

The Profile

JANUARY 1991

NEWSLETTER
OF THE HOUSTON
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Meeting Notice

Date: January 11, 1991
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: University of St. Thomas
M.D. Anderson Hall
Program: Problems of Looting
In East Texas

Speaker: John Ippolito
Archeologist for the East
Texas Forestry Service

Library Notes

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Laboratory Schedule

January 14 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
January 28 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Rice University Archaeology Lab
Sewall Hall Room 103

For additional information contact
Lab Director Melissa May, 438-7700.

President's Column

With the arrival of the new year, it is HAS membership time again! Your membership dues provide the Society's operating funds for publications, speakers and special projects so, please make a new year's resolution to renew your membership! You can renew by mail or in person at the monthly meeting.

ORAL HISTORY WORKSHOP
January 12, 1991, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
The workshop will be held at Armand Bayou Nature Center, in the Interpretive Building auditorium. The agenda includes instruction in interview strategies, techniques and guidelines, use of basic equipment, common problems and their solutions, ethical questions and a practice interview session. Opportunities to participate in various area oral history projects will be discussed. The workshop is free of charge and open to the general public. Participants should bring a brown bag lunch, drinks will be provided.

For registration information please call:
The Armand Bayou Nature Center, 474* 2551, Barbara Hill, 488*2653 or, Adelaide Socki, 286*4538.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

A new regulation to toughen the way Federal agencies care for collections of prehistoric and historic archeological remains and records has been issued by the Department of the Interior.

Many Federal laws direct Federal agencies to preserve and maintain prehistoric and historic artifacts, specimens, and associated records that are excavated or removed in conjunction with their projects and programs.

The National Park Service and the Smithsonian Institution have significant collections and operate museums that are well known to the public. Many other Federal agencies have archeological collections, such as Interior's Bureau of Land Management and Bureau of Reclamation, the Department of Agriculture's Forest Service, the Department of Defense, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Tennessee Valley Authority. These collections typically are stored at State and non-profit museums and universities.

The curatorial regulation, which appeared in the Federal Register on September 12, 1990, went into effect on October 12, 1990. Copies of the regulation are available free of charge from the Publication Specialist, Archeological Assistance Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013-7127.

FIELD CREW-41FB3

A report on recent excavations at 41FB3 near Fulshear, Texas is in preparation. A number of members took photos of the pits at final depth. It will be most helpful in the preparation of the report if you will send prints to the following:

Marshall Black
12 Still Forest
Houston, Tx 77024

1991 Summer Field School
Texas Tech University
San Saba Region of Central Texas
June 4-July 12, 1991

LOCATION: San Saba and Mills Counties, along the Colorado and San Saba Rivers in Central Texas.

ACTIVITIES: This field school will stress basic archaeological field techniques such as site survey, test excavation, record keeping, mapping, and collection of documentation. The primary emphasis will be on investigation of prehistoric sites and collections in the San Saba region. The school will be directed by Dr. Grant D. Hall.

PROBLEM ORIENTATION: Ten counties making up the San Saba region have river and stream valleys supporting over 100,000 acres of native pecan groves. A major problem to be addressed through the activities of this and subsequent field schools in the region involves the ways in which the availability of pecan food resources influenced local prehistoric settlement systems and interregional interaction, especially with people inhabiting the Southern Plains.

COSTS: Tuition and fees for academic credit for undergraduate and graduate Texas residents will be about \$210.00, and for out-of-state students, about \$834.00. An additional fee of about \$300.00 covering general expenses and meals will be required of each participant.

PREREQUISITES: Enrollment at Texas Tech University, or by permission of the instructor if other arrangements are needed.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: May 15, 1991.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Call or write Dr. Grant D. Hall, Department of Anthropology, Texas Tech University, Box 4549, Lubbock, Texas 79409-1011 (806) 742-2228.

SHIPWRECK LOOTERS FINED

MUSEUM OF NATURAL SCIENCE

A Department of Commerce Administrative Law Judge has fined seven Los Angeles-area scuba divers a total of \$132,000 for removing artifacts from two historic shipwrecks in the Channel Islands National Park and the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary. Penalties in the civil prosecution ranged from \$1,000 to \$100,000. The judge's 34-page decision, dated October 17, 1990, concludes a joint enforcement effort between the Department of Interior's National Park Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration of the Department of Commerce involving the prosecution of 20 individuals for unlawfully taking shipwreck artifacts during a scuba diving trip off the Channel Islands. The investigation also led to successful criminal prosecutions that were recently concluded in State Court. In those proceedings, all but one defendant pleaded either guilty or no contest and received sentences ranging from \$750.00 fines to community service or jail sentences of up to 30 days.

The Houston Museum of Natural Science is offering a comprehensive series of illustrated lectures exploring over 2,000 years of ancient Egyptian culture. The lectures will be held in the Burke Baker Planetarium on February 19, 21, 28, and March 5 from 7:30 p.m.

From the beginning of recorded history in the Nile Valley in approximately 3100 B.C., through the death of Rameses II at the end of the 20th Dynasty, this 16 part slide lecture includes the art, architecture and history of this fascinating culture.

The cost of the series is \$38 per person. Please call the education office at 639-4651 for more information and to register.

The Museum will also open an exhibition on January 26 highlighting ancient Egypt and the process of mummification. On view in Alkek Hall on the Museum's lower level, the exhibit will feature, among other objects, Ankh-hap, the mummy from the Museum's own permanent collections. The exhibit will remain on display through September, 1991.

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Use the Form below to transmit your dues for calendar year 1991.

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Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
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Occupation _____ Employer _____

Type of Membership:
 Family \$20.00 Contributing \$30.00 or more
 Single \$15.00 Student \$5.00

Interests:
 Excavation Lab Surveying Mapping
 Historical Research Lectures Report Writing

Previous Experience: _____

"I pledge that I will not intentionally violate the terms and conditions of any present or future federal, state, or local statute concerning cultural resources, or engage in the practice of buying or selling artifacts for commercial purposes, or engage in the willful destruction or distortion of archeological data, or disregard proper archeological field techniques."

Signature _____ Date _____
Signature _____ Date _____

COMING EVENTS

January 12, 1991: 6 p.m., Museum of Fine Arts, "Use of Computer Technology in Modern Archeology".

January 28, 1991: 8 p.m., Rice University, AIA, Ed Bader, "Akrotiri on Santorinei: The Pompeii of the Aegean Bronze Age".

February 8, 1991: HAS meeting, Steve Ditrich-HAS member "Palynology, Study of Pollens and Spores".

February 12, 1991: 8 p.m., Rice University, Don Benjamin, "The Philistines and the Bible".

April 5-7 1991: Southwest Federation of Archeological Societies at Lubbock, Texas

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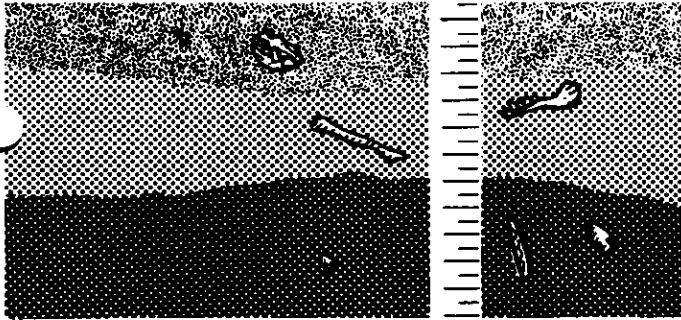
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Program: Palynology: Study of
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Speaker: Steve Dittrich
HAS member

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President's Column

In the most recent Bulletin of the Society for American Archaeology (available in the HAS library) I, Texas' Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, Dr. James E. Bruseth, writes of his experiences with avocational archaeologists:

"Over the past two decades, State Historic Preservation Offices in the U.S. have been developing state plans for the preservation of cultural resources. From the Texas perspective, avocationalists are seen as an essential part of the process. Many of these individuals have intimate knowledge about local resources which can be very important in the planning process, and is a type of information that few professionals have available.

