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PAS MEMBERSHIP *IN PERSON *MEETING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2024, 7:00 pm

Bridging the Non-Heterosexual,

Non-Cisgender Identity and Archaeology Gap in Mobile

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Jenni Baggett's paper provides a preliminary foundation for identifying non-heterosexual and non-cisgender identities in the archaeological record as part of the Mobile River Bridge Archaeological Project. This paper was presented at the Southeastern Archaeological Conference this past fall. The paper includes an overview of Mobile's rich LGBTQ+ history, including the city's once-thriving gay district, and reviews the challenges associated with identifying sexuality at the intersection of race and gender.

Jenni L. Baggett earned her BA and MA at University of West Florida graduating with her Master's in 2022. Since then she's been working as an archaeologist for Wiregrass Archaeological Consulting. In addition to participating in excavations and monitoring many other projects, she's been working on the Mobile River Bridge Archaeological Project. Excavations and recovery on 15 sites during the Phase III work allowed the archaeologists to investigate the footprint area of the new bridge before construction destroys those areas. The project is conducted by the Alabama Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration in cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Coast Guard. The project also involves input from Native American Tribes, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the Alabama Historical Commission, and local governments and historical organizations.

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PAS MEETING DETAILS

PAS Lecture Series membership meetings will be held in person only from 7-8 pm in the Activities Building (Choir Room) at TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH at 3400 Bayou Blvd., Pensacola, FL 32503 www.trinitypcola.org. Ample free parking is available in the large lot on the side of the church building (Tronjo Rd.) and a few other spaces are located along the "back" of the church (on Piedmont Rd.). Entry to the Choir Room for PAS meetings will be through the back door under the covered entrance. The meeting begins at 7 PM. This door will be unlocked ONLY from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. See our website at www.pasfl.org or visit Facebook for more information. Hope to see you there. Bring a friend!

DUES ARE DUE

The PAS year is January through December each year. If you paid in September 2023 or later, you are good through 2024. If not, it's time to pay those dues. Ask Jan if you don't know your status.

We hope you will continue to support PAS by renewing (or joining). It's easy—PayPal on our website or mail a check to the PO box or renew at the meeting next week.

Dues are \$6 for Students, \$15 for Individuals, \$20 for Family and \$200 for Life Membership.

MARCH IS FLORIDA ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH

Each year during Florida Archaeology Month PAS tries to take a special trip to a site or museum in our area. We had planned a vist to the University of South Alabama Archaeology Museum last year and weather interfered. The board decided we would try again to celebrate archaeology month at a nearby settlement. If you have not been there, don't miss this opportunity!! The displays are amazing!

When: Saturday, March 16

Meeting time: 7:45 am at the Archaeology Institute, UWF

We will carpool and DEPARTURE AT 8 AM SHARP

9:30-10 am Arrive at museum for tour

@ 1 pm Lunch on the way home at Felix's

3:30-4 arrive back at Institute

RESERVATIONS:

Contact Barbara Wright baw13@bellsouth.net or 850-982-6136



FPAN Public Archaeology Lab

The FPAN lab reopen ed after the holidays on Jan. 29, 2024.

Volunteers of all ages are encouraged to come learn first hand how to process and identify artifacts from archaeological excavations. Volunteers learn to screen, clean and sort artifacts. No experience is needed, but volunteers are given an orientation by a professional archaeologist on their first day. All ages are encouraged to participate, but anyone under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult..

Volunteers should <u>RSVP</u> to be sure there is enough room for those who are interested. If you would like to RSVP or have questions, please send an email to northwest@fpan.us with your date(s) and times(s) for volunteering.

For up to date information about open lab days and other activities from FPAN, see their Events Calendar on the website.

Bottle Creek Mounds trip postponed until Spring

The Jan 27 boat trip and hike around Bottle Creek Mounds has to be changed because of strong weather that passed through our area and early morning fog. The next Bottle Creek tour will be in the fall.

Meanwhile, Historic Blakeley State Park offers a number of tours during the year to other destinations in the Mobile-Tensaw River deltas. https://www.blakeleypark.com/Things-to-Do/Events will give more info about the trips offered. Don't miss these opportunities.



THE FLORIDA ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING MAY 10-12, 2024 UPDATE

In May 2024 PAS has teamed up with FPAN to host the 76th annual meeting of FAS. We have made many plans about the meeting spaces, receptions and banquet for all to attend in the historic district downtown. We have jplanned field trips to a number of historical and archaeological sites since we have so many exciting places to show off.

CHECK THE FAS WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO & REGISTER.

We will need help from our PAS members and students at UWF to fill all of the spots that will need to be covered and jobs that will need to be done before, during and after the meeting.

IF YOU ARE **INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING**, PLEASE CONTACT PAS PRESIDENT BARBARA WRIGHT OR DR. MARY MINKOFF AT FPAN.

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