



HAS May Meeting - Thursday, May 18, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

**Featuring Alan Slade - Clovis Fluted Points in Texas: A Further Update to the TCFPS, 4th Edition
and an Introduction to the Folsom Survey (TFFPS)**



Greetings HAS members! Our May HAS meeting will be back on our regularly scheduled third Thursday of the month, which will be **THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2023**, starting at **6:00 p.m.** This meeting will be in person, as well as available to members via Zoom and to the public via our YouTube channel. Our May speaker will be lithic analyst and Paleolithic researcher Alan Slade, who will present a program on the 4th Edition of the Texas Clovis Fluted Point Survey and an introduction to the Folsom Survey.

In 1985, David Meltzer of Southern Methodist University (SMU) initiated a survey of Clovis fluted points in Texas (TCFPS). That survey continues to the present under the control and curation of staff at the Texas Archeological Research Laboratory (TARL). As of 2007, when the 3rd edition was published, there were 544 recorded Clovis points. Clovis points occur throughout the state, with concentrations on the High Plains, the Coast, and along an arc through central Texas following the Balcones Escarpment, where high quality chert and freshwater sources were readily available.

This presentation will introduce the results of the 4th edition of the survey with an emphasis on how the current survey relates to the coastal region of Texas, including the areas around Houston. Slade will also discuss some plans for future research, including the Texas Folsom Fluted Point Survey.

Alan is currently a postdoctoral researcher with the University of Texas at Austin, Texas Archaeological Research Laboratory (TARL) and is also a member of the team that heads the Prehistory Research Project (PRP). Alan spent fifteen years as a Prehistoric and Paleolithic field archaeologist in Britain and Europe, and a further decade helping to curate the lithic collections in the British Museum. In 2007 Alan became interested in Early Paleolithic archaeology, in particular Clovis. Alan spent six years studying the Clovis fluted points in collections across North America, largely facilitated and encouraged by Dennis Stanford of the Smithsonian Institution. Dr. Michael Collins invited Alan to continue his analysis of Clovis fluted point technology and to become a lithic analyst for the TCFPS project in 2019. Alan has directed the TCFPS at TARL since 2019.

Alan was educated at Birkbeck College, University of London (UCL) Institute of Archaeology, and at the University of Southampton. He is a research fellow of the Centre for the Archaeology of Human Origins (CAHO) at the University of Southampton. Alan serves on the committee for the Lithic Studies Society (LSS) and is also an active member of the Society for Museum Archaeologists (SMA). Since 2018, he has been an active member of the Texas Archeological Society, the Central Texas Archeological Society, and the Travis County Archeological Society.

Please note that in June there will be no monthly meeting and no newsletter. But we hope to see you June 10 – 17 at the TAS Field School in Nacogdoches County!

Parking at the Trini Mendenhall Center is free of charge. For more information about this program or about the Houston Archeological Society, please contact Frank Kozar, at president@txhas.org.

Please join us in person or online for what promises to be an excellent program on **May 18!**

Sarah Chesney, Ph.D., HAS Vice President

President's Message - Frank Kozar

As our cool spring weather starts turning to a more humid summer, that means we're approaching the time when the Texas Archeological Society Field School will take place for the enjoyment of avocational archeologists from across Texas and nearby states.



Pioneers in Texas archeology (left to right): Michael Collins, Jerry Epstein, Curtis Tunnell, Jack Hughes, Ernie Lundelius, Ed Jelks, Dee Ann Story, and Glen Evans. Source: [TARL History, Part 2: TARL at Balcones | The TARL Blog \(utexas.edu\)](#).



Gilbert excavations in progress, 1962. Source: [The Gilbert Site-Birth of the TAS Annual Field School \(texasbeyondhistory.net\)](#).

The TAS field school tradition started in 1962 at the Gilbert Site in northern Rains County, about fifty miles east of Dallas. Ed Jelks, a UT-educated archeologist who went on to a lengthy and distinguished career, had learned of the important site containing eighteenth-century French trade goods and Native American artifacts from the southern Wichita Indian groups. After a visit to the area, Jelks was keen to excavate it, but had no funds to do so. Upon his return, Jelks pitched an idea to his University of Texas colleagues, legendary archeologists E. Mott Davis and Dee Ann Story. Jelks proposed that the Texas Archeological Society sponsor a dig at the Gilbert Site, with TAS members providing the labor alongside a team of professionals and experienced avocational archeologists qualified to lead the effort, curate artifacts, and write the report. They liked the idea, and the Gilbert Site TAS Field School was a resounding success. Sixty-one years later, the annual TAS Field School is still a highly anticipated opportunity involving upwards of 400 participants every June.

