



The **NORTH TEXAS ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY (NTAS)** meeting for **May** will be **on Zoom**.

NTAS meetings are **free** and visitors are always welcome.

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President's Message

2021 is shaping up nicely for NTAS with some projects under the belt and opportunities on the horizon. In this month's newsletter you will see that NTAS has been working to find new field (and other) archeological projects for the membership, and NTAS is part of an award for our volunteer efforts. And please consider the requests for donations to aid the development of two archeological efforts: the Geoarcheology 201 Academy and a film on the Gault site. And special thanks to the NTAS Historian Mrs. Linda Lang for starting the "*From the Archives*" section in the newsletter, we hope the membership enjoys this and provides feedback (including requests) to help continue this addition to the newsletter.

At the April 8th NTAS meeting over 40 people joined to hear Jack Johnson's program on Amistad Reservoir and the Lower Pecos region. Jack discussed resources found across Amistad Reservoir and the surrounding area including both natural resources and archeological resources. It was interesting to learn about the diverse and sensitive resources in Amistad that are monitored for effects from lake levels, humidity levels on rock art, and protection against looting and unnecessary resource destruction. This program was recorded and is available on the NTAS YouTube channel: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChDKM9I3UdiYizPyG3duoh Q/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChDKM9I3UdiYizPyG3duohQ/) featured.



The third and final Texas Archeological Society (TAS) academy of 2021 was held April 24-25 via Zoom. Multiple NTAS members attended the Archeobotany Academy which sold out and received positive reviews from participants. The instructor team lead by Dr. Leslie Bush included Dr. Elizabeth Horton, NTAS member Dr. Kevin Hanselka, and three members of the Caddo Nation: Mr. Phil Cross, Ms. Alaina Tahlate, and Ms. Katelyn Polly. The instructors were joined by additional members of the Caddo Nation who audited the Archeobotany Academy as a collaborative partnership between TAS and the Caddo Nation. TAS invited the Caddo Nation to use 25 Zoom connections to participate in the Archeobotany Academy which had a focus on Caddo Ancestors and their traditional

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President's Message

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East Texas homeland. During the two-day academy approximately 20 members of the Caddo Nation participated!

The TAS posted registration and details for the June 12-19, 2021 annual Field School. The 2021 TAS Field School will be held in picturesque Kerrville, Texas. Registration and TAS Field School details can be found on the TAS website at: <https://www.txarch.org/tas-field-school>. NTAS (<https://ntexas.org/scholarships>) and TAS (<https://www.txarch.org/scholarships>) offer scholarship opportunities.

NTAS continues to hold monthly meetings via Zoom until the normal location is available and the NTAS Executive Committee approves in person meetings. Our May guest speaker Doug Boyd will be joined by fellow NTAS member Dr. Kevin Hanselka and colleague Dr. Maria Franklin to present on the Bolivar project located in Denton County. They will discuss preliminary results of the excavations at site 41DN593 (Sartin Hotel) and 41DN617 (Tom Cook's blacksmith shop). It will be interesting to learn about the phenomenal public outreach and collaboration which TxDOT and team performed for this project. NTAS members will get to enjoy a program in which many of us were directly involved, see you there on the 13th!

Jimmy Barrera

May Speakers: Douglas Boyd, Maria Franklin, and Kevin Hanselka

"I'll tell you of my troubles on the old Chisholm Trail..."

Community Outreach and Archeology at the Sartin Hotel and Tom Cook Blacksmith Shop in Bolivar, Texas

Although it lasted only two decades (from 1867 to ca. 1886), the Chisolm Trail era is steeped in cowboy and cattle drive history, folklore, and mythology. The trail's route through Texas is known, but little research has been conducted on the towns and businesses that sprang up in support of this short-lived industry. In 2020–2021, the Texas Department of Transportation sponsored a collaborative public archeology project to investigate two archeological sites that are intimately tied to the Chisholm Trail in north-central Texas. These investigations focused on the Sartin Hotel (41DN593) and the Tom Cook Blacksmith Shop (41DN617), two late-nineteenth-century commercial businesses located in Bolivar, a small town along the Chisholm Trail route in western Denton County. The latter site is especially significant because Thomas Cook, Sr., was an African American freedman who owned and operated his own blacksmith shop. As part of the ongoing research, the project seeks to understand the role of successful black entrepreneurs like Tom Cook during and after the Chisholm Trail era.

