



Central & West Central Region

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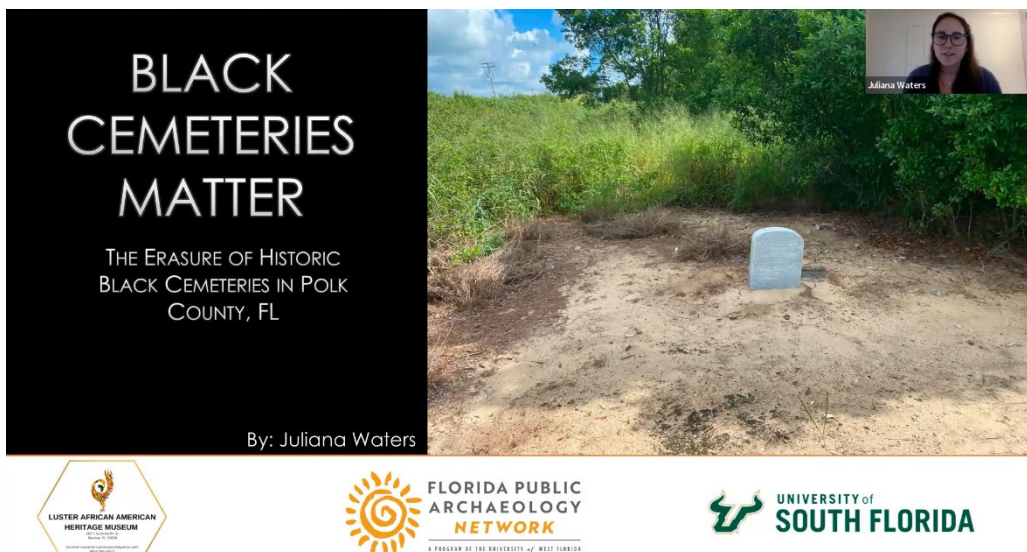
West Central Region

FPAN staff participated in both in-person and virtual events and meetings during Q4. This quarter also included travel and presentations at the SAA and FAS conferences. Work continued on our partnered small matching grant with Pinellas County to install monitoring stations at 12 sites around the county that are in FEMA Special Flood Hazard Areas, and we presented this work to the NAHAR talk to colleagues interested in archaeology and climate change. We are proud to be a part of planning for the future of the county.

In May, we officially welcomed Rachael Kangas as the new director of the Central and West Central Regions. Rachael started as the coordinator in the West Central Region in September 2021 after 5+ years with FPAN in SW and EC. She holds the position after Jeffrey Moates, director of 14 years, moved on to another exciting position outside of FPAN. Jeff made these regions into strong leaders in community and public archaeology in Florida. His leadership in spearheading the newly revitalized interest in erased Black cemeteries in FL had impacts throughout the state, his contributions will not be forgotten.

Highlight

We saw our current intern, Juliana Waters, graduate with her MA from USF on a project we have helped support her in, she also gave a public talk about her work for our local FAS chapter, CGCAS, as part of her internship deliverables. Her presentation was recorded and is viewable here <https://cgcas.org/april-2022-juliana-waters/>



1. Intern and recent graduate Juliana Waters presents her Masters Thesis work for CGCAS as a deliverable for her internship with FPAN WC.

Central Region

The Central office continued both in-person and virtual public archaeology events and worked to maintain community projects by continuing work in local community cemeteries. We used knowledge and skills we gained through University of Florida Preservation coursework to re-set and repair headstones at these community cemeteries. We attended the annual Florida Anthropological Society conference in Miami where we had the pleasure of hearing keynote speaker, Dr. Justin Dunnivant, as well as many presentations and posters presented at the conference.

Highlight

In mid-June, FPAN Central lead a cemetery clean-up and discussion at Saint Peter Cemetery in Archer. Partnered with Saint Peter, Saint Paul Community Council of Archer, we touched on how to document and properly clean and maintain historic grave makers. This was also an opportunity to demonstrate to the cemetery caretakers, how to lift and reset gravemarkers. Plans were made to schedule more regular clean-ups at the Pinesville Historic Cemetery in Archer, beginning in the fall.



2 Headstone at Saint Peter Cemetery in Archer during cemetery cleanup.