



# The Archaeological Society of Southern Florida



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## YUCATAN: THEN AND NOW

Nearly twenty years ago John Beriault took a trip to the Yucatan with a group of people connected to the Southwest Florida Archaeological Society (SWFAS). This trip proved influential in his decision as to which direction his career should follow. John, who is now a professional archaeologist retraced his steps in November of 2003, and began a "sentimental journey." His presentation will include some of the vintage slides from the original trip.

John, a highly respected professional, has been the President of the Florida Anthropological Society and recent editor of the SWFAS Newsletter. Join us to hear him speak about the Yucatan, view some of his beautiful photos, and learn about some of the many things happening there.

Please mark you calendars to hear John Beriault speak on Thursday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m., and join us for refreshments following the presentation.

*Location address:*

Atlantic Radio & Telephone office building  
2495 N.W. 35th Avenue  
Miami, FL

Please contact Barbara Tansey at telephone number (305) 633-9636 for further information and directions. Hope to see you there!



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On Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, members of ASSF met at the Main Library in downtown Miami to view the

### **Florida Collection**

Sam Boldrick, manager of the collection, and his assistant, John Shipley, generously shared all manner of treasures with the members. On view were Mark Catesby's bird plates, Moore's notes on Florida archeology, a report on the Granada Site, and information from the Florida West Indies Society.

In addition, there is a collection of doctoral dissertations on South Florida, which included the dissertation of our own Carter Burrus.

If any of our members would like to see or read some of the items described, they can access them by phoning ahead. Mr. Boldrick will pull the items requested from their safe place for use in the Library. Most are not available for general circulation. Also, if you are searching for a rare item that be available in another collection, Mr. Boldrick will arrange for an interlibrary loan.

John Shipley generously used his time to pull up a number of websites that can be valuable for anyone doing research in Florida history and Florida archaeology.

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### **IN THE KNOW...**

Read any good books lately that our members might enjoy? Why don't you share the title/author, and a snippet about the volume in this column? Have you got interesting web sites that could be added to the ASSF web page, or to next month's newsletter? If so, please send it to the email address or phone number listed on the back of this newsletter.

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### **A Special Thank You...**

ASSF thanks our friend Gary Lummannluck for presenting the society with many books, magazines and news articles on archaeology.

President Barbara Tansey is collecting related items for an archaeology scrapbook. Anyone with related articles or past newsletters are encouraged to donate either at the next meeting, or by mail to the meeting address.

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### **YOU'VE GOT THE INSIDE TRACK...**

#### **For the new location of the September meeting**

ASSF wants to extend a special "thank you" to Michael Hall, Executive Director of the Gold Coast Railroad Museum, for his fascinating lecture and for offering the museum to us for our next meeting location. Also, thanks to ASSF members Beth Read, and Pat Cervi for all of their hard work finding upcoming presenters and securing new locations for us to meet.

Our September 9th meeting will be held at the **Gold Coast Railroad Museum**, at 12450 S.W. 152 St. (Coral Reef Dr.), which is on the grounds of Metro Zoo, and just a short distance from the turnpike. Members are invited to arrive early to view the trains and exhibits. The 6:30 p.m. Board Meeting will be held inside one of the specialty trains cars. Will it be the Presidential Car, the Zepher, or the Florida Special? The September newsletter will hold that information secret, along with more specific directions to come later.

Jim Clupper, the Florida Historian, ASSF member and librarian from the Keys will be our featured speaker.

