



HOUSTON ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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JANUARY MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

1983 *RFB*

Date : January 14, Friday
 Time: Coffee 7:00pm
 Meeting 7:30pm
 Program 8:00pm
 Place: Museum of Natural Science, Lower Level Classroom

Speaker: Charles Pearson, Coastal Environments, BatonRouge
 Topic: Investigation of an Eighteenth Century Spanish Shipwreck
 off the Louisiana Coast : El Nuevo Constante

* * * OPPORTUNITIES * * *

ask Kathy to pick

Beginning THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3 Seminars on CONSERVATION IN THE FIELD AND LAB, by Kathy Reese, Curator of Archeology at the Museum of Natural Science. Please call Kathy to Register (museum- 526-4273) or sign up at the January meeting.
 Place: Museum of Natural Science
 Date: Four Thursdays
 Time: 6:30 pm

announce

Beginning Monday, February 28 Harris County Heritage Society as co-sponsor THE TEXAS EXPERIENCE to 1865 seven Mondays, Houston Public Library 12:10 noon or Kinkaid School 7:00pm
 call 223-8367 for further information
 (note: first speaker Feb. 28 Curtis Tunnell on "Early Man in Texas")

announce

TEXAS STATE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION Annual Meeting at the Shamrock Hotel, March 3-5 Thurs. - Sat. Joint Session with T.A.S. contact T.S.H.A. 2/306 Richardson Hall, Austin TX 78712

info *Dr. Pete Gregory; Dept Soc. Sci; NW State, N*

CADDOAN CONFERENCE ~~March 10-12~~ *March 11-13* Natchitoches, La. *Kyser Hall N.W. State Univ*
 71457 (318) 357-6195

announce \$8.00

March 17 Thursday sponsored by the Friends of Bayou Bend at the Museum of Fine Arts, 7:15 lecture
 NEW DISCOVERIES IN OLD VIRGINIA by Ivor Noel Hume, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. Call 529-8773 for information.

1982 Houston Archeological Society MEMBERS *published 3x a year Apr, Aug, Dec*
 the December issue of the Journal of the Houston Archeological Society will be distributed at the January meeting. Please attend and pick up yours ! Thanks to editor, Alan Duke.

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→ PAY YOUR DUES FOR 1983.... \$15.00 notice on back
 call Pam Wheat, Chairman, for further information or comments



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Laws Protect Culture Resources

So vast are Texas' archeological resources that any significant earth-moving project in the state is likely to uncover some prehistoric or historic remains or artifacts. Most often the sites are not significant, and may even go unnoticed. But when major land development projects are undertaken, preliminary archeological surveys of the area is essential. State and federal laws have been established to assure that these precautions are taken.

Each year the Resource Conservation Department of the Texas Historical Commission reviews some 3,500 projects involving federal funds, to determine if the work will have impact on cultural properties in Texas. Examples of these projects are lignite mining operations; oil well and gas line developments; and dam, reservoir, and highway construction.

A project review is initiated by the federal agency carrying out or giving funds to a project. The agency sends information to the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), who is also the executive director of the Texas Historical Commission. The staff in the Resource Conservation and National Register offices analyze the information and determine the potential impact of the project on archeological or historical resources. The SHPO then makes recommendations to the sponsoring agency in efforts to minimize the disturbance of such cultural resources.

Four recent wastewater treatment plant projects demonstrate the scope of this resource management effort. In planning for the construction of the Round Rock sewerage facility, a reconnaissance team from the Texas Department of Water Resources (TDWR) located 10 archeological sites. Five were judged insignificant, four others contain potentially significant areas, and one was considered to be eligible for National Register status. State Historic Preservation Officer Curtis Tunnell agreed with the findings of the TDWR survey,

and suggested that efforts be made to safeguard particular sites. In turn, the project engineers expressed their intention to comply with the recommendations.

A similar process is being followed regarding planned wastewater system improvements at a Laredo project where seven archeological sites were located. Proposed expansion of the Allison Wastewater Treatment Plant in Corpus Christi could have had an adverse effect on at least one important archeological site, and steps are being taken to protect that resource. Agreements were also reached to avoid the major sites during construction at the Onion Creek Wastewater project near Austin. A total of 92 historic and prehistoric archeological sites were located in that Travis County project area.

With these and thousands of other simultaneous developments going on in Texas, the task of safeguarding cultural resources is challenging.

TAC Publishes Permit Reports

The Texas Antiquities Committee is making available a series of reports documenting projects conducted under TAC permits. The permits and reports are required for any archeological or restoration work carried out on state-owned land. Proceeds from the sale of series reports will help support larger printings of these documents that previously enjoyed only limited distribution.

A list of the first eight available titles is included in the TAC publications order information found in the insert of this issue of *The Medallion*.

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INTEREST SURVEY

Please indicate your interests by checking the applicable boxes below.

- Attending lectures
- Lab work
- Surveying
- Mapping
- Historical research
- Excavation
- Report writing

List on the back previous archeological experience.

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FEBRUARY MEETING NOTICE

Date: February 11, Friday ¹⁹⁸³ *RLC*
Time: Coffee 7:00pm
Meeting 7:30pm
Program 8:00pm
Place: Museum of Natural Science, Lower Level Classroom
Speaker: Dr. Louis Marchiafava, Houston Metropolitan Research Center
Topic: Methods and Techniques of Oral History for the Archeologist

KUDOS DUE NUMEROUS WORKERS ! ! !

