to keep a continuing program in operation here during the entire period of work on this dam.

If you have not already written your Congressman concerning this bill, do so now before the Christmas recess. Send your letter Airmail, or better yet, telegraph or telephone him. The address for your Representative is: U.S. Congress, House of

Representatives Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20015. And do it today!

(Marjorie Gay, East Alabama Chapter)

BEAR CREEK 1973

Excavations were continued this summer in the Little Bear Creek reservoir in north-west Alabama. The program was sponsored by the Tennessee Valley Authority, and directed by Carey B. Oakley. University of Alabama. Students from the University of Alabama, Auburn University and high school students made up the field crew.

Seven habitational sites were excavated as well as 2 additional stone mounds. While some of the archaeological sites proved to be Early Archaic, others were occupied in the Woodland and Mississippian period, indicating that the area was a choice

spot of occupation for several thousand years.

The 2 stone mounds have presented somewhat of a mystery. As many as 20 individuals may have been buried in one mound, but the exact number will not be known until the lab work is completed. It is difficult to determine because many of the individuals were cremated and buried in concentrations. The dead were buried with incised, fabric marked and plain limestone tempered bowls. Also, a small percent of clay grit and shell tempered sherds were recovered. Other artifacts were bowls of conch shell and turtle shell, as well as shell beads, clay pipes, both stemmed and small triangular projectile points, and one copper awl. C-l4 samples from the mounds have been sent to obtain a date to give us a better understanding of the chronology of this mortuary custom.

Though no occupation of the area adjacent to the mounds existed, habitational areas were found close by. Another C-ll sample was recovered from a possible crematory pit on such a site. This date could help us to relate this habitational site

with the stone burial mound.

Another important site that was extensively excavated proved to be significant as it has given us a C-14 sample that will date both McKelvey Plain and Mulberry Creek Cord Marked pottery. The pit that yielded this sample also contained 9 small triangular projectile points. This will help greatly in setting a more accurate chronology for the earlier McKelvey pottery series that lacks Mississippian period characteristics.

The C-14 dates will hopefully be back soon. The lab analysis is currently under way at the Office of Archaeological Research on the University of Alabama campus.

(Mack Brooks, University of Alabama)

A BALANCED PRESENTATION OF A RANGE OF POINTS OF VIEW???

LOST AMERICA might well be a second name for WESTVILLE, the recreated village of living Georgia history of about 1850 located near Lumpkin, Ga. Westville was the meeting place for a symposium which could also have been titled "Lost America" and where the book LOST AMERICA by Arlington H. Mallery was on sale commemorating this meeting. STONES & BONES in October carried a notice of this meeting "Evidences of Pre-Columbian Trans-Atlantic Contacts", and the November issue had a reading list for the subject. It is generally accepted by scholars, that there were settlers on this continent before Columbus, yet the various theories and relics remain a subject of great debate. One true point of argument cannot prove the whole theory to be true nor can one false item prove the whole theory false. It is difficult to do justice to this meeting in a short report, as each point needs to be examined in relation to all the other data, but while I feel I can say that there were many accurately reported "finds" and theories, I cannot say that the conclusions drawn would be accepted from a scientific viewpoint nor were they in accordance with archaeological methods and standards.

Dr. Joe Mahan, the Chairman, pointed out that possibly the program would be criticized as being "one sided" (the sessions I attended just one day were!) but that they welcomed discussion from the audience which was a lot larger than expected.

The final program was about the same as the preliminary given in STONES & BONES. I am sorry I missed the Saturday sessions as the Bat Creek and Grave Creek stones were discussed as well as Runestones and other artifacts, and a summation by Cyrus Gordon entitled "What We Now Know, A Summary". On Friday, 2 local artifacts, the Metcalf Stone and the Hearn Tablet were given as evidence. In short, both can be proved that they are "genuine artifacts", that is, one is a carved stone (Metcalf) and the other a lead tablet with Cuneiform Inscription (Hearn), but their provenience far from proves the theory that they were left here by pre-Columbus explorers. The Petroglyphs which are found in our area as well as over much of the country, cannot be definitely dated, so are lacking as concrete evidence. Coins can be found in many areas, but again provenience is lacking and even when in a deposit usually careful archaeological excavation methods were not used, so true stratigraphy is lacking. The underwater ruins of Bermuda have not been examined enough by good archaeological methods to serve as authentic evidence of even being ruins. On the other hand the Mining, Metal Artifacts and Iron Working reported had received a much more thorough scientific investigation and studies are continuing. The fact that most investigators are not archaeologists, but are usually scientifically trained in some other field does not mean their evidence is false, but they often draw false conclusions since they are not aware of the necessary methodological precautions and do not know how to interpret data by archaeological standards. I felt that most of those who had some archaeological background were hesitant to make broad statements of truth, but rather limited themselves to stating that much of the evidence was true, but not enough to prove the whole theory without a doubt.

