



The Profile

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AUGUST MEETING:

Friday, August 8, 2003, 7:30 p.m.
M D Anderson Hall, University of St Thomas.
Chip McGimsey, University of Louisiana,
"Louisiana at 700 AD; the North and South of It."
Contact Muriel Walker at 281-392-7504, to be put on the program.

LABORATORY SCHEDULE:

Mondays, August 11 & 25, 7 - 9 p.m. Rice University
Archeology Lab, Sewall Hall, Room 103.

HAS LIBRARY:

The library will be open from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on
Wednesday, August 6. Library hours are 6:30 p.m. to
7:25 p.m. on August 8. For more information, contact
David Pettus at txgeol@earthlink.net

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN:

**DUE TO TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES THE
PRESIDENT'S COLUMN WAS NOT RECEIVED
FOR THE AUGUST ISSUE.**

Bev Mendenhall, bmend2@yahoo.com

ATTENTION HAS MEMBERS: Does your *Profile*
have a (02) or (102) next to your name? If so, this may
be the last copy of the *Profile* that you receive! If your
address label has an 02, on it this means that Houston
Archeological Society has not received your dues for the
year. **Hurry, hurry** and send your dues for 2003 to:
Houston Archeological Society, P.O. Box 6751,
Houston, TX 77265-6751.

Individual memberships are \$20.00, Family, \$25.00,
Contributing memberships are \$30.00 plus, and
Student's, \$10.00.

One hundred and ninety members have renewed their
membership for 2003. Thank you for enabling our work
and study in archeology to continue.

Mary Kay Merriman, Treasurer, merriman2@yahoo.com

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Houston Antique Dealers Assn. show at the George R.
Brown Convention Center September 18-21. This year,
the Houston Heritage Society will have be featuring its
fine Texas furniture collection. Tickets are \$10, with half
of the proceeds going to the Houston Heritage Society.
Call 713-655-1912, Suzanne Scott for more information.

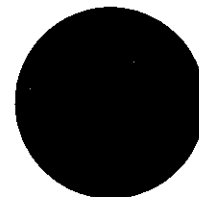
Texas Archeological Society News

- ◆ Annual Meeting 2003 will be held in Fort Worth,
October 24-26. The public forum on Friday evening
will feature speakers, as well as provide round-table
discussions with archeologists, and allow members
and visitors an opportunity to have their artifacts
identified.
- ◆ Archeology students: Searching for a research grant
pertaining to Texas Archeology? A \$500 grant is
available from The Council of Texas Archeologists
(CTA). Check the CTA's web page, www.c-tx-arch.org
(click on 'students') for more information
and eligibility requirements, or contact Beth Aucoin,
ekpj.aucoin@prodigy.net.

Boy Scout Merit Badge Course taught by Tom
Nuckols the weekends of September 19 & 20, October
24 & 25, and November 21 & 22. Friday night classes
are held at HMNS from 5:00-8:00 p.m.; Saturday classes
are held at the Lamar Site in Richmond, TX from 8:00
a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Help would be greatly appreciated!
For more info, contact Tom Nuckols tholnuc@ev1.net

2003 HAS Awards: Awards for 2003 will be presented
at the October HAS meeting. This year, two HAS Merit
Awards will be given for outstanding contributions to
various HAS activities.

Leland Patterson



Profile submissions deadline for September, 2003, is **August 29, 2003.**

Please submit to Mary Barbara Gold, 3303 Big Spruce, Kingwood, TX 77339, 281-360-5226, mary_gold@humble.k12.tx.us

HOUSTON ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES, July 11, 2003

- Bev Mendenhall, HAS President, called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. Bev welcomed guests and new members, then detailed the meeting's agenda. Muriel Walker introduced the program speakers, each of whom discussed their experiences at 2003 TAS Field School. The speakers included Fred Kelly, Mary Kay Merriman, and Beth Aucoin.
- Leland Patterson showed slides from work at 41WL26.
- The minutes of the May meeting were approved.
- Richard Carter reported that June website activity was very low. Changes to the website included a new hit counter, which provides massive amounts of detailed information. Development and testing of a searchable library catalog was underway. He also reported a request to include a 'Speakers Bureau' on the website. No action on this request was taken.
- Wanda Carter thanked David Pettus and Diane Baird for providing July refreshments, and asked for refreshment volunteers for August.
- There was no HAS fieldwork. Some work was continuing at San Felipe.
- Both the lab and library will hold to standard schedules.
- Dick Gregg has suggested making some changes to *The Journal*, which the Board will address.
- The *Profile* barcode mailing system failed this month. Many members did not receive their copies.
- Mary Kay Merriman, Treasurer, reported an ending balance for all accounts of \$16,250.64
- HAS will have a booth at the 2003 HGMS show. Wanda and Richard Carter have the lead on this event, and will need volunteers to man the booth during the show.
- Michael Bailey is in charge of our booth at the October 11 Archeology Fair, held at the Museum of Natural Science.
- Tommy Nuckols reported 60 Boy Scouts had completed their Archaeology Merit Badge requirements in the spring sessions. He asked for helpers to assist him in the fall series.
- The financial audit for 2001 is underway.
- Requests for status reports on FB03 were sent to Jenny Carter and Dr. Hard. No responses yet.
- Beth Aucoin reported she is working on a calendar for TAS Region V schedule of events. This will go out to all Region V members when complete.

