

## Excavations at Kleb Woods Nature Preserve

After an exceptionally foggy start to the day, members of the Houston Archeological Society continued the public archeology project at Kleb Woods Nature Preserve in Tomball on Saturday, January 20.

A team of four HAS members including John Rich, Bob Baxter, and Tom Williams led by professional archeologist Dan Warren did a walking survey of Kleb Woods, identifying and logging into a GIS potential sites to be excavated. Another team that included Frank Kozar, Joshua, Helen and Annie Farrar, Craig Jansen, Bob Sewell, Beth Kennedy, Don Keyes, Geoff Mills, Wade Boeker and Linda Gorski, led by PI Ashley Jones, opened two new units in the area near the house gardens where four units have already been excavated. We were also joined by local historian Glen Camp who shared with us an enormous amount of research that he has on the Tomball area and especially on Kleb Woods which was a family farm whose owners were descendants of early German immigrants who settled in Harris County in the 1840s.

The best news is that you and your kids can help us as we dig up Texas history at Kleb Woods - one trowel full at a time!!! We invite you to join us at our next public archeology day at Kleb Woods on **Saturday, February 10, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** We will continue excavating the two units we opened in January and will be doing Ground Penetrating Radar Surveys in the area of the gardens to locate potential foundation features and other anomalies. Please email me at [lindagorski@cs.com](mailto:lindagorski@cs.com) if you'd like to join us so I can send you a map to the site and other details.



Ashley Jones, PI on the Kleb Woods Project, measuring a unit with Helen Farrar and Don Keith



Ashley Jones teaches Boy Scouts about digging a unit



Professional archeologists and HAS members Dan Warren and Ashley Jones confer on the project



Helen Farrar, Joshua Farrar (Texas A & M PhD grad student) and Craig Jansen, A & M Graduate drove down from Bryan to dig with us.



Wade Boeker, Beth Kennedy and John Rich



Glenn Camp, local historian, chats with HAS members Steve and Sharon Menegaz



Wade Boeker and Geoff Mills screen with the Boy Scouts



Dan Warren, professional archeologist and HAS member jots notes on a walking/GIS survey he just completed at Kleb Woods



A leather covered metal button that was recovered from the units.