Volunteers: Chris Nolan Highlight

This quarter the East Central Region promoting the outstanding work of super scout Chris Nolan. Although she moved to New Mexico last year, Chris still visits Florida to monitor historical cemeteries and is a frequent submitter of HMS Florida Scout reports. She has monitored over 400 cemeteries and her accomplishments were published using Buffer to streamline Northeast/East Central social media pages. We continue to make the public aware of the Florida Historic Cemetery Inventory (https://buff.ly/3PMzN8h) and follow up on new cemetery site forms generated by the state.

Assisting Local Governments: Brevard County Cemetery Monitoring

This quarter East Central staff and new Rollins College FPAN intern Caroline Amein traveled to multiple towns in Brevard County to follow up on requests sent by email over the summer. The first stop was Titusville for La Grange Cemetery (BR4541) followed by Davis Cemetery (BR4482), Oak Ridge Cemetery (BR4574), then down to Malabar for Brannan Cemetery (BR01698), Piney Grove (BR4542), Malabar Cemetery (BR4541). Monitoring included architectural FMSF listed La Grange Church (BR454) that is on the National Register, but not mapped in the right part of Titusville. The stops in Titusville were at the request of Brevard County Historical Resource Board to help map burials on an easement eligible for a land swap. The visit to Davis Cemetery and Oak Ridge resulted in planning a CRPT in Titusville for
February 2024. The last three cemeteries were at the request of the City of Malabar to follow up on a cemetery recording form they submitted and a site check prior to development on the lot. Richard Ott, Public Archaeology Coordinator for West Central, met us in Malabar and assisted with monitoring two of the cemeteries.

Mayor of Malabar Patrick Reilly and Special Projects Manager Lisa Morrell look over documents relating to Piney Grove Cemetery.