

Northwest Region Quarterly Report – October/November/December 2013 Dr Della Scott-Ireton, Director Nicole Bucchino, Outreach Coordinator Tristan Harrenstein, Public Archaeology Intern Gregg Harding, Public Archaeology Intern Janene Johnston, Public Archaeology Intern

Highlight of the Quarter

With cooler weather, Fall is festival time in the Northwest Region! NW Region staff attended six heritage festivals in the region during October and November, hosting booths with information on local archaeology, places to visit, ways to get involved, handouts and goodies, and children's activities. We partnered with UWF Historic Trust (formerly West Florida Historic Preservation, Inc) and Arcadia Mill for several of the events, which helps to spread the load of booth manning and also gets more heritage information out to the public.

FPAN again hosted a booth dedicated to underwater archaeology in Florida at the annual Diving Equipment and Marketing Association (DEMA) trade show, this year in Orlando, FL. Nearly 800 people stopped by the FPAN booth and learned about underwater archaeology, Florida's Underwater Archaeological Preserve system, and the new Panhandle Shipwreck Trail! Staff from the FL Dept of State and the Bureau of Archaeological Research helped staff the booth and talk to all those divers.

Progress on Work Plan Objectives

- Partnerships in outreach: West Florida Regional Library lectures, Panhandle Historic Preservation Alliance meetings, Blackwater River Heritage Trail committee, Viva Florida program planning, Pensacola Area Cemetery Team, Arcadia Mill fall lecture series, International Archaeology Day
- Professional Development: SAA webinar on Public Archaeology
- Conference participation: Diving Equipment and Marketing Association booth, SEAC, UNESCO states parties meetings on capacity building in Latin America and the Caribbean
- Public events: Arcadia Mill "Secrets of Santa Rosa" lecture series, Munson Heritage Festival, Washington County Heritage Festival, Historic Pensacola Village Fall Open House, Baker Museum Heritage Festival, Rocky Bayou Pioneer Day, Thunderbird Intertribal Powwow, assisted with SEAC Public Day
- Milton High School Anthropology/Archaeology Class: continuing 2013-2014 school year with UWF grad student Jess Hendrix leading the project as part of his thesis research,

- assisted by FPAN Public Archaeology Intern Gregg Harding; students continued excavations and took a field trip to the UWF Archaeology labs.
- FPAN Archaeology Lab: open for fall semester, Tues and Wed 10-4, Tristan Harrenstien is lab supervisor
- Service to Host Institutions: attending faculty meetings, participating on Dive Control Board and Marine Services Committee, serving on search committee for UWF Historic Trust Curator position, serving as chair of search committee for the Archaeology Institute Associate Director position, serving on thesis committees and as thesis committee chair
- DHR Support: assisting with local contacts, working with underwater program to reprint Underwater Archaeological Preserve brochures, shared space at DEMA booth with BAR underwater staff
- Assistance to other organizations: PAS lecture series organization and Board, serving on strategic planning committee for St Augustine Lighthouse Museum, serving on Marine Protected Areas Federal Advisory Committee, Society for Historical Archaeology Board
- Quarterly Newsletter: produced on time



FPAN staff Nicole Bucchino and Della Scott-Ireton with FL Department of State Director of Marketing Kaite Kole and BAR Underwater Archaeologist Franklin Price at our DEMA booth.



Newest FPAN Public Archaeology Intern Janene Johnston shows off local archaeology at the FPAN booth at the Rocky Bayou Pioneer Day festival.