



# Louisiana Archaeological Society

## NEWSLETTER

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### FROM THE EDITOR

For the past two years, Chris Hays ably filled the shoes of Newsletter Editor while I was away in Texas digging shell middens. However, all good things must come to an end, and, to quote General MacArthur, "I have returned." So, now all of you lazy members out there are instructed, with great haste, to send in articles, news, current information, letters, anything!!! I mean anything!!! This newsletter is almost two months late because, until the end of May, there was nothing related to Louisiana archaeology to put in it. All that Chris and I had received over the past several months were book advertisements and notices on upcoming meetings and field schools. I do not want this newsletter simply to be a tool whereby other organizations advertise their wares. The newsletter needs to be about Louisiana archaeology!!! Both the Executive Committee and I want it to be the leading instrument for disseminating information about the state's archaeology — who's doing what, where, when. But this cannot happen if no one sends anything to me. Please, please, just take a few minutes to let me know what you're doing, what your university is doing, what your company is doing, what new finds you've made, even anything about old finds that are worth noting. If you only submit a sketch or photo of an interest-

ing artifact and a brief description of it, that would be great.

Enough of that. Now let me formally thank Chris Hays for serving as Interim Newsletter Editor for the past two volumes. I know how difficult the task can be at times, and I truly appreciate his willingness to take it on and to succeed with it. I also appreciate his willingness to help me learn the new bulk mailing system that the Postal Service instituted during my absence. Just when I thought I had finally mastered the nuances of the mailing bureaucracy, the Post Office goes and changes everything. I can't wait to learn the new system. In any case, I know the membership shares my gratitude to Chris for the past two years and a job well done. Thank you!!!

Rich Weinstein  
Newsletter Editor

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**MINUTES OF THE  
LOUISIANA ARCHAEOLOGICAL  
SOCIETY  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**February 5, 1999  
Holiday Inn/Atrium,  
2001 Louisville Avenue  
Monroe, Louisiana**

**Reported by  
Maureen Downey  
L.A.S. Secretary**

President Roger Saucier called the L.A.S. Executive Committee meeting to order Friday, February 5, 1999, at 6:05 p.m. at the Holiday Inn/Atrium located in Monroe, Louisiana. Members present were

- Roger Saucier – L.A.S. President, Vicksburg, MS
- Carl Kuttruff – L.A.S. Vice President/President Elect, Baton Rouge Chapter
- David Jeane – L.A.S. Treasure, Springhill, LA
- T.R. Kidder – L.A.S. Bulletin Editor, New Orleans, LA
- Chris Hays – L.A.S. Interim Newsletter Editor, Baton Rouge Chapter
- Rich Weinstein – L.A.S. Newsletter Editor, Baton Rouge Chapter
- Maureen Downey – L.A.S. Secretary, Delta Chapter
- Nancy Affeltranger – President, Central LA Archaeological Chapter
- John Guy – L.A.S. Representative-at-Large, Anacoco, LA
- Reca Jones – Northeast LA Chapter
- Claire Davis – Northeast LA Chapter
- Les Davis – Northeast LA Chapter
- Jena Kuttruff – Baton Rouge, LA

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held October 3, 1998, in Marksville, LA, were published in the fall 1998 newsletter. President Saucier called for discussion of the minutes. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes so David Jeane made a motion to accept the minutes as published in the latest newsletter. T.R. Kidder seconded the motion which the Committee then passed unanimously.

**REPORTS**

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer David Jeane gave the Treasurer's report that covered the period from 1/19/98 through 12/31/98 (included in this newsletter). Total assets of the L.A.S. as of 1/19/98 was \$19,649. Income for the year was \$6,386 and expenses were \$3,308. L.A.S. assets as of 12/31/98 were \$22,727. David reported that, because of the uncertainty regarding expenses, especially relating to the publication of the bulletin, he had previously hesitated to recommend investing in another certificate of deposit. However, he now felt that, given the large total of assets, another certificate should be purchased. President Saucier inquired about the present interest rates for certificates versus rates for the checking account. Roger invited further discussion. When questioned regarding the publication of future bulletins, T.R. Kidder, Bulletin Editor, replied that he anticipated the publication of only one bulletin this year. Carl Kuttruff reminded the Committee that receipt of 1999 dues would add to the L.A.S. assets. Rich Weinstein asked about the timetable of Brian Duhe's repayment to the L.A.S. and David Jeane replied that it would be approximately two more years before he completed his restitution. Everyone agreed that, considering the large amount presently in the checking account and the difference in interest rates,

investing in another certificate seemed a wise decision. Les Davis then motioned that the L.A.S. invest \$5,000 in a certificate of deposit. The motion was seconded by T.R. Kidder and passed unanimously by the Committee. Treasurer David Jeane will purchase for the L.A.S. a certificate of deposit for \$5,000 as soon as possible. President Saucier thanked David for the Treasurer's Report.

### Membership Report

David Jeane reported that as of December 31, 1998, the L.A.S. had 273 members (report included in this newsletter). Membership in 1997 was 307. Some probable causes for the drop in membership were discussed and ways to increase the number were put forward. Nancy Affeltranger proposed a basic field school to increase interest in the L.A.S. thereby building membership. Rich Weinstein commented that presently the L.A.S. members could participate in two excellent and established programs, one in Arkansas and the other in Texas. He also referred to problems related to the L.A.S. field schools in the past. He maintained, and President Saucier concurred, that, at present, the L.A.S. lacks the necessary structure considering the administrative logistics involved to conduct a field school. However, Claire Davis remarked that she agreed with Nancy Affeltranger concerning the need for an L.A.S. field school. She suggested that perhaps targeting certain groups such as students or seniors could be considered. She felt that a successful school could be conducted with proper planning. President Saucier declared the Committee would address the topic at the next Executive Committee meeting and asked everyone to consider it meanwhile. He then expressed his expectation that the new web site and the new brochure should help increase interest. He felt that publishing the membership list in the newsletter had a positive effect on membership by reminding people to renew their

membership. In reply to a query by Carl Kuttruff, David Jeane stated that approximately ten people joined the L.A.S. each year because of Archaeology Week. David then identified past members who had not renewed their membership. President Saucier urged everyone to think of ways to increase membership. He thanked David Jeane for his report.

### Newsletter Report

Interim Newsletter Editor Chris Hays gave an itemized report. Two hundred ninety-seven copies of Newsletter Volume 24, No. 3, were mailed on January 16, 1998, at a cost of \$58.18. On May 5, 1998, 336 copies of Volume 25, No. 1, were mailed at a cost of \$65.61. The cost to mail 276 copies of Volume 25, No 2, on September 22, 1998, was \$53.94. There were 273 copies of Volume 25, No. 3, mailed at a cost of \$63.11 on January 22, 1999. He also reported that 336 copies of Bulletin 22 were mailed on November 11, 1998, at a cost of \$167.50. Additional costs included 12 pieces of returned mail for \$7.07, padded mailers for bulletins for \$96.23, and an extra \$1.24 to mail Newsletter Volume 25, No. 3, to Canadian members. He stated that again the biggest problem concerning the newsletter was the few submissions received. He informed the Committee that the last two newsletters were behind schedule because of this lack of submissions. He repeated his appeal to all members and chapters to contribute to the newsletter. President Saucier declared that there must be more emphasis placed on the newsletter. He would like each chapter, professional member, university, etc., to submit a report at least once a year. He urged each Committee member to encourage their chapter and/or organization to do so. Rich Weinstein commented that obtaining chapter reports and reports on current research had always been difficult. He empathized that the chapters should submit names and pertinent information regarding their officers and/or con-

tact persons to be published in the newsletter, preferably the first one of each year. Rich Weinstein will return as Newsletter Editor for the next newsletter and Chris Hayes has volunteered to assist him in the transition. President Saucier then thanked Chris Hays for the excellent job he has done as Interim Newsletter Editor. David Jeane motioned that the Newsletter Report be accepted. Nancy Affeltranger seconded the motion, which the Committee passed.

