Spring 2004 Archaeology & Public Education

Spring 2004 Field & Lab Opportunities

Kansas Schedules Archaeology Training Program

Central Kansas is the destination of the Kansas Archeology Training Program (KATP) field school, sponsored by the Kansas State Historical Society and the Kansas Anthropological Association. Volunteers are invited to help investigate a suspected Central Plains tradition site near Lindsborg from June 5-20. The Central Plains tradition is represented by Native American peoples living in villages and extended communities of scattered small to medium-sized Plains earthlodges during the Middle Ceramic period (A.D. 1000-1500).

Around March 15 the registration packet should be ready for distribution and will be posted on the KSHS web page at www.kshs.org/resource/katpcurrent.htm. It will contain registration, scheduling, and medical forms; options for lodging, camping, and food; a map of pertinent project locations; a list of recommended equipment; instructions for enrollment in formal classes that can be taken to earn college credit or simply to learn more about a particular topic; details about the KAA certification program; and a schedule of accompanying activities. A registration packet may also be requested by contacting Virginia Wulfkuhle at (785) 272-8681, ext. 255 or vwulfkuhle@kshs.org.

Field School to be Held in Northwest Iowa

The Sanford Museum and Planetarium, Cherokee, Iowa, is sponsoring a public field school in archaeology, June 7-18, at a multi-component, prehistoric site near Washta, in northwest Iowa. Jason Titcomb, currently with the Center for American Archaeology, Kampsville, Illinois, will direct the project. Participants must enroll for a minimum of three days and pay a fee of \$15.00 per day. Youngsters under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Interested persons should contact: Sanford Museum and Planetarium, (712) 225-3922 or sanford@cherokee.k12.ia.us.

NSF Offers Research Opportunities for Students

The National Science Foundation funds a large number of research opportunities for undergraduate students through its Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) program. An REU Site consists of a group of ten or so undergraduates who work in the research programs of the host institution. Each student is associated with a specific research project, where he/she works closely with the faculty and other researchers. Students are granted stipends and, in many cases, assistance with housing and travel. Students interested in archaeology should search the NSF web site at www.nsf.gov/home/crssprgm/reu/start.htm for opportunities in the Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences.

Maryland Park Offers Lab Opportunities

Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum (www.jefpat.org) in Calvert County, Maryland, welcomes volunteers to help in the archaeology lab throughout the year. In addition, a spring/summer public archaeology field session is planned. For more information, please contact Kirsti Uunila at (410) 586-8555, or email uunila@dhcd.state.md.us.

Maryland Archives Offers Summer Internships

The Maryland State Archives has a variety of paid summer internships available for high school through graduate level students. For application information on internship or volunteer opportunities visit their web site at www.mdarchives.state.md.us/.

Passport In Time Takes Volunteers

Passport In Time, a volunteer archeology program sponsored by the USDA Forest Service, provides opportunities for the public to participate in archaeology and help preserve our national heritage. For details on the Passport In Time program, visit the web site at www.passportintime.com/. New listings are posted each March and September.

Spring 2004 Web Sites of Interest

Pirates of North Carolina: Curse of the Revenge

Check out the work of archaeologists as they uncover the remains of pirate Blackbeard's ship, the Queen Anne's Revenge. The web site at www.qaronline.org/ includes historical information on Blackbeard, an education page, and photos and descriptions of recovered artifacts, including ship parts.

Colonial Williamsburg Features Maps

Explore colonial maps from Colonial Williamsburg's collection in an online exhibition that includes maps dated from 1587 to 1782 (www.history.org/history/museums/online_exhibits.cfm). The online exhibition looks at maps relating to colonial discovery, exploration, boundary disputes, navigation, trade, the French and Indian War, and the Revolutionary War. The exhibition features a zooming tool allowing a close look at map details, a glossary of terms, and a timeline of major events in history that occurred near the date a particular map was drawn.

Michigan Web Site Highlights Fraudulent Relics

The Michigan Relics (aka the Soper Frauds) were the product of an elaborate fraud that operated between 1890 and 1920 and were supposed to represent the products of a cultural intrusion from the ancient Middle East into Michigan. Many people still believe that they are legitimate. Check out the exhibit minitour, Digging Up Controversy: The Michigan Relics, by the Michigan Historical Museum at www.sos.state.mi.us/history/michrelics/.

