



March 2020 Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER By Deborah L. Bauer



Dear CFAS Friends and Supporters:

Another month has come and gone. We are a bit later than normal getting out this month's newsletter. I would say the adage "better late than never" applies here. However, the simple truth of the matter is that the current covid-19 global health pandemic has things changing day by day, and, sometimes it seems as if those changes are being made at the speed of light.

First up, CFAS is working on issues related to the fact that the location of our meeting space, the Winter Park Public Library has closed its doors for the months of March and April. We hope that we will be back together in May for Sean Norman's presentation on the Second Seminole

War Battlefield Archaeology presentation. But, as is so much currently, that remains TBD.

March is Florida Archaeology Month. What has supposed to have been a month-long celebration of archaeology has led to a slew of event cancellations. We know many of these events are being rescheduled for later in the year. The good news is that CFAS was still able to pick up a box of Florida Archaeology Month 2020 posters in February. The box is safe and sound. We have made arrangements to set aside posters for anyone who wants one. All you have to do is email centralflorida.fas@gmail.com to reserve your poster. Otherwise, they will be distributed at our first on-the ground meeting (likely in May 2020).

I also want to thank CFAS secretary Susan Harrington for her hard work in the last few months to increase our presence in the public eye. We've managed to get featured in several local publications, including the March 14th edition of the Sanford Herald. Susan has done a great job raising our profile, and we all give her a gold star for her efforts!

I wanted to give everyone a quick update on the FAS quarterly board meeting that I attended in Gainesville, Florida on February 15, 2020. Several topics were discussed including arrangements for the annual conference in Naples and that FAS will be raising dues in the next year or two. The next board meeting is scheduled to happen via teleconference on May 9th, so I will keep everyone updated once that meeting has taken place with any appropriate news that needs to be shared.

Last, I want to thank everyone for their patience and support through this difficult time. It can't be said enough, but we truly are in this fight together. CFAS and her officers thank everyone, and I know I speak for the entire board when I say we are keeping you all in our thoughts and sending prayers and/or good vibes to each of you. We hope that no one gets sick, but if anyone has gotten sick in the CFAS family, we hope you will have a quick recovery. For the rest of us, please stay vigilant, stay safe...and keep washing those hands!

Warmly,

Deborah L. Bauer, CFAS President

IT IS TIME TO PAY YOUR 2020 DUES BY CHECK OR PAY PAL

Please remember that our sole source of income to provide our interesting archaeological and historical presentations is your dues. Please note that CFAS dues run on the calendar year (January 1 through December 31), not from the date you join. Dues can be paid via credit card/PayPal on the CFAS website, by mailing a check to our P.O. Box at P.O. Box 530005, Orlando, FL 32853, or in cash at a CFAS meeting.

IT'S FLORIDA ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH!



March 1, 2020 marks the beginning of a month-long celebration dedicated to the commemoration of celebrating archaeology in the state of Florida. Florida Archaeology Month is sponsored by the Florida Public Archaeology Network (FPAN), the Florida Anthropological Society, the Florida Archaeological Council, and the Florida Division of Historical Resources. Each year has a theme dedicated to highlighting an important trend or current topic that serves as a crucial part of the state's diverse anthropological heritage. The theme for 2020 is "African American Cemeteries in Florida."

Each year, a poster is designed to highlight the chosen theme. This year's theme incorporates symbols sacred to peoples like the Akan of West Africa. According to the Florida Archaeological Month website, "Florida's African American Cemeteries are sacred spaces where families can memorialize their loved ones, but also places full of history to inspire and engage younger generations." The two-sided full color posters are free and available to the public from FPAN centers, such as the East Central Office in Sanford, and at local chapters of the Florida Anthropological Society, such as the Central Florida

Anthropological Society (CFAS) in Orlando. CFAS will have the posters on hand to distribute at their next monthly meeting in May. The meeting is free and open to the public.

As the Florida Anthropological Society (FAS) notes, "Every March, statewide programs and events celebrating Florida Archaeology Month are designed to encourage Floridians and visitors to learn more about the archaeology and history of the state, and to preserve these important parts of Florida's rich cultural heritage...FAS chapters, archaeologists, heritage professionals, museums, historical societies, and interested members of the public come together to promote and celebrate Florida's archaeological sites and knowledge about the past through events, workshops, lectures, and public archaeology days."

Florida Archaeology Month will be celebrating its thirtieth anniversary in the next couple of years. It originally began in the early 1990s as Florida Archaeology Week. The Division of Historic Preservation for the State of Florida sponsored the first celebration. Each year, a new topic has been honored with the popular FAM Posters. Other organizations throughout the state are hosting dozens of other events on topics related to Florida Archaeology. For example, Archaeology Day at the Florida Capitol was held on March 4th. Other events can be found by visiting the FAM website at <https://fpan.us/FAM/>.