Beyond helping to develop the Texas state preservation plan, we (the state) see a significant role for avocationalists in helping to implement the completed plan. This might entail working with a landowner to record sites on his/her property. Through their local society networks, avocationalists may also have a role to play in larger projects. Avocational efforts are an important part of our state's efforts to educate the public about archaeology. To be successful in the preservation planning process, a partnership needs to be formed between professional and avocational archaeologists. The task is too great to be undertaken solely by professionals."

ST. THOMAS EXHIBIT

There will be an exhibit at the University of St. Thomas in the little Gallery adjoining the HAS Library in the Carriage House at Montrose and Alabama from 7:30pm. Friday, February 8, 1991. The title of the exhibit will be:

VISIONS OF THE DIVINE:

Traditional Balinese Mask

All members and guest are invited to the reception. Indonesian finger food and wine will be served. The exhibit will continue on display weekdays from 10am-7pm until Friday, March 22, 1991.

LIBRARY UPDATE

The subject catalog for books and reports is complete. Organization of journals and bulletins is underway.

Thanks to all the HAS members who have contributed publications to our library this year and in years past. These gifts are welcome additions to our collection. If we get duplicates, we include them in our book sales to members. The money from these sales benefits HAS. So, remember the HAS library when you are disposing of books dealing with anthropology, archaeology, history, ect.

CERTIFICATE OF CITATION

Congratulations to Pam Wheat, HAS member and a former Society President, who was awarded a Certificate of Citation by the Cultural and Historical Resources Committee of the Texas Legislature. This committee deals with historic preservation and archaeology. The award was given in recognition of her contributions to education and interpretation in the fields of archaeology and history. Pam Wheat currently teaches at San Jacinto College and continues to be an active member of HAS.

CROW CANYON CENTER

A representative from Crow Canyon Archeological Center in Cortez Colorado will give a slide presentation on the Center's activities and public programs for 1991. Crow Canyon offers year round educational programs for adults and young people who want to learn more about the American Southwest. Participants can work with archaeologists in the field excavation prehistoric Anasazi ruins. The Center also offers research programs in archaeobotany, and cultural explorations that focus on various aspects of the natural history, Native American cultures, art, and archaeology of the Southwest.

Meeting Time: Friday, February 1,
7:30 p.m.

Place: University of St.
Thomas, M.D. Anderson
Hall
3900 Mt. Vernon

CORRECTION: APRIL MEETING SPEAKER

The correct title and institutional affiliation of the speaker scheduled for the HAS meeting in April is:
Anne Louise Schaffer
Assistant Curator,
Art of Africa, Oceania, and the
Americas
The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston

AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

The regular monthly meeting of the American Chemical Society will take place on February 14, 1991 at the Houston Engineering and Scientific Society building, 3121 Buffalo Speedway. There will be dinner at 7:30 and the program will begin at 8:30. The speaker will be Dr. Ralph O. Allen of the University of Virginia regarding:

Uncovering Secrets of the Nile
For additional information contact
John Sewell (HAS member) 796-8339.

41FB03 INTERIM REPORT
Sheldon Kindall

In the time period from Nov. 17, 1990 to Dec. 15, 1990 the Houston Archeological Society (HAS) investigated the archeological site known as 41FB03. Permission to do this work was granted by Mr. Dave Galloway, executor of the estate which owns the site.

Artifacts have been removed from the site and they are now being processed through HAS facilities at Rice University. A report will be prepared and placed in the archeological archives and various individual oral reports will be presented at meetings. However, in the meantime, there is nothing on the table which shows either Mr Galloway or any of the many people interested in this site what has happened or what has already been learned from the site. This report is intended to fill that gap. But it must be recognized that some of the conclusions presented here may be altered by the time the official report is issued.

This particular site has been known to the world of archeology for a long time, approximately 50 years. The importance of this site grew after a nearby cluster of sites were investigated and documented by Grant Hall in the Allens Creek report. The Allens Creek work showed a significant occupation over a long period of time in this part of Texas, and it is easy to speculate that other similar sites exist throughout the adjacent region. This was a first chance for HAS to look at another site in the same region, and we are indeed grateful to Mr. Galloway for this opportunity.

PROJECT GOAL

We went into this project knowing that it was a burial site. There was not a great deal of time before we would have to quit because of weather. The principal goal was to show that this site either was or

was not related to the sites reported by Grant Hall. The final report will show that it is related.

EXCAVATION PROCEDURE

The hill which contains the burials is being actively used for cattle pasture by Mr. Martin Koenig, the gentleman who leases the land. It would not have been prudent for us to leave pits open during the week, so we adopted a look and close pit procedure. Only now and then would a pit be left open for the next weekend.

The hill is actually a short ridge which runs mostly east-west. A permanent datum point was established on the top of the ridge and to the east of the burials. A map which will appear in the final report will show how the datum point can be reestablished. A baseline was extended from the datum point at an azimuth of 300 degrees running along the top of the ridge.

A total of eight 1 meter by 1 meter pits were excavated along the baseline. One of the pits was widened by 50 centimeters and extended to the south by 50 centimeters in order to expose an extended burial. A total of 13 quarter pits (50 centimeters by 50 centimeters) were placed laterally and to the east of the burial zone. The burial zone was well delineated.

THE BURIALS

The burials were between 35 centimeters and 45 centimeters deep. Some of the burials have been disturbed by gopher activity, but more than 60% of the burials are in pristine condition. The bone is in excellent condition. The chemistry of the ridge is such as to preserve bone very well.

No burials were removed. Some bone was taken out and sent off for a radio carbon date. There were a mixture of extended burials and bundled burials. One pit

showed clear evidence of a bundle burial intrusive to another bundle burial showing signs of use of this burial zone for an extended period of time.

The extended burials showed a definite orientation north-south with head to the north. That is, true north. And keep in mind that the ridge is not oriented true.

A good tabulation of the number of burials was not obtained. The best guess is 15 burials, but this is probably a very conservative number.

ARTIFACTS

Shell pendants and sharpened bone tools were found. Some of the bone tools had been incised with a repeated pattern. It is believed that these artifacts will show a close relation to the Allens Creek site.

Three diagnostic points were found in the burial zone but not in the burials themselves. One was a Gary dart point: Gary points are common in east Texas but have such a broad production time range, 2500 BC to 700 AD, that they are not very useful for dating a site. A second point found was a Pedernales. The accepted position on these points is that they occur from central Texas extending southwest to Larado, and they have a production time range from 2000 BC to 1200 BC. This would make this point a good indicator of the date of this site, albeit a bit

far to the east for this point. But the HAS has recently found several sites along the lower Brazos with Pedernales points that we feel are older than 2000 BC. The third point has been identified as a Marshall dart point. This point type is less well known and is generally associated with 1000 BC with an unknown range in time.