### **Bulletin Report**

Bulletin Editor T.R. Kidder reported that he was also having difficulty in obtaining submissions. He stated that it was his policy to publish a bulletin when he had four articles because to wait for a greater number would cause too long a delay in the publishing schedule. He expects Bulletin 23 to be sent to the printers by the end of February and he feels USL can complete it quickly because of their summer schedule. Electronic transmission is now being adopted and he expects that to speed the process. Also, all articles are now being submitted for peer review. In reply to a question by Nancy Affeltranger, he said that he informs the reviewer if the author is an "amateur" and the reviewer uses this knowledge as a criterion in his review. T.R. advised that he planned to request 480 bound Bulletins and 20 unbound copies to be distributed to the authors. He reminded the Committee of the agreement that the L.A.S. has with USL, and expressed concern that this could change with the retirement of Jon Gibson. A new publisher may afford the L.A.S. more control over the timetable, but would probably be much more expensive. Roger Saucier said he would speak with Jon Gibson concerning the agreement and what the L.A.S might expect. Roger then asked T.R. about the status of Bulletin 24. He said that at present he had no articles for

the bulletin though he had some ideas for a bulletin he would like to compile. He commented that he hoped some people would submit their papers from this annual meeting. He also emphasized that anyone, amateur or professional, can submit articles. Rich Weinstein motioned that the Bulletin Report be accepted and David Jeane seconded the motion which the Committee passed. Roger Saucier thanked T.R. for his report.

### **Archival Committee**

Carl Kuttruff reported that he has worked on approximately four boxes of materials. He has developed a system to organize the material according to four major categories at this point. The categories are the Organization, History, Publications, and Executive Records. He distributed a list of materials archived according to the system. The list illustrates the idea of the system, although it might need to be worked on as more material is acquired. Roger suggested Carl publish the list in the newsletter so that people would know what he has or needs (list is included in this newsletter, Editor). When asked by David Jeane if he needed photos, Carl said he did need photos and would also like copies of the video tapes that John Polk has made of the annual meetings. Carl also said that he would include xeroxed materials from local chapters. Discussion was held on what to do with duplicate materials and where to house the archival material. Claire Davis advised that some type of monitoring system should be implemented. Carl said that Dr. Tom Eubanks would be getting a new storage facility and that he could speak with Dr. Eubanks regarding short-term storage until he had the materials organized. They could then be transferred to the state archives for permanent storage. Nancy Affeltranger, speaking for the Committee, thanked Carl for a good job.

## OLD BUSINESS

### New L.A.S. Logo

President Saucier showed the Committee the new L.A.S. logo. He thanked everyone who had contributed to the development and design of the logo and commented that everyone seemed to be pleased with it. T.R. Kidder informed the Committee that the logo would be on the cover of Bulletin No. 23.

### Questionnaire

Roger Saucier reported that he had already received four completed questionnaires. He encouraged everyone to complete the questionnaire. Nancy Hawkins, Division of Archaeology, will add the information to the archaeology database.

### L.A.S. Web Site

President Saucier informed the Committee that the first draft of the web site was on line. The address is LAARCHSOC.org. He remarked that there were a few problems with the site, but that they would soon be corrected. He added that Shannon Bonton, who created the web site, had recently acquired some new equipment so the next version should be improved. Rich Weinstein distributed copies of a list of the contents of the bulletin, *Louisiana Archaeology*, numbers 1 through 21 (1974-1994) that he had compiled to be placed on the site. Roger said that links to Delta Chapter and Baton Rouge Chapter had been added to the site and asked for suggestions for other links. He requested everyone review the site and send him any comments.

### Updated L.A.S. Brochure

Jim Fogleman had submitted the draft of the updated L.A.S. Brochure. He and Roger

welcome any comments. The new logo will be placed on the brochure along with two or three color photos. Nancy Affeltranger asked if the local chapter officers could be included. David Jeane suggested that perhaps a better idea would be to place that information on the web site and to reference the web site on the brochure. Roger called for suggestions regarding printing the brochure. T.R. Kidder asked about printing at LSU and Jena Kuttruff replied that in her experience the rate was not any better there than at other commercial sources. Rich Weinstein suggested using Coastal Environments, Inc., who prints the newsletters. Roger asked David Jeane if he could give an estimate of the number of brochures needed. Although he was not sure at present how many would be needed, David replied that quite a number of brochures would need to be made available for each chapter, as well as placed at the state parks, and to be distributed to the public during Archaeology Week. T.R. Kidder suggested that the cost be first investigated before deciding an amount to print. It was agreed that 5,000 seemed a reasonable number dependant upon costs. Roger will get estimates for the printing.

### Reprints of L.A.S. Publications

Roger Saucier said that he had already received some suggestions for reprints. He asked for any suggestions from the Committee. Different publications were discussed. He stated that he will ask for suggestions in the next newsletter. The Executive Committee will then prioritize the list.

## NEW BUSINESS

President Saucier asked if there was any new business. Nancy Affeltranger said, because of the great amount of interest among the students at her school, a session in archaeology was be-

ing considered. She said she would appreciate any ideas. Rich Weinstein said that he had received a letter from the Florida Archaeological Council asking if the L.A.S. had a formal policy relating to archaeology and Native Americans. The Florida Archaeological Council is in the process of drafting such a policy and would appreciate any help. The L.A.S. presently has no formal policy. Roger then called for any suggestions or preferences for the location of the next meeting. Since there were none, Roger said he would decide and then inform the Committee.

There was no further business. President Roger Saucier adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

LOUISIANA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY  
1998 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

December 31, 1998

REGULAR MEMBERS .....	135
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS .....	18
STUDENT MEMBERS .....	15
INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERS .....	23
SUSTAINING MEMBERS .....	2
LIFE MEMBERS .....	<u>80</u>
 TOTAL 1998 MEMBERS	 273

Total membership for 1988 was 251  
 Total membership for 1989 was 328  
 Total membership for 1990 was 315  
 Total membership for 1991 was 313  
 Total membership for 1992 was 291  
 Total membership for 1993 was 306  
 Total membership for 1994 was 304  
 Total membership for 1995 was 305  
 Total membership for 1996 was 297  
 Total membership for 1997 was 307

Respectfully submitted,  
David R. Jeane Treasurer  
February 6, 1999

# 1999 TAS Annual Meeting October 29-31

The 1999 TAS Annual Meeting will be held October 29-31 in Fort Worth at the Green Oaks Park Hotel. The Tarrant County Archeological Society is the host.

Send abstracts to:  
**Dr. Alan Skinner.** P.O. Box 82072, Dallas, TX 75382. Phone: (214) 368-0478, FAX: (214) 361-6762, and email: arcdigs@aol.com.

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**Candy Templeton.** 6949 Lorma Vista, Fort Worth, TX 76133. Phone: (817) 294-1964.

Green Oaks Park Hotel:  
6901 W. Freeway, Fort Worth, TX 76117. Phone: (817) 738-7311. **Special rate of \$65 per person** if reservations are received by October 3.

There will also be a silent auction during the meeting. If you have suitable archeology-related items contact **Pennie Lowetz.** 443 Valley Road, Weatherford, TX 76087. Phone: (817) 441-6065, and email: lowetz@flash.net.

