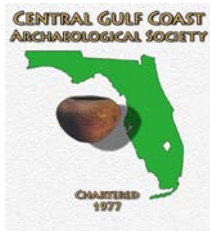


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# Central Gulf Coast Archaeological Society

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## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

November 2012

35 Years of Promoting Florida's Rich Heritage



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## November Meeting has been Changed!

***!!!Rescheduled Date!!!***

***Saturday November 17, 2012***

at

**Weedon Island Preserve Cultural and Natural History Center  
1800 Weedon Dr. NE, St. Petersburg, FL 33702**

**2:00-3:00 PM.**



***Robert Sinibaldi, Ph.D., Paleontologist & Author***

***Cultural Modification of Vertebrate Fossils***

When doing research for any book, one always finds interesting facts and information that goes beyond the scope of the book. This presentation will take a look at the Chapter 7 Endnotes from Dr. Sinibaldi's latest book, *What Your Fossils Can Tell You*, which deals with the overlap between Archaeology and Paleontology.

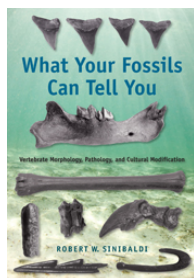
These programs are free and open to the public. Please register at least 24 hours prior to this event by visiting [www.pinellascountyextension.org](http://www.pinellascountyextension.org), clicking the "Online Registration" button, and then choosing the "Weedon Island" tab. You can also call 727-453-6500 to register. *Again, please note that the time and date has changed for this meeting.*

## Note of Program Date Change

The normal lecture for this month has been rescheduled to Saturday November 17, 2012. It will be at 2:00 PM at the Weedon Island Cultural and Natural History Center. Pinellas County Risk Management has notified the Center that it can no longer hold evening meetings there. The problem appears to be related to the lighting in the parking lot. At the present time it is unclear whether this will be a long term decision or if some agreement can be reached that would allow programs to continue. The current situation obviously affects the upcoming lecture series. Any changes to the date or venue of these lectures will be forthcoming.

## This Month's Speaker

Robert Sinibaldi, Ph.D. and former president of the Tampa Fossil Club, presents interesting facts and information from his latest book about the cultural modification of fossils by early people. These prehistoric finds deal with the overlap between archaeology and paleontology which is presented in Dr. Sinibaldi's latest book *What Your Fossils Can Tell You*. Copies of his book will be available for purchase at the presentation.



## 2012-2013 Lecture Series

We have another excellent Lecture Series planned for the coming year. The lectures are presented on the third Thursday of the month at the Weedon Island Preserve Cultural and Natural History Center, 1800 Weedon Island Drive NE, St. Petersburg, Florida. Presented below are the Fall 2012 speakers. Mark your calendar and we look forward to seeing you there.

**Thursday, December 20, 2012:** Rachel Wentz, Ph.D., Florida Public Archaeology Network, East Central Region, *Life and Death at Windover: Excavations of 7,000-year-old Pond Cemetery*

## Dues are Due

The annual payment of membership dues for CGCAS is in January of each year. Thinking of

Christmas, it would be a good time to give CGCAS the gift of your continued membership.

Dues can be paid through Paypal or by mailing a check to Cheryl Shaughnessy, the Membership Secretary at 6100 62<sup>nd</sup> Ave., N. Lot 63, Pinellas Park, FL 33781. The dues categories are found on the last page of the newsletter.

## Save the Date

*December 1, 2012* –Field trip to the Maritime Museum in Cortez. Cortez is in Manatee County west of Bradenton. We will meet at 10:00 am the Publix at 5295 34<sup>th</sup> St. S. in St. Petersburg in the southeast corner of the parking lot. Jeff Moates will lead participants on a tour of the museum. Lunch will follow the tour. You can also meet at the museum at 10:30 am if you cannot meet at Publix. The museum is located at 4415 119<sup>th</sup> Street West, Cortez, FL 34215.

*December 9, 2012* – Annual Holiday Party. The Holiday Party will start with a tour of Driftwood by Becky O'Sullivan. We will meet at Chattaway restaurant (358 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave. S.) and carpool from there. Our white elephant gift exchange and lunch at Chattaway will follow the tour.

*December 21, 2012* – “End of the World” party at Bob Austin's home 7224 Alafia Ridge Loop in Riverview 33569. The Mayan “long count” calendar is set to roll over. Some are predicting a catastrophic end to the world as we know it. We'll let you know how the party went on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Further information will be in the next newsletter.

*May 5, 2013*, CGCAS annual picnic at Philippe Park.

