

FLORIDA PUBLIC ARCHAEOLOGY NETWORK

Southwest Regional Center At Florida Gulf Coast University Quarterly Report October/November/December Annette Snapp, Ph.D., Director

Executive Summary

In February, the Southwest Regional Center welcomed Jessica Mendes as its new Program Assistant and finally completing the staffing of this regional office. Jessica has a good deal of experience with the administrative processes at Florida Gulf Coast University and is already providing much-needed assistance to the Southwest Regional office of FPAN.

Highlights from this quarter include ongoing meetings regarding the Archaeo Cart with the Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki Museum Education Coordinator, Diana Stone, throughout the quarter. This longterm collaborative project spearheaded by West Central Regional Director Jeff Moates is intended to culminate in Seminole content for the Archaeo Carts. Stone is reviewing existing material for appropriateness and has offered a mental map exercise as a student activity that can reveal the importance of landscape features as shown through varying emphases.

January was spent planning events for FAM and meeting with new partners who agreed to host speakers for our FAM Speaker Series. In February, we introduced Dr. Joanne Muller, a paleoclimatologist at FGCU, to the Pineland archaeological site on Pine Island where the Randell Research Center (RRC) is located. As a result, Dr. Muller participated in Calusa Heritage Day and is beginning a dialogue with the RRC to coordinate paleoclimatological research with regional archaeological investigations.

For Florida Archaeology Month 2012, FPAN Southwest hosted a 5-part speaker series held in all 5 counties of the Southwest Region as well as Archaeology Day at the Clewiston Museum, and the Mound Key Paddle. We also attended a variety of tabling events throughout the quarter.

FPAN intern, Jeffrey Sepanski, launched his Ethnobotanical Tour of the FGCU campus in February. His work is presented in a small pamphlet with QR codes linked to narrated slide shows about the plants highlighted. Intern Caitlin McGirr assisted in conducting a GPR event with a new partner, Koreshan State Historic Site, where investigations into early pioneer burials took place. Intern Brandon Henry worked to increase our visibility through Facebook and other social media venues.

Type of Activity/Event	# of Events/Presentations /Activities	Attendees #
Public Events	13	1608
Public Presentations	2	39
Meetings attended	9	24
Media	2 Radio shows	listening audience
Printed Media produced	1 (Ethnobotany Tour)	
Professional conferences/ workshops	3	
Electronic Media produced	Facebook, Blog, Twitter	
TOTAL		1671

Public Outreach

Events

- GPR at the Koreshan State Historic Site over two days 114 total attendees
- Ethnobotanical Tour of FGCU campus launch 8 attendees
- FAM 2012 speaker, Irv Winsboro 18 attendees
- FAM 2012 speaker, Tara Giuliano 4 attendees
- FAM 2012 speaker, Jackie Brown 8 attendees
- FAM 2012 speaker, Bill Mack 13 attendees
- FAM 2012 speakers, Duane and Holly Shaffer 13 attendees
- Florida Civil War Voices 4 attendees
- Archaeology Day at the Clewiston Museum 27 attendees
- Mound Key Paddle in Celebration of FAM 4 attendees
- Calusa Heritage Day 900 attendees
- Old Florida Festival 398 attendees
- Bonita Nature Place -- 51 attendees

Media Coverage

- WAFC Clewiston Morning Radio Program alerting listeners to the upcoming Archaeology Day at the Clewiston Museum.
- WGCU Gulf Coast Live! Show covering Calusa Heritage Day: facilitation of radio show participant, Jo Muller (FGCU Paleoclimatologist)

Public Lectures/Presentations/Tours

- Mound Key Paddle in Celebration of FAM 2012 supplemented Koreshan State Historic Site Rangers with Calusa interpretive materials.
- Presentation about FPAN at Charlotte County Historical Conference

Advising/Meetings

- Continued to meet with the Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki Museum regarding the Archaeo-Cart and discussed Seminole content as it might be provided for FPAN Archaeo-Carts.
- Met with the Clewiston Museum to discuss partnership opportunities.
- Met with the Charlotte County Historical Center to discuss partnership opportunities.
- Met with the Southwest Florida Museum of History to discuss partnership opportunities.
- Met with the Collier County Museum to discuss partnership opportunities.
- Met with the Hendry County Museum to discuss partnership opportunities.
- Met with the Glades County Historical Museum to discuss partnership opportunities.
- Assisting Collier County Museum staff with children's programming needs.

Aiding/Advising Local Governments

Charlotte County Collier County Glades County Hendry County Lee County – Met with Lee County Historic Preservation Planner to explore role of FPAN in assisting the local government with updates to the Historic Preservation Element through the Evaluation and Appraisal Review (EAR) process.

Assisting DHR

On March 2nd, I toured FGCU Buckingham Facility to gain an understanding of the curatorial space that may be available to accommodate collections from SW Florida should the DHR be required to "decentralize" their holdings given the current situation.

<u>Other</u>

- Attended "Florida at the Crossroads" Conference Viva Florida.
- Attended FPAN's CRPT Training in Sarasota.
- Trimble Training.
- Served on multiple Search Committees, including an FGCU Anthropology Instructor I as well as our FPAN Program Assistant, Jessica Mendes.
- Introduced FGCU Paleoclimatologist, Jo Muller, to the Randell Research Center and Pineland site.
- Assisted with Beyond Artifacts Teacher Training Update and Timucua Tech editing.
- Created a new lesson plan for 1-Block Archaeology Activity concept.
- Ongoing assistance with the analysis and monograph work for the Waxy Hadjo's Landing excavation work conducted by the FGCU Field School in the summer of 2011 (Snapp as co-director).