In this program, the presenters will discuss the extensive archeological excavations and findings at both sites, and the efforts to make this a "public archeology" project amid the COVID-19 Pandemic. They will also discuss the intensive outreach efforts within Denton County's African American community, including direct participation in the archeological dig and oral history research by Tom Cook's descendants. So far, the project has been extremely successful due to the cooperation among and between TxDOT, Cox|McLain Environmental Consulting, the Department of Anthropology at the University of Texas, the North Texas Archeological Society, the Denton County Office of History and Culture, and local folks in Bolivar and Denton County.

Note: "Come along, boys, and listen to my tale, I'll tell you of my troubles on the old Chisholm Trail" are the opening words to the cowboy folk song called: *The Old Chisholm Trail* (first published in 1910 by John A. Lomax in *Cowboy Songs and Other Frontier Ballads*).

One of the most famous renditions of this song is by Gene Autry:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=laRkR0X25Ow>

Douglas K. Boyd is a senior archeologist with Cox|McLain Environmental Consulting in Austin. He has been doing archeology, mostly in Texas, for 48 years (gasp!). He has a MA degree from Texas A&M University, and for the last 34 years has served as a project archeologist, project manager, or principal investigator on numerous cultural resource management projects. He has published many CRM reports, academic book and journal articles, popular magazine articles, and a variety of public outreach products (posters, brochures, and internet exhibits). Most of Boyd's recent CRM work has focused on historical archeology.



Maria Franklin earned her PhD at UC Berkeley and teaches in the Department of Anthropology at the University of Texas at Austin. She is a historical archaeologist whose research interests include Black history and public archaeology. She has published on a range of topics in archaeology including Southern foodways, gender and clothing practices, British colonialism and slavery, and racism and African American health after emancipation.



Kevin Hanselka is an archeologist at the Texas Department of Transportation, archaeobotanist, and independent researcher with degrees from Texas State University (B.A., 1996), UTSA (M.A., 2000), and Washington University in St. Louis (Ph.D., 2011). He is on the Archaeobotany Team for the Ancient Southwest Texas Project (Lower Pecos Canyonlands), and is Principal Investigator on the 2019 Texas Archeological Society's Annual Field School (Palo Duro Canyon State Park). At TxDOT he manages cultural resources on highway projects across the State, particularly north-central and western Texas. He presently lives in Allen with his wife Heather, daughter Sabrina, and black lab Ace.

Roosevelt Heights Recon Trip

Jimmy Barrera and Tim Sullivan

On Friday March 5, 2021, NTAS members Tim Sullivan and Jimmy Barrera investigated an unrecorded site location identified by colleague Linda Pelon in southeast Dallas near the intersection of South 2nd Avenue and Bruton Road. We performed a short hike to the location in the vast floodplain setting of the Great Trinity Forest. The decision to recon was based on information Linda provided including oral history from an African American descendant that early occupants of the area were part of the "Bon Ton Trail;" potential remnants of mid-19th-century occupation, possibly related to underground railroad activities; and a potential historic Comanche marker tree. During our recon we observed a few remnants of standing architecture including a chimney of machine-made brick, a cellar or shelter made from corrugated steel pipe (Figure 1), and a small square cinder block structure. The recon area was littered in razed or dumped 20th century structural debris and artifacts ranging from mid-20th century to modern in age. Abundant machine-made bricks, clear glass bottles and jars with screw tops, round wire nails, and other common 20th century artifacts and architectural elements were observed. We did observe the bent branch of a tree, the branch measured approximately 8 to 12 inches diameter, with the bent branch fixed to a board with wire and nails then connecting to a fence post (Figure 2). No evidence of 19th-century artifacts or architecture were observed during the March 5, 2021 recon visit. Everything we observed was strictly 20th century in age with most materials clearly representing mid- to late 20th century.