If you are interested in the subject, try to read the references listed last month - they present both sides of the argument. As you read you will find many more publications listed in the bibliographies. The LOST AMERICA mentioned at the beginning of this article may be in your library and is also available from Mrs. Mary Roberts Harrison, 3801 Connecticut Ave., Washington, D.C. 20008. I do not

know the price.

This was a meeting where no one pretended to present a "balanced range of points of view", but the listener had an opportunity to hear what they had found, why they felt it was authentic and just how much of the claims are based on concrete evidence and how much merely "wishful thinking". He then could do his own "wishful theorizing"!!! (Marjorie Gay, East Alabama Chapter)

INTERESTING QUOTES

THE INTERAMERICAN, Newsletter of the Instituto Interamericano, Dr. Carl B. Compton,

Director, provides the following items, from Vol. 20, No. 5, Sept-Oct, 1973:

"THE TIMLIN SITE by Joseph B. Timlin & B. E. Raemsch. The Yager Museum Publications in Archaeology Bulletin, No. 3, Winter 1971. Hartwick College, Oneonta, N.Y. 13820. This is a study of an Early Man site near Cobleskill, N.Y. (Central N.Y. State). This report, though published in 1971, has not received the attention and publicity it deserves. "Artifacts found in situ...suggest the possible presence of man in northeast N. America as early as 70,000 years ago...It is a site which, at the present time, seems to meet the archaeologists' criteria for establishing the antiquity of man in the Sangamon interglacial period through the presence of geologic and type-artifact controls. With the addition of recently discovered extinct mammal teeth it seems the Timlin site may make possible a new understanding of man's early presence in North America". This is a most interesting 21-page, il-

address given above. We think it deserves to be widely read and discussed."

"ARCHAEOLOGY: A MEANS TO THE PAST by Wm. Jack Hranicky. This is the whole number of Vol. 11, No. 3, July 1973 of "The Artifact", journal of the El Paso Archaeological Society, 2821 Richmond, El Paso, Texas 79930. This 83 page illustrated work covers the field quite completely from locating a site, excavation, identification

lustrated paper which, with wider distribution should stir up quite a hornet's nest of controversy. No price is given for the paper but it may be available from the

of human and animal skeletal materials, dating methods and even archaeology and the law. This is the finest example of its kind which we have ever seen. It is not, naturally, as complete and detailed as some of the treatises available but it is an admirable introduction to archaeology. It might well be used as a textbook in college survey courses or in secondary schools enlightened enough to have programs in anthropology, and there really are a surprising number. No price is given for this publication. We suggest that you write to the address given above."

"THE MURAL PAINTING OF TEOTIHUACAN by Arthur G. Miller. Drawings by Felipe Divalos G., appendix by Edwin R. Littman. This comprehensive compilation of the mural art of Teotihuacan has been long awaited. This book has 193 pp, with a description of the paintings and 367 illustrations in color and B&W, plus 17 site plans. Though we must say that the price of \$25 is a bit high, this is a publication which has been long awaited, and considering the immense problems of research and making paintings and drawings of the murals, the book may well be a bargain. It may be obtained from the Center for Pre-Columbian Studies, 1703-32nd St, NW, Washington, D.C. 20007. We have seen the paintings and drawings and they are excellent."

TUSCALOOSA CHAPTER REACTIVATED

On Tuesday, October 2, 1973, the Tuscaloosa Chapter of the State Society was reactivated. After the State Society's Constitution was read to all present at the meeting, those members eligible to vote held an election of officers, as follows: President, Carey B. Oakley, Drawer BA, University, Ala. 35486; Vice President, Mack Brooms, 1423-A 9th St., Tuscaloosa, Ala. 35401; Secy-Treas, Mary Carpenter Walls, Route 1 Box 133, Fosters, Ala. 35463.