LOUISIANA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY  
1998 FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
DECEMBER 31, 1998

Period covered by this report - 1/19/98 thru 12/31/98

ACCOUNT REPORTS JANUARY 19, 1998

Louisiana Archaeological Society Savings "A"...	6,791.00
Louisiana Archaeological Society Savings "B"...	4,549 00
Checking Account Balance.....	8,179.00
Petty Cash.....	109.00

TOTAL ASSETS - 1/19/98	19,649.00
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1998 TRANSACTIONS

INCOME

Membership Fees and Publication Sales.....	3,061.00
Checking Account Interest.....	249.00
Brian Duhe Payments.....	1,700.00
Savings Account Interest.....	561.00
Baton Rouge Chapter Annual Mtg. Reimburse.....	815.00

<u>TOTAL 1998 INCOME</u>	6,386.00
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EXPENSES

Treasurer Expenses (printing, phone, postage).....	237.00
News/Bull. Expenses (printing, postage, etc.).....	2,007.00
Society of American Archaeology.....	30.00
1998 Annual Meeting Expenses.....	306.00
La. Archeology Week Grant .....	200.00
LAS Logo/Web Page Expenses.....	275.00
Speakers Bureau.....	125.00
Misc.....	128.00

<u>TOTAL 1998 EXPENSES</u>	3,308.00
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BALANCE IN CHECKING ACCOUNT 12/31/98..... 10,758.00

TOTAL ASSETS LOUISIANA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY - 12/31/98

LAS SAVINGS "A".....	7,120.00
LAS SAVINGS "B".....	4,781.00
CHECKING ACCOUNT.....	10,758.00
PETTY CASH ON HAND.....	68.00

<u>TOTAL</u>	22,727.00
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Account Information  
SAVINGS

1) LAS "A" - Certificate of Deposit #5017268  
Louisiana Archaeological Society - Citizens Bank and  
Trust Company, Springhill, La. 71075 - 12 Month  
Certificate matures 4/14/99. (4.75% interest)

2) LAS "B" - Certificate of Deposit #5016697  
Louisiana Archaeological Society - Citizens Bank and  
Trust Company, Springhill, La. 71075 - 12 Month  
Certificate matures 7/08/99. (5.25% interest)

CHECKING

Louisiana Archaeological Society - Account # 005-338-4  
Citizens Bank and Trust Company, Springhill, La. 71075  
Money Market Interest account

Respectfully submitted,



David R. Jeane  
Treasurer  
Louisiana Archaeological Society  
February 6, 1999

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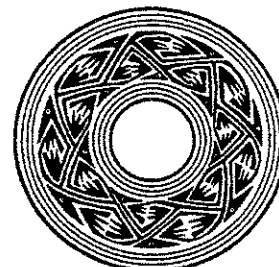
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**MINUTES OF THE  
LOUISIANA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY  
25TH ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**

**Monroe, Louisiana  
February 6, 1999**

**Reported by  
Maureen Downey  
L.A.S. Secretary**

The 25th Annual Business Meeting was held at the Holiday Inn/Atrium, 2001 Louisville Avenue, Monroe, Louisiana, Saturday, February 6, 1999. President Roger Saucier called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

**REPORTS**

President Saucier announced that the minutes of the 1998 Annual Business Meeting, held January 31, 1998, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, had been published in the spring 1998 newsletter. He asked whether there were any corrections or additions to those minutes. There were none so a motion was made by David Jeane that the minutes of the previous Annual Business Meeting be approved as published in the newsletter. Rich Weinstein seconded the motion which the membership passed.

Treasurer David Jeane gave the Treasurer's Report. He reported that it had been a very good year for the L.A.S. Total assets as of 1/19/98 were \$19,649. Income for the year was \$6,386 and expenses were \$3,308. Assets as of 12/31/98 were \$22,727. The L.A.S. certificate of deposit at 4.75% interest had a balance of \$7,120 and the certificate at 5.25% interest had \$4,781. The balance in the checking account as of 12/31/98 was \$10,758. Because of this large balance in the checking account and expected expenses for 1999, at their February 5 meeting, the Executive Committee decided to purchase another cer-

tificate of deposit. David Jeane will purchase for the L.A.S. a certificate of deposit for \$5,000 within thirty days. Roger Saucier announced that there would probably be no debt as a result of the 1999 Annual Meeting. He added that more than 100 people attended the meeting. President Saucier thanked Treasurer Jeane for his report.

David Jeane then gave the Membership Report. He reported that the L.A.S. had 273 members as of 12/31/98. Membership in 1997 was 307. David said that the biggest decrease was in the regular membership category. He said that he would write a reminder letter to those members who had not renewed. President Saucier thanked David for the Membership Report.

Interim Newsletter Editor Chris Hays gave the Newsletter Report. He stated that the last newsletter was behind schedule because of the few submissions received. He urged all members and chapters to contribute to the Newsletter. Chris asked that all chapters please submit the names and addresses of their officers and representatives so that they might be printed in the newsletter. He also remarked that the newsletter would be a good forum to publish papers given at this meeting. President Saucier also encouraged chapters to submit chapter reports, remarking that members enjoy learning what is going on in other areas. Roger announced that Rich Weinstein would be returning as Newsletter Editor beginning with the next newsletter. Chris Hays has volunteered to help him with the transition. President Saucier thanked Chris for his report and for the excellent job he has done as Interim Newsletter Editor. Rich Weinstein moved to accept the Newsletter Report. Maureen Downey seconded the motion which was then passed by the membership.

Bulletin Editor T.R. Kidder reported that Bulletin 22 (1995) had been mailed. It contained seven articles. Bulletin 23 (1996), containing four

articles, will be at the printers soon. It should be out by the end of the summer. He has not yet received any submissions for Bulletin 24 (1997). Although he has several things that could comprise a bulletin, he would prefer to have some contributions. He added that all articles are now being submitted for peer review which seems to be working well. Electronic transmission is expected to help speed the process. Chris asked anyone who was a member in 1995 but who had not received Bulletin 22 to please to let him know. Roger asked whether there were any further comments or discussion. There were none so David Jeane moved to accept the Bulletin Report and John Polk seconded the motion. The motion passed.

President Saucier informed the membership of plans to reprint out-of-print L.A.S. publications. He asked for recommendations which the Executive Committee would then prioritize.

#### OLD BUSINESS

President Saucier showed the membership the new L.A.S. logo. He noted that the logo would be on all future L.A.S. publications and invited comment. Roger also advised that the L.A.S. web page was now on line. The address is LAARCHSOC.org. President Saucier remarked that, although there were a few problems with the site, they were expected to be corrected soon. He said that a list of the bulletins and their contents would be added to the web page. He thanked Shannon Bonton who created the site and said that she would upgrade as needed. Roger plans to have the site listed on some search engines. Skip Newfield commented that he had obtained information regarding the meeting from the web site and that he was favorably impressed with the page.

Jim Fogleman has submitted to the Executive Committee a draft of the updated L.A.S. bro-

chure. A few changes and corrections will be made and the new logo and a couple of color photos will be added. Cost estimates will be obtained. Roger thanked Jim for drafting the brochure.

Roger Saucier reported that the L.A.S. had an agreement with the Louisiana State Archives to use their facility to store L.A.S. archival material. Carl Kuttruff has developed a system to categorize the materials. Discussion was held regarding duplicate materials. A suggestion was made that duplicate publications might be sold at the annual meetings. The Executive Committee will consider the matter. Slides, photos and video also are to be included in the archives. Roger thanked Carl for his hard work.

#### NEW BUSINESS

President Roger Saucier told the membership of Nancy Affeltranger's suggestion for a field school. Any input will be welcomed by President Saucier. The Executive Committee will address the matter at their next meeting.

John Polk suggested that the L.A.S. establish an E-mail list. This suggestion was favorably received and several ways to implement a system were discussed. Roger Saucier mentioned that the membership list was published in the newsletter and perhaps E-mail addresses could be added to that list. David Jeane said that the Texas Archeological Society had their own network and chat group to which all members could subscribe. The L.A.S. could consider doing that also.