This writer thinks the site dates to about 1500 BC. Hopefully, the bone that was sent off can be dated accurately.

DISPOSITION OF THE ARTIFACTS

All artifacts will be returned to the land owner. We encourage the owner to place the artifacts in a museum environment and we will help make the arrangements, but this will be a decision for the owner.

AN UNEXPECTED THING

In one of the smaller pits to the east of the burial zone, a possible living surface-i.e., the floor of a village or campsite had been encountered. Thus, a full 1 meter by 1 meter pit was excavated nearby in order to get a better definition of the living surface. This larger pit was carried on deeper in order to get the stratigraphy of the ridge, but to our surprise, a burial was encountered at a depth of 95 centimeters. This deeper burial is believed to be part of an older and deeper tier of burials.

Not only would this lower tier be older but the one burial encountered appeared to be unusually interesting in that it is an extended burial interred face down! (This writer has never encountered such a thing except in a mass burial where there is chaos. But no such chaos here.)

PLANS

Data reduction and report preparation will continue through the winter. Because of the appearance of a second strata of burials, we will ask the land owner(s) in the Spring for permission to return for a second investigation.

SYCAMORE GROVE (41 WH 88)
by Pam Wheat

During the spring members of HAS will work approximately once a month on a historic site on Caney Creek in Wharton, Texas. This site, SYCAMORE GROVE(41 WH 88) was the plantation home of A.C. Horton. The neighborhood of Crestmont is encroaching upon historic evidence which lies in the soil. In fact, some home owners have found cultural materials as they prepare their gardens.

Mr. Horton was born in 1798 and came to Texas from Alabama in 1835. He founded a retail business in Matagorda with Abner L. Clements and participated in the Texas Revolution. He brought his wife and four children to Matagorda in 1837. In 1843 they moved to new acreage on Caney Creek. The Sycamore Grove Plantation house was built in 1846 and was the headquarters for his business concerns with approximately 2,200 acres valued at \$11,000. He also maintained a residence, Reveille, in Austin where he served as lieutenant governor and briefly as governor in 1845. He died in the fall of 1865 (Matthew Ellenberger, "Illuminating the Lesser Lights: Notes on the Life of Albert Clinton Horton," SWHQ LXXXVIII,4(April, 1985), 363-386).

While information exists about Horton's various investments and political associations, very little has been written about the operation of the plantation itself. We will document the extent of the house yard, land use within the yard and outside, and the overall lay out of the plantation.

CARPOOLING

Society members live in locations as far apart as Hungerford and Beaumont. Out of town members who are interested in carpooling to HAS meetings or other activities can send names, addresses and phone numbers to Jerry Sadler who will attempt to coordinate this project.

We already have one request for carpooling from the Richmond Texas area for Sharon Ferguson (341-9594)

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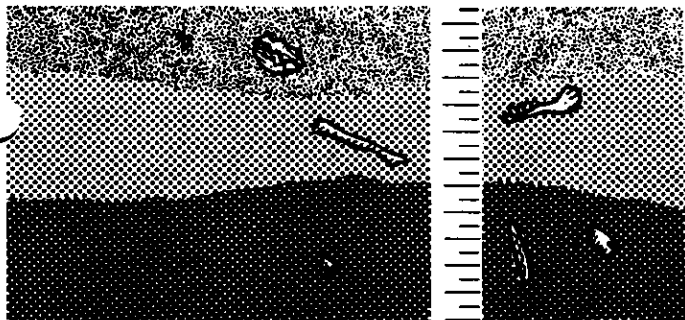
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HAS NEWCOMER'S WORKSHOP

Saturday April 13 or Sunday, April 14, (to be determined)
Cost: \$10.00 (covers cost of materials).

The morning will be spent covering the what, why, and how of archeology, with a focus on site recording and excavation techniques. After lunch, workshop participants will spend the afternoon working in the field at the "Sycamore Grove" plantation site in Wharton County. Participants will continue to put their new Registration forms will be available at the March 8th meeting. For more information or to register please call:

Elisa Phelps (day) 639-4674
(evening) 522-5592 or
Sheldon Kindall (evening) 326-2160

FIELD REPORT

Excavations will continue in Wharton, Texas, at Sycamore Grove, plantaion home of A.C. Horton. Tentative dates for work are Sat. March 16 and April 13. Contact Pam Wheat (523-8048) or Sheldon Kindall (326-2160) for further details.

Special thanks go to Merle Hudgins who suggested to project, Linda Mills, owner of the property and a descendant of A.C. Horton, and Joe Hudgins for logistics.

ARCHEOLOGY AWARENESS WEEK, APRIL 13-19

By proclamation of the Governor, the third annual Texas Archeology Awareness Week will be observed April 13-19, 1991. Locally, HAS will offer a Newcomer's Workshop during this week but there are many other ways you can participate. Although we will not be having a centralized speaker's bureau this year, interested members are most certainly encouraged to volunteer to provide talks on archeology for their local schools, libraries, or civic groups.

HAS can help you by providing information and membership brochures for distribution to your audiences. If you schedule an activity please let us know so that we may feature it in the next issue of "The Profile". If you want to have a program but just don't know what to say, wer can help you there too! Scripted slide programs on Archeology in Texas are available. For more information please call:
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(evening) 522-5592

BOY SCOUT PROGRAM

On Sat. March 23 members of HAS will conduct demonstrations related to archeology for Boy Scouts at Camp Strake. We want to encourage Scouts to pursue the Special Patch in Texas Archeology. Anyone interested in assisting from 9:30 to 12:30 may contact Suzanne Patrick (1)251-3532 or Mike Woods 242-9332. Once groups are interested in the patch we will need volunteers to serve as counselors.

SCIENCE FAIR PROJECTS

Pam Wheat is requesting information about SCIENCE FAIR PROJECTS that have been based on archeology. She is interested in a variety of projects and hopes to forma recommendations to encourage quality work at the pre-collegiate level. Please send the following information:

- 1) project Title and subject category,
- 2) a Description of the project,
- 3) Student Name, address, ph., grade level,
- 4) Mentor Name, address, ph., profession, and
- 5) Duties and assistance provided by mentor.

Please send details to:
Pam Wheat, 1901 Bolsover, Houston,
Tx. 77005

LIBRARY REPORT-Karen Acker

**ANTHROPOLOGY/ARCHAEOLOGY SOCIETY
University of Houston-Clear Lake**

The HAS library will be having a book sale on April 12 before the regularly scheduled monthly meeting. This sale will be held at the library on the second floor of the Carriage House, located behind the Link-Lee Mansion. If you have publications you would like to donate to HAS for this sale, please bring them to the March meeting, or call Karen Acker at 360-3148 to make arrangements for your donations to be picked up.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
Spring 1991**

MARCH 6, 1991
Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.
Room 2-508

Pricilla Weeks, Ph.D. will have an informal discussion concerning her current research project involving shrimpers and commercial fisherman of Galveston Bay. Student assistants will be needed for this project, and a class will be offered during the summer for those with a desire for hands on experience in anthropology.

APRIL 17, 1991
Wednesday, Noon
Room 1-423

Lenore Anderson, Ph.D. with the University of Texas Health Science Center School of Nursing will speak concerning "Cross Cultural Communications"-applied anthropology for our work and personal lives.

DUES-LAST CHANCE
If you have not yet renewed your HAS membership for 1991, please consider doing so at once. UNLESS YOU RENEW BY APRIL 1, NEXT MONTH'S ISSUE OF THE PROFILE WILL BE YOUR LAST.