NPS Updates Events Pages

The National Park Service has recently reformatted their web pages that feature Events in Your State and include information on Archeology Weeks and Months. Check out the new pages at www.cr.nps.gov/aad/public/statearc.htm.

Ceramics Featured on Web Site

Diagnostic Artifacts in Maryland is a new web page from the Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory (www.jefpat.org/diagnostic/). It was created to provide an introduction to the types of diagnostic artifacts recovered from archaeological sites in Maryland and would be of interest to anyone interested in Maryland archaeology. Two sections, Prehistoric Ceramics and Colonial Historic Ceramics, are presented. The Prehistoric pages provide a brief description of Maryland's cultural history, a general introduction to the physiographic regions located in the state, and ware definitions and images for most of the types of Native American pottery found here. The Colonial Historic pages cover various types of ceramics imported into this region between the time of initial European settlement and the American Revolution. Additional pages on lithics and other types of artifacts are planned.

The Archaeology Channel Continues to Grow

New additions to The Archaeology Channel, the streaming video web site are now available at www.archaeologychannel.org, as follows:

- The Shipwreck at Playa Damas—On the Caribbean coast of Panama, disputing parties soon may reach agreement on archaeological exploration of a shipwreck that might have been abandoned there by Christopher Columbus on his last voyage in 1503. Some evidence, not yet confirmed by archaeological analysis, suggests that the shipwreck at Playa Damas is that of La Vizcaina, a ship abandoned in 1503 by Christopher Columbus on his fourth and final voyage. Whatever its identity, it may be the oldest shipwreck yet found in the Western Hemisphere and a unique opportunity to examine early 16th-century shipbuilding methods. This opportunity might have been lost in the controversy surrounding salvage and research rights, but now it seems likely that the Institute of Nautical Archaeology will undertake a fully professional research effort.
- Signs of Life—One of the best and most enjoyable explanations of archaeology for a lay audience is this video about archaeology in New Mexico. Produced with support from the New Mexico Historic Preservation Fund, this is an engaging exploration of modern science applied to ancient times. All that's dry or dusty about this program are Robert A. Burns' shoes as he leads the viewer through ancient ruins,

ghost towns, forts, and museums as well as high-tech laboratories across New Mexico. This video explains why archaeology is relevant and important not only to archaeologists, who use remarkably clever techniques to tease out clues about the past, but also to all people of today and in the future. People of the Whale, Part 1—In 1971, a Seattle television station carried two programs about wet-site excavations at the Ozette Site, which has been called the Pompeii of the Northwest. Located on the outer coastline of Washington's Olympic Peninsula, the Ozette Site yielded the perfectly preserved remains of a pre-contact Makah village beneath a series of mudslides. This made-for-TV program depicts archaeological fieldwork at Ozette in 1970, the first of 12 seasons of work that recovered 55,000 artifacts now displayed at the Makah Cultural and Research Center in Neah Bay, Washington. The archival footage in this film is destined to be a key resource for those studying and teaching the history of North American archaeology.

SPRING 2004 News and Publications

NEWS

Wickliffe Mounds Research Center to Close

Wickliffe Mounds Research Center, Wickliffe, KY, has been cut from Murray State University's budget and is expected to be closed by June 30. The Research Center encompasses the Mississippian period site of Wickliffe Mounds, which dates ca. A.D. 1100-1350, and includes several mounds. In the early to middle 20th century, the site was promoted as a tourist attraction called Ancient Buried City by promoter Fain King. After King's departure, the Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah took over the site and continued it as a tourist attraction, but in 1983 gave the site to Murray State University. Dr. Kit Wesler became site director in that year and began a program of professional research and management. For further information, contact Dr. Kit Wesler at 270-76... or kit.wesler@murraystate.edu