Figure 1. Left: Machine-made brick chimney. Right: Galvanized steel pipe used for cellar. Photos by J. Barrera



Figure 2. Bent tree branch fixed to milled board with nail and wires connecting to fence post. Photos by J. Barrera

Our preliminary research identified that the dense 20th century artifacts and razed structures might be part of an abandoned community called Roosevelt Heights. Our preliminary research indicates that this community might have first been built by the 1920s or 1930s, but certainly was constructed by the 1940s and then abandoned by the 1970s due to repeated flooding as this is situated in the broad floodplain of White Rock Creek. We are currently considering whether this would be a good NTAS project and are soliciting the NTAS membership for anyone with information about the Roosevelt Heights neighborhood in southeast Dallas. If you have any information on this community, please contact us at secretary@ntxas.org.

Fort Worth Nature Center & Refuge Recon Trip

Jimmy Barrera and Dana Ritchie

Saturday April 3, 2021 NTAS members Bret Williamson, Dana Ritchie, and Jimmy Barrera met at the Fort Worth Nature Center & Refuge (FWNCR) to recon a series of archeological sites identified by Bret Williamson and FWNCR staff. Bret, Dana, and Jimmy visited one previously recorded site, 41TR113, which NTAS (then TCAS) recorded and investigated with excavations, and visited five unrecorded sites: one prehistoric, one prehistoric and historic, and three historic (Figures 1 and 2). While at FWNCR we also discussed the general location for two additional unrecorded prehistoric sites and one additional historic site.

This recon was a valuable trip to allow our team to understand access, terrain, site types, and other considerations for a site recording effort—all necessary to plan a project for NTAS members to get out and do more archeology.

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Fort Worth Nature Center & Refuge Recon Trip

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Figure 1. Unrecorded historic site: Foundation in rear and rectangular concrete structure at right. Photos by J. Barrera



Figure 2. Left: Vitrified clay pipe fragment. Right: burned rock scatter. Photos by J. Barrera

2022 TAS Geoarcheology 201 Academy *(Please Consider a Donation!)*

Ken Lawrence

The most common feedback from every Texas Archeological Society (TAS) Geoarcheology Academy that we have held is a request for more hands-on instruction and more up-close field exposure. Dr. Charles Frederick and Karl Kibler have wanted to do this in the past, but there has always been some obstacle to prevent it with one of them being a location that is available and warrants the attention. We now have such a location at the McNeill Ranch on the Guadalupe River near Victoria, which is where the last Geoarcheology Academy in February 2020 was held in partnership with the Museum of the Coastal Bend at Victoria College, the Coastal Bend Archeological Logistics Team (CoBALT), and the McNeill family. The McNeill Ranch contains site 41VT141 that CoBALT has been working on for decades and was the subject of Michael Aiualasit's thesis. This site and location contain an excellent mix of archeology from Late Paleoindian up to the present and geomorphic processes that are excellent for a more hands-on academy.

This academy will be ambitious and will have many "firsts" for the TAS. We are in the beginning stages of putting this course together and are attempting to determine our possibilities and limitations. Briefly, some of the goals include having chronometric data (both OSL and 14C) completed by the time of the course to discuss with the academy participants. As you may know, the results of the OSL samples will take many months to obtain and we are attempting to hold the academy in the Spring of 2022. So we will need to collect and submit the samples by early summer to achieve this schedule.

With all of that preamble here is what we currently envision. There will likely be a classroom and field component to the course with the field component being the priority. In the field, we would have at least 6 open trench profiles across the site that will have been previously analyzed, documented, and interpreted by the geoarcheologists. For the fieldwork, the academy participants would be broken down into groups of 5-6 people who would go from trench profile to trench profile for a specified amount of time at which a geoarcheologist would instruct and discuss that profile with the group. The participants would record each profile and compose an interpretation. At the end of the course, the results of the geoarcheologist analyses and interpretations will be provided. Obviously, the specifics of the academy will adjust as we get further along in the process and development.

We have six geoarcheologists confirmed (Dr. Charles Frederick, Karl Kibler, Jim Abbott, Brittney Gregory, Dr. Gus Costa, and myself) who will be taking part in the instruction of the academy. We have planned two separate academies of 25 participants held over a four day weekend in the Spring of 2022. The first group would be Friday-Saturday and the second group would be Sunday-Monday. We intend to hold a social event on Saturday night for both groups to participate if they want.

