

Northeast Region Quarterly Report – April/May/June 2018 Sarah Miller, Director; Robbie Boggs, Office Manager Emily Jane Murray, Public Archaeology Coordinator

## Assistance to DHR: HMS Florida Training for State Land Managers

The Northeast Region partnered with the Florida State Park Service to offer the first Heritage Monitoring Scouts (HMS Florida) training specifically for state land managers in April. The workshop, hosted at Tomoka State Park, instructed 15 State Park staff in how to use HMS Florida for site assessments as well as how to use the Arches platform to record monitoring data. In June, staff also offered a short presentation on HMS Florida to 29 state land managers at an Archaeological Resource Monitoring (ARM) training sponsored by the Bureau of Archaeological Research (BAR).



State land managers learn about archaeology at Bulow Plantation from Dr. James Davidson on a site visit during Archaeological Resource Management Training.

## **Outreach: Summer Library and Camp Programs**

Staff from the Northeast Region spoke to over 275 children and adults during their summer programming at library and summer camp programs. Children learned the basics of archaeology – both on land and below water, explored prehistoric technology, and excavated the Maple Leaf shipwreck. Partners for the events including the Volusia County and St. Johns County Public Library systems, the City of Ormond Beach, and the National Park Service.



Emily Jane leads a group of junior archaeologists in excavating and mapping the Maple Leaf Shipwreck during a tarp activity at the DeLand Public Library.

## FPAN in the Media

- "New data on centuries-old Ponte Vedra shipwreck offers clues of origin," First Coast News, TV news story
  - <u>http://www.firstcoastnews.com/mobile/article/news/local/update-new-data-on-centuries-old-ponte-vedra-shipwreck-offers-clues-of-origin/77-534252209</u>

## **Progress on Strategic Plan Objectives**

- Goal 1: Thinking Like a Network By Delivery of Standardized Programs
  - The Northeast Region partnered with the City of Fernandina Beach to host a historic structures monitoring day using HMS Florida's Arches.
  - The Northeast Region visited and promoted local field work including the City of St. Augustine's excavations in the downtown area and the University of Florida's excavation at Bulow Plantation.
  - The Northeast Region continued to offer programming based on Archaeology Works and Timucuan Technology.
  - Goal 2: Increase Protection of Archaeological Resources By Working at the Local Level
    - The Northeast Region partnered with the City of Jacksonville to host a cemetery clean up for the Florida Trust of Historic Preservation Community Give Back Day.
    - The Northeast Region participated in a governmental working group hosted by Nassau County to discuss planning in Western Nassau County.
    - The Northeast Region kicked off a volunteer project to record markers in the Nombre de Dios cemetery.
- Goal 3: Provide for the Long-Term Viability of the Network
  - Sarah Miller and Emily Jane Murray presented papers at the Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting in Washington, DC.
  - Emily Jane Murray, along with the West Central's Becky O'Sullivan, presented on HMS Florida at the Oklahoma State Preservation Conference in June.
  - Sarah Miller attend the Learning from Loss symposium in Scotland.