Old Pueblo Archaeology Center Celebrates 10th Anniversary

The public is invited to join Old Pueblo Archaeology Center, Marana (Tucson metro area), AZ, in celebrating their 10th anniversary on March 18, during Arizona Archaeology Awareness Month, by attending an Open House at Old Pueblo's new facility at 5100 W. Ina Road. It is anticipated that the open house will feature free guided tours of the Yuma Wash and Bojórquez-Aguirre Ranch archaeological sites; demonstrations of traditional arrowhead, basketry, and pottery making; an Old Pueblo Archaeology volunteers appreciation ceremony; the annual Old Pueblo-Young People fundraising raffle; a silent auction of southwestern art items and books; Native American food vendors; and Native American dancers and storytelling. Old Pueblo Archaeology Center's mission is to educate children and adults to understand and appreciate archaeology and other cultures, to foster the preservation of archaeological and historical sites, and to develop a lifelong concern for the importance of nonrenewable resources and traditional cultures. For information, contact Director Allen Dart, 520-798-1201 or adart@oldpueblo.org.

Vermont School Learns Archaeology First-Hand

The Westford Elementary School, Vermont, will be sponsoring the History In Our Back Yard program again this year. This is a year-long program developed by the Archaeology Consulting Team, Inc., that brings the enriching experience of archaeology into the 5th and 6th grade curriculum. The Westford History In Our Back Yard is a hands-on application of the curriculum, learning through experience under real-world conditions. Under the direction of professional archaeologists, 60 students will conduct excavations on a real archaeological site located on school property. The students will analyze the recovered material, conduct historic research, and present their findings to the broader public. Parents and other community members will be invited to visit throughout the program and will be taught archaeology by the students themselves.

The History In Our Back Yard program was awarded the Vermont Archaeological Society's Excellence in Archaeology Award in 1996 and has been written up in the children's archaeology magazine, Dig (Fall 1999), as well as the Society for American Archaeology's Archaeology and Public Education newsletter (May 1993). For more information, contact Douglas S. Frink, Archaeology Consulting Team, at DSFrink@aol.com.

Excavated Slave Cabin in South Carolina Open to the Public

Boone Hall, Mt. Pleasant, SC, is the site of an antebellum plantation that has 10 extant brick slave cabins. In 2003, Brockington and Associates Inc., excavated beneath the floor of one cabin and invited the public to visit, ask questions, and even sift for artifacts. After their one-week excavation, they used the artifacts and site's history to create an archaeological display with open units, exposed artifacts and features, two informational panels, and a display case of additional artifacts. The house is now open to the visiting public. For more information, contact Connie Huddleston, Brockington Assoc. Inc., at 770-662-5807.

MATRIX Project Develops New Archaeology Courses

A group of professional archaeologists representing many fields within the Society for American Archaeology have made a commitment to revitalize the undergraduate archaeology curriculum to better serve the needs of future archaeologists through the Making Archaeology Relevant in the 21st Century project (MATRIX). This project has produced innovative course materials that introduce students to relevant issues in archaeology and provide students with skills they can apply to careers in archaeology. To read the longer article on this interesting project, click here.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

Smithsonian Publishes 2nd Edition of Anthropology Explored

The Smithsonian Institution has released the second edition of Anthropology Explored: The Best of Smithsonian AnthroNotes, edited by Ruth Osterweis Selig, Marilyn R. London, and P. Ann Kaupp. The 36 lively articles, with over 40 cartoon illustrations by archaeologist Robert Humphrey, explore recent discoveries in human origins, archaeology, and cultural diversity while tracing culture change around the globe. The book is divided into three main sections: Investigating our Origins and Variation; Examining the Archaeological Past; and Exploring our Many Cultures. Each chapter begins with a new abstract and concludes with a 2004 update section. Essays come from the Smithsonian publication AnthroNotes, winner of the SAA Excellence in Education Award.

What's new in the second edition? Thirteen additional chapters are included on current issues such as repatriation, primate aggression, Mayan and Viking archaeology, forensics and America's MIAs, human origins, race and ethnicity, and body tattoos and piercing. There are also 36 abstracts and 23 updates highlighting new technologies, DNA and genetics, global warming and the environment; and a new introduction offering a general introduction to the field and its subdisciplines, along with clear definitions. A supplementary Instructor's Guide and Teachers' Resource Packet are also available fromAnthroutreach@nmnh.si.edu. The cost is \$21.95; to order the 2004 edition, contact W.W. Norton at 1-800-233-4830.