Roger Saucier encouraged everyone to complete the questionnaire in the latest newsletter. Nancy Hawkins will add the information received to the Division of Archaeology's data base.

Next, David Jeane made a motion that the membership adopt a resolution thanking Northeast Chapter for being host to the 25th Annual Meeting. Nancy Affeltranger seconded the motion which passed unanimously. President Roger Saucier officially thanked Joe Saunders and all the members of the Northeast Chapter for a job well done! He announced that Delta Chapter in New Orleans would be the host to the next Annual Meeting.

President Saucier asked if there was any further business. There being none, Carl Kuttruff made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Rich Weinstein and unanimously passed by the membership. President Roger Saucier adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

### DELTA CHAPTER

Delta Chapter meets at 7:30 p.m. in room 1001 at the University of New Orleans, Science Building on the last Thursday of the month. No meetings are held in June, July and August.

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Delta Chapter's web site address is

[Http://www.geocities.com/Athens/Troy/8370/index.htm](http://www.geocities.com/Athens/Troy/8370/index.htm)

Delta Chapter will host the 2000 Annual Meeting. It will be held on February 4-6, 2000.

# PUBLIC OUTREACH GRANT

## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

### SOUTHEASTERN ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE

The Southeastern Archaeological Conference is requesting proposals for the 1999 **Public Outreach Grant**. The grants are to *promote public awareness of archaeology* in the Southeast. Most grants are to sponsor *activities that are associated with the annual meeting* which will be held in Pensacola, Florida, November 10-14, 1999. Encouraged activities include teacher workshops, sessions for the public, field trips for the public to archaeological sites in conjunction with the annual meeting, printed material for the public, or Native American outreach. Other possibilities include archaeology week celebrations, particularly the state which will host the meeting.

#### Guidelines:

1. Grants cannot be used for receptions, food, or entertainment
2. Grants may be applied for by anyone: it is not necessary to be a SEAC member
3. The 1999 grant will not exceed \$2000. Applicants are encouraged to seek additional funding sources.

#### Proposals:

- Three page maximum statement of purpose
- A list of potential supplementary funding sources
- Budget specifying how grant funds will be spent
- Three copies
- Grant proposals will be reviewed by a three member standing committee of SEAC and approved by the SEAC Board. The committee will be appointed by the President from current SEAC Board members and may include additional local meeting arrangement person(s).
- **Deadline: July 1, 1999**
- **Notification of Award: August 1, 1999**

#### Requirements of Award Recipients:

- *Acknowledgment* of SEAC in any printed material produced by the grant and in announcements at any public meetings associated with grant-funded activities
- Submission of a *final report* discussing attendance, activities, assessment of the success of the project, etc.

Send Proposals to Dr. Judith A. Bense, Professor and Director, Archaeology Institute, 11,000 University Parkway, University of West Florida, Pensacola, FL 32514. Voice and FAX: 850-474-3015; email; [jbense@uwf.edu](mailto:jbense@uwf.edu).

**NEW DATA ON TWO PREHISTORIC  
MOUND SITES ON THE  
OUACHITA RIVER  
IN CATAHOULA PARISH,  
LOUISIANA**

by

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In March, 1999, archaeologists from Surveys Unlimited Research Associates, Inc. (SURA) were employed by Compliance Consultants, Inc. (CCI) to carry out National Register testing along part of a Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) proposed right-of-way (ROW) south of Harrisonburg, Louisiana. This ROW for a new bridge crossing the Ouachita River, passes between two previously reported archaeological sites, The Taylor Place/McGuffee Mounds site (16CT17) and The Bankston Mound site (16CT112) on the west bank of the river. Figure 1 is a portion of the latest 7.5 minute topographic quadrangle which shows the locations of the mounds at these sites.

While the results of the DOTD project are to be reported separately, this account by SURA and NASA personnel will provide new data concerning the mound sites that resulted from remotely sensed images, archival research, soil cores, and radiocarbon dates. No DOTD funds were involved with this work and it was conducted separately from the ROW survey. We will proceed with a short description of each site and a recount of what archaeological investigations have taken place at them and then move on to the new developments.

**The Taylor Place/McGuffee  
Mounds Site (16CT17)**

*About one mile below Harrisonburg, on property of Mr. A.G. Taylor, of Harrisonburg, is a group of mound of moderate size, showing the effect of much cultivation. Nothing of interest was found at this place.*

C.B. Moore, *Antiquities of  
the Ouachita Valley*, 1909

These two sentences comprise the complete report on this site by C.B. Moore, the steamboating antiquarian. As it turns out he

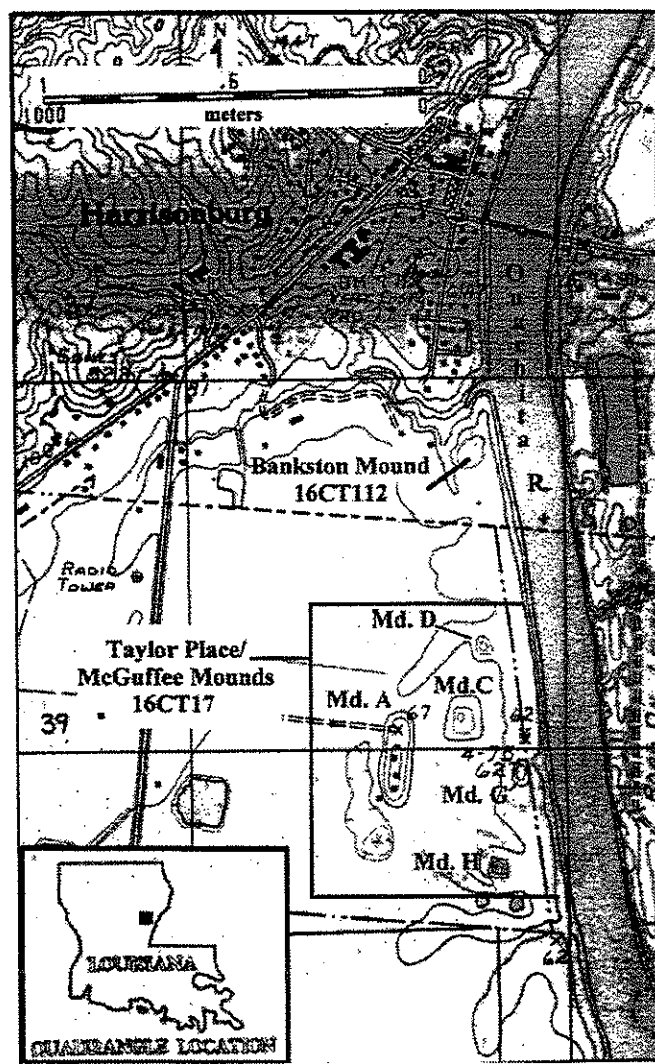


Figure 1. Detail of Harrisonburg, Louisiana, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle showing locations of mounds at the Taylor Place/McGuffee Mounds site (16CT17) and the Bankston Mound site (16CT112).

could not have been more wrong about there being "nothing of interest". Also, surprisingly, we found the site to be in much better condition than suggested by Moore. While some of the mounds and the intermound areas obviously have been plowed, most of the mounds have escaped cultivation and much of the site is under a protective stratum of alluvium from the Ouachita River.