Hospitality Committee - Carolyn Walker, Chairman (984-8374)
January helpers- Marcy Grubbs, Thelma Thayer
on tap for February - Barbara Neal, Carol Casey

Speakers Bureau (with outreach to community)
Tom Cobb, Joan Few and Pam Wheat for presentation to
Houston Council on Social Studies - 40 teachers out on a
cold Saturday morning for lecture and slides!

Comparative Bone Collection
Bill McClure continues to add to the collection. Recent
donations by Nancy Crocker.
If you have material which could be used for the
comparative collection let Bill know (465-2170)

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OPPORTUNITIES:

CONSERVATION IN THE FIELD AND LAB
Thursdays, beginning Feb. 3, 6:30pm Museum of Natural Science
conducted by Kathy Reese

TEXAS STATE HIST. ASSOC. MEETING March 3-5 Shamrock Hilton, \$5 regis.
contact: T.S.H.A. 2/306 Richardson Hall, Austin TX 78712

NEW DISCOVERIES IN OLD VA. by Hume March 17 lecture 6:30pm, \$8
sponsored by Friends of Bayou Bend, call for Reservation 529-8773

FIELD WORK near Wharton SAT. FEB. 12
meet at Faith Luthern Church, Hiway 6 and 59, 8:00am or
at the office of J.D. Hudgins in Wharton 9:00am
call Sheldon Kindall for further details (334-2160)

Comments and questions should be addressed to Pam Wheat (523-8048)
Please pay your 1983 dues



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MARCH MEETING NOTICE

Date : March 4 ***note: first Friday of the month!!

Time: Coffee 7:00pm

Meeting 7:30pm

Program :00pm

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Place: Museum of Natural Science, Lower Level Classroom

Speaker: Grant Hall, University of Texas at San Antonio

Topic: Aboriginal Subsistence Strategies as Reflected by
Mortuary Customs on the Coastal Plains

THANKS to Sandy (Alexander) MacNab, professor of architecture at the University of Houston, for presenting the program at the Feb. Meeting on very short notice when the scheduled speaker came down with the flu.

<u>HAS Finances</u>	<u>expenditures for 1982</u>	<u>budget for 1983 (based on 150 members)</u>
Journal	\$979.19	\$1050.00
Library	92.00	
(journal subscriptions)	82.50	102.75
Field & Lab equip.	25.00	75.00
Program speakers	218.00	450.00
Monthly notices (print & ²⁵⁰ post)	367.25	400.00
Office supplies	63.71	37.50

*** EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ***

March 11-13 Paleoindian Lifeways Symposium II, info from Dr. Vance Holliday, Texas Tech Univ., Box 4499, Lubbock TX 79409

March 22 Archaeological Institute of America lecture on El Salvador 8:00pm in Sewell Hall, Rice University

FIELD WORK

Gloriana Homesite near Jasper, Texas, supervised by Joan Few (666-3496) call for information and directions.
Feb. 19 & 20; March 12 & 13.

Sam Houston Park sponsored by Rice Univ. & Harris County Heritage Soc. directed by Dr. Rod McIntosh (527-8101 office)
Feb. 19, 10:00am (Sat. only) and March 5 (Sat. only)

Please contact the following committee chairman with suggestions --

for SCHOLARSHIPS ... Fr. Ed Bader (522-7911, office)

about PROGRAMS ... Kathy Reese (526-4273, office at museum)

additional comments and questions ... Pam Wheat, chairman (523-8048 after 4)

Supper before the meeting (March 4, 5:45pm)

at Charlie's Hamburgers in the Village, 2400 Times



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*** A REMINDER: As concerned individuals, please write the Texas Antiquities Committee and urge them to deny the proposed contract with ERI.

Contact: Dr. Fred Wendorf
Texas Antiquities Committee
Box 12276
Austin TX 78711

Also write Gov. White to suggest individuals for appointment to the Texas Antiquities Committee to fill the positions of Archeologist and Historian. contact: Governor Mark White
Texas State Capitol
Austin TX 78711

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MEETING NOTICE FOR APRIL 1983

Date: Friday, April 8
Time: Coffee 7:00pm Preview slides of T.A.S. Field School, June 11-18
Business meeting 7:30pm
Program 8:15pm
Place: Museum of Natural Science, Lower Level Classroom
Speaker: Dr. Bruce Dickson, Texas A & M University
Topic: An Anthropologist Looks at Classical Archeology

For those interested in visiting: Supper before the meeting
5:45pm Tamale's, Kirby at Univ. Blvd., Dutch Treat

The HAS JOURNAL for March should be available at the meeting for all dues paying members to pick up. Please try to attend in order to get your copy and save postage on the publication. Thanks to editor, Allan Duke !! Send any articles and comments to Alan at 1706 Oaks Dr. Pasadena TX 77502 (472-2954)

Copies of the HOUSTON ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY LIBRARY holdings will also be available at the meeting (\$2), complete listing of books, pamphlets and journals available to members 20pp; THANKS to Mike Johnson for cataloguing and preparing copy. Numerous members ran the copies gratis.

Field Work (future)

In the Brazosport area... testing the Bryan homesite, 1840's home, onetime store, etc.