UNDERWATER ARCHEOLOGY PROCEEDINGS

Underwater Archaeology Proceedings from the 1990 SHA Conference, edited by Toni L. Carrell. This volume presents underwater archeological papers from the 1990 Tucson, AZ, Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology. Topics included are: Critical Theory and Underwater Archaeology; Ethics, Treasure Hunting and Research; State Programs; International Research; Shipwrecks from the 13th and 20th Centuries; U.S. Navy and Underwater Archaeology; Remote Sensing Methodology. Copies are \$15.00 each (postage and handling fee not included). To order, contact the SOCIETY FOR HISTORICAL ARCHAEOLOGY, P.O. BOX 30446, TUCSON, AZ 85751.

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Type of Membership:
 Family \$20.00 Contributing \$30.00 or more
 Single \$15.00 Student \$5.00

Interests:
 Excavation Lab Surveying Mapping
 Historical Research Lectures Report Writing

Previous Experience: _____

"I pledge that I will not intentionally violate the terms and conditions of any present or future federal, state, or local statute concerning cultural resources, or engage in the practice of buying or selling artifacts for commercial purposes, or engage in the willful destruction or distortion of archeological data, or disregard proper archeological field techniques."
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Signature _____ Date _____

COMING EVENTS

March 11, 1991: AIA 8 p.m., at Rice.

Michael Maas of Rice University "Looking At Barbarians Through Roman Eyes"

April 5-7, 1991: Southwest Federation of Archeological Societies at Lubbock, Texas

April 8, 1991: At Rice Stephen Sidebotham, University of Delaware "Rome's Spice Trade With The East: The Egyptian Connection"

April 12, 1991: HAS Meeting Anne-Louise Schaffer "Art of Africa, Oceania and the America's" M.F.A.

April 13-19, 1991: Archeology Awareness Week

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UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, ALL MEETINGS ARE AT 8:00 P.M., SEWALL HALL(Room 301 or 309) AT RICE UNIVERSITY.

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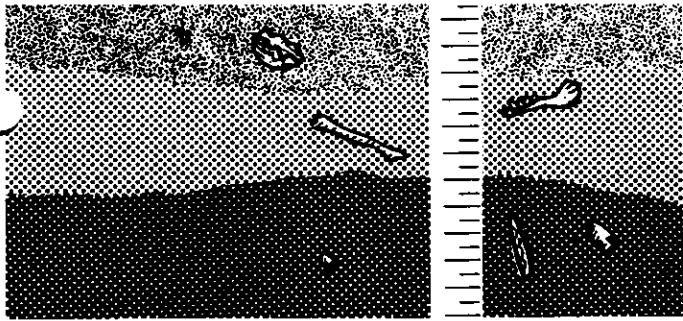
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NEWSLETTER
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POST OFFICE BOX 6751, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77265 TELEPHONE 713/523-3431

Meeting Notice

Date: April 12, 1991
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: University of St. Thomas
M.D. Anderson Hall
Program: Stone Vases from Ulua
Valley, Honduras
Speaker: Anne Louise Schaffer
Asst. Curator of Art of
Africa, Oceania and the
Americas. Museum of Fine
Arts.

Library Notes

The HAS library will be open between 6:30 and 7:25 p.m., before the regular monthly meeting, on the second floor of the Carriage House, located behind the Link-Lee Mansion at Montrose and Alabama at the University of St. Thomas.

Laboratory Schedule

April 15 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
April 29 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Rice University Archaeology Lab
Sewall Hall Room 103

For additional information contact
Lab Director Melissa May, 438-7700.

President's Column

I would like to take this opportunity to express the Society's appreciation to refreshments chairperson, Rikki Rubenstein. She has been in charge of keeping us in coffee and goodies for quite some time and has done an excellent job. April will be her last meeting to serve in this capacity which means....

**WE NEED A NEW REFRESHMENTS
CHAIRPERSON !!!**

Responsibilities include:

Sending the refreshments sign up sheet around every 2 months.

Calling those signed up to remind them of the meeting.

Keeping coffee supplies stocked (money comes from "kitty").

You do not have to be able to attend every meeting, the primary responsibility is reminding those signed up of their commitment.

If you would like to volunteer please call: Elisa Phelps at 639-4674 (day) or 522-5592 (evening)

LAB REPORT

HAS Lab Director, Melissa May, has asked that those who are working on artifacts at home please let her know. She is updating the Lab records and would like to have a complete list of who has what, from which site.

Please call Melissa May at 438-7700

FIELD REPORT

The HAS field crew returned to the A.C. Horton plantation site in Wharton on March 16, 1991, but was unable to undertake any significant work because of inclement weather. However, field director, Sheldon Kindall, has announced that permission has been received to return to the site at 41FB3, near Fulshear, beginning March 23, 1991. It is expected that work will continue at this site through the spring. For further information contact Sheldon Kindall at 326-2160(Home) or 282-5336(Work).

COLUMBUS EXHIBIT

HAS member Raymond McCausland has put together an exhibit on archaeology for the Nesbitt Memorial Library, 529 Washington St., in Columbus, Tx. The exhibit will run through the month of April, including Archaeology Awareness Week.

FINAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL OPPORTUNITY

Don't forget to renew your membership by using the form with the newcomers Workshop notice.

\$5 Student

\$15 Single

\$20 Family

\$30 Contributing

Check the year listed on your mailing label. If you do not have (91) showing, this will be your last issue of "The Profile".

BOY SCOUT EVENTS

On March 23, 1991 HAS members will participate in the Boy Scout program at Camp Strake near Conroe for the Order of the Arrow Spring Fellowship. There will be a promotion of the recently adopted Texas Archeological Preservation Patch, which will encourage Scouts to become familiar with archeological techniques and principles. Participants will include Mike Woods, Susanne Patrick, Greg Mason, Pam Wheat, Mike Marshall and others. It is anticipated that substantial interest will be generated in this award and the society needs to begin planning for providing counselors for this program in the Houston area. If you are interested in information regarding this program or in participating as a counselor, please contact Mike Woods. Hm# 242-9223 Wk# 744-5001.

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE IN ARCHAEOLOGY

Dr. Oscar White Muscarella, Senior Research Fellow in the Department of Ancient Near Eastern Art at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, will be delivering The Third Annual Distinguished Lecture in Archaeology at the University of St. Thomas on Sunday, April 21, 1991 at 8:00 P.M. in Jones Auditorium on the Academic Mall, 3910 Yoadum Boulevard at Sul Ross.

The lecture is entitled "LIFE AND DEATH AT HASANLU: A Remarkable 1st Millenium B.C. Site in Iran."

Hasanlu is the site of an Iron Age walled citadel on the south bank of Lake Urmia in northwest Iran near the frontier with Iraq and Turkey, which has been excavated by American archaeologists since 1959.

Although the area was occupied from at least the 6th millenium B.C., the

HOUSTON ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY
Newcomer's Workshop---Saturday, April 13

In celebration of Texas Archeology Awareness Week 1991, the HAS will offer a workshop on the fundamentals of archeology. This workshop is designed as an introduction to those with little or no previous archeological experience.

The morning will be spent covering the what, why, and how of archeology, with a focus on site recording and excavation techniques. After lunch (provided), workshop participants will spend the afternoon working in the field at the "Sycamore Grove" plantation site in Wharton County.

Who May Participate: Open to anyone. Children must be at least 12 years old and accompanied by an adult who is enrolled as a workshop participant.