Taylor Place/McGuffee Mounds site is a multimound location in a level floodplain of the Ouachita River about 1 km south of Harrisonburg and the very distinctive Catahoula Hills. Referred to as both the Old Taylor Place and the McGuffee site, it is not to be confused with another McGuffee site (16CT15/137) some miles up the Ouachita. While the site has been visited and reported on by other archaeologists after Moore, among them James Ford, Jon Gibson, and Gulf South Research Institute (GSRI), information concerning it never got beyond producing sketch maps of the site's layout and opportunistic collections of prehistoric artifacts from the surface. In fact, these reports disagree on several basic points: for example how many mounds there are and when the site may have been occupied.

GSRI (Hudson and Saltus 1976), for example, reported that there were five mounds at the site, with Mound A being an elongated earthen platform on the western side of the plaza or intermound area. They also speculated that the site had a Marksville cultural affiliation apparently based on artifacts they recovered from the surface (Division of Archaeology site files. For his part, Gibson reported in an LAS Bulletin article "Mounds on the Ouachita" (Gibson 1983) that there were four mounds and that he collected artifacts from a buried midden eroding into the Ouachita. The ceramic artifacts he collected consisted of 17 sherds of Marksville Stamped, Marksville Incised, Mazique Incised and plain

pottery types. He also found five lithic artifacts that were not diagnostic. Gibson concluded that "the majority of the materials was of pre-Coles Creek origin and probably pre-dates the period of mound construction. The failure to discover a midden zone more commensurate with the probable Coles Creek age of the mound complex suggests coverage by alluvium (Gibson 1983:241-242)."

In 1995, Jones and Shuman, then working for Gulf South Research Corporation (GSRC 1996), visited the site during a Phase I cultural resources survey for DOTD, although the mound site proper was outside their project area. They noted the arrangement of the five mounds at the site, the existence of borrow pit remnants for two of the mounds, and they made a small surface collection from various portions of the site. With a total of 183 artifacts, they procured the largest reported collection for the site to date. Diagnostic ceramic types recovered during GSRC's investigations were dominated by Baytown/Troyville markers that included Baytown Plain, *var. Troyville*, Larto Red, *var. Larto*; Marksville Incised, *var. Spanish Fort*, Mulberry Creek Cord Marked, *var. Edwards*, and Salomon Brushed, *var. Salomon*.

#### **Bankston Mound Site (16CT112)**

The Bankston Mound, is a single low, conical structure, about 0.5 km north of Mound D of the Taylor Place site. This mound was not mentioned by Gibson in his LAS Bulletin article and appears to have been ignored by archaeologists until it was recorded by GSRI (Hudson and Saltus 1976). This report described it as being 2 m high and 75 m x 85 m at the base. The report also noted that it had been diminished by repeated plowing, but that prehistoric lithics and plain grog-tempered sherds were associated with it. Hudson and Saltus thought it likely that the mound dated to the Marksville period. Jones and

Shuman for GSRC (1996) visited this mound in 1995 and made a small surface collection. The few prehistoric sherds recovered by them were Baytown Plain, *var. unspecified* and thus provided little evidence to corroborate the Marksville period as the time of the mound's occupation.

### Most Recent Data

The latest information on these two sites was obtained by the use of the ATLAS (Airborne Terrestrial Applications Sensor) data gathered by a flight with a NASA Learjet. This sensor collects digital imagery in 15 bands of the spectrum, including visible, infrared, and thermal. The spatial resolution is 2.5 meters. In addition to these images, photographs using Color Infrared Film were also taken. Besides the NASA data, SURA acquired archival aerial photographs, placed soil cores into two of the mounds, (Mound D at 16CT17 and the Bankston Mound), and retrieved samples for radiocarbon dates from each of the sites. These methodologies provided new information about both of these sites and gave us reason to think that further archaeological investigations in this part of Louisiana could clarify a poorly understood period for the prehistoric chronology of the Lower Mississippi Valley.

### Aerial Photography

Aerial photographs from two sources were examined. One series of photos resulted from a NASA flyover in April, 1999 (Figure 2). A second source was the Louisiana State University Cartographic Information Center, which held a copy of the 1940 Soil Conservation Service (SCS) aerial photograph of the area (SCS 1940) (Figure 3).

During examination of the NASA photographs, Dr. Giardino noted what appeared to be the hint of a semi-circular feature enclosing the mounds at the Taylor Place/McGuffee Mounds

site. When the 1940 SCS photograph was examined, this feature was even more distinct. Both images also suggest is that Mounds A and D may have been incorporated into the enclosure.

### Soil Cores

Soil probes and bucket augers were used to obtain preliminary stratigraphic information about Mound D of the Taylor Place/McGuffee Mounds site and about the Bankston Mound. The stratigraphy for both mounds verified that they were indeed man-made and that their bases

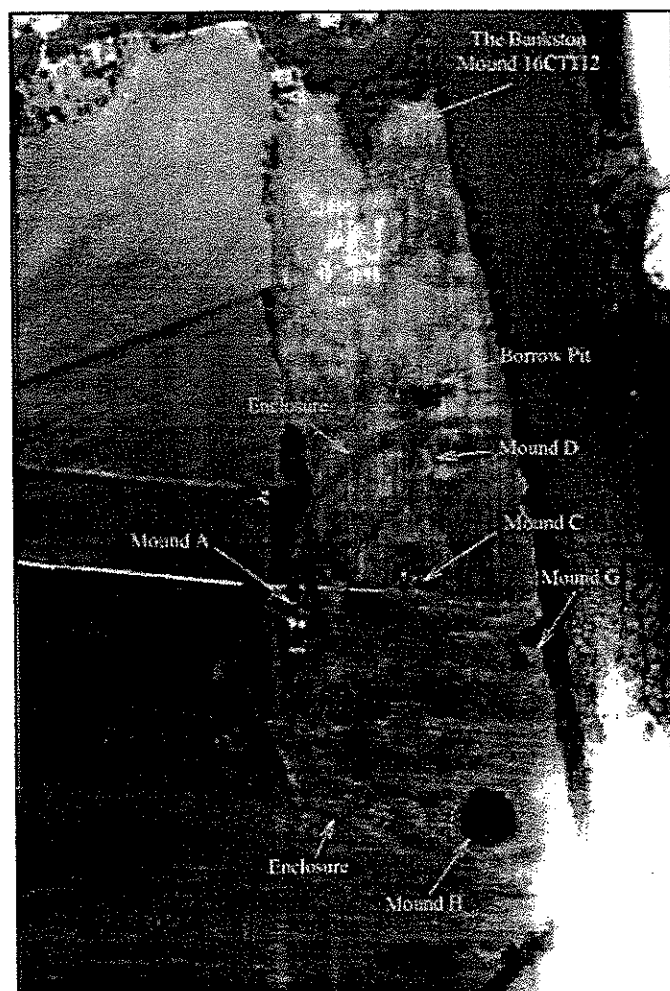


Figure 2. Greyscale image of multispectral data from flyover of the Taylor Place/McGuffee Mounds site (16CT17) in 1999. Mound designations follow Hudson and Saltus (1976) and are not consecutive.



Figure 3. Detail of 1941 Soil Conservation Service aerial photograph showing mound and possible enclosure at the Taylor Place/McGuffee Mounds site (16CT17). Mound designations follow Hudson and Saltus (1976) and are not consecutive.

were buried beneath several centimeters of alluvium from the Ouachita River. The mound fill was apparently from the immediate area around the mounds and Mound D at the Taylor Place/McGuffee site was associated with a nearby borrow pit. Prehistoric ceramics were recovered in the fill for both mounds, as well as charcoal and other material suitable as samples for radiocarbon dating.

### Radiocarbon Dating

While in the field, SURA obtained a midden sample from 35 cm above the base of Mound D at the Taylor Place/McGuffee Mounds site (16CT17). This sample was taken by bucket auger and consisted of charred material in a matrix that included fragments of a plain, grog-tempered ceramic sherd. The sample was submitted to Beta Analytic for AMS dating, with the resulting date (Beta-128984) being 1380 +/- 40 B.P. (cal A.D. 615-690 with a two sigma range). This suggests that Mound D was constructed during the late Troyville period.