New Publications Offered by Office of Indiana State Archaeologist

The Indiana State Archaeologist's office has several new archaeology products available. New initiatives in the office have resulted in the following documents: Teaching the French Language Using Architecture, Archaeology, and Heritage; Archaeology and the French Culture in Indiana; and George Rogers Clark: Archaeology of a Frontier Hero. For information on obtaining a copy of these documents, contact the Indiana State Archaeologist's office at 317-232-1646.

Resources Available from SAA

The Society for American Archaeology (SAA) has produced a variety of educational resources that are available to help students, teachers, and the general public learn more about archaeology. Most of these resources are available free from the Society's web site (see www.saa.org/pubedu/eduMat.html for a complete list). In addition to the web materials, the SAA offers brochures on careers and volunteer opportunities in archaeology, as well as publications for sale, such as History Beneath the Sea: Nautical Archaeology in the Classroom.

The SAA Manager, Education and Outreach, is another resource to consider when looking for information. The Manager is available to answer questions by email, snail mail, or phone, and has access to information about archaeology education resources from many sources. If you are having trouble finding appropriate resources for your classroom or for an outreach activity, the SAA office may be able to help, or find someone who can. For

more information, contact Maureen Malloy, Manager, Education and Outreach, Society for American Archaeology, 900 Second Street NE, Suite 12, Washington, DC 20002-3557, phone: 202..., or e-mail: maureen_malloy@saa.org.

Spring 2004 Events

EVENTS

Kampsville Announces 2004 Program Calendar The Center for American Archeology, Kampsville, Illinois, is pleased to offer a wide variety of archeological education programs in 2004. Teachers may apply for continuing education credits for field school and workshop programs. This season's programs are as follows: Past Lifeways Program for School Groups: April 5-May 21 Adults 50+ Field School: June 7-11 Flintknapping Workshop: June 14-18 Archeology Day: June 26 Adult Field School Sessions: July 19-August 13 Past Lifeways Program for School Groups: September 3-October 31

For more information, please visit the web site at www.caa-archeology.org, email caa@caa-archeology.org, or contact Mary Pirkl, Director of Education, at (618) 653-4316.

Indiana Archaeology Camp Planned for June

The Indiana State Museum, Indianapolis, will sponsor an Archaeology Camp, June 14-18. Digging Through History: Archaeology Camp is for students ages 9-13. The program will provide campers an opportunity to learn what it is like to be an archaeologist through fun, hands-on activities. Campers will explore and learn about the diverse cultures that have called Indiana home for the past 12,000 years and learn about their technologies. Camp costs are \$75 for museum members and \$100 for non-members. Call 317-232-1637 by May 31 to reserve your spot.

Linn County, Iowa, Plans Archaeology Camp for Kids

Wickiup Hill Outdoor Learning Center, Linn County Conservation Board's educational facility near Cedar Rapids, Iowa, will offer an Archaeology Day Camp in July for youngsters. Children will learn how archaeologists find, investigate and interpret archaeological sites. Special highlights will include flint knapping with an archaeologist, learning American Indian crafts, and participating in an archaeological dig at a nearby site. Registration for the camp is \$40 per child. For more information or to receive a registration form, please contact: Gail Barels, Wickiup Hill Outdoor Learning Center, 319-892-6488.

ARCHAEOLOGY WEEKS/MONTHS

Arkansas Archeology Month Set for March

Plans for Arkansas Archeology Month, which will be held in March, are well underway. Forty-six programs are currently scheduled at 28 venues throughout the state, including state parks, museums, and colleges. Activities range from exhibits and demonstrations to slide-talks and artifact identification workshops. For a schedule of events, check the web site at www.uark.edu/campus-resources/archinfo/archmonth.html or contact Mary Kwas, Archeology Month Coordinator, at 479-575-6549.

Maryland Archaeology Month Set for April

Maryland Archaeology Month is celebrated in April. To receive a printed calendar of events (when available) call the MHT Office of Archeology at 410-524-7661. You can also request information about the annual Field Session in Maryland Archeology, an 11-day field and lab training program that welcomes volunteer participation, planned for May.