Saturdays only, April 9, April 16

meet at 9:00am at the Brazosport Museum, Hiway 288 & College Dr.
call John Pollan for further information

Near Jasper... early Texas homesite (1830's) Gloriana
April 16-17 (bad weather alternate April 23-24); camping on-site or near-by state park; last outing this spring;
for further information call Joan Few to confirm (666-3496)

Field Work (past)

March 6 fifteen members of HAS conducted controlled excavations at 1201 Crawford following the suggestion of state archeologist Bob Mallouf. Five units were opened to a depth of 3 1/2 feet. Materials were bagged by unit levels. These materials will be cleaned, sorted and analyzed by the FIELD CONSERVATION CLASS taught by Kathy Reese - new meeting times to be announced; new & old participants welcome. The records, artifacts and report will be housed at the Harris County Heritage Society Archival research on early Houston is being done to establish possible use of the property - additional help is needed here.



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Classes of interest to members:

Beginning Mar. 29 for 6 Tues. At Rice Univ. Adult Educ.
"Classical archaeology: Sculpture, Painting & Architecture
of Ancient Greece and Rome", by Dr. Wm. Neidinger.
Information from Rice, 527-4803 or 520-6022

April 28 Regional Workshop sponsored by Texas Assoc. of Museums
at the Hous. Public Lib., Ideson Room, 8:30am-4:00pm
Topics: Where is the past? What is the past? Turning Lead
into Gold, The Treasure Hunt.

Seeking information on Galveston County - Roger Allen from
the Galveston County Historical Museum, 2219 Market, Galv., 77553

Does anyone know the WHEREABOUTS of the audio visual program
"Evidence of the Past", a filmstrip (2), that is available
for loan from HAS??? Missing and needed for loan.

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MAY 1983 MEETING NOTICE

Date: Friday, May 13
Time: 7:00pm Coffee
7:30pm Business Meeting
8:15pm Program
Place: Museum of Natural Science, Lower Level Classroom
Speaker: Bob Mallouf, acting State Archeologist
Topic: Stone Resources and Lithic Caches in Texas

Dutch treat supper before the meeting: 5:45pm at Zorba the Greeks 202 Tuam

Important lab work on HAS project, the Trimble Site (1200 Crawford) will continue every 2nd and 4th Sunday, 1:00pm, Museum of Natural Science, #2 Classroom (where the HAS Library is housed). Next meeting MAY 8, then MAY 22.

On Sunday, April 24, the material from the Stansell Collection and from controlled excavations (April 10) were cleaned. These artifacts need to be labeled, catalogued and analyzed. Bring your self, your reference books, and your curiosity to lab - contribute to the Society and learn!

The state organization, Texas Archeological Society, Board met Saturday April 23. HAS members Anderson, Kindall, McClure and Wheat attended. Gregg attended the field school committee meeting. See back of notice for further information on the TAS FIELD SCHOOL JUNE 11-18.

At times it is necessary to schedule field work or lab work in between meetings. It is hard to communicate with all those who might want to know about these happenings. If you would like to have a notice sent to you about field work or lab, please send 5 self-addressed and stamped envelopes to SHELDON KINDALL, 414 PEBBLEBROOK, SEABROOK, TX 77586.

If you would like to be a part of a phone network to call and be called about field work and lab work, complete the form and mail it to the HAS box... BOX 6751, HOUSTON TX 77265

Name _____ for field work ___ lab work ___
Home phone _____ best time to call _____
Work phone _____ best time to call _____



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TAS SUMMER FIELD SCHOOL 1983

June 11-18
Rowe Valley (near Georgetown, TX)

Join the excavation for one or more days to experience field archeological training
Fee \$30; camping facilities & meals- on your own.

Join T.A.S. and get an application for field school.

H.A.S. members or family may apply for SCHOLARSHIP. Contact Fr. Ed Bader, 522-7911 at St. Ths. Univ.

REVIEW OF 1982 SEASON ↓



GOOD WEATHER has favored the field school of the Texas Archeological Society going on right now at Rowe Valley. One hundred seventy members of the society, under the supervision of professional archeologists, have been busy digging for artifacts that date to the Toyah Phase. Preliminary finds of briscon-bones, and arrow points have revealed the site to be a rich one. (Staff Photo by David Sharpe)

Archeologists Learning, Discovering Area's Past

By DAVID SHARPE
Staff Writer
An onlooker has to be careful observing the members of the Texas Archeological Society (TAS) presently engaged in an archaeological dig for Indian artifacts under the trees at Rowe Valley this week.
If one stands around too long in the digging site, one of the frequent members is liable to hand him a trowel and teach him how to dig for prehistoric arrowheads in a loose stone.
For the past six days, over 170 TAS members have been in their hands and have a good 2 hours a day looking for artifacts or looking for artifacts that at one time lived under the shade trees of Rowe Valley.
Before the field school is complete, the members hope to expand the archeological knowledge of the Indians of the Toyah Phase that ranges in age from about 600 to 1000 years before present (A.D. 1700 to A.D. 1750), said Edna Pruitt, a consulting paleontologist and director of the field school.
FACE MOVING FROM 7 A.M. TO 3 P.M., the participants divide up into smaller groups and meticulously dig through the dirt looking for briscon and deer bones, burned clay pits, burned rock hearths, freshwater mussel shells, and "Pecos" and "Chilton" arrow points.
In addition, to gathering knowledge from the past, a main concern of the field school is to teach the proper archeological techniques to the enthusiastic participants, whose previous archeological knowledge consisted of what they had learned from reading in the context of their interests, said Joe Schweitzer, field coordinator of the dig.