Another sample was taken by bucket auger from midden-like material resting on the base of the Bankston Mound (16CT112). This sample consisted of charred material and, again, contained fragments of a plain, grog-tempered ceramic sherd. The standard radiometric date (Beta-128983) from this sample was 1740 +/- 80 B.P. (cal A.D. 95-445 with a two sigma range). These dates place this mound within the Marksville period and 200 to 500 years earlier than Mound D of 16CT17. The grog tempered, notched rim sherd recovered with this sample (Figure 4) is one of the recognized decorative rim treatments for the Marksville period (Toth 1974:125-126).

### Conclusions and Future Research

Without doubt, the most intriguing result of these latest investigations is that there appears to have been an earthen enclosure around the mounds at the Taylor Place/McGuffee Mounds site. If this is indeed the case, then this site joins a small, but important group of prehistoric sites in Louisiana and the Lower Mississippi Valley that also had this form of earthen architecture. The Marksville site (16AV1) (Figure 5) and the now largely destroyed Troyville site (16CT5) (Figure 6) come to mind as comparisons. Per-



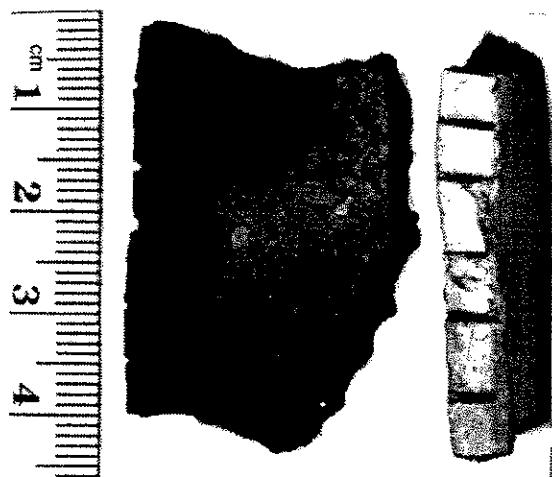


Figure 4. Two views of the same sherd recovered from bucket auger of the Bankston Mound site (16EBR112). This rim treatment is characteristic of the Marksville period (Toth 1974).

haps even more interesting, the Troyville site, located where the Ouachita River runs into the Little River and the Tensas River to form the Black River, is only 12 crow flying miles south. Furthermore, while there is admittedly only one radiocarbon date and a few surface collected sherds to suggest it, the Taylor Place/McGuffee Mounds site at this point appears to be a contemporary of the Troyville site, although there is evidence of earlier and later occupations as well. If this is indeed the case, further work at the Taylor Place/McGuffee Mounds site might provide important new information about this poorly understood period between the decline of the Marksville culture and the florescence of the Coles Creek period in Louisiana prehistory. Furthermore, more information about the apparent Marksville occupation at the nearby Bankston site might shed light on when, how, or even if, such a transition took place.

More work should be done at both of these sites. Perhaps the first step is to construct a thorough and detailed contour map of both sites to record the size of the mounds and other existing features at the site, as well as their horizontal

relation to one another. This map, among other things, may better show the existence of embankments and borrow pits, as well as emphasize the uniqueness we think exists with the shape, size, and placement of Mound A. After that, a number of techniques can be employed to better understand how and when the site was occupied. Among these are the use of the relatively new technique (to Louisiana, anyway) of Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR), as well as more traditional endeavors such as soil coring, test units, radiocarbon dating, and artifact surface collecting. As a result of these efforts, we may find that both these sites are indeed very important to our understanding of Louisiana prehistory and perhaps deserve special attention for long term investigation. Who knows, maybe these sites will deserve to be placed on the National Register of Historic Places or could even become a new State

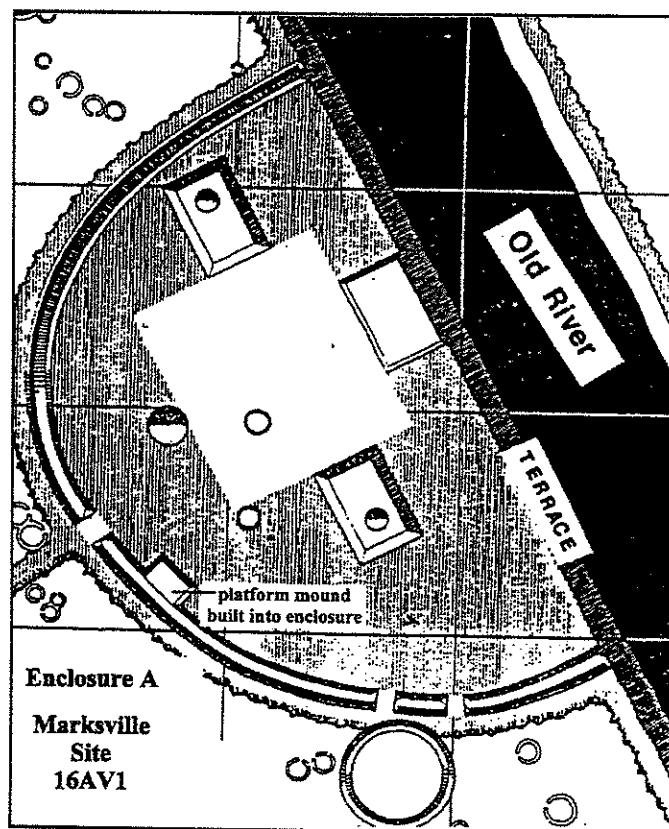


Figure 5. Idealized plan of Enclosure A at the Marksville site (16AV1) (Morgan 1980).

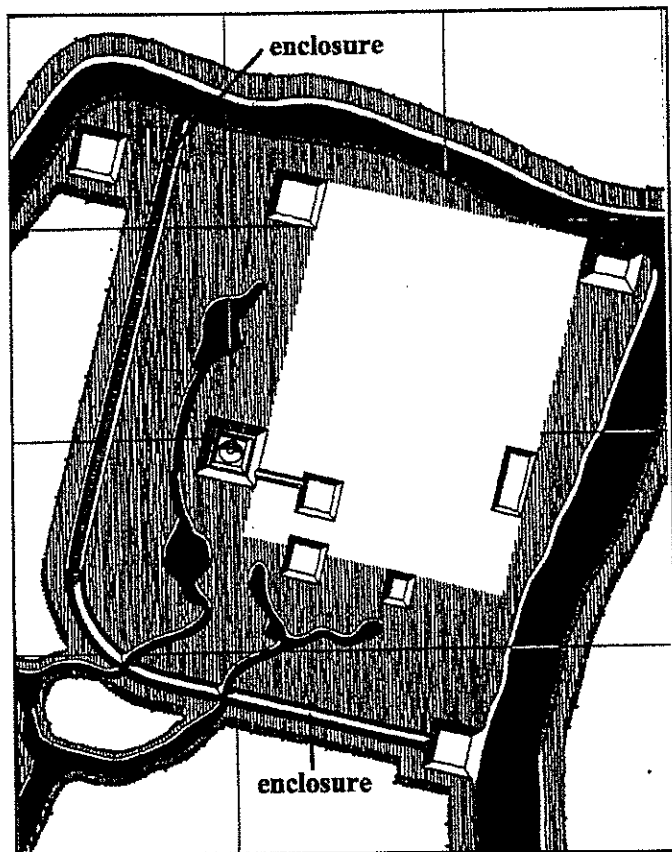


Figure 6. Idealized view of the Troyville site (16CT5) (Morgan 1980).

Commemorative Area like the Poverty Point or Marksville sites. The authors have plans and some funding for this additional research and will be keeping LAS members aware of developments.