Cost: \$15 per person (includes all materials and a hot lunch)
25 (2) members of same family

Participants will receive confirmation of enrollment, including directions and a final schedule. If you need more information, please call:

Elisa Phelps: (day) 639-4674, (evening) 522-5592

Please detach and mail to: HAS Workshop, 704 Marshall, Houston, TX 77006

Please register by 27 March

Name of Participant _____

2nd Family Member/Participant _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Telephone No. _____ Total fee enclosed _____

IMPORTANT: If you are not a member of HAS you must sign this pledge before you can participate in the workshop.

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Signature _____ Date _____
Signature _____ Date _____

Most important discoveries come from level IV which dates to about 1,000 B.C. The citadel is constructed on much earlier prehistoric ruins of the 6th to 3rd millennium B.C., and is surrounded by a lower town. Five similar buildings made of sun-dried mud bricks consisting of antechambers, columned halls, work and storage rooms, and entrance porticoes facing onto a court and linked to a higher court with further buildings, have been interpreted as a palace complex.

In c. 800 B.C. the buildings were destroyed by fire, possibly by the Urartians, and within the ruins were found 21 bodies, of defenders and looters alike, who died when the structure collapsed. The finds from the site are extremely rich. One of the skeletons, lying beneath a fallen beam, held a magnificent gold bowl decorated with mythical scenes in high relief. Other rich finds of gold, silver, electrum (an alloy of gold and silver), glass and carved ivory, bronze bowls, iron tools and weapons have been made at the remarkable site of Hasanlu.

The lecture will be profusely illustrated by color slides revealing the magnificent finds from the ruins of Hasanlu. This is a free, public lecture and will be followed by a reception for the distinguished speaker.

In December Dr. Muscarella received the prestigious 1990 Book Award from the Archaeological Institute of America for his "BRONZE AND IRON: Ancient Near Eastern Artifacts in the Metropolitan Museum of Art," as the best book on an Archaeological topic.

UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS EXHIBIT

"THREADS OF GOLD: Rare Ancient Peruvian Textiles," From Private Collections.

April 1 to May 10, 1991 9AM - 7PM
Weekdays, THE LITTLE GALLERY, 2nd floor Carriage House Montrose and Alabama.

Reception: Friday, May 3, 1991
7-9PM.

Few prehistoric societies rivaled the textile artistry of the coastal Peruvians. They lived in an environment in which both animal and plant (especially cotton) fibers were plentiful, and created fine and complex fabrics adorned with colorful, intricate patterns. The textiles have survived remarkably well in the dry coastal environment, in cemeteries where the dead were mummified and wrapped in fabric burial shrouds.

It is from these burial sites that we learn the most minute details of Peruvian textiles, for the clothing, cloth funerary gifts, and wrapping cloths often are almost perfectly preserved. The earliest textiles date to approximately 6,500 years ago, soon after cotton was first cultivated. Alpaca Wool was another favorite weaving material of the Peruvian artist who were expert dyers using more than 190 hues from plant dyes. Decorative motifs among the various cultures, the Paracas, Nasca, Tiahuanaco, Chimo, Chancay and Inca, are extremely varied and colorful, and are produced in a wide range of weaving patterns.

The more than 50 examples selected from private collections in Houston provide, for the first time at any gallery in Houston, a rare opportunity to see widely varied and beautiful examples of the weaver's art from ancient Peru, up to the European contact.

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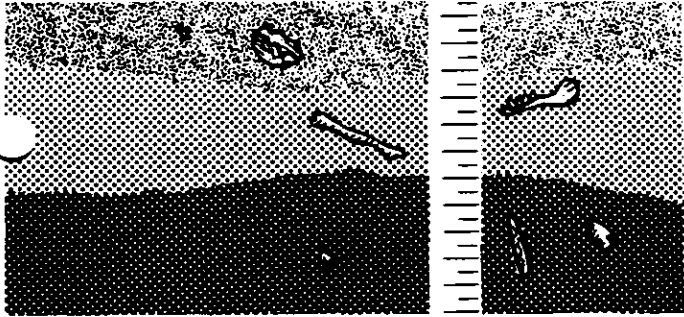
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Meeting Notice

Date: NO MEETING IN JUNE

Next meeting is
July 14, 1991.

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Place: University of St. Thomas
M.D. Anderson Hall

Program: TAS Field School Report

Speaker: HAS members

Library Notes

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Laboratory Schedule

June 3 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
June 17 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Rice University Archaeology Lab
Sewall Hall Room 103

For additional information contact
Lab Director Melissa May, 438-7700.

President's Column

Having been something of an absentee president for the last two meetings (I really do have legitimate excuses, I was not just off having fun, honestly!) I would like to express my appreciation to HAS Vice President, Bob Etheridge, for so ably leading the meetings in my absence. I have not only missed hearing the excellent speakers but, I have really missed the monthly opportunity to visit and catch up on what's been going on with other HAS members. Speaking of members...

For the first time in at least two years, we now have an up to date alphabetical membership list available. As of May 1991 our membership enrollment is:

Individual Members	104
Student Members	11
Family Members	40
Contributing Members	16

If each family membership is counted as (2) people then our total membership stands at 211. We closed out 1990 with a total of 253 members so we still have a ways to go to meet (or better yet top) our 1990 enrollment.

DONORS FUND NEEDS DONORS

Several years ago, HAS established a Donors Fund to defray a portion of specific costs of field work and lab work such as radio carbon dating and lab equipment. The existence of this fund has not been widely publicized in recent years and hence it is now largely depleted and additional donations are needed to continue the work.

BOY SCOUT COUNSELORS NEEDED

The Texas Archeology Preservation Award is now available to interested participants in the Boy Scout program. Members of the HAS recently put on a program at Camp Strake and obtained a list of over thirty interested adult scout leaders who may be willing to make the program available in their units. It is anticipated that demand will develop in the near future for counselors and interested archeologists to provide assistance and leadership in this program. Any society member who is interested in volunteering for this program should contact Mike Woods (242-9332) or Suzanne Patrick (251-3532).

FIELD CREW REPORT

In April the HAS field crew completed its work at 41FB3, a site west of Houston near Fulshear, Texas. A radiocarbon date of approximately 600 B.C. was obtained from one burial. A full site report should be forthcoming in the future.

On April 28, 1991 the HAS field crew made a one day expedited investigation of a site near East Bernard, Texas. A local farmer had been grading an area for construction of a new home and the heavy rains caused erosion to disclose a burial which included a shell pendant and shell beads in association with the burial.

MEMBERSHIP LIST

Included in this issue of the Profile is a listing of HAS members with 1991 dues paid as of May 15, 1991. The mailing list for the Profile and Journal are in the process of being purged of names of unpaid members. Some have already been deleted and the remainder will be deleted prior to the July Profile mailing unless dues are received.

