## **Central & West Central Regions**



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## **Super Region**

Our super region in Quarter 4 participated in over 40 public events, reaching over 500 people. We also participated in numerous meetings among FPAN staff and our wonderful partners to coordinate work efforts and build new materials and programs. We were very happy to welcome Mandy Wagner-Pelkey to join us full-time as a Coordinator in the Central Region! Mandy has worked part time with us for some time, and we are thrilled to have her with us full time! We are working together on a large interpretive sign project that has taken hundreds of hours of creative work, meetings, and coordination between our staff and partners. We hope to finish early next quarter and highlight the project in our next report. We are posting the majority of our event details here in the report. If you're curious about events we hosted or participated in, check it out!

## **West Central Region Highlight**

The West Central Region continued offering monthly volunteer archaeology labs at Weedon Island which are well attended by both returning volunteers and new! We also participated in a field trip visit to Weedon Island by Lighthouse of Pinellas, an organization that works with blind and visually impaired people, their younger students have visited 2 years in a row, and we are always excited to work with their learners! We hosted an interpretive kayak tour in Manatee County and a CRPT Training in Wimauma. Our two part-time undergraduate workers completed work on their projects, one lab-based, and the other public-facing, before going home for summer break.







Figure 1. Photos from our Cemetery Resource Protection Training (CRPT) in Wimauma. Left: Mandy cleans a headstone with D-2. Center: Malachi Fenn (FPAN SE, presents on cemetery iconography Right: The headstone Mandy cleaned after a gentle D-2 scrub and rinse with clean water.

## **Central Region Highlight**

The Central Region was busy this month finishing up the season of Moon Over the Mounds tours with Crystal River State Park, participating in History Bike Gainesville events, hosting numerous cemetery events including clean ups, site visits, Cemetery Club meetings, and a CRPT Training in Mount Dora, and more! One big highlight was assisting Big Bend Aquatic Preserves with a few at-risk site visits. This is an important part of our work to preserve Florida's cultural resources and to help local land managers.



Figure 2. Instagram caption from June 20 "What a great way to spend a Friday morning! We visited a few at-risk archaeological sites along the nature coast with Sandy and Tim from Big Bend Aquatic Preserves. We really are lucky to live in such a beautiful place! #floridacoast #saltflats #floridahistory #FloridaArchaeology #airboating."

Start Date	Region	Event name	Goals	City	County	Event Type	Partners	Number of People
4/1/2024	West Central	Meeting with student worker	Outreach, Preservation	Tampa	Hillsborough	Meeting	USF	2
4/2/2025	West Central	CLG Presentation of HMS	Outreach, DHR, Local Government, Preservation	Online	Online	Presentation/Lecture/Tour	DHR, CLGs, FPAN NE	60
4/3/2025	Central	Laser scanning workshop Crystal River Arch Park museum	Preservation	Crystal River	Citrus	Site Visit or Fieldwork	FPAN NE, UF Historic Preservation program	10
4/8/2025	West Central	Meeting with student worker	Outreach, Preservation	Tampa	Hillsborough	Meeting	USF	2
4/8/2025	Central	Tour of Mount Pleasant Cemetery with descendants	Outreach	Gainesville	Alachua	Site Visit or Fieldwork		3
4/10/2025	West Central	Meeting with student worker at Oaklawn Cemetery	Outreach, Local Government, Preservation	Tampa	Hillsborough	Site Visit or Fieldwork	USF, City of Tampa	2
4/11/2025	Central	Cemetery clean-up	Outreach, Local Government, Preservation	Gainesville	Alachua	Other- explain in notes	Evergreen Historic Cemetery Gainesville	10
4/11/2025	Central	Moon over the Mounds	Outreach	Crystal River	Citrus	Presentation/Lecture/Tour	Crystal River Archaeological State Park	25
4/11/2025	West Central	Weedon Island volunteer lab	Outreach, Preservation	St Petersburg	Pinellas	Presentation/Lecture/Tour	Weedon Island, Pinellas County, USF SP	10
4/12/2025	West Central	HMS Meetup- Oaklawn Cemetery	Outreach, Local Government, Preservation	Tampa	Hillsborough	Presentation/Lecture/Tour	USF, City of Tampa	8
4/14/2025	Central	CRPT Workshop	Outreach, DHR, Preservation	Mount Dora	Lake	Adult Training/Wrokshop	City of Mount Dora	20
4/16/2025	West Central	Robinson Preserve kayak tour	Outreach, Preservation	Bradenton	Manatee	Presentation/Lecture/Tour	Manatee County Parks	14
4/17/2025	Central	Cemetery Club	Outreach, Preservation	Gainesville	Alachua	Presentation/Lecture/Tour	Evergreen Cemetery Gainesville	12