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## NEWS

### NORTHWEST CHAPTER MEMBERS INSTRUMENTAL IN DISCOVERY OF HISTORIC CADDO VILLAGE

A team of Northwest Chapter members, led by Claude McCrokin, recently found the remains of one of the last Caddo villages in northeast Texas. Known to the Caddo as *Sha-Chidi-ni*, and to archaeologists as the Timber Hill site, the village is situated in Marion County, near Jefferson, Texas. The site, along with five others in the area, was occupied by about 300 Caddo families until the 1840s when the Indians were removed to a reservation on the upper Brazos River near Fort Belknap.

Once notified of the site, the Texas Historical Commission (THC) was able to gain permission and support for a brief archaeological investigation under the direction of staff archaeologist Mark Parsons. This research was sponsored by the THC Cypress Valley Alliance, the Historic Jefferson Foundation, the Marion County Industrial Foundation, and the landowner — the International Paper Corporation. Members of the Northwest Chapter participated in the investigations, and preliminary results were presented in March at the Caddo Conference in Jefferson, Texas. For more information, contact the THC at (512) 463-6096 or e-mail at [thc@thc.state.tx.us](mailto:thc@thc.state.tx.us).  
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### ARKANSAS ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY TRAINING PROGRAM

The Arkansas Archeological Society will hold its annual training session from June 11 through June 27 at the Greenbriar site (3 IN 1), a large, late Mississippi period village located on the White River just south and west of Batesville, near the town of Desha, Arkansas. Included, as usual, will be lectures, orientation programs, seminars, and field and laboratory sessions. Dr. Julie Morrow, Station Archaeologist for the Arkansas Archeological Survey at Arkansas State University, will serve as this year's director. For more information, contact either Hester Davis or Mary Sordahl at the Arkansas Archeological Survey in Fayetteville — (501) 575-3556.

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Please check the last few pages of this newsletter, plus your address label, to see if you have renewed for 1999. The society had its lowest membership in several years in 1998, and we don't want a repeat of that. If you have not sent your dues to David Jeane, L.A.S. Treasurer, please do so now.

### IN THE WORKS

Plans are now being finalized for the reissue of  
SP #1 *Stone Points and Tools  
of Northwestern Louisiana.*

Expect to see it back in circulation this fall!

### L.A.S. WEB SITE

The L.A.S. now has a web site that one can search for information on the society, it's upcoming meetings, past publications, etc. Check it out!!—  
[www.laarchsoc.org](http://www.laarchsoc.org)

## LAS MEMBERS

The Division of Archaeology is beginning to make plans for the **Twelfth Annual Louisiana Archaeology Week in 1999, scheduled for September 26 - October 2**. We are looking forward to having a variety of activities and participants again this year. If you would like to help in planning, hosting, or leading an activity, please complete the information below and return this form to Nathanael Heller at the Division of Archaeology, P.O. Box 44247, Baton Rouge, LA 70804, or fax it at (504)342-4480. If you have any further questions, comments, or suggestions, feel free to contact Nathanael at (504)342-8170, or E-mail at [nheller@crt.state.la.us](mailto:nheller@crt.state.la.us).

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## LOUISIANA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY ARCHIVES (As of 2/4/99)

### 1. Organization

- 1.1 Constitution and By Laws (Original and later versions with changes)
  - 1.1.1 Constitution and By-Laws of the Louisiana Archaeological Society, Adopted December 7, 1972 (2 copies) and List of Members of 1st Meeting, December 7, 1972 [Gibson 1/96]
  - 1.1.2 Louisiana Archaeological Society By-Laws as amended and adopted at the reorganizational meeting held in Jonesville, Louisiana, May 25, 1974 [Gibson 1/96]
- 1.2 Correspondence relating to the formation of the Louisiana Archaeological Society
- 1.3 Articles of Incorporation of the Louisiana Archaeological Society
  - 1.3.1 Articles of Incorporation of the Louisiana Archaeological Society (undated except 1961 mimeographed or xerox copy) [Gibson 1/96]

### 2. History

- 2.1 Lists of Officers by Year (Note: These can be compiled from Newsletters)
  - 2.1.1 List of Past Presidents 1974 - 1984 [Gibson 1/96]
- 2.2 Annual Membership Lists (Note: These can be copied from the LAS Newsletters for the most part)
  - 2.2.1.1 (1974) Charter Members
  - 2.2.1.2 (1974) 1974 Membership List (May be a partial list; does not indicate charter membership) [Gibson 1/96]
  - 2.2.2 (1975) 1975 Membership List
  - 2.2.3 (1976) 1976 Membership List
  - 2.2.12 (1985) 1985 Membership List
  - 2.2.19 (1992) 1992 Membership List
- 2.3 Annual Meetings
  - 2.3.1 (1975) 1st Annual Meeting
    - 2.3.1.1 Published Program and Abstracts
    - 2.3.1.2 Correspondence relating to 1st Annual Meeting, Hotel Arrangements, and 10st Annual Meeting Contributions
    - 2.3.1.3 Audio Tapes of 1st Annual Meeting (8 cassette tapes) [Gibson 1/96]. [Note: These need to be copied, and also transcribed].
  - 2.3.2 (1976)
  - 2.3.3 (1977)
  - 2.3.4 (1978)
  - 2.3.5 (1979)
  - 2.3.6 (1980) 6th Annual Meeting, February 1-3, 1980, Alexandria, Louisiana.
    - 2.3.6.1 Published Program and Abstracts [Gibson 1/96]
    - 2.3.6.2 Correspondence relating to 6th Annual Meeting [Gibson 1/96]
    - 2.3.6.3 Correspondence relating to the organization of a Troyville Symposium for the 6th Annual Meeting [Gibson 1/96]
  - 2.3.9 (1983) 9th Annual Meeting, January 28-30, 1983, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
    - 2.3.9.1 Published Program and Abstracts [Gibson 1/96]
    - 2.3.9.2 Correspondence relating to 9th Annual Meeting, Hotel Arrangements [Gibson 1/96]

- 2.3.10 (1984) 10th Annual Meeting, January 20-22, 1984, Lafayette, Louisiana
    - 2.3.10.1 Published Program and Abstracts [Gibson 1/96]
    - 2.3.10.2 Correspondence relating to 10th Annual Meeting, Hotel Arrangements, and 10th Annual Meeting Contributions [Gibson 1/96]
  - 2.3.11 (1985) 11th Annual Meeting
  - 2.3.12 (1986) 12th Annual Meeting
  - 2.3.13 (1987) 13th Annual Meeting, January 23-25, 1987, New Orleans, Louisiana
    - 2.3.13.1 Published Program and Abstracts [Gibson 1/96]
  - 2.3.14 (1988) 14th Annual Meeting
  - 2.3.15 (1989) 15th Annual Meeting, January 20-22, 1989, Lake Charles, Louisiana
    - 2.3.15.1 Published Program [Gibson 1/96]
    - 2.3.15.2 Color Photographs and Negatives of people and events at the Annual Meeting (1 Roll) [Gibson]
  - 2.4 James Alfred Ford Awards (Recipients and accompanying statements of achievement)
    - 2.4.1 List of Recipients 1997 - 1982 [Gibson 1/96]
  - 2.5.0 Field Schools/Field Projects
  - 2.6.0 Chapters of the Louisiana Archaeological Society (with locations, founding dates, and dates of demise. See also Section 5 with chapter records)
3. Publications
- 3.1 Louisiana Archaeological Society Bulletin by Number and Year
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#### 4. Executive Records

##### 4.1 Records of the Presidents

- 4.1. Joe Manuel Papers ca. 1985-1987 - xerox copy sent to Jon L. Gibson by Joe Manuel (not yet inventoried) [Gibson 1/96]