Georgia Events Scheduled for May

Be on the look-out for free posters, education packets and public events. In May, Georgians will be celebrating archaeology through the statewide Georgia Archaeology Month. The Society for Georgia Archaeology serves as the primary sponsor of this annual promotion of Georgia archaeology. A calendar of events details archaeology related activities open to the public throughout the state. Archaeology Month 2004 will showcase the recently reprinted classic book, Frontiers in the Soil: The Archaeology of Georgia. A poster and educational materials that spotlight this publication will be distributed free of charge to all public middle school libraries, state parks and historic sites, and SGA members. For more information on statewide events, check SGA's website: www.georgia-archaeology.org/sga.

Spring 2004 Workshops and Meeting Conferences

WORKSHOPS MEETINGS

Indiana Archaeology Council Invites Public to Spring Workshop

The Indiana Archaeology Council will hold their Spring Workshop on March 13 at the Indiana State Museum in Indianapolis. Several sessions of this year's Spring Workshop will be open to the public. Contact Gail Brown, Natural History Programs Coordinator, at gbrown@dnr.state.in.us or 317-232-1637 to receive more information.

Archaeology Workshop to be Held in Maryland

The 13th annual Workshop in Archeology, sponsored by the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT) and The Archaeological Society of Maryland (ASM), will be held on March 20 in Crownsville, Maryland. The exciting all-day program includes lectures on recent archaeological research in Maryland, as well as hands-on activities for adults and children. Event program and additional information is available online at www.marylandhistoricaltrust.net.

Iowa Offers Summer Classes in Archaeology for Teachers

The Office of the State Archaeologist-University of Iowa, in concert with Southern Prairie Area Educational Association, plans to offer two, one-week courses for K-12 teachers in June and July. Archaeology for the Classroom Teacher, June 7-11, will include background on archaeological methods, an introduction to Iowa's archaeological past, and suggestions for integrating archaeology into K-12 curricula. Archaeology for the Classroom Teacher 2: A Field Experience, July 5-9, extends this learning into the field with a hands-on test excavation at an archaeological site in southeast Iowa. Participants in the second class must have completed the first class in June or in a previous year. Teachers will receive two recertification or graduate credits for each course. Instructors for both classes are Bill Anderson, retired middle school teacher from Pekin, Iowa, and Lynn M. Alex, Director of Education and Outreach, OSA-UI. Interested persons may contact: Lynn M. Alex, OSA-UI, 700 Clinton Street Building, Iowa City, IA 52242; 319-384-0561; lynn-alex@uiowa.edu.

Colorado Workshop to be Held in August

A Project Archaeology Teachers Institute will be held August 8-14 at Kelly Place, Cortez, Colorado, in partnership with the Bureau of Land Management. Highlights of the program include two days of the BLM workshop on Project Archaeology, a one-day hands-on archaeology dig, and two days of guided tours of Mesa Verde, Anasazi Heritage Center, and Canyons of the Ancients National Monument, plus a variety of evening cultural programs and archaeological workshops. The \$750 fee includes all meals, lodging, and ground transportation. For more information or to register for the program, contact Dr. Peter Feinman, Institute of History, Archaeology, and Education, at 914-933-0440 or email feinmanp@ihare.org.

Project Archaeology Workshops

Project Archaeology workshops will be scheduled in several states throughout the U.S. Attendees participating in the Teacher Workshops will learn activities that are included in the course material Intrigue of the Past: A Teacher's Activity Guide for Grades 4-7. Fun experiences include fundamental concepts in archaeology, archaeology processes and issues, local archaeology for your area, and a field trip. For more details on Project Archaeology or to find out about workshops in your area, contact Suzanne Boles Parker, Project Archaeology Coordinator, at 970-882-4811 or suzanne_parker@co.blm.gov. Or check out the new web site at www.blm.gov/heritage/project_archaeology.htm.

Indiana Schedules Project Archaeology Educator Workshops

Project Archaeology is an educational program designed to teach young Americans to value and protect our nation's rich cultural heritage. Through use of the educator's resource guide, Intrigue of the Past, teachers can bring archaeology to the classroom. The following programs are to be held in Indiana this summer:

Indiana State Museum June 29-July 1: West Lafayette, IN, (in cooperation with Purdue University) July 27-29: Lanier Mansion State Historic Site, Madison, IN For more information, visit our web site www.indianamuseum.org or contact Alicia Stewart, Project Archaeology Coordinator, at astewart@dnr.state.in.us or (317) 233-9348.

