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# Central Gulf Coast Archaeological Society

A Chapter of the Florida Anthropological Society



## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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## September Meeting

*Richard Estabrook, MA*

**Thursday**

**September 27, 2007**

**Weedon Island Preserve Cultural and Natural  
History Center**

**7:00 P.M**

*The Florida Public Archaeology Network (FPAN) and  
the CGCAS: Opportunities for Partnerships in  
Archaeological Outreach*

This month's general membership meeting will held on Thursday September 27 at Weedon Island. Richard Estabrook, Director of the Florida Public Archaeology Network, West Central region, will speak to us. His topic will be of importance to CGCAS and plan on attending this meeting to hear about FPAN and CGCAS opportunities.

## Bayshore Homes Project

We are currently excavating Test Unit 3. We have uncovered a possible pit or low area filled with midden material. The midden sits on white sand and thickens to the west. A column sample was taken on the south wall for analysis. We obtained permission from the owner to extend TU 3 to the south by excavating another 1X2 unit. This will hopefully give us a better picture of the midden's extent.



**Figure 1 South Wall Profile TU3**

Processing of the material from the column sample number 2 will take place shortly and the date and time will be announced later.



**Figure 2. Dr. Glen Doran and Chris Hardy during coring operation. Dr. Bob Austin is behind Dr. Doran.**

On Monday August 20<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday the 21<sup>st</sup>, Dr. Glen Doran and Dr. John Foss drilled 7 cores and began their analysis. The cores from the midden will help determine the depositional history and also the age correlations of its building.



**Figure 3. Dr. John Foss and Dr. Bob Austin during the recent coring operation at Bayshore Homes.**

Since there will be sorting to be done from column sample 3 and work to be done on TU 3, there is still time to join us in this exciting and important project. Thanks to all the CGCAS members who have taken part so far. If you are interested, please contact Dr. Bob Austin at 813-677-2280 or email him at [bob@searchinc.com](mailto:bob@searchinc.com) if you want to help.

### **FAS 2008 Committees**

The planning for the 2008 FAS Annual Meeting in Tampa continues. This meeting is only 8 months away and is coming up fast. The chairs of the committees are meeting to make sure all is on track to make this another memorable meeting.

The committees still need help and your assistance and ideas will be greatly appreciated. Thanks to those who have already signed up and for the rest of you, please consider volunteering on one of these committees.

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### **Condolences**

We wish to express our sincere condolences to Mark Winterbottom and his family on the recent loss of his sister Maura Winterbottom. Mark has been an active member of CGCAS for many years. Mark, your friends and “family” at CGCAS want you to know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

You can reach Mark at 66135 Thames Rd., Pinellas Park, FL 33782 or by calling 813-522-3482.

## **Field Trip Being Planned**

**Don't miss this one: Friday evening thru Sunday afternoon: October 12-14**

**Led by Mac Perry**

Join Mac Perry, author, horticulturist, and CGCAS member, on a 3-day excursion to historic Cedar Key and the famous Crystal River archaeological site on October 12-14. Mac will lead the guided tours of prehistoric Indian mounds, historic Cedar Key, and several museums and will join you at all meals. A time-based itinerary will be provided to include the following. Friday evening, Mac will have his guitar and bamboo flutes for a fun-filled poolside social hour. Saturday morning the late comers can join the group and spend the day touring the many Indian mound sites, museums, and 19th century homes and buildings in this quaint 1840s artsy/fishing village that once was a bustling town of pencil and palm fiber broom making along the Gulf coast west of Gainesville. Then Sunday morning, en route back to Tampa Bay, we'll stop at the multifaceted Crystal River State Archaeological Site for more mounds and museums. Free Time will be provided for relaxing, napping, shopping, etc. A \$20 per person fee payable to Mac by Monday, October 8th is necessary to reserve your spot. You will have to provide your own transportation (car pooling suggested), make your own motel reservations, and pay for all of your meals. Mac will provide a list of motels and restaurants. Perhaps most or all of us can stay at the same motel and eat at the same restaurants. Mark your calendar and get on the list early. There is a limit as to how many can go. To reserve your spot, send a check for \$20/person to Mac Perry, 8399 42<sup>nd</sup> Ave. N., St. Petersburg, FL 33709. Call him for questions at 727-381-7512.

### **CGCAS Yard Sale**

At a recent board meeting, it was discussed that CGCAS should hold a yard sale to help raise funds for upcoming projects. The date and place are to be determined but it could be within the next couple of months. So, help us out by donating any items you no longer need or want and we will appreciate your help in building up our reserves.

### **Little League World Series Touches Home**

Many of us who began the Narvaez/Anderson project years ago, remember Robin Van Auken. She was the instrumental person at the Pinellas County Science Center that enabled CGCAS to use their facility. The St. Petersburg Times last month featured an article on her husband Lance who is the senior communication executive for Little League Baseball in

Williamsport PA. home of the Little League World Series. It was good to hear about an old friend we haven't seen in years.

