Arkansas Archeology Month
March 2018

Arkadelphia
Clark County Historical Association
Western Sizzlin', Malone Dr. and Interstate 30, Arkadelphia, 870-230-1368
March 6, 12 noon
Program: Archeological and Historical Investigations at Downtown Hollywood
Meeks Echerson, native Clark Countian, retired from the Ouachita National Forest, presents information from a recent archeological study in the Hollywood community. Artifacts from the area will be displayed.

Batesville
Old Independence Regional Museum
300 South 9th St., Batesville, 870-793-2121
March 1-31
Tours: School Group Tours
School group tours will be offered at a discounted admission rate for the month of March in honor of Archeology Month. Call for reservations.

Bella Vista
Bella Vista Trails
Trailhead and along Buckingham Dr., Bella Vista, 479-268-4980
March 3, 2pm
Program: Back 40 Trail: Walker Shelter Hike
Lydia Rees and Jamie Brandon will lead a guided hike to Walker Shelter along the Back 40 Trail in Bella Vista (2 miles). Upon arrival, they will give a talk about archeology in Ozark bluff shelters and the importance of this resource.

Bluffton
Delta Gateway Museum
210 W. Main, Bluffton, 870-824-2346
March 17, 1-3pm
Program: 7th Annual Artifact ID Day
Arkansas Archeological Survey experts will be on hand to identify and provide information about artifacts for private collectors and the general public. Note: No appraisals.

Columbia
Rick Evans Grandview Prairie Conservation Education Center
1685 CR 35 N., Columbia, 870-993-2790
March 19-23, Times vary
Program: Archeology on the Prairie
There will be a full week of programs and activities during spring break about the lives of the Caddo Indians and other outdoor adventures. Free but you must register. Visit the Facebook page, our website www.grandviewprairie.com, or call for more information and to register.

Conway
Faulkner County Museum
801 Locust Ave., Conway, 501-329-5918
March 1-31, 9am-4pm, Monday through Thursday
Exhibit: Camp Halsey: Programs Addressing Community Need
Interpretive exhibit featuring historical and archeological artifacts from Camp Halsey, Faulkner County.

El Dorado
Arkansas Archeological Survey – SAU Research Station
Downtown El Dorado Square, 101 N. Washington Ave., El Dorado, 870-233-4545
March 17, 3-7pm
Program: 2nd Annual El Dorado Art Walk Booth
Step by the booth to learn about Arkansas history, see prehistoric and historic ceramic artifacts and ask what your local archeologists do for your community. There will be food, music and art projects for kids.

Fairfield
Arkansas Natural Heritage Center, City of Fairfield Bay
Indian Hills County Club, Little Red Restaurant, 331 N. Hwy. Dr., Fairfield Bay, 501-884-4400 or 361-729-9101
March 28, Lecture 11am, Tour 1pm
Program: Prehistoric Petroglyphs in the Fairfield Bay Edgemont Bluff Shelter
Dr. Catherine Swift, Director of Fairfield Bay Community Education Center will lecture on the history and petroglyph contents of this prehistoric cave. A walking tour of the cave will follow the presentation. (Purchase of lunch is optional.)

Fayetteville
Ozark LifeLong Learning Institute
Drake Field Executive Airport, 4500 S. School Ave., 479-575-4545
March 5, 1-3pm
Program: Archeology of Ozark Bluff Shelters Class
Lydia Rees and Jamie Brandon will teach a 2-hour class on the archeology of Ozark bluff shelters. Enrollment and tuition to the Ozark LifeLong Learning Institute is required. See https://olli.uark.edu/ for more details.

First Fellowship Group of the First United Presbyterian Church
The Lodge at Butterfield Trail Village, 1923 E. Joyce Blvd., Fayetteville, 479-442-2720
March 8, 12 noon (buy your own lunch)
Program: Arkansas Archeology
Dr. Jamie Brandon, Arkansas Archeological Survey – UAPB Research Station, will present a talk on Arkansas archeology.

Fayetteville
Arkansas Archeological Survey – SAU Research Station
2475 N. Hatch Ave., Fayetteville, 479-575-3556 or 479-822-3700
March 13, 6-7:30pm
Program: Archeology of Oman
Special guest speaker, Dr. Krista Lewis, Professor, University of Arkansas — Little Rock, will present a talk on the archeology of Oman. Refreshments served.

Fayetteville
Arkansas Archeological Survey, UAPB Research Station
2475 N. Hatch Ave., Fayetteville, 479-575-3556 or 479-283-5720
March 31, 11am-7pm
Program: The 5th Annual Celebrate Archeology Day!
Survey archeologists will demonstrate all and other tools and weapon replicas, prehistoric musical instruments, weaving, flint knapping, conduct Artifact ID and have other demonstrations on Arkansas archeology. Pizza provided by Moje’s Pints and Pies. Note: No appointments.