This year, the Field School will be held at the Gallant Falls Site (41NA344) in Douglas, fifteen miles west of Nacogdoches. This has been identified as the location of Mission Nuestra Senora de la Purisima Concepcion from 1716-1730, before its relocation to San Antonio. Additionally, two nearby sites (Ben Gallant, 41NA338, and Bell Gallant, 41NA346) will be excavated for nineteenth-century period artifacts.

TAS field school will be held from June 10-17, 2023. Please check the TAS website at [Texas Archeological Society - Home \(txarch.org\)](https://www.txarch.org) for more information on field school registration, camping and lodging, and youth activities for younger archeologists. See you in the field.

Frank Kozar, HAS President

Source: [The Gilbert Site-Birth of the TAS Annual Field School \(texasbeyondhistory.net\)](#).



Houston Archeological Society Monthly Meeting Minutes – April 20, 2023

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p. m. - Frank Kozar

Treasurer's Report - Bob Sewell

Funds remain healthy. If you would like further information, please contact Bob treasurer@txhas.org.

Membership - Bob Sewell

Membership currently stands at 153 members against 204 members last year. This is about right for the time of year and membership usually picks up as a result of TAS Field School in June and the TAS Annual Meeting in October.

Website – Bob Sewell

The Website is running smoothly with no reported problems.

Newsletter – Bob Sewell

Many thanks to Betsy for coordinating the newsletter.

Please keep articles coming in, even half a page or a page with photos are welcome for publication.

Projects:

Kirbee Kiln – Bob Sewell

It was a very enjoyable excavation for all involved and was deemed a great success by the landowners Dr. Brown and Dr. Dreiss, who were very complimentary towards the HAS team. They hope to involve us in further excavations on site in the fall.

Lone Oak Site – Bob Sewell

Shovel testing over the last two months has identified 4 or 5 STPs as potential units to be opened starting in May. Keep a look out for an email with dates and details.

Arroyo Dulce – Frank Kozar

The two-year Arroyo Dulce project out near San Felipe De Austin has now finished the field work phase and is now in the artifact curation and information gathering phase ready for the site report.

Next Member's Meeting – Frank Kozar

The next members meeting will be held **in person** on **Thursday May 18 at 6:00 p.m.**, at the **Trini Mendenhall Community Center**, 1414 Wirt Road, 77055.

A link will be sent for those unable to attend in person.

Our speaker will be Dr. Alan Slade who is a research associate at the Texas Archeological Research Laboratory at UT Austin (TARL) who specializes in paleolithic technology.

Meeting drawn to a close at 6:35 p.m. – Frank Kozar

Introduction of Tonight's speaker – Frank Kozar

Emma Baldwin, Secretary

Standing Under the Battleship Texas

Thomas L. Nuckols

Introduction

On March 12, 1914, the United States Navy's new battleship, the USS *Texas* (BB-35) was commissioned (Power 1993:8).¹ On March 12, 2023, 109 years later, my oldest son, John, and I took a guided tour of the ship, sitting on keel blocks in dry dock at the Gulf Copper & Manufacturing Corporation's shipyard located on Pelican Island at the port of Galveston (Figures 1 - 3). While in dry dock, the battleship is undergoing a \$35 million hull restoration. When the repairs are completed, she will be refloated and berthed in an as-yet-unknown location on the upper Texas Gulf Coast, resuming her role as a permanent museum ship.



Figure 1. The Battleship Texas in dry dock.