## Archaeological Guidelines

The Hillsborough County Historic Resources Review Board (HRRB) is in the process of creating archaeological guidelines as part of the County's historic preservation regulations (LDC 03.03.00). Archaeological sites are under consideration to be added to the County's Historic Resources Inventory. This list will have archaeological sites that are listed in the NRHP, and ones that were determined eligible or potentially eligible for listing in the NRHP as they appear in the Florida Master Site File's database. Other sites that are being considered have a determination of likely eligible, preservation recommended, more work recommended, insufficient information, etc. The HRRB would like to tweak these latter determinations (i.e., second category) in order to determine if additional sites need to be considered for the inventory. This is where your help is needed. Many of you have first-hand experience with some of the archaeological sites in the second category. The board would like your input on sites in this second category that you may be familiar with. If you would like to see the list and provide your input, please contact Elaine Lund, Community Planner, Historic Preservation Program, Planning and Growth Management, [lunde@HillsboroughCounty.org](mailto:lunde@HillsboroughCounty.org) or 813-276-8387. She can provide you with the data for your review.

## Florida Native American Heritage Trail Booklet Released

Florida Secretary of State Kurt S. Browning announced the release of the Florida Native American Heritage Trail guidebook. The 36-page booklet is the newest addition to the Florida Heritage Trail series, which includes the Florida World War II Heritage Trail, the Florida Cuban Heritage Trail, the Florida Black Heritage Trail, the Florida Jewish Heritage Trail, and the Florida Women's Heritage Trail. "We are pleased and proud to represent the Florida Native American Heritage Trail, a booklet that highlights the heritage and culture of Florida's Native Americans," said Browning. "The information contained in this booklet is a valuable educational resource that will enhance our knowledge and understanding of Florida's earliest people and their legacy."

The Florida Native American Heritage Trail booklet honors Florida's Native American cultures, both past and present, by providing in-depth information for residents and visitors. In text and photos, the booklet describes over 100 sites throughout the state where ancient Florida Native Americans left evidence of their cultures and where contemporary Native Americans thrive and exhibit their cultures. The booklet includes a synopsis of the more than

10,000 years of Native American presence and significance in Florida. Sidebars of special interest topics and biographies of individuals important to Florida's Native American heritage are included. The Trails of Florida's Indian Heritage, Inc. (formerly Trail of the Lost Tribes), a non-profit organization promoting awareness and preservation of Florida's ancient cultures, produced the Florida Native American Heritage Trail booklet with a grant for the Division of Historical Resources.

The Florida Department of State will make copies of the booklet available to public libraries throughout the state and regional offices of the Florida Public Archaeology Network. Additional funding from the Frank E. Duckwall Foundation will allow each of Florida's approximately 3,500 public and private elementary schools to receive a copy of the publication. Copies of the publication may be purchased online at [www.floridahistoryshop.com](http://www.floridahistoryshop.com). Founded in 2000, the Trail of Florida's Indian Heritage is a membership network of three heritage interpreters and 26 public sites pertaining to the ancient Native American cultures in Florida, including museums with exhibits of ancient artifacts and mounds in city, county, state and national parks. With funding from the Florida Humanities Council, the Frank E. Duckwall Foundation and VISIT FLORIDA, the Trail of Florida's Indian Heritage has produced three tourism brochures and three archaeological speaker series to promote awareness, responsible visitation and protection of the remaining cultural sites of the original people of Florida. For more information visit [www.trailoffloridiasianheritage.org](http://www.trailoffloridiasianheritage.org).

## Programs for the Coming Year

Dr. Bob Austin has done a great job of lining up speakers and programs for the coming year. Here is a list of the speakers and their topics. More details on the meetings will be announced in future newsletters. All will be on Thursday and be held at the Weedon Island Preserve Cultural and Natural History Center at 7 pm.

**Richard Estabrook, MA** 9/27/2007 *The Florida Public Archaeology Network (FPAN and the CGCAS: Opportunities for Partnership in Archaeological Outreach*

**Theresa Schober, MA** 10/28/2007 *Mound House Exhibits Archaeology: The Anatomy of a Shell Mound*

**Lizabeth Carlson, PhD** 11/15/2007 *Puerto Rico excavations*

**Jeff Du Vernay, MA** 12/20/2007 *Northwest Florida*

**Margo Schwadron, MA** 1/17/2008 *Everglades*

**Jeff Moates, MA** 2/21/2008 *Maritime archaeology*

**James Davidson, PhD (tentative)** 3/20/2008 *Kingsley Plantation*

**Christian Davenport, MA** 4/17/2008 *Preliminary results of an Archaeological Survey of Lake Okeechobee*

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**The Society**

Central Gulf Coast Archaeological Society (CGCAS) is an association of amateur and professional archaeologists and concerned citizens dedicated to the preservation and interpretation of Florida's great cultural heritage. CGCAS is a chapter of the Florida Anthropological Society (FAS) and is a state chartered non-profit organization. All contributions are tax deductible.



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**Membership**

Membership is open to anyone with a sincere interest in the cultural past of Florida and who is dedicated to the understanding and preservation of that heritage

Amateurs, professionals and concerned citizens are welcomed as members. Membership is yearly and all dues are payable in January. Contact Roger Block, Membership Secretary, 785 Capri Blvd., Treasure Island, FL 33706

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Life	150.00