Service to Host Institution: FAU Undergraduate Internship with FPAN

In January, Florida Atlantic University’s Anthropology Department began an undergraduate internship program with the SE office. Through interning with FPAN, students were able to visit many of South Florida’s archaeological sites, conduct fieldwork with local partners, and learn to communicate effectively with the general public both in person and through writing. Matt Abate, Laura Hellmuth, David Leong, and Branden Young had an active role in planning and executing Florida Archaeology Month, participating in more than 10 events in the southeast and southwest regions.

FPAN in the Media: KidVision at Arch Creek Park

In February, FPAN SE staff and Miami-Dade County Parks partnered for a KidVision PreK shoot at Arch Creek Park, a county park that features a Tequesta site. KidVision PreK is a south
Florida PBS program which features “field trips” to different attractions throughout the area, and associated vocabulary words. The KidVision kids learned vocabulary words like “archaeology” and “midden” while also gaining knowledge of Miami’s first people. Watch the episode here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BSwglzM_hE

Fenn, Ayers-Rigsby, Aimee Scott from Miami-Dade County, Miss Penny and the KidVision crew

Progress on Strategic Plan Objectives

- **Goal 1: Thinking Like a Network By Delivery of Standardized Programs**
  - FPAN SE and FPAN NE partnered with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) at the Jupiter Lighthouse to train lighthouse volunteers as Heritage Monitoring Scouts.

- **Goal 2: Increase Protection of Archaeological Resources By Working at the Local Level**
  - FPAN SE staff assisted Palm Beach County archaeologist Chris Da\venport with excavations at an archaic tree island site near Belle Glade.

- **Goal 3: Provide for the Long-Term Viability of the Network**
  - Fenn took an SAA continuing education class ‘Addressing Orphaned Collections: A Practical Approach’, which will inform the region’s efforts to document and rehouse these collections.
  - Ayers-Rigsby worked with Biscayne National Park and the Florida Keys National Marine Santuary to document migrant crafts slated to be removed by the marine sanctuary.