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LITTLE SALT SPRING: HISTORY, ARCHAEOLOGY AND CONSERVATION TUESDAY, MAY 13, 7 PM

There are many springs in Florida, but none quite like Little Salt Spring in southern Sarasota County. From 7000 to 12,000 years ago, hunters and gatherers visited the spring area and left evidence of these visits. These are some of the oldest remains found in Florida. The spring is fed oxygen-depleted water from deep vents creating a unique environment for bone and wooden artifact preservation. Christine Mavricks, grad student at UWF, is working to conserve some of the 7000 to 10,000 year old wooden posts recovered from Little Salt Spring. She and Kendra Kennedy visited Little Salt Spring this spring to gather additional information using remote sensing. Join us next Tuesday night at the Florida Public Archaeology Network Center to find out more about the history of the site, past archaeological investigations, problems in conserving 10,000 year old wood and a new look at the site using remote sensing.

ANNUAL DUES AND BANQUET REMINDER

Mark your calendar- the PAS Annual Banquet will be held at the Azalea Trace Banquet Room on June 10 at 6 PM. Price this year is \$13 per person. Reservations should be made by May 30 on the ENCLOSED FORM and mailed to the PAS post office box. **This is a reminder that May 1 begins the new 2008-2009 fiscal year for PAS. Please mail your renewal to the PAS mailbox when you make your reservation for the Annual Banquet. (SEE INSERT)**

2008-2009 OFFICERS ELECTED AT APRIL MEETING

The following were elected to serve as the 2008-2009 officers and board members. There were no nominations from the floor so the proposed slate was accepted. President – John Leroy

Vice President – Martha Ridlehoover

Recording Secretary – Jan Lloyd

Corresponding Secretary – Gene Feicht and Elizabeth Benchley

Treasurer – Kay Gautier

Board Members – Greg Cook and Barbara Wright

Della Scott-Ireton and Ken Alderman have 1 year remaining on the board

John Crane as past president will also serve on the board.

2008 UWF SUMMER FIELD SCHOOL ORIENTATION JUNE 2

PAS and Student Volunteers are invited to presentations about the sites that will be investigated during the summer 2008 field season. The field school students will meet at 8 am at the Bowden Building class room to fill out paperwork and take care of other bookkeeping chores. VOLUNTEERS ARE INVITED TO COME TO THE BOWDEN BUILDING, 120 EAST CHURCH STREET, AT 9 AM FOR THE PRESENTATIONS. NEW AND OLD VOLUNTEERS ARE INVITED TO BRING A LUNCH AND STAY FOR AFTERNOON LAB PROCEDURES ORIENTATION FROM 1 TO 3 AT THE FPAN CENTER LAB. No experience is necessary. Come see how exciting it is to find something in the screen that nobody has seen for hundreds of years! For more info, call Jan 474-2087.

NEWS FROM FPAN PANHANDLE PUBLIC ARCHAEOLOGIST

Dr. Della Scott-Ireton, FPAN Public Archaeologist based at the FPAN Center here in Pensacola, Dr. Bill Lees, FPAN Director, and Mary Furlong, Outreach Coordinator, contribute monthly to the newsletter (595-0059 for info).

The History Day/Open House in Historic Pensacola Village is scheduled for June 7 from 10 AM to 4 PM. This year many family friendly stations will be set up throughout the district. PAS Volunteers are needed to help in the FPAN lab and sell t-shirts, give tours and sell t-shirts in the Wentworth Museum and work outside cleaning and troweling in the Commanding Officers Compound and British Well. Sign up sheets will be available at the May membership meeting.

Students at St. Michael's School in partnership with the Pensacola Historical Society have completed the 2007-2008 Save Our History project featuring Fort George. The grant application is being prepared for next year's

project and includes production of an on line virtual Archaeology Museum. A non-profit co-sponsor is being sought to work with them on the new project.