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SESQUICENTENNIAL PARK

Former HAS president and urban archeologist, Roger Moore, was recently featured in the Houston Chronicle for his archeological exploration at the downtown Houston site of what will become another part of Sesquicentennial Park along Buffalo Bayou. The dig centers on property originally occupied by the Taylor family, who came to Houston in 1848. Artifacts found in a trash dump include bottles for Hamlin's Wizard Oil, a rheumatism cure sold by traveling medicine shows; Burnett's Cod Liver Oil; Wootan Wells Mineral Water and Dr. McMunn's Elixir of Opium. Additional artifacts include an ivory spoon handle, a turtleshell brooch, ceramic doorknobs, broken ceramic dolls and a handful of marbles. The artifacts will be on display at J.C. Penny stores in Houston. The humble remains provide some details in the record of Houston's birth and growth by identifying what people ate and drank and even how they cared for themselves. Their vices, too, are revealed through such items as a die, bottles that contained wine and spirits and even a bawdy-house token found near Old Market Square. The lack of spirit bottles on the Taylor property indicates that the family, which came from Massachusetts, did not live up to the reputation of other early Houstonians as liberal consumers of alcohol. However people often disposed of things they did not want others to find, such as liquor bottles and love letters, in the privy, and the Taylor privy is gone, it having been destroyed by construction of a building with a basement.

HNMS NEW MEXICO FIELD WORK

The Houston Museum of Natural Science will join the Wilderness Studies Institute, the Bureau of Land Management and U.S. Forest Service for a collaborative archaeology research program in New Mexico. Volunteers will work alongside archaeologist performing fieldwork either June 8-15 or June 15-22. The project involves an extensive inventory of the cultural resources of selected areas within the Rio Chama area between Santa Fe and Taos, New Mexico. The research will begin on a small mesa overlooking the Ojo Caliente Hot Springs. Hupobi, the ancestral home of the Tewa, contains an estimated 1,800 rooms, a great kiva and associated rock art. Like many of the archaeological sites in the Southwest, Hupobi has been damaged by vandals and casual collectors. This site has never received systematic documentation. Volunteers will learn survey and mapping techniques, artifact recognition, and ceramic identification and analysis. The majority of the artifact analysis will be conducted in a field lab under the supervision of WSI staff and visiting specialists. Each participant's share of research costs is \$845 (most of which is tax deductible), which covers everything except round-trip transportation from Houston to Albuquerque, and meals on travel days. For more information including briefing materials, equipment lists, please call the Museum's Education Department at 639-4652.

COMING EVENTS

June 8-15, 1991: TAS Field School, Red River County, Clarksville, Texas.

June 15-28, 1991: Archaeological Soc. of NM (ASNM) 1991 Rock Art Recording Field School at Three Rivers Petroglyphs National Recreation Site. Must be in good health and furnish own food and camping gear. Costs are ASNM dues of \$15 or \$20 and Registration (\$50 to \$75 per week). For further information contact Jay or Helen Crotty, Star Route Box 831, Sandia Park, NM 87047. Phone (505) 281-2136.

August 23-25, Fri.-Sun.: Annual Prewitt Conference, Krause's Springs, west of Austin.

September 14: TAS Board Meeting at Waco.

October 16-20, 1991: 45th National Preservation Conference, San Francisco, California.

October 25-27: TAS Annual Meeting, Austin

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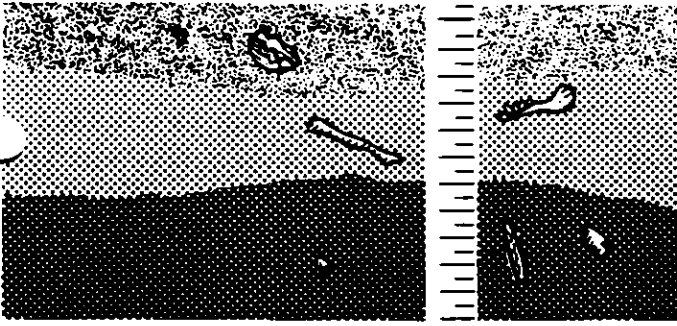
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NEWSLETTER
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POST OFFICE BOX 6751, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77265 TELEPHONE 713/523-3431

Meeting Notice

Date: July 12, 1991-Friday
(not July 14, 1991 as
previously reported)

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Place: University of St. Thomas
M.D. Anderson Hall

Program: TAS Field School Report

Speaker: HAS members

Library Notes

The HAS library will be open between 6:30 and 7:25 p.m., before the regular monthly meeting, on the second floor of the Carriage House, located behind the Link-Lee Mansion at Montrose and Alabama at the University of St. Thomas.

Laboratory Schedule

July 15 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
July 29 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Rice University Archaeology Lab
Sewall Hall Room 103

For additional information contact
Lab Director Melissa May, 438-7700.

President's Column

From time to time we ask for volunteers for particular HAS projects. Likewise, we ask members to consider serving as officers of the Society. This month's request is twofold. Firstly, elections are coming up in September and the nominating committee would welcome nominations or volunteers for the various positions. The chairperson of the Nominating Committee is Pam Wheat (523-8048)

Secondly, I am sad to report that Jerry Sadler has retired as Profile Editor. This issue will be his last one. He has served the Society in this capacity since February of 1989 and we are most grateful for his hard work. This brings us to the most pressing volunteer request. WE NEED A NEW PROFILE EDITOR!!! If you have ever entertained journalistic aspirations now is your chance. If you would like to help with any aspect of the newsletter from writing articles to label production to handling the bulk mailing please contact me at (work) 639-4674 or (home) 522-5592.

COMING EVENTS

August 23-25, 1991: Fri.-Sun.: Annual Prewitt Conference, Krause's Springs, west of Austin.

August 12, 1991: HAS meeting to include nominations for next years officers.

September 13, 1991: HAS meeting- Elections.

October 16-20, 1991: 45th National Preservation Conference, San Francisco, California.

June 13-27, 1992, (probable dates) Arkansas Archeology Society Field School. For more information write: P.O. Box 1222

Fayetteville, Arkansas 72701

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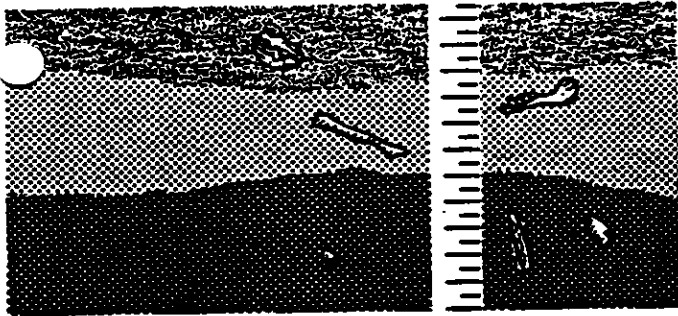
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Meeting Notice

Date: August 9, 1991, Friday
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: University of St. Thomas
M.D. Anderson Hall
Program: To Be Announced

President's Column

Many thanks to Sheldon Kindall and Dick Gregg for sharing their slides, experiences, and insights on the 1991 TAS Field School held June 8-15 in Red River County, Clarksville, TX

You will notice that *The Profile* has a slightly different look. We will have a new editor next month so you can look forward to more changes.

Library Notes

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September Field School

The Southern TX Archaeological Association (STAA) and the U.T. Institute of Texan Cultures will hold a field school September 21-29. The location is Site 41ME53, Quinta Medina Ranch, in Medina County. Principal Investigator is Dr. Tom Guderjan. Limited to 150 participants. Some camping available on site. Cost is \$35 for 9 days and \$20 for 4 days or less. Registration deadline is September 1. For forms or more information please write S.T.A.A. Field School, P.O. Box 791032, San Antonio, TX 78279 or call Ray or Candy Smith at (512) 496-3248.