The Tuscaloosa Chapter has the opportunity to become one of the most active in the State. Due to its location on the campus of the University of Alabama, it is able to work with the Office of Archaeological Research, bringing together amateurs, students and professionals in pursuing the Society's activities. The membership of the Tuscaloosa Chapter will comprise those who live not only in Tuscaloosa County but in surrounding Counties as well. All interested in affiliating with the Tuscaloosa Chapter will be welcomed. (Mack Brooms, University of Alabama)

DID YOU KNOW?

The first complete Bible printed in America was a translation into an American Indian language by John Eliot. The Eliot Bible was published in Cambridge, Mass., in 1663. The dialect was of the Massachuset, an Algonquian speaking tribe, who lived in the area of Boston, Mass., when the white people first settled there. Eliot, who was called the "apostle to the Indians", was assisted by 2 sons and several Indians, the most important one being Cockenoe, who was of the Montauk tribe which lived on Long Island. Eliot might not have been able to complete this difficult work if it had not been for Cockenoe, because his dialect, that of the Montauk, was most closely related to the Natick of the Massachusets. The New Testament alone had been published in 1661 and it is believed that part of the Psalms in 1658 and the books of Genesis and Matthew in 1655. The title page of the Bible reads:

"THE / HOLY BIBLE: / CONTAINING THE / OLD TESTAMENT / AND THE NEW / Translated into the / INDIAN LANGUAGE / AND / Ordered to be Printed by the Commissioners of the United Colonies / in NEW ENGLAND. / At the Charge, and with the Consent of the / CORPORATION IN ENGLAND / For the Propagation of the Gospel among the Indians / in New England. / CAMBRIDGE / Printed by Samuel Green and Marmaduke Johnson / MDCLXIII."

Today, when modern translations are being made and are needed, this Eliot Bible Translation should not be lost, as it is especially important being the first study of the Algonquian language and should be basic to all Algonquian language studies made today. A more recent comparative work based on the language is "The Natick Dictionary" by J. H. Trumbell (Pulletin 25, Bureau of American Ethnology, Washington

1903). This information came from the Bulletin 30, Parts I & II, Bureau of American Ethnology, "Handbook of American Indians North of Mexico", 1907-1910.

(Marjorie Gay, East Alabama Chapter)

LATER WORD ON STONE MOUNDS

The skeletal material recovered during the excavation of stone mounds in Bear Creek Watershed this summer (page 4 this issue) now temporarily resides at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. Dr. William M. Bass, Head of the Department of Anthropology, and an expert on the subject of human skeletal analysis, along with several of his Graduate Students, will make a comprehensive study of the material.

Dr. Bass may be familiar to many of you as a speaker at the 1972 Winter Annual meeting in Birmingham, and the author of HUMAN OSTEOLOGY. The Office of Archaeological Research is indeed fortunate to have entered into this cooperative effort with Dr. Bass. (Carey B. Oakley, University of Alabama)

CHAPTER NEWS

Birmingham Chapter meets at 7:30 PM on the 1st Thursday of each month in Room 213, Chapman Hall, Samford University. There will be no December meeting, but members are urged to attend the AAS Winter Annual Meeting at Cullman on December 8th.

Choccolocco Chapter meets at 7:30 PM on the 3rd Thursday of each month in Regar Museum, Anniston. Chapter Member Tommy Mullendore showed slides of Indian Site excavations he visited in Georgia, Tennessee & Virginia at the October meeting. Chapter Member Barbara Walling, at the November meeting, showed slides of several Indian sites she has visited.

Cullman County Chapter meets at 7:30 PM on the 3rd Monday of each month at Cullman City Hall. At the November meeting, officers for 1974 will be elected, and there will be further discussion of the Chapter's hosting of the December Annual Meeting of the State Society. Mr. Tom Moebes, Morgan-Limestone Chapter Member, will give a program on "The Four Cultures" at the November meeting.

Huntsville Chapter meets at 7:30 PM on the 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Twicken-ham Hotel Building. Mr. Amos J. Wright Jr., Huntsville Chapter Member, will speak at the November meeting, on "Temple Mounds of the Mississippian Period".

Muscle Shoals Chapter meets at 7:30 PM on the 2nd Monday of each month at the Indian Mound Museum, Florence. Officers for 1974 elected at the November meeting are: President, Charles Hubbert; Vice President, James Miller; Secy-Treas, Jerry Hester; Librarian, Mary Lindsey. James Dorroh presented a program on an excavation in which he participated in western Pennsylvania sponsored by the Carnegie Museum. A supper meeting will be held December 10th at the Bonanza Steak House, Florence, at which Charles Hubbert will present a program on "Paleo Man".