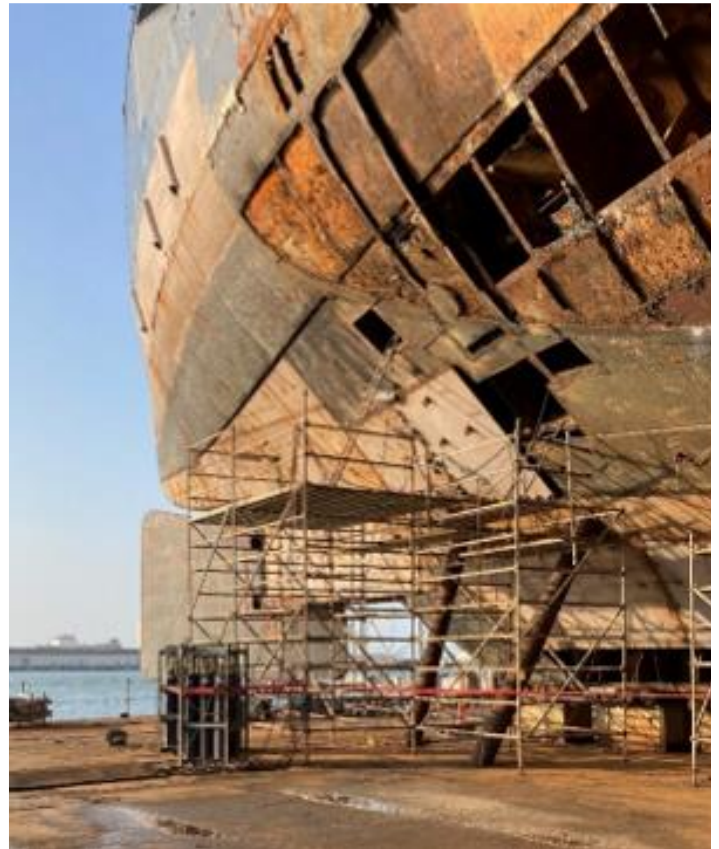


Figure 2. The starboard side (right side) of the Battleship Texas in dry dock. The Galveston ship channel is visible in the background. The ship's rudder is at the lower left in the photo. The rusted wedge-shaped area in the upper right of the photo shows where the torpedo blisters have been removed. Torpedo blisters are armor creating a second skin, causing torpedoes to explode outside the actual hull of a ship. Texas received her torpedo blisters when she was modernized in 1925 through 1927 (Power 1993: 17, 21). New blisters will be installed that are of a slightly different design and squared off at the bottom below the waterline. This design change will make the new blisters easier to maintain. Photographs by Thomas L. Nuckols.

Embarrassed While on Tour

It was when our tour group, consisting of approximately fifteen people, were at the stern (back of the ship) that I embarrassed myself. As our Battleship Texas Foundation tour guide was discussing the ship's rudder, I heard splashing in the water near the end of the dry dock. I looked in that direction and spotted a pod of bottlenose dolphins gamboling in the Galveston ship channel (Figure 4).² For a moment, I stood there transfixed, watching those dolphins, and without thinking, I blurted out, "Look! There's a bunch of dolphins out there!" The tour guide stopped talking, and looking directly at me, said, "Sir, you are supposed to be looking at the ship, not the water." Everyone in the tour group turned their heads and stared at me, and at that point, I wanted to crawl under a rock. After several seconds of seemingly eternal silence, the tour guide smiled and said, "OK everybody, let's take this opportunity to take pictures of the dolphins."

¹ "BB" designates a US Navy battleship. The number "35" means that the Battleship Texas was the 35th built. See U.S. NAVY SHIPS -- Listed by Hull Number, <https://www.ibiblio.org/hyperwar/OnlineLibrary/photos/shusn-no/bb-no.htm>.

² Merriam-Webster's online dictionary defines gamboling as skipping or leaping about in play. I was unaware of the word "gamboling" until I came across it while reading *The Ship Beneath the Ice* by Mensun Bound shortly before writing this article and thought it an appropriate verb to describe the dolphins' behavior that I had witnessed. On January 16, 1915, Frank Hurley, official photographer aboard the ship *Endurance*, recorded in his diary: "We witnessed a phenomenal sight. Hundreds of crabeater seals speedily made their way towards the ship, and treated us to a wonderful display, gambolling [sic], sporting, racing and diving under the ship" (Bound, 2022, p. 46).

Although it was rather disconcerting to have thousands of tons of battleship sitting just above my head, I thoroughly enjoyed the tour. And, thanks to our friendly and enthusiastic tour guide, the tour, which was only supposed to last one hour, stretched to an hour and a half. Dry dock tours are being offered for a limited time on Sundays only at a cost of \$150. For updated information, see: [Dry Dock Tours - The Battleship Texas Foundation](#).