##### 4.2 Records of the Vice-Presidents

##### 4.3 Records of the Secretary

- 4.3. 1885 Linda Church Recording Secretary (not yet inventoried) [Gibson 1/96]
- 4.3. 1886 Linda Church Recording Secretary (not yet inventoried) [Gibson 1/96]
- 4.3. 1887 Linda Church Recording Secretary (not yet inventoried) [Gibson 1/96]
- 4.3. 1888 Linda Church Recording Secretary (not yet inventoried) [Gibson 1/96]

##### 4.4 Records of the Treasurer

- 4.4. Bank Statements and Check Book Register (ca. 1987-1989), Linda Jackson, Treasurer (not yet inventoried) [Gibson 1/96]
- 4.4. Records regarding the investigation of Brian Dube (not yet inventoried) [Gibson 1/96]

##### 4.5 Records of the LAS Bulletin Editor (correspondence and other records not directly relating to manuscripts)

##### 4.6 Records of the Newsletter Editor (correspondence and other records not directly relating to Newsletter content)

#### 5. Louisiana Archaeological Society Chapter Records

##### 5.1 Northwest Chapter

##### 5.2 Northeast Chapter

- 5.3 East-Central Chapter
- 5.4 Central Louisiana Chapter
- 5.5 Baton Rouge Chapter
- 5.6 Delta Chapter
  - 5.6.1 Organization
    - 5.6.1.1 Constitution and By-Laws of Delta Chapter, Inc., April 10, 1981 (2 copies) [Gibson 1/96]
  - 5.6.2 History
    - A History of the Delta Chapter 1972-1983, compiled and written by Isabelle Olsen [Gibson 1/96]
  - 5.6.3 Miscellaneous Records of the Delta Chapter (not yet inventoried) [Gibson 1/96]
- 5.7 Lafayette Chapter
  - 5.7.1 Organization
  - 5.7.2 Miscellaneous Records of the Lafayette Chapter ca. 1976-1986 not yet inventoried [Gibson 1/96]
- 5.8 Bayou Chapter
- 5.9 Imperial Calcasieu

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## SURFACE COLLECTING AS A VALUABLE SERVICE

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Based on comments received in Missouri as well as Florida where I live during the winter months, there is an unfortunate lingering difference between avocational and *some* professional archaeologists on the value of surface collecting. Apparently, the tendency among the latter group is to lump all collectors together as a bad lot, rather than differentiating between surface collectors who go about it in a legal, informed, careful, and systematic manner as opposed to collecting only for the purpose of simply amassing, trading, and selling artifacts. In fairness, we must also recognize another collector category: those who do surface collecting as a pleasant pastime, have no knowledge of archaeology, and intend no harm. This collector category will be addressed later.

It is maintained that there is definite value in surface collecting that enriches our knowledge of the past for the benefit of all concerned. Empirical proof of this hypothesis is evident in the many instances of assistance given to professional archaeologists through the years by informed collectors. Here are some recent examples:

- During summer 1997, the now well-known Big Eddy site revealed Clovis and Dalton deposits in a deeply stratified alluvial context along the Sac River in southwest Missouri. Local collectors in the area who had kept track of where they found their artifacts during earlier times provided invaluable service to the professionals excavating the site by providing detailed information on artifacts found at the site over the years, as well as loaning portions of their collections for photographs, measurements, and other detailed observations.

- Larry Brown, now a professional archaeologist, collected artifacts in his youth around the

Springfield, Mo., area. He kept a log of site descriptions, gave each site a locator number which he marked on topographic maps, and also marked artifacts with corresponding numbers. He has now donated a major part of his Missouri collection to the Center for Archaeological Research (CAR) at Southwest Missouri State University (SMSU) for examination by professionals. CAR has been registering these sites, an enormous job since some 350 sites and 30,000 points are involved. As a result of Brown's early appreciation of the need to keep records, CAR will be able to register or update about 90% of his sites.

- Not too long ago, avocational archaeologists discovered a site that appeared during low water on Bull Shoals Lake, originally the White River. The location of the site and artifacts found there were made available to CAR professional archaeologists. Examination of the site by a professional and other CAR personnel revealed that it was a rare, open air, single component site. It was possible to associate full grooved axes, net weights, carved cotton rock artifacts and other material with a single point type found in abundance.

- An avocational archaeologist discovered a very rare and unusual Middle Mississippian Cahokia-style pipe in Cedar County, Mo. Most pipes of this type are found around the Mississippi River valley (the Cahokia sphere). Why this pipe was on the western flank of the Ozarks is a bit of a mystery. Instead of selling the pipe for a large sum of money, it was recorded and made available to professionals for analysis (and a future paper).

In a more personal vein, the Petersons proudly admit to what we refer to as responsible surface collecting. During our summers in Missouri, we've registered 19 sites, and we record what we find. Most of our collections from these sites have been given to CAR for curation and use by professionals as they see fit. Eventually, all our artifacts will be disposed of in this fashion. In the interim, it's sure nice to have an array

of points and tools to show when giving talks to civic groups and public schools in particular.

When discussing the new book co-authored by Mike O'Brien and Ray Wood in the January-March 1998 *Quarterly*, O'Brien stated that "Any success that *The Prehistory of Missouri* enjoys is attributable in large part to non-professionals.... We can bury our heads in the sand and take the self-righteous attitude that any artifact in a private collection represents ill-gotten gain, but this strategy never appealed to me. I have learned more about certain aspects of the archaeological record by talking to non-professionals than I have to professionals...."

Albert Goodyear has addressed the value of responsible collecting from a different perspective. He believes that this type of "collector has an important roll to play in American Archaeology....Why is this the case? First, because the destructive agencies of natural forces and private development are outright eliminating sites on a daily basis from professional inspection and thus removing them from the research pool. Second, the amount of landscape that has never been inspected by professional archaeologists or never will be due to the vastness of private acreage means that archaeologists do not have the greatest selection possible of the sites they will excavate in their lifetimes, or have knowledge of sites that need to be preserved. As everyone knows, collectors find sites and archaeologists find out about sites (maybe)."

Also germane to this discussion is the fact that Archaeological Survey of Missouri site forms (and those of other states) consider it important to know if collections exist and where they are located. It seems strange that some professionals would want this type of information and in the same breath look askance at collecting.

Considering the above, I can see no basis for denying that legal, responsible, surface collecting can provide a valuable service to archaeology. It is hoped that those professionals who do

not look kindly on any type of collecting will become the rare exception. If avocationalists could eventually feel comfortable that this is the case, it would certainly encourage more active support of the purposes of the Missouri Archaeological Society, an important consideration when you recognize that amateur / avocational membership within the Society is vital financially, functionally, and politically. It would also enhance the image of the Society.

Unfortunately, it is not uncommon among those not familiar with the MAS to regard the Society as a professional association, which in turn can discourage membership.

In the opening paragraph, mention was made of the collector who collects for the fun of it and nothing more. I look kindly on these people since the Petersons were once among them, and I dare say there may be professional archaeologists who at a younger age were of the same ilk. There must be thousands of such people throughout the state who would be receptive to learning enough about archaeology to appreciate the merits of keeping track of artifacts, registering sites, and maybe even joining the MAS. Attracting this rich member resource is one of the reasons for having such outreach programs as Archaeology Month, participation in the Missouri State Fair, and talking to civic clubs, libraries, and schools. The benefits we get from these programs will be equal to the attitude and effort we put into them. It's mind boggling to think where club membership and Society would be if every year each of us brought in one member with fresh thinking and enthusiasm.

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Memphis State University	Memphis, TN	1999	Institution	Dennis Jones	Baton Rouge	1999	Regular
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