The course is intended to provide opportunities to analyze and describe soils in the field and compare with the geoarcheological descriptions and analyses. Get a better knowledge of soils-geomorphology approach to interpret a landscape and a comprehension of geoarcheological reports and how best to work with them. Discuss dating profiles using radiocarbon and optically stimulated luminescence (OSL) and their interpretation. Note that the results of the analyses will be provided to all participants in the TAS Geoarcheology 201 Academy Field Guide and then curated with the other archeological investigations (e.g., CoBALT) that have occurred at the site.

We are soliciting funds to help pay for the upfront chronometric dating and limited logistical expenses required to develop this academy. Any amount is accepted but a minimum of \$500 will reserve a spot for one person. We have not yet established a firm cost for this academy, but it will be in the neighborhood of \$250 per participant (who will have to be a TAS member). The TAS is a 501(c)(3) organization and donations are tax deductible. We intend to have the names of the "sponsors" listed on the Academy Field Guide.

We are directing everyone to donate to the TAS general fund and specify that your donation is for the TAS Geoarcheology 201 Academy Fund (<https://www.txarch.org/donate>). Please contact me if you have any questions at klawrence@swca.com.

Bolivar Project Award

Doug Boyd and Jimmy Barrera

During the Spring 2021 meeting of the Council of Texas Archeologists, the Bolivar Archeological Project was presented (virtually on Zoom of course) the E. Mott Davis Public Outreach Award. This award is given each spring to only a project team that does the best, most innovative, and coolest public outreach in conjunction with archeological site investigation(s).

Admittedly, we were the only nomination for this past year, but it was a strange year in which face-to-face public interactions were rather limited. Most people gave up on the idea of doing public outreach on archeology projects this year. We didn't. We managed to do public and descendant community site visits along with a whole lot of other outreach activities in a wide variety of formats. The award committee members all agreed that the Bolivar Archeological Project is an outstanding public outreach effort and fully deserving of this recognition. The 25 NTAS volunteers who came out and worked on the Bolivar Archeological Project, many on numerous days, are a major contributor for this award. As NTAS was part of the project, and part of the award nomination, congratulations to NTAS and all the volunteers who worked on this project!

So to all of you we say, Thank you! Thank you! This is truly a team award, and we appreciate everyone's role in this.

*The Council of Texas Archeologists
presents the*

E. MOTT DAVIS AWARD for Excellence in Public Outreach

*to
James E. Barrera, Dr. Catrina Banks Whitley,
and James Everett*

North Texas Archeological Society

for organizing volunteer participation in the Bolivar Archeological Project,
Denton County, Texas



President, Council of Texas Archeologists

April 9, 2021

Date



Twenty-five different NTAS members participated in the Bolivar Archeological Project, donating some 63 person-days of effort. Five members worked on the project for 5 days or more: Royce Baker, Murray Cohen, Carolyn Coughlin, Gwen Durrant, and Ewan Edwards



Royce Baker with a "Bennington" marble found at the Tom Cook Blacksmith Shop



NTAS members screening at the Sartin Hotel Site the FM 455 in the background. As of May 1, 2021, TxDOT was given clearance to begin the road widening of FM 455 at the intersection



Siblings Avery (center) and Allison (right) Weathers listening to Kelly Kring (left) talk about blacksmithing techniques and artifacts. Professional blacksmith Kelly Kring teaches blacksmithing classes at Brookhaven College. Alison and Avery joined NTAS so they could participate in the archeological work.

From the Archives

Linda Ott Lang

Welcome to a new feature in the *Benchmark*! In this section, we will share titles from the society's document collection. For our inaugural submission, we are featuring a two-part article from the TCAS Newsletter, *Tarrant County Archeologist*. In September 1976, the newsletter introduced the first of two segments in an article titled "Mississippi River Valley Points from a Tarrant County Site" by member Nolan E. Preston. The remaining portion was published in December of 1976. The articles related information about the Coker-Bond site as part of a TCAS salvage excavation at the Fort Worth Nature Center. In addition to sharing this title, we are seeking some help to learn more about this site. There are two questions for which we are seeking help. If anyone knows where the collections or the records of the site are stored and/or where the original site is located (the trinomial was not recorded), please contact NTAS.

Hopefully, this has piqued your interest! If so, please contact NTAS to receive a copy of the featured item at historian@ntxas.org. Check back next month for what might come next...from the archives!