These and assembly holds a week long part of Texas to preserve and contribute to the archeological knowledge of the Texas past, Pruitt said.
Last year, the TAS spent a unforgettable, wet summer at Three Rivers digging for artifacts in the mud. Fortunately, excellent weather has favored the Rowe Valley diggers who work hard in the morning and spend the rest of the day relaxing or listening to scheduled seminars taught by professional archeologists.
The makeup of the TAS membership is a mixed bag, Schweitzer said. Lawyers, businessmen, teachers, doctors and businessmen set aside their previous lifestyles and work like archeologists, finding, identifying and cleaning what they unearth.
"ALL THAT MATTERS FROM NOW ON DAYS is our primary matter of day in front of the digger. The rest of the world goes by: 'I don't have the slightest idea what is happening in the Falklands right now,' said amateur Dick Henderson.
If one is lucky, the highlights of that labor will be recorded by a brief moment of ecstasy when one uncovers an artifact.
Sylvia Sullivan described how it felt when she found something. "I don't know about others, but I jump up and down and yell a lot. After that you know you're hooked for life," she said.
However, the fellowship of TAS people with a common interest working and relaxing together in the main lecture that keeps people coming back.

THE TAS IS THE LARGEST archeological society in

Membership in the Texas Archeological Society is open to all who have a genuine interest in Texas archeology, preserving our heritage of the past, and abide by the code of ethics.

The following is excerpted from Article VII — Ethics: "Violation of the terms and conditions of any Texas Antiquities statutes, as the same now exist, or shall be hereafter amended or enacted; the practice of buying and selling artifacts for commercial purposes; the disregard of proper archeological field techniques; and the willful destruction or distortion of archeological data, are censured and will provide grounds for expulsion from the Society...."

Please enroll me as a member of the Texas Archeological Society. I have checked the type of membership desired and indicated the year. Payment is enclosed.

In applying for membership in the Society, I agree to abide by the code of ethics.

Signature _____
Active \$15.00 For the year 19.....
Family \$20.00 For the year 19.....
(Husband, wife, dependents)
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(Actively pursuing H.S. diploma or Coll./Univ. degree)
Contributing \$30.00 For the year 19.....
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NOTICE FOR JULY 1983

Monthly Meeting Scheduled

Date: July 8th, Friday

Time: 7:00pm Coffee

7:30pm brief meeting

8:00pm Program

Place: Lower Level Classroom, Museum of Natural Science

Program: BY TROWEL AND ERA: Recent Field Work by Members

41 WM 437 (Rowe Valley), 41 WH 19 (Wharton)

41 JP 94 (Glorianna) 41 HR 504 (Crawford Street)

Speakers: M. Johnson, L. Patterson, J. Few, P. Nesbitt

This spring the HAS Board of Directors voted to encourage the completion of outstanding projects begun in the name of HAS. This means completing lab work, analysis, final reporting, publication and curating materials in institutions for future availability. The Houston Archeological Society has a very good reputation, state-wide, for the work conducted by its members. We should continue to set an example for the rest of the community to follow. We want to be ready to accept emergency calls without burdening members beyond their resources. We need to clear our back log of incomplete projects so that we will be ready for new opportunities.

Individuals are also encouraged to report new sites and collections to the state repository- T.A.R.L., 10,100 Burnet Road, Austin TX 79758 (512) 835-3087.

If you have projects with which you need help, please contact your chairman in order to schedule lab work or curation procedures. Pam Wheat, Chr. 523-8048

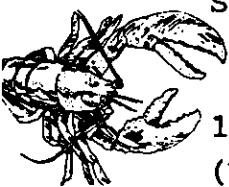
SOCIAL OCCASION * * * * * JULY 10 2:00pm - 7:00pm

SHRIMP AND CRAB BOIL [Bring your own beverages]

RSVP

1901 Bolsover (north of Rice University) 523-8048

(We also plan to repair screens used in field work.)



Lab sessions at the Museum of Natural Science -Lower Level
SUNDAYS 1:00 pm June 26, July 10, 24
Call Dick Gregg with questions regarding lab, 663-2249(work)

*Lab
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1:00 p.m.*

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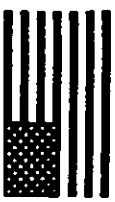
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more than 25 members of H.A.S. recently participated in state dig!



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TAYLOR, TEXAS, THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 1983 TWENTY-FIVE CENTS (AP)—ASSOCIATED PRESS

Diggers Back At Rowe Valley



By JEFF AWAIT
Staff Writer
 The Houston Archeological Society field school, which last year unearthed artifacts from a prehistoric Indian site on the San Gabriel River near Taylor, returned Saturday to continue excavation.
 In what Field School Director Elton R. Prewitt of Austin described as a "rich" site, last year's excavation yielded artifacts dating between A.D. 180 and A.D. 1700. Among the many artifacts discovered were fire hearths, a butchering area with deer and bison bones, stone tools and bone ornaments.
 Since Saturday, a new series of discoveries has strengthened Prewitt's belief in the site.
 "Progress is comparable (to last year), and the enthusiasm has been building since this thing started," he said. "After the first few days...you suddenly realize that you're getting a load of artifacts, and you've got a whole lot of new features showing up." This is what Prewitt calls "excitement time."
 FOUND SO FAR this week were more fire hearths, arrowpoints, antlers, bison bones, pottery remains and other pieces.
 "One of the most fascinating things out here is that there are separate, identifiable areas, and each seems to have been used for a specific purpose, like toolmaking or cooking," Jane Schweitzer, field coordinator, said.
 Crew Chief Jimmy Smith described one such area.
 "This is an area that was probably used for making scrapers, these larger chips are generally characteristic

