

Northeast Regional Center
Quarterly Report July 1—September 30, 2011



Participants during outdoor component of CRPT in Palatka with before and after headstone featured.

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Executive Summary

The highlight of the quarter was the inaugural offering of the Cemetery Resources Protection Training (CRPT). Course development began with Rachel Wentz in the east central region developing PowerPoint presentations on state burial laws and was rounded out with presentations on cemetery management, filling out the a Florida Master site file form for cemeteries, and use of ground penetrating radar and other tools for locating site boundaries. The afternoon portion of the course is given on site at a historic cemetery where we discuss landscape maintenance and have participants clean headstones using D2. The first workshop was held in Palatka this quarter with two more scheduled for the second quarter.

Another highlight was welcoming new archaeologists to the area, including new faculty at Flagler College and the St. Augustine Lighthouse. Dr. William Locascio was hired by Flagler College as their first full time archaeology professor. Staff met with the new faculty numerous times and appreciate the chance to be more integrated into the new Public History program at the College. Another new archaeologist in the region hired by the St. Augustine Lighthouse is Brenda Swann, new Education Director. We look forward to partnering with both professionals throughout the fiscal year.

Type of Activity/Event	Events	Attendees
Public Events	2	146
Public Presentations	5	300
Professional Presentations	0	0
Professional Events	0	0
Adult Training/Workshops/Symposiums	5	111
School/Youth Programs/Workshops	3	79
TV/Radio Interviews	1	
Meetings attended	21	638
Printed Articles – Magazine, Newspaper	3	
Electronic Media produced– Blog, Podcasts, Social Media	7	49,263
Other- Displays (Lincolntonville Museum, VIC)	2	150,150
TOTAL	49	200,687

Public Outreach

Public Events

- Archaeology Roadshow, Museum of Science and History, Duval County—134 attendees
- Archaeology Bike Tour, Guana-Tolomato-Matanzas National Estuary Research Reserve, St. Johns County—12 attendees

Public Presentations

- Fantastic Archaeology, Flagler County Historical Society, Flagler County—18 attendees
- Archaeology and Religion lecture, Florida State College Jacksonville Campus, Duval County—24 attendees
- Laurel Grove and Kingsley Lecture, Clay County Historical Society, Clay County—14 attendees
- Susan Parker's lecture on Anastasia Island for St. Augustine Archaeology Association, Flagler College, St. Johns County—132 attendees
- In Search of 16th Century St. Augustine lecture for Central Florida Archaeological Society at Harry P. Leu Gardens, Orange County—82 attendees

School Programs

- Hope Haven Children's Clinic Summer Camp, Duval County—30 students
- Prehistoric Weaponry for Native Americans Class, Flagler College, St. Johns County—20 students
- Archaeology 101 for Florida School for the Deaf and Blind, St. Johns County—29 students

Workshops/Training

- Project Archaeology Facilitators' Workshop, Kingsley Plantation, Duval County—13 attendees
- Teach American History Workshop, Flagler College, St. Johns County—26 teachers
- Cemetery Resources Protection Training, Palatka, Putnam County—20 attendees

Media

- Center Website—979 views
- Coquina Queries Website—118 views
- Blog—20 entries, 7,511 new hits this quarter
- YouTube—1,973 views of combined videos
- Twitter—265 posts, 411 followers
- Facebook—75 posts, 26,138 views, 249 followers
- Mass emails—5 sent to 1,315 subscribers

- NBC affiliate morning show to promote MOSH Archaeology roadshow, Duval County
- Article in Times Union: Experts have a blast at MOSH's archaeology road show
- News and Observer article on recording Bobinski Wreck

Displays

- *Archaeology in Lincolnton*, Excelsior Museum, St. Augustine, St. Johns County— estimated 150 visitors
- Visitors Information Center, St. Augustine—stocked maps, brochures, and events calendar; 150,000 visitors quarterly

Grants

- Final drafts of Investigating Shelter: Kingsley Plantation project submitted by Timucuan NPS staff to Project Archaeology and closed out grant
- RFP for Timucuan Technology consultant submitted to state for approval
 - Kelley Weitzel's proposal is selected for lesson plans
 - Contract executed for grant and consultant work

Aiding/Advising Local Governments

Nassau County

- Spoke in support of Fernandina Beach's archaeological modeling project at City Commission Meeting
- Spoke in support of developing an archaeological ordinance at Fernandina's City Commission Meeting
- Reviewed article written by city planner Adrienne Dessy to support archaeological ordinance

Putnam County

- Met with City Manager assistant to discuss city partnership in CRPT workshop
- Met with parks and recreation staff regarding cemetery landscape maintenance issues
- Checked in with both City Police Department and Putnam County Sheriff's office to discuss vandalism to sites

St. Johns County

- Volunteer on City field projects as time allowed (three visits to the fort excavation site) and Amber assists Carl to organize records and collections Friday mornings as her schedule allows
- Attended first meeting of Federal 450th Commission at Flagler College
- Attended Cultural Resource Review Board for St. Johns County

Volusia County

- Met with city planners to organize a training activity for them in the fall in support of their archaeological ordinance

Assisting DHR

- Attended annual FPAN/DHR meeting in Tallahassee
 - Presented Development committee progress and assignments
 - Presented on CRPT development and future workshops
 - Discussed arranging NAI training in St. Augustine in December
- Discussed with Florida Master Site File staff cemetery recording and 16th century updates to site file
- Site Identification Team
 - Submitted site form for Bobinski Wreck, recorded with help of Jeff Moates in West Central region with write up in the News and Observer
 - Prepared presentation on recording cemeteries for CRPT

Other

- Sarah Miller elected to leadership committee of Project Archaeology
- Amber Weiss and Toni Wallace attended the SAA board reception in Jacksonville
- Northeast and West Central centers continued planning SEAC public day for November 5th