FAS2020 POSTPONED

On May 23, 2020, the board of the Florida Anthropological Society (FAS) made the difficult decision to postpone the annual conference that was supposed to be hosted by SWFAS in Naples from May 8-10, 2020. The board considered several options after considering the latest news and advisors about the covid-19/coronavirus health pandemic. Eventually, to safeguard the health of FAS members and their families, the board decided to postpone the conference until early October 2020. Conference organizers are working with the conference hotel, the FAS board, and local arrangements to prepare an easy transition for later in the year. Obviously, the FAS Call for Papers for the meeting will also be extended. Please stay tuned to information from FAS about the date change, procedures for registration refunds for those unable to attend, and information about how to alter hotel reservations.

CFAS CORONAVIRUS UPDATES

Like the rest of the world, CFAS has been affected by the covid-19 virus and the havoc it has wrecked on our society. The Winter Park Public Library has closed its facilities for the months of March and April 2020. The closure of the library meant that CFAS did not have access to its normal meeting rooms for the scheduled March meeting. We have already spoken with March's scheduled presenter, Ms. Shana Boyer, and she has graciously agreed to reschedule for later in the year. We hope to add her to our slate of presenters for the Fall 2020 portion of the CFAS 2020-2021 Guest Lectures Series. The specific date for her rescheduled presentation will be announced soon. Since the library has also closed for April, we are currently exploring options for perhaps streaming via the internet a remote presentation for our April guest speaker. As soon as any decision has been made about remote viewing of April's topic, we will let everyone know. But, in the interim, please know that we will NOT be meeting in person for the April meeting.

2020 ELECTION BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

At the February 17, 2020 meeting, the CFAS Board for the year 2020 was elected. They are:

President & Treasurer: Deborah L. Bauer
Vice-President: Edward González-Tennant
Secretary: Susan Harrington
Media Relations Liaison: Richard J. Ott

We are still in need of a treasurer for our organization. Your help is needed!

FEBRUARY PRESENTATION



At the February 17, 2020 meeting, Ms. Tracy Lovingood spoke on “Overturning the Turnbull Settlement of New Smyrna Beach: Artifact Analysis of the Old Stone Wharf”. Her lecture was based upon her thesis investigation and provided a look at the history of the New Smyrna area as well as her investigation into historical records, artifact analysis and LIDAR study of the area. Ms. Lovingood reviewed over 2000 artifacts from the Old Stone Wharf site, and shared some of the pottery and other artifacts found at the site at the meeting.

Per Lovingood’s research, Dr. Andrew Turnbull received a land grant for 20,000 acres, which included the New Smyrna area, and began a European settlement in 1766. She said at this time, Florida was part of Britain. He brought 1300 Minorcans (from the small island of Minorca, Spain controlled by Britain at that time) as well as Greeks and Italians. Due to poor management of the settlement, it collapsed shortly after founding, but the Minorcan cultural influence remains in the area to this day.

Lovingood noted that the artifacts found in the area reflect not only the Turnbull settlement, but evidence of Native American presence prior to the European presence, as well as settlers subsequent to the Turnbull settlement. She commented that the type of ceramics found help not only to establish time periods of residences, but also identify what was eaten and socio-economic status of the people. She was able to identify artifacts from seven countries, and specifically identify pottery by comparing it to an 18th century Virginia site, which was contemporary to the Turnbull site and which now contains complete museum quality pieces. She also identified Native American pottery, noting that the wharf was built on a midden. One of the most interesting artifacts identified was a pipe found that was similar to those from Greece, providing a Minorcan connection.

She noted that there was not much historical documentation regarding trade in this area, but evidence of French artifacts found relating the French Seven Years War era which included a ban of French goods by Britain indicate evidence of smuggling at this time.

Lovingood also performed a LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) study of the area, in which a drone uses a light beam to identify possible construction remains under foliage. As a result of this study, she found a building foundation, and after research of old maps, found it was railway shops existing around 1916 in the New Smyrna area.

Her conclusion from her research was that the New Smyrna area had much stratified use by many groups, and had very entangled trading with many areas.



SHAMELESS PLUGS OF NON-CFAS EVENTS

1. Ask an Archaeologist! - Florida Archaeology Month



~~Saturday, March 28, 2020~~ - **CANCELLED**

2. Heritage Day at Evergreen Cemetery



~~Saturday, April 25~~ - **POSTPONED** until later this year – date TBD. The celebration will include, arts & crafts, auctions, exhibits, face painting, food, entertainment and more. Located at 150 South Cypress Way, Casselberry, FL 32707.

All other events that were previously announced have been cancelled due to the pandemic. If anyone has any virtual events you would like to share in the newsletter, please mail them to CFAS at centralflorida.fas@gmail.com.

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Find us on Facebook at Central Florida Anthropological Society!