4/18/2025	Central	FPAN with UF Historic Preservation Program	Outreach, Preservation	Gainesville	Alachua	Site Visit or Fieldwork		12
4/20/2025	Central	COG Day Bicycle table event	Outreach	Gainesville	Alachua	Festival/Infobooth		100
4/22/2025	West Central	Tree planting at Whispering Souls Cemetery	Outreach, Local Government, Preservation	Clearwater	Pinellas	Site Visit or Fieldwork	Whispering Souls Cemetery, Pinellas County	18
4/24/2025	West Central	Resiliency event at Eckerd College	Outreach	St Petersburg	Pinellas	Festival/Infobooth	Eckerd College	30
4/24/2025	West Central	Weedon Island Advanced Lab	Outreach, Preservation	St Petersburg	Pinellas	Presentation/Lecture/Tour	Weedon Island, pinellas county, USF SP	4
4/25/2025	West Central	Weedon lab for Weedon volunteers and docents	Outreach, Preservation	St Petersburg	Pinellas	Presentation/Lecture/Tour	Weedon Island, Pinellas County, USF SP	16
4/26/2025	West Central	CRPT in Wimauma	Outreach, Local Government, Preservation	Wimauma	Hillsborough	Adult Training/Wrokshop	Discover Wimauma, FPAN SE, First Prospect Missionary Baptist Church	18
4/28/2025	Central	Homeschool intro archaeology	Outreach	Gainesville	Alachua	School/Youth Program/ Workshop		15
4/28/2025	West Central	Interview for Coordinator position	Outreach, DHR, Local Government, Preservation	Online	Online	Meeting		2
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4/28/2025	Central	Intro to arch Homeschool	Outreach	Gainesville	Alachua	School/Youth Program/ Workshop		8
4/29/2025	West Central	HMS Meeting	Outreach, DHR, Local Government, Preservation	Online	Online	Meeting	FPAN NE	2
5/6/2025	Both	FPAN BOD Meeting	Outreach, DHR, Local Government, Preservation	Online	Online	Meeting		25
5/7/2025	West Central	Diving first aid/O2/CPR mandatory training	Outreach	Tampa	Hillsborough	Other- explain in notes		5