Archeology Kids Camp

Katrina Nuncio

NTAS has been asked by the Doss Heritage and Culture Center (1400 Texas Drive, Weatherford) to participate in the Archeology Kids Camp they will be holding on June 23-25, from 10:00am to 4:30pm. This camp is for children ages 7 to 12 with approximately 30 children attending. The staff at the Doss will be performing temperature and wellness checks on each child at the beginning of each day. Hand sanitizing stations and other precautions will be in abundance.

Gen Freix and Chris Meis will be organizing our portion of this event. I will unfortunately be unavailable at the time of this camp, but I am doing what I can now with NTAS preparations for this camp. Even though we are still only in the planning stages of exactly what activities we want to host, we do anticipate that we will need some volunteer helpers. An announcement will be made at our NTAS May 13 meeting requesting volunteers, who you should contact to volunteer, where you should report, and the time.

For those of you who are new to NTAS, we became involved with the Doss in 2016 when I agreed to teach an Introduction to Archeology class at Weatherford College in conjunction with excavating the Newberry Cabin, a historic log cabin, which was still in situ from the 1870s. We completed the excavation in the spring of 2019 when the Newberry Cabin was moved to the Pioneer Cabin Park that the Doss is developing on a portion of their land there in Weatherford. There are a total of five cabins in this Park and all will be repaired as near as possible to their original state. Once this is completed, the Park will be open to the public.

I Need Your Help To Confirm that Clovis Hunters Camped in the Sulphur River Valley During the Winter More than 10,000 years ago.

Hundreds of Clovis spear points like the one in the background have been reportedly found in the channels of the North and South River, and if true, this would represent the highest density of individual points in any Texas Watershed. However, the Texas Clovis inventory reports less than five in the entire watershed.

If you know where I can about any of these Clovis (text) me at 214 906 8021 the Pig & Whistle Café lunch on any Thursday three months [March

find information points, please call or meet me at in Ladonia for during the next through May].

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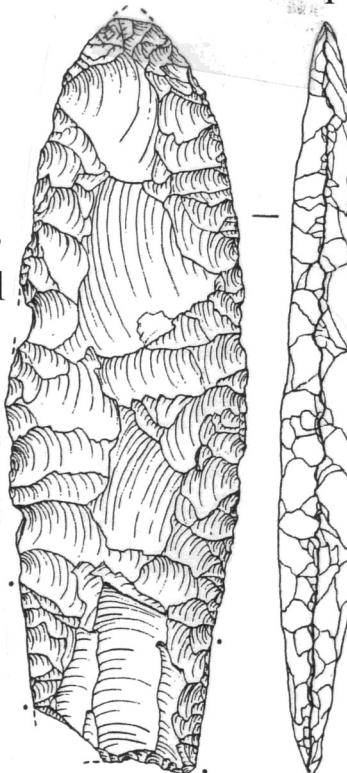


FIG. 1. Clovis fluted point from Hood County, Texas. Dots indicate the extent of lateral grinding. Full size.

Documentary Film to be Produced about the Gault Site

James Everett

Olive Tally is an experienced documentary filmmaker who has contacted NTAS regarding the project she is currently working on: a film to explain the importance of the Gault site and Mike Collins' tireless efforts to ensure that archeologists as well as the general public recognize the full significance of the site. To help make the project a reality, she is also requesting donations from interested NTAS members.

Olive Tally

Thank you for the opportunity to share news about my documentary featuring Dr. Michael Collins and the extraordinary 30-year challenge he and his team of professional and avocational archaeologists overcame to reveal the significance of the Gault site in Central Texas.

Given that many of you know Mike and the staff at the Gault School of Archaeological Research, and you've worked at or toured the site, you already know why it's vital to preserve sites like this.

The general public, however, is mostly clueless. I want to change that. There are still people living near the site and throughout Texas who have never heard of Gault. That was me four years ago.

I was on a National Geographic/ Lindblad trip to Antarctica in 2017 when former Nat Geo photographer Ken Garrett delivered a riveting lecture about the Peopling of Americas. He mentioned Gault and its Older Than Clovis component. I was astounded to learn about this place and dumfounded that I hadn't heard about it before.

