



THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN FLORIDA

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THE FLORIDA ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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BOARD MEETING

6:00 p.m., Friday, Feb. 20, 1987

The February Board of Directors meeting will be held on Friday, February 20 at 6:00 p.m. at Sue Goldman's house, 7730 S.W. 52nd Court, South Miami. All board members are urged to attend.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

8:00 p.m., Friday, Feb. 20, 1987

In 1545 before the horrified eyes of Henry VIII, his flagship Mary Rose heeled over and sank, taking 700 men with her. A salvage operation beginning in 1982 recovered the remains of the ship and articles of everyday life, which had been preserved in the silt of the Solent off Portsmouth.

Our February meeting will be presented by Vivian Peters, showing a 27 minute film of this salvage operation on a scale never before attempted. The film is on loan from the Museum of Florida History in Tallahassee, where the Mary Rose exhibit closed in January.

The meeting will be held at the Audubon House, 5530 Sunset Drive, South Miami on Friday, February 20 at 8:00 p.m.

Vivian Peters

JANUARY ASSF MEETING A REAL THRILLER!

The ASSF was treated to a special presentation at its January meeting in the form of a lecture/slide show by Southwest Florida Archeological Society member Art Lee. Art and his wife Lynn were involved in an exciting excavation in southern France last summer. The project uncovered skeletons of pre-Neanderthal man along with many stone tools and artifacts. Art's detailed lecture and his beautiful slides gave the audience the feeling of being right in the pit with the excavation crew. Thanks to Art and Lynn for making the journey over from Naples and providing an enjoyable and entertaining evening for the ASSF.

Emily Perry Dieterich

THE GREAT CHEETUM BACKYARD BARBEQUE SWEEPSTAKES

On Sunday, February 22, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Wes and Dee Coleman are hosting the Society's FANTASTIC ARTIFACT HUNT of the Cheetum dirt piles. Participants can either surface collect (there are literally hundreds of exposed artifacts!) or dig. The finder of the most significant artifact found that day will receive a \$25.00 cash reward. (Please, don't bring anything in your pants cuffs.) The most significant artifact will be determined by a panel of judges that includes Bob Carr, Wess Coleman and Sue Goldman.

Everyone should bring a favorite dish or drinks. Check with Debra Goldman at 252-0069, days, to minimize duplication of items. Bring trowels and/or shovels. The FANTASTIC ARTIFACT HUNT will be held at 10 N.W. 124th Avenue. Call Wes Coleman at 226-6788 for directions.

Bob Carr

ASSF WELL-REPRESENTED IN RECENT FLORIDA ANTHROPOLOGIST

The most recent issue of the Florida Anthropologist (Vol. 39, No. 4) contains several articles written by ASSF members. Bill Johnson and Don Mattucci contributed an interesting article titled "An Experiment With a Decomposition Cage". The article details Bill's and Don's efforts to speed up the decay process of faunal materials in order to establish a comparative faunal collection at the Historical Museum of Southern Florida.

Judi Trimble contributed a thought-provoking poem titled "Da1058", which is of course the Cheetum Site which many ASSF members helped excavate. Poetry in the Florida Anthropologist is a rare occurrence but it serves as a welcome break from some of the "heavier" scientific-oriented articles.

Congratulations to the authors and keep up the good work!

Emily Perry Dieterich

BATTLE OF OLUSTEE

The Eleventh Annual Battle of Olustee will be reenacted on Sunday, February 15, 1987 at the Olustee Battlefield State Park. The battlefield is located 15 miles east of Lake City, Florida on Highway 90. The Park is located in the Osceola National Forest.

An entire weekend of activities is planned including a gun show, parades, arts & crafts festival, artillery drill and firing demonstrations and Blue/Grey Ball.

Registration is on Friday, February 13 beginning at 9:00 a.m. This is the largest event of this kind in the South and they are expecting 1400 participants this year. Call Ray Giron at (904)591-2378 for more information.

Note: The Battle of Olustee or Ocean Pond was the largest Civil War Battle fought in Florida, involving 11,000 men. The Battle was fought on February 20, 1864.