## 2004 ASSF Speakers Schedule

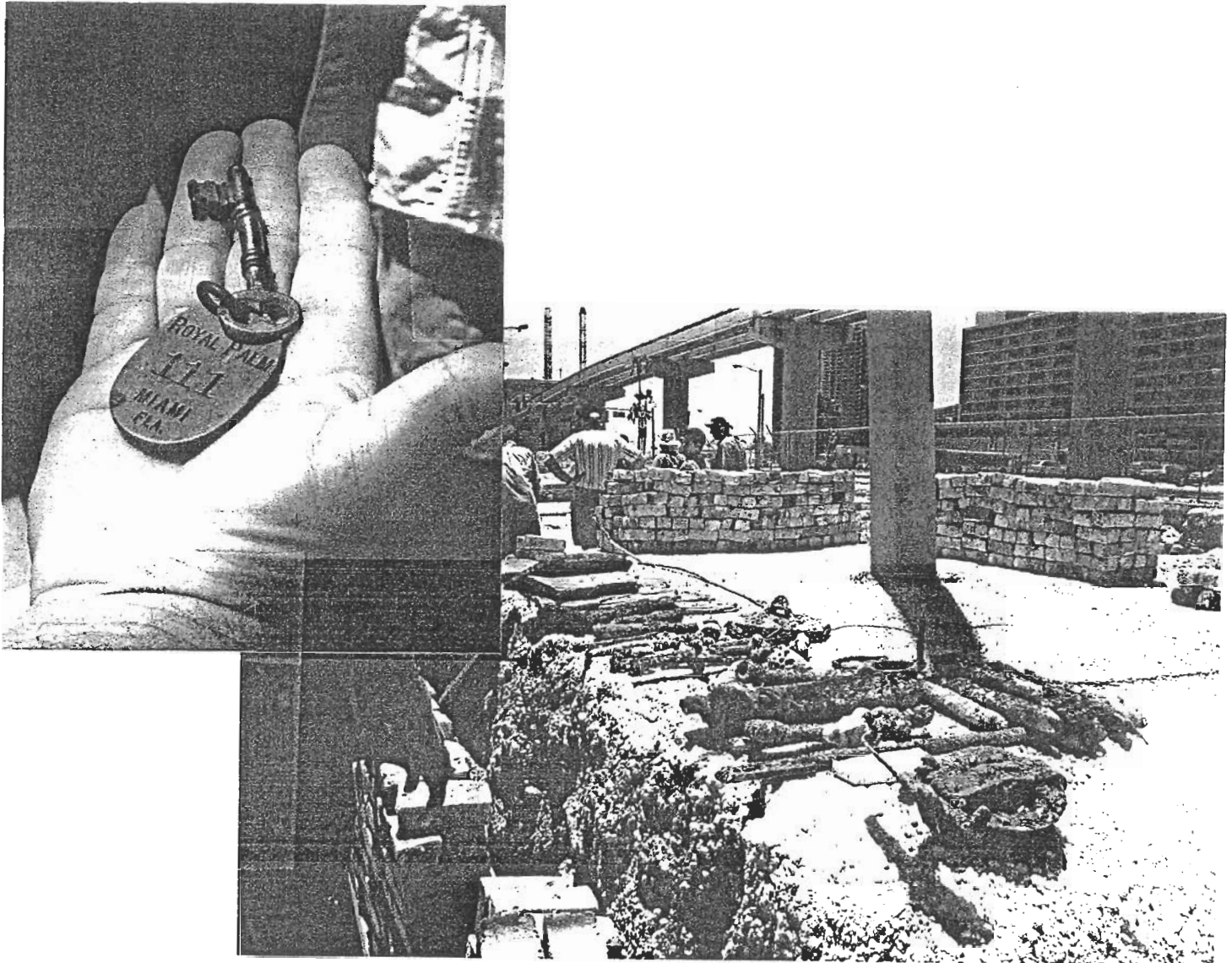
- June 10 John Beriault, Yucatan  
Sept. 9 Jim Clupper – Smithsonian  
pictures of FL artifacts/or  
Prehistoric Tool Making  
Oct. 14 Rick Ferrer - tentative  
Nov. 11 Bob Carr or Gary Beiter update  
Dec. 9 or 10 Holiday Dinner – Seth Lefkow,  
coordinator

**ASSF monthly meetings** are held the second Thursday of each month. Location: Atlantic Radio & Telephone, 2495 NW 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 7:30 pm.

Call Barbara at 305-633-9636 for directions and information.

If you have an idea for a speaker, or someone you'd like to recommend, please contact Beth Read [W4YIH@earthlink.net](mailto:W4YIH@earthlink.net) or Pat Cervi at [pcerv@msn.com](mailto:pcerv@msn.com).

The **Miami One** project site was visited by ASSF members Barbara Tansey, Brian Conesa, Carter Burrus, Jr., Beth Read and Dr. Straight last weekend for a tour headed by archaeologist Bob Carr. Although it was a very hot day, the tour was very interesting and informative, as these photos demonstrate:



**Florida Anthropological Society**  
**FAS membership application/renewal form**

YES, I want to join FAS. I enclose \$ \_\_\_\_\_

INDIVIDUAL, \$25    FAMILY, \$30    INSTITUTIONAL, \$25  
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**ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN FLORIDA**

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I have read and will abide by the Objectives and Code of Ethics of ASSF listed below, and I wish to apply for membership.

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**ASSF 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 the property of the Society.

**ASSF 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 benefit.

**RETURN ADDRESS:**

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**FIRST CLASS**



**NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, June 10, 7:30 pm, at 2495 N.W. 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Address

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