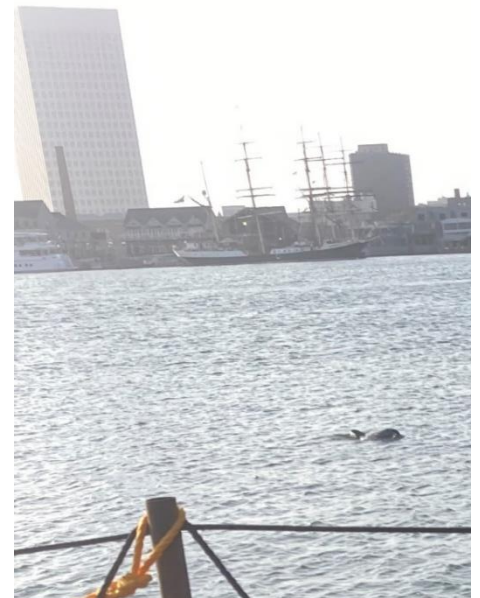
Figure 3. The author, standing next to the battleship's rudder. The rudder is turned 14° to starboard. It has been stuck at this angle since 1948. Photograph by John Nuckols.

Figure 4. A bottlenose dolphin in the Galveston ship channel just beyond the dry dock. Photograph by John Nuckols. See <https://galvestonbaydolphin.org/galveston-bay-dolphins/>.

The Swedish Sailing Ship *Gunilla*

Several days after I took the Battleship Texas tour, I realized that while photographing a bottlenose dolphin in the ship channel, I inadvertently also captured a shot of the Swedish tall ship *Gunilla* (Figure 5). The *Gunilla* was visiting Galveston's historic seaport. Launched in 1940, she served primarily as a long-haul cargo ship for over fifty years. Additionally, during a short time in the 1950s the ship acted as a ferry, transporting both people and cars to Öland, Sweden. In 1997, the *Gunilla* was completely rebuilt and refitted as a barque—a three-masted ship.³ The tall ship now serves within the Swedish school system, traveling year-round with groups of students learning sailing, marine technology, social studies, and science while at sea.^{4, 5}

Figure 5. A bottlenose dolphin in the Galveston ship channel with the Swedish ship *Gunilla* in the background, docked at Galveston's historic seaport. A portion of the tall ship *Elissa* is visible behind the stern of the *Gunilla*. Photograph by Thomas L. Nuckols.



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³ <https://www.galvestonhistory.org/event/tall-ship-gunilla-deck-tours/2023-03-10>.

⁴ Öckerö sailing upper secondary school - With the sea as a classroom (ockergymnasieskola.se).

⁵ A Swedish school under sail - Öckerö seglande gymnasieskola (ockergymnasieskola.se).



A repository of past issues of The Profile is available on the HAS website wherein you will find a wealth of fascinating archived articles, including this report from November 2009, a Bernardo Plantation Project Progress Report submitted by Dr. Gregg Dimmick. It's worth another read, so here it is – from The HAS Archives:

Folks, I wanted to give everyone an update on the thrilling weekend of work that was carried out [October 24-25, 2009] at the Bernardo Plantation. It was far better than any of us dared hoped for. On Saturday Robert and his crew put in two one-by-one-meter pits. They started finding multiple fragments of brick and other very interesting items--fragments of melted glass. There were many nails in the two pits, and the condition of some of them seemed to be too good. We now suspect these smaller (finishing?) nails may be made of brass or have a high enough copper content that they are not rusting. Jim Woodrick made a great discovery on Saturday. He was looking for the steps to the main house that had been reported to have been there (years ago) by Clarence Miller. Well, he found them--they are broken into pieces, but we should be able to eventually pull them out and see if we can piece them back together. This may well tell us how high the floor of the house was off the ground. On Sunday we were able to recheck some of the data points and the mag survey points and discovered that the pits that had been started on Saturday were actually inside the area where the house had stood, not over the chimney as expected. Robert's crew continued with the two pits and found some wonderful items. They found a small piece of a clay pipe stem, and even better, they found a wonderful dart point (Marcos point). I think I heard someone say it was middle archaic and should date to about 3,000 years ago. (See picture.) Jim Bruseth was able to locate remnants from one of the brick chimneys. We did a shovel test at that point and found some of the old brick still in place. From this point we were able to locate both the old sandstone chimneys. Jim Woodrick was the one to figure out that the sandstone near the cistern is actually the remnants of one of the old sandstone chimneys and has nothing to do with the cistern. We also did some probing in the area of the other possible cistern that showed up on the mag survey and might have found the fireplace for the kitchen. All in all, a great weekend--we pretty much know now the original site of the main house and we have been able to verify the positions and types of the chimneys--just like our archives have told us to expect. Even more importantly we are finding that the site is intact and has not been destroyed by farming etc.