At Ken's urging, I called Mike when I got home to Dallas, eager to dig in (pun intended) and learn more. That call lasted four hours and led to four years of discussions and the current goal of producing a feature-length documentary. Please watch some video clips and an interactive timeline for the story here: www.gaultfilm.com

I've spent \$50,000 of my own funds to get this far, but I need help from YOU and other archaeology enthusiasts to raise the money to finish this film. If I can raise \$150,000 in the next month, I will receive a \$50,000 challenge grant from a private foundation. All donations to the film through The Williamson Museum are tax-deductible.

The Williamson Museum for Gault Film

At the bottom of the form, please credit this donation to Olive Tally.

Or, donate through the Museum's PayPal link: [Museum PayPal](#)

Any amount is valued and appreciated. All donors will be listed on the website. Additional benefits, naming rights, and opportunities to be on site for some tapings and other experiences are available to donors giving more than \$20,000. Please contact me to discuss and learn details. And please



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Mike Collins and filmmaker Olive Tally

SHARE the website with everyone you know. Lots of small contributions can add up to make a big difference.

This is a passion project and I'm humbled by Mike's trust in me to tell his compelling story. Mike Collins is a living legend of archaeology in Texas. By sharing his story, his passion and the momentous and sometimes heartbreakingly efforts it took to save Gault and reveal it as one of the most significant sites in The Western Hemisphere, I believe we can ignite and inspire a much wider audience about archaeology and why it matters.

If you haven't heard, the SAA this month honored Mike with its Award for Excellence in Archaeological Analysis for six decades. Here are some excerpts from the award: "Collins has championed lithic analysis in all its forms... His major contributions include lithic analyses in North America, South America and Europe ... He is perhaps best known for his pioneering work on lithic reduction sequences among Clovis and earlier peoples in the Americas. Collins' commitment to research excellence, along with his noteworthy contributions to service and public engagement, make him an outstanding recipient of this award."

On April 17th, The Williamson Museum in Georgetown and I hosted a fundraiser for the documentary at the Gault site, where GSAR Executive Director Clark Wernecke announced the award. Dr. Bruce Bradley, Dr. Jon Lohse, Mike Johnson (from the Cactus Hill site in VA), all came to honor Mike and share stories and to be interviewed for the documentary.

Ken Garrett, a world-renowned photographer who has photographed the most important cultural sites around the globe, gracing 60 covers of National Geographic Magazine, has graciously agreed to be part of our production team for the documentary. You can read more about him and the other stellar members of our team at www.gaultfilm.com

Please help us secure this \$50,000 Challenge Grant from the LaNoe and Paul Scherer Family Foundation, a generous offer from Jane and James Flieller, of Austin, and their extended family.

Ironically, it was the Flieller family who took me on the trip to Antarctica – the trip that kickstarted my fascination with Gault.

We cannot complete this film without support from donors like you. Thank you in advance for your help. And please share www.gaultfilm.com far and wide. Let's honor Mike's legacy and come together for the greater good of raising the profile of sites like Gault and beyond.



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Mike Collins and Bruce Bradley being interviewed for the Gault documentary

Archeology Events & Announcements

TxDOT Roadside Chat—Bolivar: The Once Wild West

Contributed by Kevin Hanselka

The Bolivar webinar has been posted on the TxDOT Roadside Chat webpage: [Roadside Chat \(txdot.gov\)](#) and is available on YouTube: [TxDOT Roadside Chat - Bolivar: The Once Wild West - YouTube](#)

San Jacinto: A Lone Star Shines

This latest video on the THC's YouTube Channel tells the story of the young Republic and the Battle of San Jacinto via four short films.

https://www.thc.texas.gov/blog/san-jacinto-lone-star-shines?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

The First Ladies Symposium

Free to attend; registration required

Thursday, May 6 8am–4pm

(drop-ins encouraged)

Hosted by the Nations Trust for Historic Preservation, the 2021 First Ladies Symposium is a day-long virtual event, hosted by the White House Historical Association in partnership with American University's First Ladies Initiative. Throughout the day, drop in on multiple morning and afternoon sessions featuring prominent scholars, historians, and professionals as they discuss First Ladies throughout history and their relationship to gender, communications, historic preservation, and more.

<https://www.whitehousehistory.org/events/the-2021-first-ladies-symposium>

ACRA Webinar: Radiocarbon Dating Basics

May 13th 1pm

Dr. Maren Pauly of Beta Analytic will cover the following topics in a free webinar (registration required). Radio carbon in the atmosphere, wiggles and uncertainty in dating, sample types (artifacts and organisms), application examples, reporting your results, and the laboratory process.