BEFORE ARTIFACTS are removed from the site exact measurements must be taken. From left to right, members Ray Smith, Stan Perkins, and Michael McCall record information on what was once a rodent burrow. They are part of a team which is digging again at the site of last summer's archeological findings at Rowe Valley. (Staff photo by Jeff Await)

DIGGERS — (Continued from page 1)

of that," Smith said, pointing to a small square where crew member Jean Ball meticulously worked the area around a chipped flint piece. "We found about 140 of these here."

"It's on higher ground than the other artifacts...I do not know yet what Elton (Prewitt) will say about that. It may be a later occupation."

THE DETAIL INVOLVED in archeological field work is staggering. An excavation site is staked out to form a grid around the area so that every fraction of an inch of dirt from any direction, can be recorded.

Extensive notes are taken so that after artifacts are removed, and the site forever lost, the archeologist can statistically recreate it as it appeared during the early occupation.

Shovels are seldom used — only when artifacts are known to be at a lower level; almost all work is done with trowels, brushes and thin sticks, resembling toothpicks.

It is because of the exacting nature of this business that field schools are important. Here, Prewitt said, students can "refine their skills in the techniques of archeological investigation and analysis."

Under the supervision of field veterans, students can for eight days out of the year, roll up their sleeves and work hours in the June heat for only bits and pieces of what used to be.

STILL, IT IS appealing enough for attendance to rise from 170 members in 1982 to more than 240 at Rowe Valley this week.

"I think the reason we have so many more at field school is that we did have such a good time and found such exciting materials that people went home last year and talked it up," Prewitt said.

In fact, one of the few problems facing the school is a sharp rise in attendance, especially in "first-timers."

This is the first year that a crew was created especially for the newcomers. Supervisor Jim Corbin with the aid of only three crew chiefs faced a roster of 60 members train in an eight-day period, a healthy task even for Corbin who has taught lengthy schools in the past.

Despite the hardships that success brings, the 1983 field school has drawn few complaints during the daily crew chiefs meetings under the oak tree outside Prewitt campsites, designated "Eagle's Nest." And it has been praise for the Rowe Valley site, and for its owners, Jean and Lee Rowe.

"They have just been wonderful to us," Schweitzer said. "To let this many people come out here and camp, and to let up their land is enough. But to leave it for a year, so you could come do it again...they just couldn't be any better."

This is only the third time in the field school's more than 20 year history that the same site has been excavated in two consecutive years. It is the first time that attendance did not decrease the second year.

"There is a very high probability that we will be back here next year — which will set an unheard of precedent we do. It's such an ideal spot...and there's just so much left to learn," Prewitt said.

The public is invited to visit the excavation site at an open house 2-4 P.M. Saturday, June 18. Admission is free.

The Rowe Valley site is located about 5 miles north of Taylor on the Old Georgetown Road, behind Rowe Valley Restaurant.



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MEETING NOTICE FOR AUGUST

Date: Friday, August 12
 Time: 7:00pm Coffee
 7:30pm Meeting for business
 8:00pm Program
 Place: Lower Level Classroom, Museum of Natural Science, Hermann Park
 Program: Historic Archeology in San Antonio
 Speaker: Anne Fox, Research Associate, U.T.S.A.
 ** Journal will be ready for distribution to members**

LAB SESSIONS CONTINUE: Opportunity to learn and contribute to the work of the Society. SUNDAYS 1:00pm at the MUSEUM OF NATURAL SCIENCE classroom 2, Lower Level of the Museum. August 14, 28; Sept. 11, 25 Contact Dick Gregg with questions regarding lab (business, 663-2249).

LAB 1:00pm(2x month)
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Sunday July 10 over 40 members attended the Shrimp and Crab Boil!!! Six NEW screens were constructed for use in the field and a GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL! Special thanks to: the Kindalls for the crab, Joe Wheat for the shrimp, the Elliots for salads, the Fews for bread, Carolyn Walker for crackers, E. Glasser for watermelon, and unsolicited cash donations from the Namans, the Fews, and J. Clark. We were all glad to see many new faces and numerous back-slidders for whom we hope interest will remain high.

The slate of officers for '83-'84 is being assembled by the nominating committee: Texas Anderson, Bill McClure and Mike Johnson. If you have any suggestions, please contact one of them with your ideas.

If you would like to bring refreshments for the meeting, Friday, August 12, please call Carolyn Walker (984-8374). We all would appreciate your donations of goodies. Thanks for July delights to Selma Naman, Betty Kindall, Lori Lyon, Carolyn Walker and others?.