- Gregg Dimmick



Picturing Camp Logan - The Quartermasters Corps

Robert Morin and Betsy G. Wittenmyer

Founded in 1775 to provide logistical support to the Continental Army, the Quartermaster Corps (QMC) established a crucial supply chain and depot system during the American Revolution. As the young country and its army grew, the Corps brought provisions and materials via canal boats, camel caravans, and early railroad lines. In 1912, Congress reorganized several departments to form even more specialized and trained Quartermaster units which addressed needs brought by the modern era and World War I, such as port operations to transport the men overseas and frontline battlefield requirements.¹

Indeed, Camp Logan exemplified World War I's transitional nature, when centuries-old methods of warfare contrasted with contemporary inventions. Horses, mules, and cavalry seemed essential to any standing army, yet the juxtaposed motor trucks, ambulances, aircraft, and motorcycles signaled a modern dimension with unknown possibilities. At Camp Logan, sustainment needs included everything from horses and equestrian supplies, to motorized vehicles and ammunition, and all daily provisions for laundry, bath, personal equipment, and food service. A row of QMC warehouses stored supplies and materials at Camp Logan, serving as a depot for the companies (Figure 1).



Figure 1. Camp Logan QMC warehouse. Photograph from the Robert Morin Collection, Woodson Research Center, Rice University.

The QMC logbook recorded receipts and expenditures, the majority of which were payments to local vendors. The Camp Logan Quartermaster ordered produce from area farmers, sporting goods for the camp intramural leagues, hardware and lumber supplies, and arranged for the rental of musical instruments from local retailers. (Figures 2-4).

¹ [History - Quartermaster Corps \(army.mil\)](http://www.army.mil).

The Quartermaster Corps began their work at Camp Logan on July 25, 1917, initiating the formidable job of clearing the dense forest and heavy underbrush. About five hundred men, including both soldiers and civilians, worked to prepare the grounds. Larger trees were spared so as to provide park-like shade in the summer as well. A subway (or underpass) thirty to forty feet wide and ten to twelve feet in height was constructed under the Southern Pacific railroad line in the northwest quadrant of the site. This took about five days to construct and allowed unobstructed passage of supplies, materials, and soldiers to and from the camp proper to the adjacent remount depot, forage yards, and magazine buildings, all situated on the west side of the tracks. An electric pump was installed to drain the tunnel after heavy rains.² Roadways made from shell aggregate sourced from Galveston Bay connected the facilities.^{2,3} The U.S. Army Remount Service fell under the auspices of the QMC, and the division supplied the military with horses, mules, and in some locations, dogs. Duties involved the procurement and care of the animals, and beginning in 1918, the breeding of horses.⁴

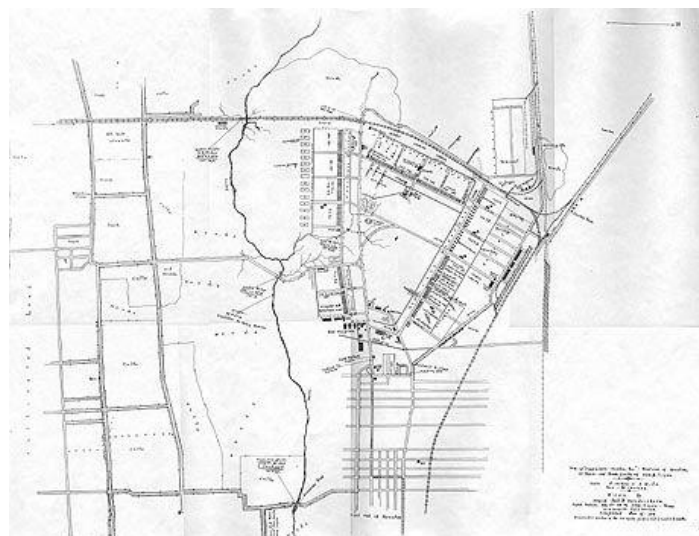


Quartermaster Corps insignias included a large brass eagle hat badge, pinned on an officer visor cap; a small eagle pin, attached to the broad-brimmed campaign hat; and round buttons, worn on the shirt collars (Figure 5).

We are soliciting thoughts from our readers as to where this tunnel under the train tracks might have been located and what has taken its place in modern times! The Completion Report states that the subway was located in the northwest area of the camp. Take a look at these links, especially the map hand-drawn by Corporal Paul Hendrickson from the Hendrickson Collection, another treasure archived in the Woodson Research Center at Rice University, [Image Viewer \(rice.edu\)](#); [OverLay-Map-xye0v6.jpg \(748x680\) \(bpb-us-e1.wpmucdn.com\)](#); [Historic Aerials: Viewer](#). Contact robert3984@aol.com with your theories!