Martin University July 12-14: Fort Harrison State Park, Indianapolis, IN For more information, contact Harry Murphy at hmurphy@martin.edu.

Falls of the Ohio State Park July 1-2: Falls of the Ohio State Park, Clarksville, IN For more information, visit our web site www.fallsoftheohio.org or contact Bett Etenohan at betenohan@dnr.state.in.us or (812) 280-9970.

CONFERENCES

SAA to Meet in Montreal in 2004

The Society for American Archaeology will hold its 69th annual meeting at Montreal, Quebec, Canada, March 31-April 4, 2004. New for 2004 will be the first annual Ethics Bowl and the Amerind Seminar program, which will recognize an outstanding symposium. For further information, check the web site at www.saa.org/meetings/index.html.

CRM Career Exposition Set for SAA Meeting

The Society for American Archaeology (SAA) and the American Cultural Resources Association (ACRA) will co-host a cultural resource career exposition on Saturday, April 3. The expo will be held in conjunction with SAA's 69th Annual Meeting in Montreal, Canada, from March 31-April 4. For more details and a registration form visit www.acra-crm.org/ and look under Hot Topics.

SAA and ACRA invite cultural resource management companies and government agencies to be part of this exciting event. You may have two representatives on-site ready to talk informally and individually with attendees. Your representatives will be able to talk specifically about your organization while discussing other topics of general interest. Attendees will want to know, for example, about career path options in cultural resource management and your recommendations concerning courses and skills valuable to future employment.

Each participating group will be charged a minimal fee of \$50. There will be no charge for attendees. Additionally, this expo will not be limited to registrants of the SAA Annual Meeting but will be open and free to all who are interested. This is the third year for the CRM Career Expo, and we fully expect it to be an early sell out. So plan now to have your company/agency involved. For further information, please contact Sarah Herr at sherr@desert.com re CRM Expo, or at work at 520-881-2244.

Society For Georgia Archaeology to Hold Meeting in April

Georgia's 2004 state preservation collaborative will take place in Savannah, April 15-18. The Society for Georgia Archaeology will hold its Spring Meeting during this time. Activities from April 16-18 include a variety of receptions and luncheons through the Georgia Trust. Learn about preservation events, Savannah archaeology, and award-winning projects and individuals in Georgia, April 17, at the Georgia Trust meeting. April 17 will be an exciting afternoon of discovery through self-guided Rambles at historic sites in the Savannah area. Rambles

include an archaeological trip to the colonial site of New Ebenezer, Georgia, which will enable participants to view an archaeology museum exhibit, take guided and self-guided tours of the site, view historic 18th-century structures, speak with archaeologists, and maybe even visit an on-going archaeological excavation. Other educational opportunities include a guided tour of the archaeology and history of the state-owned Ossabaw Island on April 18.

The meeting this spring will be in tandem with the meeting of the Georgia Trust. In addition, other preservationrelated entities will conduct their organizational meetings and training sessions during this same time period in order to create a broad networking and information sharing opportunity for people representing related fields and organizations. Other conference partners of the Georgia Trust holding meetings and training sessions at this time include: Georgia State Historic Preservation Division; Georgia Alliance of Preservation Commissions; Georgia Downtown Association; Georgia Department of Community Affairs; Southeast Chapter of the Association for Preservation Technology; Historic Savannah Foundation; Coastal Georgia Heritage Society; and the Savannah College of Art and Design. For more information and to register visit www.georgia-archaeology.org/sga or contact SGA President Betsy Shirk at b.shirk@comcast.net.

Museums Conference Set for New Orleans

The American Association of Museums will hold its next meeting May 6-10, 2004, in New Orleans, LA. The theme for the meeting will be Celebrating Innovation, Creating the Future. For more information, check the web site at www.aam-us.org/am04/proposal.cfm.

Social Sciences Conference to be Held in Hawaii

The 3rd annual Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences will be held from June 16-19, 2004, in Honolulu, Hawaii. The conference will provide many opportunities for academicians and professionals from the social sciences to interact with members inside and outside their own particular disciplines. Cross-disciplinary submissions with other fields are welcome. For more information about submissions, see www.hicsocial.org/cfp_ss.htm. For information on the conference, email social@hicsocial.org or check the web site at www.hicsocial.org.