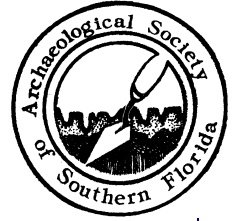




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Field work in South Africa

Monica Faraldo, M.A., from the University of Miami Anthropology Department, has conducted field schools at several different locations with varied focuses. Some of her subjects have been: Past Lives: Past to Present; Summer School Program: Forensic Investigation Field School, and Audubon House Archaeological Field School. For this presentation, Ms. Faraldo will speak to us about her field work in South Africa.

In addition to courses taught, Monica continues to conduct research in Paleoanthropology and Paleoarchaeology by analyzing fossil skeletal remains of humankind's earlier ancestors. Other interests include Forensic Anthropology, Bioarchaeology, and Zooarchaeology. She enjoys the challenge of solving human mysteries and is known by many to be happiest when analyzing a cache of bones donated by bone collectors.

Please plan to attend Monica's presentation on Thursday, April 13th, 7:30 p.m., at the Auditorium of the Deering Estate in Cutler, 16701 S.W. 72nd Avenue. For directions call President Barbara Tansey at 305.633.9636.



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ARCHAEOLOGY FAIR AT THE DEERING ESTATE

On Sunday, March 12th, the Archaeology Society of Southern Florida (ASSF) participated in the annual archaeology fair, during Archaeology month. Members set up displays and distributed information about the history and pre-history of Florida. Several organizations were represented, including historical preservation organizations such as The Villagers, Inc., and Civil War Re-Enactors from the 10th Tennessee Calvary. When asked the importance of the Fair to the general public, one of the Civil War blockade runners replied, “If you don’t know where you’ve been, how do you know where you are going?”

Presentations were given by Bob Carr, and the City of Miami Historic Preservation Department, along with flint-napping lessons by Albert Killian. Among the attendees were archaeologists Aliza Chalgian, Christian Robotti, Ryan Franklin from Broward County currently doing a pre-building survey near Hyde Park in Ft. Lauderdale, and Jeff Ransom, Dade County archaeologist.

A sincere “thanks!!” to all of the A.S.S.F. members who assisted.

In the Know...

Websites: National Center for Preservation Technology and Training, established in 1992 through an amendment to the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, has an interesting Archaeology and Collections section. www.ncptt.nps.gov.

Florida Dept. of State, Division of Historical Resources has information about grant programs for historic resources at www.dos.state.fl.us

Please share interesting websites that can be added to the A.S.S.F. web page or newsletter.

WITH GRATITUDE

A special, “Thank You,” to Larry Wiggins, and Mario Ferrante for “stepping up” on short notice. Mario, a welcomed speaker at A.S.S.F. presented on Feb. 9th. His slide presentation transported us to Egypt. While Larry Wiggins, on Mar. 9th, used postcards to chronicle the history of the Hotel Battle Creek from it’s heyday to its current use as a retirement home.

ASSF monthly meetings ... are held the second Thursday of each month at the Deering Estate. **Directions to The Deering Estate at Cutler:** from the North - take either US-1 or Old Cutler south to S.W. 168 Street. Turn east (left) on S.W. 168th Street. Continue east until you see the Deering complex on your right. Park in the lot. Our meeting will be held in the Auditorium.



Florida Anthropological Society

58th Annual Meeting

Stuart, Florida

May 12-14, 2006

Hosted by the Southeast Florida Archaeological Society

Meeting Location and Hotel Information

The Southeast Florida Archaeological Society (SEFAS) extends a warm welcome from the Treasure Coast as we celebrate the FAS 58th Annual Meeting and the 10th Anniversary of SEFAS. Plans are underway for the FAS meetings, which will be held May 12-14, 2006 at the Wolf High Technology Center, Indian River Community College, Chastain Campus in Stuart, FL.

The primary host hotel is the Pirates Cove Resort and Marina, 85 Bayview Street, Stuart FL 34997. They are holding a limited block of 45 rooms for the Florida Anthropological Society attendees until March 12, 2006 at a greatly reduced rate of \$110 per night, double occupancy, with Continental breakfast included. All rooms are spacious, with waterfront views and private balconies overlooking the Intracoastal Waterway, less than two miles from the Chastain Campus. Reservations may be made toll free at (800) 332-1414. Please mention that you are with the Florida Anthropological Society and request the discount rate of \$110.00 per night. For any other inquiries concerning the hotel, use the (772) 287-2500 number.

THE DUPONT PLAZA SITE DIRT

The dirt from the Dupont archaeological site is located now at the Everglades Outpost Wildlife Rescue 35601 S. W. 192 Ave.. Brian Conesa, Jim South and Bill Lyons have been screening on Saturdays the past few weeks and have found some really neat artifacts. We will be bringing some of these artifacts to the next meeting to encourage more volunteers to show up on Saturdays to help screen. Visit AHC website for more info on sites www.flarchaeology.org.

ANNUAL DUES REMINDER: It's the beginning of a new year – and probably time to renew your annual ASSF membership! For you convenience, you may either mail a check to Barbara Tansey (fee amounts and address on back), or bring payment with you to our next meeting.

Florida Anthropological Society
FAS membership application/renewal form

YES, I want to join **FAS**. I enclose \$ _____
 STUDENT, \$15 REGULAR, \$30 FAMILY, \$35
 INSTITUTIONAL, \$30 SUSTAINING, \$40
 PATRON, \$100 LIFE, \$500 BENEFACTOR, \$2,500

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____
ZIP CODE _____
PHONE (w) _____ (h) _____

Mail to: Florida Anthropological Society
c/o Beth Sarney
5331 Lansdowne Way
Palmetto, Fl. 34221

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN FLORIDA

ASSF membership application/renewal form

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

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____
Zip Code _____
Phone (w) _____ (h) _____

CHECK ONE: New Member Renewal
CHECK ONE: Individual (\$20) Family (\$25)

Mail to: Barbara Tansey
2495 N.W. 35th Ave.
Miami, Fl 33142

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.

Address

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, April 13th, 2006

Location: The Deering Estate, Auditorium

SPEAKER: Monica Faraldo

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