Figure 5. Quartermaster Corps insignia items from the Robert Morin Collection, Woodson Research Center, Rice University. Figure 6. Map drawn by Corporal Paul Hendrickson, Hendrickson Collection, Woodson Research Center, Rice University, [Image Viewer \(rice.edu\)](#).

In a future issue: More about the remount depo and horses at Camp Logan.



² W. P. Rothrock, *Completion Report of Camp Logan, Houston, Texas*. Fort Worth: Office of the Constructing Quartermaster, January 14, 1918; *The Houston Chronicle*, July 22, 1917.

³ *The Houston Chronicle*, September 8, 1917, p. 2.

⁴ [United States Army Remount Service - Wikipedia](#).

Community Outreach

Black Elementary School Scout Troop

On Thursday night, April 20, 2023, Sharon Menegaz with her husband Steve presented the Introduction to Archeology talk to fifteen enthusiastic Boy Scouts and their parents at Black Elementary School in the CyFair School district. The scouts, aged 5 – 11, asked many questions about archeology (and dinosaurs, of course), looked through our show and tell boxes, and were able to make a painted pebble to take home, using limestone pebbles, Sharpies, and photos of Texas rock art. The parents were also eager to ask questions, and several picked up information about HAS, TAS, and Field School. Thank you, Sharon and Steve!



Orange Grove Elementary School Careers Day

On April 3, 2023, Frank Kozar and Bob Sewell participated in the Careers Day at Orange Grove Elementary School in Aldine. HAS was given a three-hour slot in order to present our show-and-tell. Frank and Bob also made four additional presentations that morning to classes of second to fifth grade children to give them an idea of what archeologists do. The morning went very well, with really well-behaved children who asked several good questions. Many thanks to Mrs. Tarena Berry, the school counselor, who made it possible. Thank you, Frank and Bob!

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TAS Field School, June 10 – 17, 2023, Nacogdoches County



Each summer, the Texas Archeological Society (TAS) sponsors a week-long archeological field school led by experienced avocational and professional archeologists, providing training in archeological techniques to Society members and contributing important new data to the state's archeological and historical heritage. No prior archeological experience is necessary. Activities and learning opportunities are offered for all ages, including excavation techniques, survey methods, and special training for newcomers and teachers.

Participants may register for a minimum of three days or for the full session. Workshops, educational programs, and social activities are spread throughout the week. This year, TAS Field School will take place in Nacogdoches County at the Gallant Falls Site (41NA344) and related nearby Hainai Caddo and European sites. More information is available in the TAS spring newsletter and at the TAS Field School information page: [Spring 2023 Vol 67 Number 2.pdf \(txarch.org\)](#); [2023 Field School \(txarch.org\)](#); [Texas Archeological Society - 2023 TAS Field School Registration \(txarch.org\)](#).

HAS Reference Desk

What research on archeology, anthropology, or history have you been reading lately? The HAS Reference desk seeks your suggestions about interesting archeology and history links! In follow up to some of our articles this month, check out these links:

[The Gilbert Site \(texasbeyondhistory.net\)](http://texasbeyondhistory.net)

[A Conversation with Edward B. Jelks on JSTOR](#)

[Edward B. Jelks - Wikipedia](#)

[The George C. Davis Site | The TARL Blog \(utexas.edu\)](#)

[The Lighter Side of Dr. E. Mott Davis | The TARL Blog \(utexas.edu\)](#)

[Dee Ann Story - Wikipedia](#)

[TARL History, Part 2: TARL at Balcones | The TARL Blog \(utexas.edu\)](#)

[The Incredible Story of the Battleship USS Texas \(BB-35\) | Texas Heritage for Living](#)

[Battleship Texas Blueprint Collection - The Portal to Texas History \(unt.edu\)](#)

[Texas \(BB 35\) \(navy.mil\)](#)

[Battleship Updates - The Battleship Texas Foundation](#)

[USSTexasBB35 \(reddit.com\)](#)

[TSHA | Bernardo Plantation \(tshaonline.org\)](#)

[TSHA | Groce, Leonard Waller \(tshaonline.org\)](#)

[Bernardo Plantation Artifacts - Houston Archeological Society \(txhas.org\)](#)

[Saving the Bernardo Plantation - YouTube](#)

[Bernardo Plantation - Friends of THC \(thcfriends.org\)](#)

David Meltzer's podcasts on Clovis points and more, [Podcasts – David J. Meltzer \(smu.edu\)](#)

[Prehistory Research Project Update | The TARL Blog \(utexas.edu\)](#)

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Houston Archeological Society - Monthly Meeting Program Schedule

***Please note that meetings will vary between entirely virtual, or multiformat (in-person, Zoom, and streamed to YouTube).**

***The meeting format may change; be sure to doublecheck the HAS website and your emails prior to each meeting for updates.**

May 18 - HAS Monthly Meeting at 6:00 p.m. YouTube Stream, <https://youtube.com/live/wT-NQEmxmIA?feature=share>.