Guy Arnold & Debra Goldman

ETHNOBIOLOGY CONFERENCE

The 10th Annual Conference of the Society of Ethnobiology will be held March 5-8, 1987 at the Florida State Museum, University of Florida. Papers are invited on the following and related topics: cultural ecology, plant and animal domestication, ethnozoology, zooarcheology, ethnobotany, archeobotany, palynology, ethnopharmacology, human diet and nutrition, folk taxonomy. For further information, contact Elizabeth S. Wing, Florida State Museum, Gainesville, FL 32611 (904)392-1721.

From S.E.A.C. Newsletter

FLORIDA STATE ARCHIVES ANNOUNCES NEW PUBLICATION SERIES

The Bureau of Archaeological Research of the Florida Department of State has begun publication of a new series entitled Florida Archaeology. The series intends to provide information about the activities of the Florida Division of Archives, History and Records Management relating to archeology, anthropology and history. The series will be published on an irregular basis and price will vary by issue.

Number 1, published in July 1986, includes two contributions: "Bibliography of Florida Archaeology through 1980" (by Toole, Comer-Tesar and Lepoer) and "Index to Bibliography of Florida Archaeology Through 1980" (by Miller, Gsteiger and Bradley). The issue contains 235 pages and may be ordered for \$8.00 from .....(next page).....

New Publication Series, continued...

Bureau of Archaeological Research, Florida Department of State, The Capitol,  
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

From S.E.A.C. Newsletter

ONE MAN'S TRASH IS ANOTHER MAN'S TREASURE

The ASSF treasury is in need of money and one interesting way to raise funds has been through a raffle at the monthly meeting. As the winner of last month's raffle, I can attest to the thrill of winning a "valuable" prize for the low price of just 50¢ per ticket. The society is in need of donated items for the raffle. Suggestions include books on archaeology and/or history, historic postcards and memorabilia, curios, excavating tools such as trowels, brushed, etc. I'm sure every ASSF member has something laying around their home that would be a worthy raffle item. Please join in the fun and donate an item so the raffle can continue on a regular basis and the ASSF treasury can begin to grow.

Emily Perry Dieterich

NOTE: Thank you to Wes and Dee Coleman and John Carruthers for their past donations for the raffle.

DADE HERITAGE DAYS

Keep in mind that Dade Heritage Days will be held April 11 through May 16, 1987. Neighborhood festivals, house tours, lectures and preservation awards are some of the planned activities. Call Dade Heritage Trust at 358-9572 for more information.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM

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Objective:

To provide a formal means by which individuals and institutions interested in archaeological and anthropological studies in South Florida and related areas may come together for mutual benefits.

Code of Ethics:

1. Members of the society agree to promote archaeological site preservation and conservation, to excavate only endangered sites as part of a qualified research group, to not excavate archaeological sites for the unscientific collecting of artifacts.
2. All artifacts and material recovered from society projects are property of the society.

I hereby apply for membership in the Archaeological Society of Southern Florida:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Renewal\_\_\_ New Member\_\_\_ \$12.00 Individual\_\_\_ \$15.00 Family\_\_\_

Mail check or money order to: The Archaeological Society of Southern Florida

Due: JANUARY 1987

c/o Beth Read  
1489 South Miami Avenue  
Miami, FL 33129

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 13-15 Battle of Olustee Re-enactment. Call (904)591-2378.  
February 14 Valentine's Day!  
February 20 Board Meeting, Sue Goldman's house, 6:00 p.m.  
February 20 Membership Meeting, Audubon House, 8:00 p.m.  
February 22 FANTASTIC ARTIFACT HUNT AND BARBEQUE, Wes Coleman's house, 1:00 p.m.  
March 5-8 Ethnobiology Conference, Florida State Museum, (904)392-1721  
April 11 - May 16 Dade Heritage Days, 358-9572

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE FOR 1987. PLEASE SIGN THE ENCLOSED APPLICATION AND  
SEND TO: THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN FLORIDA  
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THANKS!



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