Many members are continuing to work toward the completion of the report on excavations at 1200 Crawford (the Trimble Site). Lab work has been finished and analysis and writing are in progress. So that you can lend assistance if you have any special expertise, the people directly involved in the descriptive analysis are listed:
Margie Elliot - ceramics, Shirley Wetzel-glass, Bill McClure- bones and metal, and Kathy Reese-miscellaneous materials (mainly building materials). The report of the excavation is being written by Pam Wheat. Sheldon Kindall served as field director and Dick Gregg & Kathy Reese conducted lab sessions. Pat Nesbitt contributed to the historic research and was assisted by S. Kindall, S. & B. Naman and Marene Maness. Numerous members, including D. Atherton and B. McMahon contributed hours to lab work. The artifacts from the excavation & materials from a surface collection made by A. Stansell will be donated to the Harris County Heritage Society by the owners of the properties. The munitions which were unearthed during construction are scheduled to go to the City of Houston Police Museum.

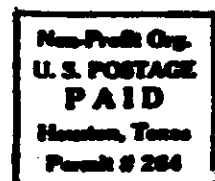
Local interest in urban archeology was spurred by the discovery of the munitions at 1200 Crawford in February. As a result a committee has been meeting regularly with Councilmember Eleanor Tinsley to draft a proposal for a city ordinance establishing a "Houston Archeological and Historical Commission". The draft of this ordinance will be available for those interested members to review at the August meeting. The purpose of the ordinance is to set up a low-key coordinating group to promote the conservation of local archeological, paleontological, and historical sites. It seems to be a very positive step toward community awareness which is very much needed in the Houston area. Please take time to review this document and make comments.

An exhibit, ISLAND OF GOLD-THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF JENNE JENO, WEST AFRICA'S OLDEST CITY, is currently on display at the Museum of Natural Science. Dr. Rod McIntosh and Dr. Susan McIntosh, Rice University, are responsible for the excavations that overturned previous concepts of West African history. Dr. Rod McIntosh will be the speaker at the Sept. HAS meeting.



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SEPTEMBER 1983 MEETING NOTICE

Date: Friday, September 9

Time: 7:00 pm coffee

7:15 pm meeting

7:45 pm program

Place: Museum of Natural Science, Lower Level Classroom

Speaker: Dr. Rod McIntosh, Rice Univeristy

Topic: Where Next? A Research Design for West African Archeology
(a tour of the current exhibit, ISLAND OF GOLD - THE
ARCHEOLOGY OF JENNO-JENO - will also be conducted
by Dr. McIntosh)

Sincere THANKS to all the officers and committee people who have contributed to the Society during the last year!!! Sec. Treas. Jean Clark, Board members - Joe Hudgins, Charles Magan, Rod McIntosh; Field director- Sheldon Kindall, Lab supervisor - Dick Gregg; Program Chr. Kathy Reese; Librarian - Mike Johnston; Journal editor- Alan Duke; Hospitality chr. Carolyn Walker; Publications chr. Eugene Heitzman; Education Chr. Bill McClure; et al.

LAB SESSIONS will be held in September on the 2nd and 4th Sundays, 1:00pm in a Lower Level Classroom. We have materials from both prehistoric and historic sites to process. Some informative talks will be scheduled if attendance warantes them.
SEPTEMBER 11TH AND 25TH. Museum of Natural Science.

Important State-wide Meeting scheduled by T.A.S. in Dallas, November 4,5, &6. See TAS Newsletter or members for further details. Papers and reports on recent archeological projects are presented and friendships renewed with professionals and avocationalists from around the state.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE BALLOT AND MAIL IT TO ELECTION CHR.
Texas Anderson, 807 Glenchester, Houston TX 77079 Deadline Sept. 7

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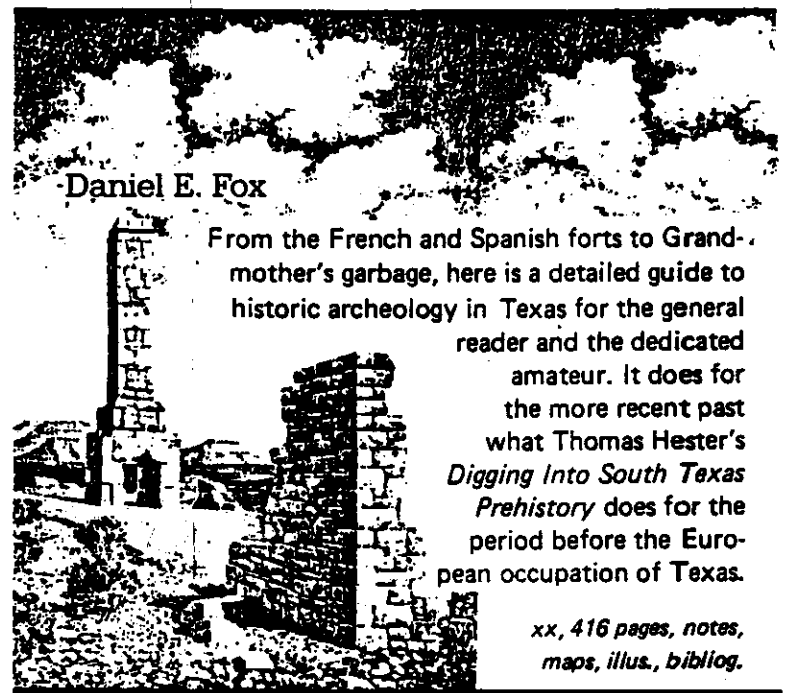
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OCTOBER 1983 MEETING NOTICE

DATE: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14
TIME: 7:00 PM COFFEE
7:30 PM BUSINESS MEETING
8:00 PM PROGRAM
PLACE: MUSEUM OF NATURAL SCIENCE, LOWER LEVEL CLASSROOM
SPEAKER: TOM HESTER
TOPIC: NEW DISCOVERY AT COLHA: 1983 SEASON

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LAB SESSIONS will be held on the second and fourth Sundays of each month, in the Museum of Natural Science, Lower Level Classroom #2, at 1 PM. OCTOBER 9th, 23rd and tentatively on NOVEMBER 13th and 20th.