June – No monthly meeting. No newsletter. See you at TAS Field School!

July 11 – HAS Quarterly Board Meeting.

July 20 – HAS Monthly Meeting at 6:00 p.m. Mid-year updates on projects and Field School, presented by HAS president and board members. Zoom will be available, but this will not be streamed to YouTube.

August 17 – HAS Monthly Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

September 21 – HAS Monthly Meeting at 6:00 p.m. Featuring Jamie Ross, Archeological Collections Manager for the Texas Historical Commission.

Houston Archeological Society Monthly Meetings are ordinarily free and open to the public. Previous HAS presentations are archived at www.youtube.com/channel/UCn5-5YXMO2CwgO811GMFQow. For more information about HAS, visit www.txhas.org, email us at president@txhas.org, or join our Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/123659814324626/>.





Get Ready for Some Time Travel: Texas Living History Week is May 7-13

At Texas Historical Commission sites across the state, you can step back into history. During May 7-13, tours and hands-on activities will demonstrate how Texans of the past spent their daily lives at these state historic sites. From ornate Victorian mansions to everyday inns, frontier forts to 20th-century leaders' homes, there's a state historic site to fit every interest. See the full range of programs on the THC website:

[LEARN MORE](#)

Upcoming Events

Be sure to reconfirm details before making plans to attend.

VIRTUAL:

Archaeological Institute of America

5/27 – Saturday, 2:00 p.m. Central/1:00 p.m. MDT. The Archaeological Technicians of Quft and the Art of Excavation as Cultural Heritage in Egypt. Sponsored by AIA-Denver Society. Presented by Professor Wendy Doyon, American Research Center in Egypt, Cairo. Free, register at <https://aiadenver.org/may-2023-professor-wendy-doyon-university-of-pennsylvania/>.

More AIA events may be found at the following online calendar. Select the desired month and Event Type Hybrid or Virtual;

[Upcoming Events – Archaeological Institute of America.](#)

Engelhardt-Moore Lecture Series

5/4 – Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Applying New Genetic Analysis Techniques in Archaeology, presented by Dr. Garth C. Clark. All E-MLS lectures are free and delivered virtually, with more information and past presentations available at the E-MLS website:

[About | Lecture Series \(engelhardtmoore.wixsite.com\).](#)

The Heritage Society of Houston

5/3 – Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. Houston Historian Mister McKinney and Alfred Cervantes discuss the architectural stories of local historical buildings and homes. Facebook Live free event, [\(20+\) The Heritage Society | Houston TX | Facebook](#).

Montpelier Foundation Archaeology Programs

5/10 – Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. Central/Noon Eastern Time. Just Another Hole in the Ground? Digitizing Montpelier's Subfloor Pits, presented by Taylor Brown, current MA student in Historical Archaeology at UWF and former Montpelier Archaeology Technician. Discussion of subfloor pits across Montpelier's archaeological record, including Civil War camps. Free, register at: [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#). Past virtual lectures available at [Archaeology Lunch and LEARN – Montpelier's Digital Doorway](#).

Shumla Archeological Research and Education Center

5/17 – Wednesday, Noon. Lunch and Learn, the Shumla Scholars Program, presented by Rudy Banny, MA. Free, information and past presentations available at [Shumla Archaeological Research & Education Center - YouTube](#).

Texas Historical Commission

5/10 - The Women of Landmark Inn, Landmark Inn

5/25 - The Flagship of Texas Citrus, Friends of the Texas Historical Commission

6/29 - From Hope Chests to Museums: How Women Saved the West, Friends of the Texas Historical Commission

The Past, Present, and Future of San Jacinto (recording)

ON-SITE:

American Institute of Archaeology

5/4 – 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Brown Auditorium, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston. The Epic of the Marsh Arabs – Ancient Cultures, Modern Lives. The UNESCO wetland ecosystem in Western Eurasia between the Tigris and the Euphrates and its unique peoples, presented by Dr. Said Alrawi, Landscape Archaeologist, University of Pennsylvania. Free with reservation, The Marsh Arab Story.