Laboratory Schedule

August 12 7:00-9:00 p.m.
August 13 7:00-9:00 p.m.
August 26 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Rice University Archeology Lab
Sewall Hall Room 103

August 12 and 13 will be spent concentrating processing material from Sycamore Grove in Wharton County

For additional information contact:
Lab Director, Melissa May (438-7700)

Nominating Committee

Pam Wheat, Chair 523-8038
Muriel Walker 392-7504
Mike Woods 242-9332

Please give one of the committee members a call if you have a nomination for 1991-92 HAS Officers

HELP WANTED

A Rice University Professor needs your help locating reading groups and book discussion clubs for a research project relating to the issue of literacy in our society. At issue are questions about how books reach the reading public, why people choose the books they do, and how people integrate books into their lives. The National Endowment for the Humanities has supported this research in the hope that knowing what makes adults such active readers will have implications for teaching reading in our nation's schools. If you belong to such a group or know people who do, please contact Dr. Elizabeth Long by mail or phone.

Dr. Elizabeth Long telephone: 527-4831
Sociology Department
Rice University.
P.O. Box 1892
Houston, TX 77251

FINDINGS SHOW NEANDERTHALS AND HUMANS COEXISTED — from NY Times

For the first time scientists have firmly established that Neanderthals lived in Western Europe as recently as 36,000 years ago, several thousand years after the first modern humans are believed to have appeared there. The finding lends support to the view that anatomically modern people did not evolve from Neanderthals but rather coexisted with and eventually supplanted them through superior intellect and culture.

The finding is consistent with the controversial proposition that modern humans first appeared in one region, probably Africa, and then colonized the world.

French scientists reporting in the British journal *Nature* say they have confirmed that a neanderthal skeleton discovered at an archaeological site north of the city of Bordeaux is the most recent identified so far. The familiar technique of radiocarbon dating is ineffective with objects so old, so the scientists used another dating technique on the flint tools found with the skeleton.

Neanderthals cont'd

The technique, thermoluminescence, involves the analysis of light released when the flint is heated. The analysis shows how much time has elapsed since it was heated by prehistoric people. Thermoluminescence is widely used on pottery. The technique yielded an age of 36,300 years \pm 2,700 years.

So far, the oldest remains of fully modern people in Western Europe, called Cro-Magnons, date to about 30,000 years ago. But archaeologists generally agree that they were there at least 10,000 years earlier, since advanced tools that could only have been made by modern people have been uncovered in a number of Western European sites dating to 40,000 years ago.

PIECES OF MEXICO'S PAST

An unexpected discovery by University of Mississippi archaeologists working in Central Mexico has yielded a mural 25 feet long, richly decorated with painted shields and images.

The mural is not only artistically significant, it may also provide a critical key to understanding a group of illustrated manuscripts known as the Codex Borgia. Scholars have long argued the origin of the manuscripts. The iconography of the murals is closely related to the Borgia illustrations.

WILSON/LEONARD SITE DONATED

At a ceremony in April, the Will Wilson, Sr. Family donated 2.5 acres of the Wilson/Leonard site to the Archaeological Conservancy. The Conservancy will preserve the site in honor of Mr. Wilson's late wife.

Located 20 miles north of Austin, the site was widely publicized in 1983 when a burial (colloquially known as the "Leanderthal Lady") was discovered in the course of highway salvage excavations. The female burial is one of the earliest well-validated human burials ever found in the Western Hemisphere.



YOU'RE INVITED TO

Excavations at Sycamore Grove, Wharton, Texas

Sat. Aug. 10 and Sun. Aug. 11, 8am-2pm

meet at office of J.D.Huggins in the town of Hungerford

Due to summer heat and scheduling dilemmas, we have not been to the historic site since the spring. We would like to excavate some units to sterile soil (hence defining the depth of the site). We would also like to pin-point the location of the plantation house and kitchen.

We plan to set up a "washing" area on the site, so bring a lawn chair and/or portable table and/or wash basin and collander, if you have any, to help set up a "field lab."

Contact for more information:
Sheldon Kindall (H) 326-2160
Pam Wheat (H) 523-8048



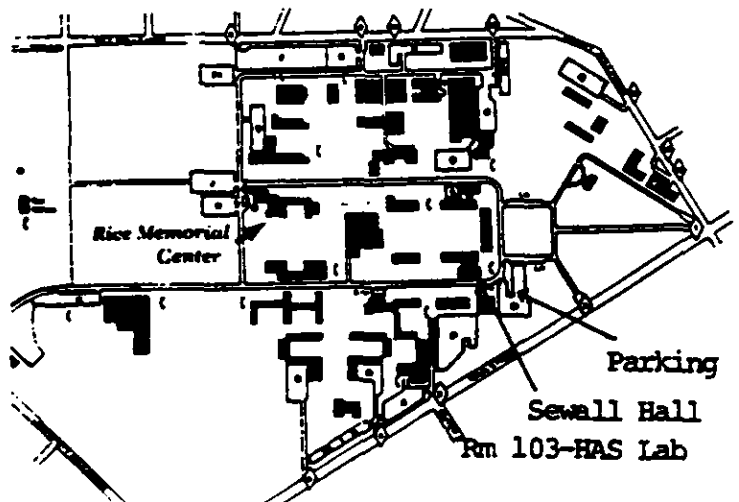
Laboratory Sessions to Process Artifacts from Sycamore Grove

Mon. Aug. 12 and Tues. Aug. 13, 7:00-9:00pm

Rice Univ., Sewall Hall, Room ¹⁰³ (basement of bldg.)

Please come to lab to see the second stage of the archeological process—washing, sorting, cataloguing and analyzing!

For more information contact:
Melissa May (H) 438-7700
Pam Wheat (H) 523-8048



COMING EVENTS

August 15

Deadline for submission of poster sessions for 1991 TAS Annual Meeting

August 23-25

Annual Prewitt Conference, Krause's Springs, west of Austin.

September 15

Deadline for abstracts of papers for 1991 TAS Annual Meeting

September 21-29

S.T.A.A. Field School, Medina County, TX

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October 25-27

Texas Archeological Society Annual Meeting, Austin, TX

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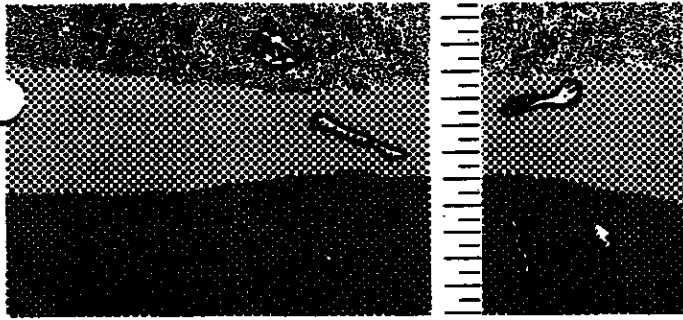
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Meeting Notice

Date: September 13, 1991 (Friday)
Time: 7:30 PM
Place: University of St. Thomas
M.D. Anderson Hall
Speaker: Marilyn Borst, Art Historian
University of Houston and
The Art Institute of Houston
Topic: Akhenaten's Temple Project in Luxor,
Egypt

Upcoming Program

Date: October 11, 1991 (Friday)
Time: 7:30 PM
Speaker: Dr. Harry Shafer
Professor of Anthropology
Texas A & M University
Topic: To be announced

Annual Awards

HAS's annual Distinguished Service and Research awards will be presented at the October meeting. This is an opportunity to show appreciation for fine contributions made to the organization.