Check out our website at <https://cfasorlando.com/>

CFAS AND FAS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

We encourage those interested in Florida archaeology/anthropology to become members of The Florida Anthropological Society (FAS) and The Central Florida Anthropological Society (CFAS). Annual dues are due in January and membership applications to both organizations are attached. Membership in the FAS provides you with four annual volumes of *The Florida Anthropologist* and occasional newsletters on anthropological events in Florida in addition to the annual statewide meeting. More information on FAS can be found online at: www.fasweb.org. Membership in CFAS offers you a local series of talks on archaeological and anthropological subjects that you can attend. The CFAS newsletter keeps you up to date on local events as well as other important archaeological topics. We urge you to support both with your membership. All of the CFAS Lecture Series are open to the public at no charge.



CFAS

Central Florida Anthropological Society

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Website: <http://www.cfasorlando.com>
www.facebook.com/groups/CentralFloridaAnthropologicalSociety
E-mail: centralflorida.fas@email.com Twitter: @CFASOrlando

Membership in CFAS is open to all interested individuals who have an interest in the prehistory or history of Florida as well as the anthropological fields of archaeology, cultural anthropology, and many other sub fields, who are dedicated to the preservation of Florida's shared cultural heritage, and who are willing to abide by the FAS statement of ethics (FASweb.org).

Membership is for one calendar year (running from January 1st until December 31st no matter what day of the year you join.)

Students	\$10
Individual	\$20
Family	\$25

Membership guarantees the following benefits: notification of the latest archaeology & anthropological happenings in Central Florida & beyond; early notification of speakers in our popular monthly Guest Lecture speaker series; opportunities to volunteer on archaeological digs; the ability to apply for scholarships the society funds to allow students to attend the annual Florida Anthropological Society conference; membership to our monthly newsletter; and fellowship opportunities with people of like-minded anthropology or anthropology related professions and/or hobbies.

Objectives of the Florida Anthropological Society (FAS) and thus CFAS are:

1. To provide a formal means by which individuals interested in anthropological and archaeological studies in the State of Florida and related areas may come together for mutual benefits;
2. To promote the continuing study of the peoples of Florida from ancient times to the present;
3. To establish and promulgate to its members and to the general public, rules of conduct, a code of ethics, and standards of quality to govern anthropological work
4. To effect harmony and cooperation between the amateur and professional anthropologist and archaeologist so that the work of all will permanently enrich our knowledge of human history;
5. To bring to the attention of the general public and of appropriate governmental agencies the need for preservation of archaeological and historical sites within the State of Florida as well as for the recording of the ways of life of extant groups in Florida and related areas.
6. To disseminate information on anthropology and archaeology and in particular on the work of the Society members through periodic, regularly scheduled meetings of the Society, through a program of publications by the Society, and through such special events and other activities as the Society may consider proper to further its objectives;
7. To assist in establishing archaeological museums through contributions or gifts of materials or money;
8. To encourage the scientific collections, preservation, classification, study and publication of ethnological materials and archaeological remains; and
9. To initiate and maintain appropriate By-Laws, Rules, and Regulations in the best interests of all its members.
10. Membership in the Society is open to all interested individuals who are willing to abide by the FAS statement of ethics.

Our parent organization needs you too! Chapters of FAS operate largely independently, but adhere to an agreed upon code of ethics and organizational structure that is maintained by the state organization. Unfortunately, we do not have a system in place wherein membership in a regional chapter gives membership in the statewide society. Please consider joining the statewide society to support their work. Joining is easy as you can do it online at FASweb.org.

*****Membership application is located on the back of this document!*****

CFAS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Email: _____

Mailing Address:

City, State, & Zip Code:

Telephone: _____

Membership Level: _____

Date Joined: _____

New Membership _____ OR Membership Renewal _____

Do you receive our newsletter via e-mail?

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Do you wish to received our newsletter via e-mail?

_____ Yes _____ No

Are you a member of the statewide Florida Anthropological Society? _____ Yes _____ No

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FAS Membership Categories

Membership in the Society is open to all interested individuals who are willing to abide by the Florida Anthropological Society Statement of Ethical Responsibilities, which can be found on our website fasweb.org. *Membership is for one year.*

Student *	\$15	Sustaining	\$100
Regular	\$30	Patron	\$1,000
Family	\$35	Benefactor	\$2,500
Institutional	\$30		

*Student membership is open to graduate, undergraduate and high school students. A photocopy of your student ID must accompany payment. **Add \$25 for foreign addresses.

Send Membership Form and Dues Payment to:

Florida Anthropological Society, P O Box 1561 Boynton Beach, FL 33425

You can join online or pay Membership dues renewals via PayPal on our website fasweb.org.

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Name: _____

Membership Category: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

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FAS Chapter: _____

I wish to make a donation to:

\$ _____ Dot Moore/FAS Student Grant Fund \$ _____ Florida Archaeology Month Account

\$ _____ Florida Anthropologist Monograph Fund \$ _____ Florida Anthropologist Endowment Fund

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

_____ I agree to abide by the Code of Ethics of the Florida Anthropological Society.

Signature

Date