Barrington Plantation

5/13 – **5/14** - Plows and Petticoats: A Woman's Role.

Fort McKavett State Historic Site

5/26 – **5/28** – Friday – Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to Noon. Texas Rangers at Fort McKavett. Throughout 2023, the Texas Rangers will be commemorating their organization's bicentennial. In 1878, there was a shootout between Rangers and discharged soldiers from Fort McKavett, which took place at Scabtown, located a mile north of the fort. Mark your calendar to travel out and see living history demonstrations of period Texas Ranger firearms and equipment.

Kreische Brewery and Monument Hill State Historic Site

5/6 - In the Kreische Kitchen, Noon – 4: 00 p.m. Living historians prepare a traditional German Texan homecooked meal on the wood-burning stove in the Kreische kitchen.

5/20 - Explore German Heritage at Kreische Brewery. Celebrate the history of the Bluff Schuetzenverein, a German marksmanship and social organization which once made its home on the grounds of Kreische Brewery & Monument Hill state historic sites in La Grange. In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, the Bluff Schuetzenverein hosted dances, concerts, picnics, and shooting competitions that welcomed people from across Texas. On Saturday, May 20, staff and volunteers will commemorate these traditions at their annual Bluff Schuetzenfest featuring entertainment, community booths, family activities, living history demonstrations, special tours, and the Texas History on Tap beer garden featuring Texas craft breweries.

San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site

5/13 – Saturday, 10:00 a.m. Indigenous Presence at San Felipe de Austin, in the Nature Center at Stephen F. Austin State Park located one mile west of San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site.

San Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site

5/6 – Saturday – 7:00 a.m. Bird Watching at the Battleground. The San Jacinto Battleground is home to more than 200 species of birds, and the best time to see them is first thing in the morning. Every first Saturday of the month, the site opens two hours early so birders and photographers can enjoy early morning at the site.

5/13 – Saturday – 7:00 a.m. Cycling Saturdays. Every second Saturday of the month, the site opens two hours early just for cyclists. Come and bike the Birthplace of Texas without worrying about cars.

When: Every second Saturday; 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Battleground Bike Tour. Guided bike tours at 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

5/14 and 5/27– Sunday - Battleground Van Tours. Do you know where General Santa Anna set up his camp during the Battle of San Jacinto or where General Houston was shot? How about where the Surrender Tree was located? Discover the San Jacinto Battleground like you've never seen it before on a staff-led van tour of the battlefield.

5/20 – Saturday – Noon- 3:00 p.m. Feeding an Army: Campfire Bread. Try making your own campfire bread, just like the Texian soldiers did 187 years ago.

5/27 – Saturday – 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Boom: Cannon Demonstration. Visitors can learn how to load a cannon and watch regular cannon demonstrations. Cannon fire will be on the hour and the half hour.

Shumla Archeological Research and Education Center

5/6 – Saturday – 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Running Horse Shelter & Seminole Canyon State Park & Historic Site Museum and Visitor Center – Saturday, May 6 (Half Day Trek).

5/20 – Saturday - Meyers Springs Shelter and Historic Fort Site – Saturday, May 20 (Full Day Trek) – Registration Closed/Sold Out. Offered again 11/18.

5/21 – Sunday – 8:00 a.m. Black Cave and Vaquero Shelter – Sunday, May 21 (Full Day Trek). More information and registration at Shumla Treks - Shumla.

Washington-on-the-Brazos, Star of the Republic Museum

5/6 – Saturday. Cub Scout Day. Cub Scouts are welcome at the museum for a fun morning of activities and information that will fulfill the requirements for their Texas Badge.

5/13 – Saturday. Runaway Scrape Escape. After his victory at the Alamo, Santa Anna and his army are on their way, you must quickly decide what to take on your journey and make your way to safety with the help of your friends and family using teamwork and problem-solving skills.

5/20 – Saturday. 11:00 – 4:00 p.m. Hands-on-History. Making paper dolls.

Calling All HAS Members – Please send photos and articles for *The Profile*!

We would like **all HAS members** to consider submitting content for *The Profile* newsletter. Please send submissions to newsletter staff members at wittenmy@flash.net or newsletter@txhas.org. Report on an interesting on-site experience, academy, field school, historic location, or community outreach event! Send photos of yourself on an HAS or TAS adventure! What archeological artifact or historical event have you been researching? Your contributions can be brief, such as a couple of paragraphs or about 250 words. Please submit information for upcoming issues no later than the fifteenth of each month.



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