TERRESTRIAL AND UNDERWATER UPDATES

The UWF underwater archaeology faculty and students have been out of the water for a while as they prepare for the 2008 Underwater Field School. The diving platform for work on the Emanuel Point II site has more damage than first thought and is being refurbished by the capable staff at UWF's Marine Services Center, faculty and students. Greg Cook announced he hopes to have it back on site shortly to continue work on the second Luna vessel for summer 2008.

Dr. Benchley reports progress in working out plans with architects and construction crews for excavations at the Barkley House, but no start date has been announced. A field lab will open there June 9 and volunteers will be welcome Monday through Thursday 9 am to 3 pm and on Fridays from 9 am until noon.

Excavations have resumed for a few weeks at the lot on Zarragosa Street where work was completed earlier this year. Additional work is necessary to include the site of piers and foundations for the relocated houses.

Survey work is ongoing just east of St. Michael's Cemetery on vacant property that will be developed soon. Several features that may be Native American have been located in the trenches. More work will be necessary to assess these features before construction begins.

VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED AT UWF AND FPAN

UWF, BLDG. 13 LAB – Help is needed to rough sort materials from current follow-up excavations on Zarragosa Street. Call Jan for info at 474-2087.

The lab is open 9 am to 3 pm Monday through Wednesday.

UWF FIELD LAB AT THE BARKLEY HOUSE- begins June 9, Monday through Thursday 9 am to 3 pm, Friday 9 am until noon.

FPAN LAB – open Wednesday and Friday 9 am to 3 pm. Call Mary -595-0050

ST. MICHAEL'S CEMETERY – MAY 17, 10 AM TO 3 PM – FREE OPEN HOUSE AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. CALL MARGO AT THE ARCHAEOLOGY INSTITUTE, 474-3015 (In conjunction with the Florida Trust for Historic Preservation meetings in Pensacola that week.)

COMING EVENTS

MAY 13, TUES. CONSERVAION AND IDENTIFICATION OF THE WOOD FROM POSTS RECOVERED FROM LITTLE SALT SPRING

Christine Mavrck, UWF Grad Student
7 pm, FPAN CENTER, 207 E. Main Street, Pensacola

June 2, Mon Field School Orientation – **Volunteers** invited to presentations beginning at 9 am
And Lab Procedures Orientation 1-3 PM at FPAN Lab for New and Old Volunteers

June 3, Tues. Board Meeting, 4:30 PM, Florida Public Archaeology Network Center,
Old L & N Marine Terminal, 207 E. Main Street. Members welcome.

June 7, Sat. **History Day/Open House in Pensacola Historic Village,**
10 am to 4 pm (PAS Volunteers needed)

JUNE 10, TUES. **PAS ANNUAL BANQUET, 6 PM, AZALEA TRACE**
A LOOK BACK AT 2007-2008 AND A GLIMPSE INTO THE FUTURE
DR. JUDY BENSE, DR. JOHN BRATTEN AND GREG COOK

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BANQUET RESERVATIONS

PLEASE INDICATE CHOICES FOR BANQUET MEAL(S) BY WRITING A **NAME** IN THE BLANKS BELOW SO YOUR NAMETAG WILL REFLECT YOUR PREFERENCE. EACH MEAL THIS YEAR WILL BE \$13.

_____ BROILED TILAPIA (fish) with Vanilla Hollandaise Sauce,
yellow rice and Chef’s choice of vegetable

_____ SAUTEED CHICKEN BREAST with white wine, garlic and basil
sauce, yellow rice, Chef’s choice of vegetable

(Both will include salad with raspberry and walnut vinaigrette, bread and Fresh Berry and Whipped Cream Trifle for dessert.

NUMBER OF MEALS _____ AT \$13 EACH = \$ _____

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PAY AT THE MEMBERSHIP MEETING (KAY WILL BE THERE BY 6:30) OR FOLD, TAPE AND MAIL THIS FORM **TO ARRIVE BY MAY 30** .

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