



Southwest Region- Quarterly Report April to June 2014

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Highlight of Quarter

The highlight of this quarter has been the overwhelming success of our Pop Archaeology summer youth reading program. In May, Pop Archaeology flyers were made and sent to all the libraries within the SW region. Within 30 minutes of sending the email, two libraries signed up. By the end of May, the number of participating libraries had grown to 14. Three additional libraries and one museum have scheduled the program for the fall. As of the end of the quarter, this program has allowed us to introduce at least 330 southwest Florida children (and their associated adults) to the mission and goals of FPAN. This program is expected to reach another 200 children by the end of the summer. The success of this program is particularly poignant because these libraries have been approached many times in the past with much less enthusiastic results. The success of Pop Archaeology again proves that garnering interest in programming is a long process.

Public Outreach

- Delivered five lectures at regional educational and historical venues; over 200 people attended.
- Presented Pop Archaeology and other youth programs at nine venues covering all five counties within this region.
- Staffed FPAN information booth at castnet demonstration area for Passport to the Past at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center.
- Assisted with guided kayak tour of Mound Key with Koreshan State Park staff.

Assistance to Local Governments

- Served on Events Committee for Chapel by the Sea as it develops a heritage celebration program.
- Presented at Charlotte County Historical Connections Conference in association with the FAC meeting.
- Met with Clewiston High School, Koreshan State Park, and Lee County Parks staff to discuss collaborative programming opportunities.

Professional Duties

- Participated in Society for Historical Archaeology Public Education and Interpretation Committee conference call.
- Served as board member and newsletter editor for SW-FAS.
- Received RPA certification.

Administrative Duties

- Researched and visited several potential rental offices.
- Ms. Timo continues to work from temporary office in her residence until a more suitable office can be secured.
- Ms. Timo completed additional FAU staff training.
- Participated in staff meetings at SW and SE FPAN offices.



Children learning about maize varieties during Pop Archaeology program at local library.