5/8/2025	West Central	Weedon Volunteer archaeology lab	Outreach, Preservation	St Petersburg	Pinellas	Presentation/Lecture/Tour	Weedon island, pinellas county, USF SP	15
5/11/2025	Central	FAS Evergreen Cemetery tour	Outreach	Gainesville	Alachua	Presentation/Lecture/Tour		10
5/13/2025	West Central	HMS Meeting	Outreach, DHR, Local Government, Preservation	Online	Online	Meeting	FPAN NE	2
5/14/2025	West Central	HADS	Outreach, DHR, Local Government, Preservation	Homestead	Other in Florida	Adult Training/Wrokshop	FPAN SE/SW/NW, Biscayne National Park, FL DHR, NOAA FKNMS	15
5/19/2025	Central	Talk at UF	Outreach	Gainesville	Alachua	Presentation/Lecture/Tour		20
5/22/2025	West Central	Weedon advanced lab	Outreach, Preservation	St Petersburg	Pinellas	Presentation/Lecture/Tour	Weedon island, pinellas county, USF SP	2
5/23/2025	West Central	Precontact Pottery for Kids	Outreach	Holiday	Pasco	School/Youth Program/ Workshop	South Holiday Library	11
5/29/2025	West Central	Preservation on Main Street (POMS) planning meeting	Outreach, Local Government, Preservation	Online	Online	Meeting	Pinellas County, City of St Augustine	3
5/31/2025	West Central	Tampa Bay History Center visit with CGCAS	Outreach	Tampa	Hillsborough	Site Visit or Fieldwork	CGCAS	8
6/6/2025	West Central	Weedon Island volunteer lab	Outreach, Preservation	St Petersburg	Pinellas	Presentation/Lecture/Tour	Weedon island, pinellas county, USF SP	11
6/10/2025	Both	FPAN Monthly Staff meeting	Outreach, DHR, Local Government, Preservation	Online	Online	Meeting	FPAN	20
6/11/2025	West Central	Site visits with Lake Wales Ridge State Forest	Outreach, DHR, Preservation	Frostproof	Polk	Site Visit or Fieldwork	Lake Wales Ridge State Forest	5
6/12/2025	West Central	HNH Meeting	Outreach, Preservation	Online	Online	Meeting	FPAN SW/SE etc	6
6/12/2025	West Central	USFSP library	Outreach	St Petersburg	Pinellas	Other- explain in notes	USFSP Library	2
6/13/2025	West Central	Lighthouse Pinellas field trip to Weedon Island	Outreach, Preservation	St Petersburg	Pinellas	Presentation/Lecture/Tour	Weedon Island, Pinellas County, Lighthouse Pinellas	30

6/17/2025	West Central	Call about grant application support for 3C Society	Outreach, Preservation	Clearwater	Pinellas	Meeting	3C Society	2
6/19/2025	Central	cemetery club	Outreach	Gainesville	Alachua	Other- explain in notes		8
6/20/2025	Central	HMS Site Visit	DHR, Preservation	Waccasassa	Levy	Site Visit or Fieldwork	Florida Aquatic Preserve	3
6/20/2025	West Central	Safety Harbor sign meeting	Outreach, Local Government, Preservation	Online	Pinellas	Meeting	Pinellas County, USF, Tom Pluckhahn	3
6/23/2025	Central	Site Damage assessment	DHR, Local Government, Preservation	Gainesville	Alachua	Site Visit or Fieldwork	FWC	3
6/24/2025	Central	Site Damage assessment	Outreach, Local Government, Preservation	Gainesville	Alachua	Site Visit or Fieldwork	FWC	1
6/24/2025	West Central	HMS Meeting	Outreach, Preservation	Online	Online	Meeting	FPAN NE	2
6/25/2025	West Central	Site visit to Egmont Key with Seminole Tribe folks	Outreach, Preservation	Tampa	Hillsborough	Site Visit or Fieldwork	Seminole Tribe of Florida	3
6/26/2025	West Central	Tampa Bay History Center Archaeology Summer Camp	Outreach	Tampa	Hillsborough	School/Youth Program/ Workshop	Tampa Bay History Center	20
6/27/2025	West Central	Preservation on Mainstreet (POMS) meeting	Outreach, Local Government, Preservation	Online	Online	Meeting	Pinellas County, City of St Augustine	3
6/27/2025	West Central	Scientific diving with Sara	Outreach, DHR, Local Government, Preservation	Riviera Beach	Other in Florida	Site Visit or Fieldwork	FPAN SE	3
6/28/2025	Central	BMEC clean-up	Outreach, Preservation	Archer	Alachua	Site Visit or Fieldwork	BMECRO	15
6/30/2025	West Central	Lake Maude Cemetery meeting	Outreach, Preservation	Online	Online	Meeting	Lake Maude cemetery	5