University of Arkansas Museum Collections
2475 N. Hatch Ave., Fayetteville, 479-575-3556 or 479-283-5720
March 31, 11am-7pm
Program: UA Museum Collections Open House & Tour
The collection room will be open for a rare opportunity for the general public to tour the vast museum collections. This event will happen in conjunction with the Celebrate Archeology Day event!

Fort Smith
Ark-Roma Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society
University of Arkansas — Fort Smith, 504 N. Waldron Rd., Echols Conference Center. 479-788-7812
March 15, 7pm
Program: Camp Halsey: Building a Long-Term Program of Archeological and Historical Research
Dr. Duncan P. McKimmon, Assistant Professor, University of Central Arkansas, will present Camp Halsey research and long-term planning of the site.

Garland City
Arkansas Archeological Survey – SAU Research Station
Crenshaw Mounds, Garland City, 870-235-4229
March 24, 12-3pm
Program: Tour of Crenshaw Mounds
Arkansas Archeological Survey staff and volunteers will provide a guided tour of Crenshaw, a prehistoric Caddo mound site on the Red River. Anyone interested in participating in the tour should email Fiona Taylor at fmont01@uark.edu for more information.

Hot Springs
Ouachita Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society
Garland County Library, 1427 Malvern Ave., Hot Springs, 501-623-6161
March 1-31, Library Hours
Exhibit: Archeology in the Hot Springs Area
A display on the archeology in and around Hot Springs will be featured at the library.

Hot Springs
University of Arkansas Museum Collections
2475 N. Hatch Ave., Fayetteville, 479-575-3556 or 479-283-5720
March 12, 3-7pm
Program: Arkansas’s Contribution to the Paleoindian Database of the Americas
Foydce Room, National Park Medical Center, 1910 Malvern Ave., Hot Springs, 870-230-5510

Dr. Julie Morrow, Arkansas Archeological Survey — ASU Research Station, will give a program on Arkansas’s earliest communities. Dr. Morrow has recorded Paleoindian and Dalton points found across the state.

Jonesboro
Arkansas State University Museum
220 University Loop West, Jonesboro, 870-972-2074
March 6, 13, 20, 27, 2:30 – 6:30 pm
Program: Native American Tinkering
Michelle Friend, ASU Museum Tour Coordinator, will deliver hands-on Native American tinkering activities using recyclable materials.

Little Rock
Preserve Arkansas
200 E. 3rd St., Little Rock, 501-372-4757
March 23-24, Times to be determined
Program: Behind the Big House
This program explores extant slave dwellings and interprets the experiences of the enslaved people who inhabited them. It includes live historical interpretations and lectures by historians and archeologists about the important contributions African Americans made to Arkansas’s history and freedoms.

Magnolia
Red River Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society
100 E. University St., Room 205, Magnolia Rm. of Reynolds, SAU, Magnolia, 870-235-4229
March 13, 7pm
Program: The Tiltar Site
Robert Scott, Arkansas Archeological Survey — UAPB Research Station, will speak about the Tiltar Site, a prehistoric mound site in Drew County.

Arkansas Archeological Survey – SAU Research Station
Southern Arkansas University, 100 E. University, Bruce Center on Campus, Room 103, 1st Floor, Magnolia, 870-235-4229
March 31, 8pm-9pm
Program: Volunteer Lab Day
The SAU Research Station will open its doors for volunteers who would like to help archeological staff analyze collections, sort artifacts, and tour our research facility.

Monticello
Tonicia Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society/ Drew County Historical Society
Camp Monticello, Monticello, 870-460-1290.
March 3, 10am
Program: Mike Camp Monticello, a World War II Prisoner of War Camp
Put on your walking shoes for a five-mile hike through Camp Monticello, a World War II Italian prisoner of war camp to learn about the archeology of Arkansas’s World War II heritage. Contact Dr. Jodi Barnes at jdbarnes@uark.edu for additional information or to sign up.
Arkansas Archeology Survey – UAPB Research Station, will give an update on the multi-year northwest Arkansas bluff Program: Archeology for Everyone March 10, 1-4pm Program: Artifact and Fossil ID Day Park Station Archeologist, Dr. Jeff Mitchem, and other Arkansas Archeological Survey archeologists will be on hand to identify items in your artifact and fossil collection. No prerequisites. March 22-24, 10am-2pm daily Program: Archeology for Everyone Bring the family to participate in a mock excavation, learn how archeological investigations really happen, and check out real artifacts. Pack a lunch. Free but registration is recommended.

Petit Jean Mountain
Arkansas Archeological Survey Station – WRI Station 1 Rackelfiller Dr., Morrilton on Petit Jean Mountain, Teaching Barn, 501-727-6250
March 24, 10am-3pm Program: Winthrop Rockefeller Institute Survey Station Open House The Arkansas Archeological Survey — WRI Station will hold an open house with archeology related activities like spear throwing, making cordage and a ceramic design activity. There will be tours of the Teaching Gardens and the “Heritage Farmstead”, artifact displays, and a flint knapping demonstration.