## 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Florida Anthropological Society Meeting

The St. Augustine Archaeological Association is hosting the FAS annual meeting on May 10-12, 2013. The theme “Ponce to *The Ponce*” has been chosen in recognition of Ponce de Leon's 1513 landing and the location of this year's meeting, the former Ponce de Leon Hotel, now home to Flagler College.

A number of special events are planned. On Friday, a Trolley Tour with Distinguished Research Curator of Archaeology Dr. Kathleen Deagan and City of St. Augustine Archaeologist Carl Halbirt is planned. The Friday evening reception will be held at the Fountain of Youth, the location of Pedro Menendez's 1565 settlement and more than 50 years of archaeological excavations.

Flagler College, a designated National Historic Landmark, will be the setting for the paper presentations

on Saturday. During the long lunch break, a number of local downtown tours will be offered. Each will give participants a glimpse of St. Augustine that few visitors get a chance to see.

The Saturday evening banquet, with Dr. Deagan as the keynote speaker, will be held at the Ponce de Leon Dining Room at Flagler College. Prepared by Chef David Bearl, AAC, the menu will be similar to that enjoyed by the hotel's guests on opening night in 1888. The dining room, with its Louis C. Tiffany-designed stained glass windows, is one of the city's hidden treasures.

On Sunday, choices will include an early morning scenic cruise aboard the Victory III and/or a late morning tour of the Lighthouse Archaeological Maritime Program facilities at the St. Augustine Lighthouse.

Further details about the events and a registration form will be available in the January FAS newsletter and online at [www.fas.web.org](http://www.fas.web.org) beginning in 2013.

## Rich Estabrook Accepts New Position



After 31 years in Florida, Rich Estabrook has accepted a position as the Cultural Resources Program Manager for Geo-Marine, Inc. of Plano, Texas and will be moving his family to the Lone Star State. Rich will remain involved with Florida Archaeology and the FAS and FAC, although he has had to resign as the Secretary of the Alliance for Archaeological Research and Education, Inc. (AWIARE). Rich had to start his new job in a hurry, and had to be in Texas before he had the chance to say good-bye and thank all of his FAS/FAC friends. Rich will be back in May for the FAS Annual Meeting to give a presentation on the Ground-Penetrating Radar investigation recently completed for the Boot Hill Cemetery at the now-infamous Dozier School for Boys near Marianna.

He can now be reached at: Geo-Marine, Inc., Environmental Services Division, 2201 K Avenue, Suite A2, Plano, Texas 75074 Phone 972.423.5480, Cell: 469.307.7839, [restabrook@geo-marine.com](mailto:restabrook@geo-marine.com)

## Tarpon Springs Heritage Museum Lecture Series 2012-2013

The Tarpon Springs Heritage Museum is offering a lecture series "Celebrating Community: Tarpon Springs a Continuum of 125 Years". This lecture series is part of a collaboration between the City of Tarpon Springs and the Tarpon Springs Area Historical Society, and is funded in part by a grant from the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources. A series of lectures during the City's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration will culminate in the publication of a historical guidebook of Tarpon Springs.

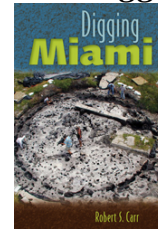
*December 1* – **Dr. Gary Mormino**, Historian and author, "America Discovers Tarpon Springs: The View from Outside"

*February 16* - **Lynn Whitlaw**, Museum Curator, "Visual Arts in the Development of Tarpon Springs"

*March 9* – **Jeff Moates**, Archaeologist, "Maritime Heritage"

The lectures start at 4 pm at the Tarpon Springs Heritage Museum, 100 Beekman Lane, Craig Park, Tarpon Springs, FL. Admission is free. For further information call (727) 937-0686.

## Book Review: "Digging Miami"



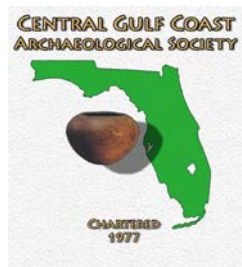
This book by Robert S. Carr details the historical importance of the artifacts left behind in the Miami area from the prehistoric through the historic period and the Seminole occupation of the area. Carr is very adept at discussing how the modern world has influenced the way discoveries are made and processed; and how so much of the history of Miami lies under the city. He is also quick to point out how a sense of community is created by the finding of sites and artifacts from thousands of years ago. It's nice when a fresh perspective is introduced and even nicer to see a book like this in the mainstream. This book is published by University Press of Florida and can be ordered at [www.upf.com](http://www.upf.com). Cover price is \$29.95. It is also available at Barnes & Noble (in the Florida history section, not the anthropology section); Amazon.com, and Barnes & Noble.com.

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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 Cheryl Shaughnessy at P.O. Box 1563 Pinellas Park, FL

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Regular	\$20.00
Student	10.00
Family	25.00
Life	150.00