<https://www.acra-crm.org/event-4207757>

Harris Who? Intriguing Texans Who Have Slipped out of the History Books (Or Were Never There)

May 27 6pm

Free virtual presentation by the Friends of the Texas Historical Commission by Houston Chronicle columnist Joe Holley. He will discuss his research and writing on little-known stories of Texas.

Donations welcome.

https://thc.z2systems.com/np/clients/thc/eventRegistration.jsp?event=4871&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

NTAS Scholarships Available

NTAS offers scholarships that can be used for TAS educational events. For details, please visit: <https://ntxas.org/scholarships>.

You can apply for a scholarship to fund the TAS Field School (June 12-19).

NTAS typically receives few applicants for scholarships. We look forward to awarding multiple scholarships per year. Please help spread the word!

Update Your Calendar - NTAS Monthly Meeting Speakers

June 10th: No Meeting (TAS Field School)

July 8th: Dr. Tamra Walter (Spanish Colonial)

August 12th: Dr. Benjamin Alexander (Cadaver Dogs in Archeology)

April Donor

Josh Haefner (General Fund)

NTAS Aims & Objectives

The purposes of the Society are

- (1) the promotion of scientific archeological exploration and research,
- (2) the preservation and conservation of archeological materials and sites,
- (3) the interpretation and publication of data pertaining thereto, and
- (4) education of the public to the aims of archeology.

Welcome, New Members!

Jack Johnson
Jan Lorrain
Gene Saunders

We Need **YOUR** Help!

There are numerous ways we would love for our members to contribute to NTAS. Just a few are noted here:

Involve NTAS in Your Field, Lab, or Reporting Project

Contact Catrina Whitley (yopofprojects@ntxas.org) if you would like to involve experienced, skilled, and knowledgeable NTAS members in your project.

Contribute Photos and Memories of NTAS Events

Photos are a great way to showcase what NTAS is all about. Please send your images and captions to Annaliese Sonntag (internetchair@ntxas.org). By providing these photos, please understand they can be used on the NTAS website and social media platforms such as Facebook.

Newsletter Content

Please contribute highlights from NTAS volunteer opportunities, summaries of archeological research and field projects, announcements and links to events, exhibits, media, and publications, etc. by sending them to Molly Hall (publicationseditor@ntxas.org).

Nominate a member for our new member spotlight feature!



North Texas Archeological Society (NTAS) Membership Application Form

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Address _____

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Emergency Contact(s): Please provide the following information regarding the individual(s) from whom we can request or to whom we may provide information in the event of an emergency. Please consider listing at least one contact who does not live at your residence.

Primary Contact Name, Relationship, and Phone Number

Alternate Contact Name, Relationship, and Phone Number

Membership Type and Fees (Membership Term: January to December)

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> New | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Membership - \$25 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal | Total Family Members _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Membership - \$20 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Membership – \$10 (18 or older student with minimum half-time course load. Those under 18 must contact NTAS in advance of applying.) | |

Communication Preferences: I/WE want to be added to the following lists:

- General Announcements - *For Meetings, Events, Publications, Membership Dues and NTAS Updates*
- Personal Updates - *For personal updates on NTAS members such as illnesses, and obituaries*

Newsletter Delivery: By Email (free) By USPS mail (add \$10/yr)

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Media Release: I/WE DO -or- DO NOT (circle as appropriate) give permission to NTAS to use my/our image (photographs and/or video) in any NTAS publications, website, or social media.

Online membership form and payment option available at ntxas.org/join-and-renew

Application form is continued on the next page

Mail your Membership Form with check or money order made payable to:

North Texas Archeological Society
P.O. Box 24679 Ft. Worth, TX 76124

Code of Ethics (signature required): I/WE PLEDGE THAT I/WE WILL NOT INTENTIONALLY VIOLATE THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ANY FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL ANTIQUITIES STATUTES CONCERNING CULTURAL RESOURCES OR ENGAGE IN THE PRACTICES 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. I/WE UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES WILL PROVIDE GROUNDS FOR EXPULSION FROM THE SOCIETY.

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Correction:

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