Richard Carter, Secretary, richardandwanda@sbcglobal.net

CONGRATULATIONS: HAS Members Awarded Certificates of Appreciation

Five members were recipients of Certificates of Appreciation at the Texas Historical Commission's Texas Archeological Stewardship Network workshop held in Austin in July:

Richie Ebersole: Jim Word Award for Archeological Stewardship in recognition of his ten years of service in the program.

Dick Greg and Sheldon Kindall: "In recognition of significant accomplishments in archeological preservation."

Frank Binetti: "In recognition of significant accomplishments in public outreach in archeology."

Beth Aucoin: "In recognition of significant accomplishments in archeological preservation and public outreach."

Beth Aucoin, ekpiaucoin@prodigy.net

Sandy Rogers and Don Keyes are conducting "Texas Prison System Cemetery Survey". They would welcome help from members who live in the Houston area to research the central units. Please contact Sandy for information before starting your survey. You may contact her by email: sojourne@txcom.net

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION:

The historic coastal community of Galveston, TX, was named to the National Trust for Historic Preservation's list of American's Dozen Distinctive Destinations. The list offers alternative vacation destinations dedicated to historic preservation. For more information, visit www.nationaltrust.org.

U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison paid special tribute to the Texas Historical Commission (THC) in a recent *Capitol Comment* column appearing in newspapers throughout the state. Hutchison proudly promotes the THC's historical marker program and its more than 12,000 markers statewide, more than any other state in the nation. To view the column in its entirety visit Sen. Hutchison's website at www.hutchison.senate.gov.

The THC needs your help to ensure its newest initiative, the Historic Endangered Landmarks Program (HELP) is a success. From ancient Native American petroglyphs to historic buildings and battlefields, the THC is working to identify important heritage sites throughout the state that are threatened and in need of assistance. The HELP program focuses on the concept that citizens are most aware of threatened properties in their own vicinity, as well as the specific nature of the threats and solutions to reduce them. For more information, contact Peter Ketter of the THC's History Programs Division at 512-463-5942, or email peter.ketter@thc.state.tx.us.

Last month, two postcards were put up for auction on EBAY. One postcard showed a picture of the Big Wells Hotel, the other was a view of the Big Wells Baptist Church. The seller dated the postcards from around 1910 or 1920. The minimum bid for these two items was \$1.50. Since my parents won a ranch in Big Wells, I have become interested in the town and its history. I placed a bid of \$10.00 for each of the postcards thinking that such a high bid would discourage other bidders. Besides, who but I could possibly have an interest in such an obscure place like Big Wells, Texas? Six days later, the postcards went to the fifth and highest bidder, for \$80.00 each!

Tom Nuckols, tholnuc@evl.net

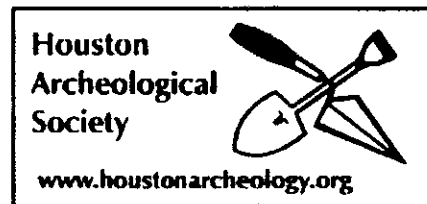
Fred Kelly has designed these logos for membership consideration. We will be looking for input at the upcoming meeting.



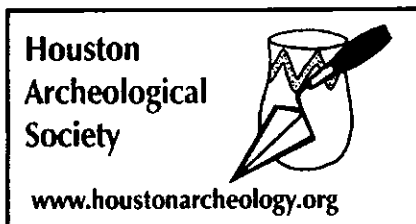
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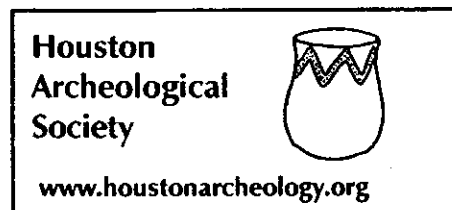
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*****ATTENTION HAS MEMBERS*****

Nominations for Officers/Board Members for 2004:

The HAS nominating board consisting of Ika Turner, David Pettus, and Bill Haddock present this slate of officers to be voted on in the upcoming election:

President: **Beth Aucoin**
Vice President: **Muriel Walker**
Secretary: **Richard Carter**
Treasurer: **Mary Kay Merriman**
Board: **Fred Kelly**

Ika Turner, ufturner@swbell.net

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON H.A.S., CONTACT THE FOLLOWING:

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