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September 16 7 - 9 PM
September 30 7 - 9 PM

Rice University Archeology Lab
Sewell Hall Room 103

We are continuing to process material from Sycamore
Cove in Wharton County.

For additional information contact:
Lab Director, Melissa May (438-7700)

HAS Officers for 1991-92

The Nominating Committee has proposed the following slate of officers:

President	Sheldon Kindall
Vice President	Bob Etheridge
Secretary	Mike Marshall
Treasurer	Bernard Naman
Director-At-Large	Tommy Nuckolls

Linda Moorrees and Mary Hodge will continue to serve their terms as Directors-at-Large.

HAS President's Column

WOW!! That was my reaction last month upon seeing the wonderful things that HAS Librarian Karen Acker and her volunteers have done with the Society Library. For the first time ever, there is a card catalogue. Books and publications are listed by author or editor and are also cross-referenced by subject. In addition, all publications have been labeled on the binding, which greatly facilitates finding specific titles. If you have not visited the HAS Library recently, why not stop in next month and see all the wonderful changes. Please join me in expressing thanks to Karen and her volunteer helpers for all the hard work they've put in. It shows.

Two more "thank you's" are in order. Brand-new HAS member Jeanie Davis has volunteered to serve as the Editor of *The Profile*. If you have any information for the newsletter, please call Jeanie in the evening at 496-4872.

Equally important, another new member, Lyn Eade, has volunteered to input, maintain, and produce the mailing labels for *The Profile* and the *HAS Journal*.

Our thanks to both Jeanie and Lyn for taking on these extremely important (and time-consuming) jobs.

Volunteers Needed for TAS Projects

The Texas Archeological Society has asked for volunteers for a preliminary survey of prehistoric and historic sites.

The sites are located on property owned by the Texas Nature Conservancy. This not-for-profit group buys wilderness land and protects it from development until another entity—such as a city or the state—takes over ownership.

One such excavation is being held September 20-23 at Independence Creek in Terrell County in west Texas. Volunteers can camp in this natural area during the time they work at the site.

For more information, contact Mike Davis, 1407 Westover, Austin, TX 78703. Office: 512-471-5980; home: 512-480-8401.

HAS Excavation Update

Sycamore Grove Site

Excavation of the Sycamore Grove site in Wharton County, where a pre-Civil War plantation once stood, is progressing rapidly thanks to "record turnout" at the site and in the lab, reports site supervisor Pam Wheat.

She said that crews have located part of the foundation of the house as well as five pilings. Measurements taken from these structural remains—and information obtained from a circa-1900 photograph of the house site—will help pinpoint the house's location on the property.

Artifacts found during the August 10-11 excavation primarily included brick, mortar, metal (half of which is nails), lots of broken window and vessel glass, and some pottery.

Many of the artifacts are still in the washing and counting stage, says Wheat. "Until all the materials are analyzed, we really won't know whether we have all the information we need."

HAS has spent only five days excavating this site, where the plantation home built by A.C. Horton, Texas' first lieutenant governor, once stood. The house was built in 1846, and a 2,000-acre sugar cane and cotton plantation was developed. Over the years, the family and its descendants sold or donated sections of the property.

Local residents claim that the grinding stone for the plantation's mill is buried under a building on the campus of nearby Wharton Junior College. The slaves' quarters were located where neighborhood homes now stand.

One of Horton's descendants, Lida Mills, lives in an adjoining neighborhood and still owns the land where the plantation home once stood. The home was torn down and removed from the site in the 1960s—and in the overgrown field where excavators now dig, there is very little evidence of its existence.

HAS became involved when County Historic Chairman Merle Hudgins asked that the site be investigated for the historic record.

"We're really just testing to see if further excavations are going to show much more about the family and their lifestyle," said Wheat. She has tentative plans to send HAS crews back to the site in November to complete the investigation.

She wishes to thank all those volunteers who have helped with this project.

Exhibit Openings

Prehistoric Texans: Life Before Columbus

Artifacts left by Native Americans who explored and settled Texas 500 years ago and earlier are featured in an exhibit open September 20 through November 10 at McNamara House Museum in Victoria, Texas.

The exhibit, sponsored by the Victoria Regional Museum Association and the Beeville County College Archeology Society, is a compilation of archeological objects brought together by Consulting Curator Robert Baker to depict the lifestyle of the prehistoric Texans in the Victoria area.

HAS member Pam Wheat curated a series of panels used to introduce the exhibit. This section emphasizes responsibility in protecting artifacts and guarding their historical importance. It also explains how to recognize an historical site and outlines the proper technique for reporting a prospective site to the Texas Archeology Society.

McNamara House Museum is located at 502 N. Liberty, Victoria, Texas. It is open Tuesday through Sunday, 1 TO 5 PM. Admission is free. Wheelchair access is available. For more information, call Pam Wheat at 523-8048 or McNamara House at (512) 575-8227.

Sigmund Freud Antiquities: Fragments from a Buried Past

In his writings, Sigmund Freud compared the process of archeology to psychoanalysis—he felt that he was "digging" through the human personality. Freud was an avid collector of antiquities, and this exhibit will feature 65 of his Egyptian, Greek, Roman and Asian treasures.

The exhibit will be in Blaffer Gallery, University of Houston, from September 6 through October 20.

A public lecture will be given on Thursday, October 7 by Dr. Peter Gay, Sterling Professor of History at Yale University and author of Freud: A Life For Our Times. The title of his lecture is "Collecting: A Psychoanalytic Experiment." Lecture begins at 7 PM.

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NPS Director Appoints New Departmental Consulting Archeologist

Director of the National Park Service (NPS) James M. Ridenour recently announced the appointment of a new Departmental Consulting Archeologist (DCA), Dr. Francis P. McManamon.

Dr. McManamon, who has conducted archeological investigations in eastern North America, northwestern Europe, and Micronesia, has been with the NPS since 1979. Most recently, he was Chief of the Archeological Assistance Division.

The DCA is one of many offices in the U. S. Department of the Interior (including the NPS) that coordinates national archeological initiatives, and develop policy, regulations, and guidelines for treatment of archeological properties.

800-year-old Viking Longship Discovered Off Sweden's Coast

Members of a Scandinavian Viking Explorers Group have uncovered the wreck of a 12th century vessel, "remarkably intact," embedded in fine, white sand and just below the waves.

Marine archaeologists hope that the vessel will provide a treasure of information about Europe's early seamen. Despite the prospect of discovering Viking gold in the vessel, archeologists believe the vessel—and others like it that have been discovered in the region—will tell much about early Scandinavian boatbuilding and the men who sailed these vessels.

Researchers say that these ships regularly foundered off the Falsterbo Peninsula, off the coast of Sweden, for hundreds of years. Many were merchant ships bringing fish to Germany or Denmark. Others belonged to Viking warriors who looted Europe during the Dark Ages.

Divers have uncovered some valuable stoneware from the ship, as well as some insights into the Vikings. Conservations have found cattle manure left on board the vessel, which helped preserve some ceramic ware.

Archeologists attribute the intactness of the timbers the absence of destructive marine organisms in the Baltic. They have no hopes of uncovering treasure chests full of gold or silver. Fish bones indicate that this was probably a merchant ship carrying herring.

Upcoming Speakers (Dates to be Determined)

Speaker: Finn Michelson, OYO Geospace
Topic: Ground Penetrating Radar

Speaker: Dr. Gentry Steele, Texas A & M University

Speaker: Dr. James Corbin, Stephen F. Austin State University

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