Pine Bluff
Pine Bluff-Jefferson County Historical Museum 201 East 4th Ave., Old Train Station, Pine Bluff, 870-541-5402
March 13, 8pm Program: What’s New in Archeology in Southeast Arkansas Dr. John House, Arkansas Archeological Survey — UAPA Research Station, will discuss interesting information about recent discoveries of historic and prehistoric archeology in the area.

Rogers
Hobbs State Park 20001 East Hwy 12, Visitors’ Center, Rogers, 479-789-5000
March 10, 2pm Program: Update on the Multi-Year NW Arkansas Bluff Shelter Studies Dr. Jamie Brandon, Arkansas Archeological Survey – UAF Research Station, will give an update on the multi-year northwest Arkansas bluff shelter studies.

Russellville
Arkansas Tech University Anthropology Club 407 West St. & State St., Russellville, AR 72801
March 8, 11am-1pm Program: Arkansas Tech University Anthropology Club Archeology Day The Anthropology Club at ATU will host an Archeology Day event on campus where replicas of regional artifacts will be on display, hands-on activities will include games and crafts!

Lake Dardanelle State Park 100 State Park Dr., Russellville, AR 72801
March 10, 6pm Program: History Rocks! Join a park interpreter at the amphitheater to discuss how stone tools have been used throughout history.

March 17, 6pm Program: Life of a Pioneer Join a park interpreter at the amphitheater to discover how pioneer homes were built, the early Arkansas pioneer hardships, and how Arkansas became the state we know today.

March 24, 9am-2pm Program: Basket Weaving Workshop A basket weaving workshop will be given at the Visitor Center for all interested in learning a vital skill of early life in Arkansas. All participants will make a berry basket. Fee: $30. Call to register.

March 31, 6pm Program: Stories of Lake Dardanelle A park interpreter will share stories of the past that created the wonderful and unique culture in the River Valley. Meet at the amphitheater.

Scott
University of Arkansas Little Rock/ARAS-TM/Toltec Mounds State Park Toltec Mounds State Park, 490 Toltec Rd., Scott, 501-961-9442
March 17, 12noon-4:30pm Program: 4th Annual ArcheOlympics! Participate in archeology themed games. Show off your archeological knowledge or cheer on your team! For registration information contact Shannon Kardiak at skardiak@ualr.edu.

March 3, 7pm Program: Star Gazing A park interpreter will guide you through the basic spring constellations and tell Native American stories while you explore the site in a whole new way. Fee: $4 adults, $3 kids ages 6-12.

March 10, 8:30 am-4pm Program: Boy Scout Archeology Merit Badge WorkshopAttention Boy Scouts and Scout Leaders: This park is offering to help you earn the Archeology Merit Badge to completion. Call 501-961-9442 for more details and to register. Fee: $7 per participant.

March 17, 5-7:30pm Program: Spring Equinox Celebration All are invited to this prehistoric mound site to celebrate the spring equinox alignment of the mounds with interpreter led programs, a tour, and a chance to watch the sunset over Mound A. Fee: $4 adult, $3 kids ages 6-12.

Statewide
University of Arkansas Press www.uapress.com or 1-800-621-2736
March 1-31 Sale: Book Sale! To help celebrate Arkansas Archeology Month, the UA Press is offering a 40% discount on Sloan: A Paleolithic Dalton Cemetery in Arkansas by Dan F. Morse. The book retails for $29.95 and the special sale price is $17.97. To receive the discount, use code ARKARCH18 when ordering online.

Washington
Historic Washington State Park Raystown Log House, Jay St. near Giant Magnolia tree, Washington, 870-983-2684
March 2, 9, 16, & 23 Call for times. Program: Geoper Archeology A park interpreter will meet with participants and provide a hands-on demonstration of artifacts that are recovered from geoper mounds, as well as mapping the location for documentation.

March 3-4, All day. Program: Volunteer Excavation at Historic Washington State Park The Arkansas Archeological Survey and Historic Washington State Park are organizing a weekend-long volunteer dig at the park to commemorate its bicentennial year. We plan an excavating the site of an 1840’s tavern located on Block 61, which is the present location of the reconstructed Morrison Tavern. Some archeological experience is preferred. Adult supervision is required for ages 17 or younger. Contact Fiona Taylor at fnt01@arkansas.edu for info.

March 16-18, 9am-5pm Program: 50th Annual Jonquil Festival Visit the ARAS-SAU table at the Jonquil Festival to learn about local history, see artifacts from Washington’s past, and ask what your local archeologists are doing for the community. There will be food, music demonstrations, and vendors at this free event.

Information: Late additions to the Events Brochure, as well as information and activity ideas, can be found on the Arkansas Archeology Survey’s web site: www.arkansasarcheology.org

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