Tuscaloosa Chapter, newly reactivated, meets at 7:30 PM on the 1st Tuesday of each month in Room 314, Ferguson Center, University Campus. The program at the November meeting was a laboratory session concerning the interpretation of cultural material from surface collections. At the December meeting, there will be a slide presentation and lecture on the procedures of a site survey.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - STATE NEWS

NEW MEMBERS FOR NOVEMBER:

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THAT'S THE SPIRIT, Larry Keese! We thank you and New Member Michael S. Devins also thanks you! What it's all about, folks: Michael Devins of MacDill AFB joined the State Society in September of this year. The first Newsletter we sent to him was returned to us, noted: "Addressee Unknown" (Maybe a new postman on the route?). Next issue, we sent out a plea for help from our membership. Mr. Keese, who joined our Society from Mt. Olive, Ala., in 1964 and has since moved to the Tampa area, got on the ball and on the telephone, and fastly ferreted out facts; namely, the correct address of Mr. Devins. And that's what we call the spirit of archaeology!

ADDITIONAL DONORS: Following our publication of the Annual Donor List last momth, we have heard from several others wanting to be counted in on our Fourteenth Annual Archaeological Fund Drive. We acknowledge with pleasure donations from:

Sigfus Olafson, West Virginia, CHARTER DONOR and longtime friend of Archaeology in Alabama, who now has made a total of FOURTEEN consecutive generous donations.

James L. Michie, South Carolina, THIRD NEW DONCR of the year, also one of our 1973 new State Society Members, makes his initial contribution to our fund.

Mr. & Mrs. David L. DeJarnette, Moundville, increase to THIRTEEN the number of annual donations in cash they have made, in addition to their many other services.

It looks as though we are not going to be able to close our books for 1973 until the year actually ends, and we'll arrange to make a final report on totals in the Newsletter next month. Again, our sincere thanks for fine cooperation!

PUBLICATIONS SOURCE: Regardless of information published in this Newsletter, or included in the publications themselves, ALL of the State Society's publications are now concentrated at one source: P O Box 266, Moundville, Ala. 35474. Thus, if you wish copies of HANDBOOK OF ALABAMA ARCHAEOLOGY, PART I, POINT TYPES; HANDBOOK OF ALABAMA ARCHAEOLOGY, PART II, UNIFACE BLADE & FLAKE TOOLS; JOURNAL OF ALABAMA ARCHAEOLOGY, the various available issues; or THE FIRST TEN YEARS OF THE JOURNAL OF ALABAMA ARCHAEOLOGY, the sole source is the above Moundville address. Sending orders and remittances to other addresses will only delay getting your order filled.

BEWARE: If you will accept any theory or story without careful study or investigation, there is a good chance that you will be "took". Con men have been active in the Atlanta area, offering a dream Christmas vacation, dredging for gold in the Amazon - lost Inca treasure - cost only \$850 with a non-refundable deposit of \$400. The men left town and authorities say they cannot issue warrants for arrest until after the proposed December 1st sailing date!

COME TO

YOUR STATE SOCIETY'S

WINTER ANNUAL MEETING

DECEMBER 8TH

AT CULLMAN, ALABAMA

IT WILL BE AN OCCASION YOU WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER AND YOU DESERVE A TRIP UP THATAWAY!

THE ALABAMA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Following are the objectives stated in our Constitution, slightly modified for emphasis: To promote informed interest in the study of Archaeology in Alabama and neighboring States; to encourage careful scientific archaeological research in such ways as surface scouting, mapping, marking, studying and especially reporting; to promote and support professionally directed excavations and discourage unsupervised "digging"; to promote the conservation of archaeological sites and to favor the passage of laws prescribing such; to oppose the sale of antiquities, and the manufacture and sale of fraudulent artifacts; to encourage and develop a better understanding of archaeology through providing Newsletters, Journals, Chapter and State meetings, helpful associates and good fellowship; to serve as a bond between individual archaeologists in the State, both non-professional and professional; and perhaps most importantly, to give everyone the opportunity to "do something about archaeology" through the accomplishment and enjoyment of these high aims.

The Society needs and welcomes as members, all persons whose ideals are in accord with the objectives set forth above. Active members receive the JOURNAL OF ALABAMA ARCHAEOLOGY, devoted to articles on the archaeology of Alabama and nearby States, and also receive the STONES & BONES NEWSLETTER, published monthly, containing news of members and their activities, also State, national and worldwide events of archaeological importance.

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