SPEAKERS BUREAU PRESENTATIONS

Pam Wheat will speak to the Webb Society History Club at San Jacinto College, South on Oct. 10th. Sheldon Kindall will make a presentation to the Outdoor Club on Oct. 11th. Please pass all requests to our new coordinator, Joan Few.

BOARD MEETING ON OCTOBER 1ST

A new policy, proposed by Margie Elliott and passed by the Board reads as follows: ALL HAS SANCTIONED PROJECTS (EXCEPT EMERGENCY SALVAGE) ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A WRITTEN PROPOSAL AND BOARD APPROVAL. A PROJECT DIRECTOR WILL BE ASSIGNED AFTER BOARD APPROVAL. Under this new policy, Bill McClure presented a written proposal for Board approval on a new project, designated the Quezada Site. His plan was approved, and Bill was assigned as project director for the Quezada Site.

The Texas Archeological Society will hold their Annual Meeting on November 4, 5, and 6th, in Dallas at the Dunfey Hotel. During this educational weekend, archeologists from around the state will give short presentations of their recent work and research. Maps and registration forms will be available at our monthly meeting, or you may register in Dallas.

TAS Members \$10.00
Students and Dependents \$ 5.00
Banquet (Sat. Evening) \$12.00

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NOVEMBER 1983 MEETING NOTICE

DATE: Friday, November 11

TIME: 7:00 PM Coffee
7:30 PM Business Meeting
8:00 PM Program

PLACE: Museum of Natural Science, Lower Level Classroom

SPEAKER: Harry Shafer, Associate Professor of Anthropology and Coordinator of the Archeological Research Laboratory at Texas A&M

TOPIC: "Craft Specialization in Northern Belize: Rock Around the Region"

SOCIAL OCCASION November 11th, 5:30-7:00 PM

A pot luck dinner will be held before our monthly meeting at Pam Wheat's house at 1901 Bolsover in the Rice University area, one block north of Rice Blvd. Please bring one of the following: a covered dish, salad or dessert to serve four people. Ice tea and utensils will be provided. There's plenty of room so don't have a dull quiet dinner at home, join this adventurous boisterous party.

HAS BYLAWS ADVISORY COMMITTEE will recommend that our constitution be rewritten to meet today's needs. At our November meeting, a committee will be formed. I hope many will consider volunteering for this important task.

FIELD WORK

On November 11, 12, and 13, the Emergency Advisory Committee will salvage as much as possible from a Houston site that is soon to be destroyed by construction. Come one, come all, for this will probably be the only chance this site will have to tell it's story. For information and directions, please contact one of the following: Margie Elliott- 682-3556; Sheldon Kindall- W-333-3133 & H-334-2160; Bill McClure W-869-3211 & H-465-9393.

GALVESTON ISLAND- Saturday & Sunday, November 19th & 20th
Dr. R. Widmer and Anne Sullivan of the University of Houston welcomes HAS member assistance on a project of AURY'S FORT. The hope is that this may be the site of "Maison Rouge the "Red House" that was occupied by Jean Laffite.

LAB SESSION

Sunday, November 13th at 1PM, in the Lower Level Classroom #2 of the Museum of Natural Science. For information, contact Dick Gregg at 721-4865.

SPEAKER'S BUREAU

Nov. 9th Carolyn Walker at Taylor Senior High on Career Day.
Pam Wheat to the College Women's Club of Houston.

Nov. 15th John Herbert to the Paleontology Division of the Houston Gem and Mineral Society.

Nov. 17th Pam Wheat to the Montgomery County Artifact Recovery Club.

Antiquities Protected With Landmark Designation

(Editor's note: This article examines the background of and designation process for State Archeological Landmarks. Next month The Medallion will examine the Texas Antiquities Committee (TAC) permit process for investigative work on public lands and on designated or potential State Archeological Landmarks.)

The State of Texas is rich in antiquities. These relics—whether they be the foundations of an old fort, stone tools left by a band of Indians, or silver from a Spanish shipwreck—are fragile cultural resources that often are needlessly destroyed or exploited.

To ensure the protection of antiquities on lands owned by the state or any political subdivision of it, the Texas Antiquities Committee (housed in the Texas Historical Commission) was established by the state legislature in 1969. To aid in their resource protection process, the Committee developed the designation of State Archeological Landmarks (SALs). This designation prohibits action that would disturb an archeological landmark on public lands without a permit from the Committee.

SAL designations can be applied to archeological sites, buried treasures, building ruins, standing historic structures, artifacts, objects, and implements pertaining to prehistory and/or history in Texas. The designation, entirely separate from the state's historical marker or National Register listings,

provides the Antiquities Committee with a record of the resource and an opportunity to protect it. Recent SAL designations have included the Cowtown Coliseum in Fort Worth, the Barkman-Hatchel Mound Site in Bowie County, and the Cass County Courthouse in Linden.

During the 1970s, a formal process for awarding SAL status was approved. This process, created to ensure fair designation practice, requires the following steps before a site can be declared a SAL:

1) TAC staff notify the government agency overseeing a site of the desire to designate the site.

2) The SAL nomination is presented to the nine-member Antiquities Committee at an open meeting, where it votes on the nomination.

3) If the nomination is approved, the overseeing agency is notified. Official designation is scheduled for the next TAC meeting.

4) Overseeing agencies receive a 15-day notice prior to this next TAC meeting, where a vote will be taken on the SAL designation. A postponement of the vote can be requested, but it must be approved by the TAC.

5) If the Committee passes the designation at its next meeting, the overseeing agency is notified in writing. If the designation is not approved, the nomination process must begin anew.

Once a site becomes a State Archeological Landmark, it may not be investigated, taken, altered, damaged, salvaged, or excavated without a permit from the Antiquities Committee. Although the 1,500 SALs in Texas all are on public owned lands, the Antiquities Committee's code does provide for designation on private property, with the owners permission.

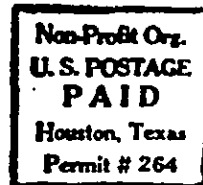
In an effort to further facilitate the SAL designation process, the TAC recently voted to establish an experimental program of local-level advisory committees. These committees will involve government officials in the process of managing and protecting historic resources, and also will provide preservation groups and local citizens with a forum for addressing the designation process. They will be charged with identifying landmark structures and sites owned by their particular government or institution and recommending them to the TAC for designation. The committees also will monitor all proposed work on designated sites and communicate recommendations to the TAC. One such committee has been established at The University of Texas at Austin.

The TAC believes that these new committees will help establish better communication between itself and local groups and citizens responsible for the stewardship of important historic buildings and sites. By increasing local understanding of and involvement in the SAL designation process, the TAC hopes to increase its effectiveness in overseeing the protection of Texas' many cultural resources.



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DECEMBER 1983 MEETING NOTICE

DATE: Friday, December 9

TIME: 7:00 PM Coffee
7:30 PM Business Meeting
8:00 PM Program

PLACE: Museum of Natural Science, Lower Level Classroom

SPEAKER: Mike Reese, Director of Brazosport Historical Museum

TOPIC: HOUMA: The People Who Wouldn't Disappear.



The HAS JOURNAL for December will be available at the meeting for all dues paying members to pick up. Please try to attend in order to get your copy and save postage. Thanks to Editor Alan Duke for his steadfast contribution.

Your 1984 DUES are due January 1, 1984.

Junior (student)	\$ 4.50
Individual/Family	\$15.00
Contributing	\$20.00 & above

Only one LAB SESSION will be held in December on the 11th at 1PM, in the Lower Level Classroom #2 of the Museum of Natural Science. For information, contact Dick Gregg at 721-4865.

FIELD WORK will resume on the Wharton site if the weather permits on December 10 & 11, and December 17 & 18. Meet at the Faith Luthern Church, Highway 6 & 59, at 8:00 AM or at the office of J.D. Hudgins in Wharton at 9:00 AM. Work is also planned for the 200 block of Main on December 3 & 4. For the latest information, call Sheldon Kindall at 334-2160.

The HAS specialized library is accessible to members during monthly meetings and by request. Call Terri Castaneda, 526-4273, at the Museum of Natural Science, to arrange access. The library is located in the Lower Level Classroom #2 at the museum. A bibliography, prepared by Mike Johnson, librarian, with a complete listing of books, pamphlets is available. (\$2.00)

An excellent exhibit BETWEEN CONTINENTS/BETWEEN SEAS: PRECOLUMBIAN ART FROM COSTA RICA, is currently on display at the Museum of Natural Science through January 29, 1984.

Our thanks to Pam Wheat for hosting last month's super pot luck dinner. It was a great success and our only disappointment was that we had to break up to attend the business meeting. However, thanks to Harry Shafer's interesting program on Belize, we all had a great evening.

The White Oak Bayou Site at 18th & Ella was worked November 11, 12, & 13th by a turnout too numerous to mention. Due to the large work crew, Field Director

Sheldon Kindall and Coordinators Bill McClure and Dick Gregg put down approximately 20 test pits and 13 one meter squares to sterile ground (clay) at 60 cm. Those interested in learning more about what was uncovered, should attend lab where the material will soon be examined and catalogued.

HAS takes pride in the contribution numerous members of the HAS made in presentations at the Annual Meeting of the Texas Archeological Society held in Dallas November 4, 5, & 6th.

Wes Copas & Dick Gregg- Analysis of the Burials from the Peikert Site.

Margie Elliot & Pam Wheat- Trimble Site

Blaine Ensor- Archeological Survey of the Harris County Lease in Baker Reservoir

Joan Few- Glorianna Homestead

Lou Fullen- A Model for Designing Programs to Conserve Cultural Resources

Grant Hall- The Native Pecan as a Factor Influencing the Location and Character of Certain Prehistoric Cemeteries in Texas

Leland Patterson & Joe Hudgins- A Preliminary Summary of Excavations at Site 41WH19, Wharton County, Texas.

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