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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE TEXAS ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

ATTENTION MEMBERS!!!! THE 92ND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TEXAS ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY IS A VIRTUAL GO IN October 2021!!!

The TAS Board of Directors and the Local Arrangements Committee for the 92nd Annual meeting of the Texas Archeological Society have confirmed that there **WILL** be a TAS annual meeting October 22 – 23 this year. This meeting will be held virtually Friday afternoon, October 22 and all day Saturday, October 23, via Zoom and YouTube Livestream.

On Friday night, October 22, at 6:30 p.m., professional archeologist **Douglas K. Boyd, Senior Archeologist with Cox|McLain Environmental Consultants** will be the Public Forum Speaker for the 92nd Annual Meeting. His fabulous presentation will highlight a recent archeological project in downtown Houston entitled **BRICKS, BOTTLES, AND BONES AT FROST TOWN: *Historic Archeology of a 140-year-old Working-Class Houston Neighborhood.***

Our featured Saturday evening, October 23, 6:30 p.m. speaker will be **Dr. Carolyn Boyd, Shumla Endowed Research Professor in the Department of Anthropology at Texas State University and founder of a nonprofit organization, Shumla Archaeological Research and Education Center.** Dr. Boyd will present a program presenting the preliminary findings generated by her latest research project, ***“Origins and Tenacity of Myth in Archaic Period Rock Art of the Lower Pecos Canyonlands,”*** funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities. See more information about both programs in this newsletter on pages 3 through 5.

An article highlighting some of the papers that have already been submitted is in the newsletter on pages 6 and 7. If you have any questions about submitting papers or posters, our program chairs Dr. Jon Lohse and Dr. Jason W. Barrett (coming to you from his new home in Toronto, Canada!) can be reached at am-papers@txarch.org.

TAS members will be receiving frequent updates about presentations, topics and speakers. Registration forms for the 2021 TAS Annual Meeting are now available on the TAS website. In the meantime, if you have any questions about this meeting, please contact LAC co-chairman Linda Gorski at president@txhas.org.

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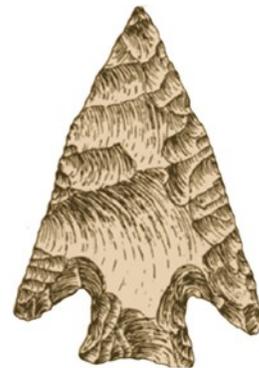
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October 22— October 23, 2021

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TEXAS ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY 2021 ANNUAL MEETING PUBLIC FORUM

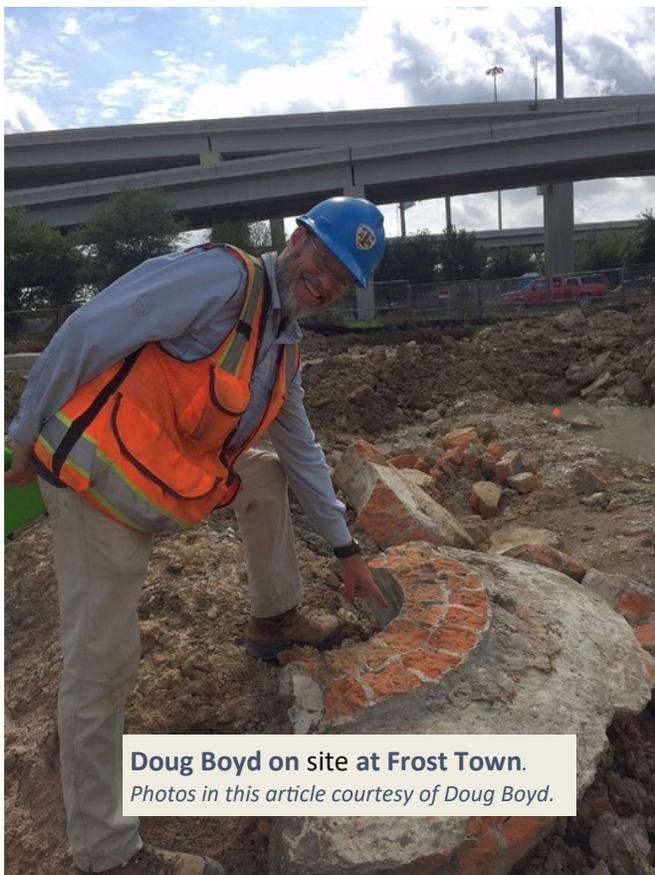
BRICKS, BOTTLES, AND BONES AT FROST TOWN:

Historic Archeology of a 140-year-old Working-Class Houston Neighborhood

Douglas K. Boyd, Cox|McLain Environmental Consulting

Linda Gorski, Co-Chairman, Local Arrangements Committee

Douglas K. Boyd, senior archeologist with Cox|McLain Environmental Consultants will present the Public Forum program at the 2021 TAS Annual Meeting which is being held virtually October 22-23, 2021. The Public Forum will be held on Friday night of the conference, October 22nd, at 6:30 pm. Due to the Covid surge in Houston and concerns for the health of all TAS members, we will not simulcast his program from the Houston Museum of Natural Science as originally planned. Boyd's presentation will be offered virtually only to all TAS members who have registered for the meeting. His talk will feature a report on recent excavations in Frost Town, a 140 year old working class Houston Neighborhood.



Doug Boyd on site at Frost Town.
Photos in this article courtesy of Doug Boyd.

Beginning in the 1830s, German immigrants settled in a prominent bend of Buffalo Bayou located just downstream from the famous Allen's Landing. Named after its founders, Jonathan and Samuel Frost, the community called Frost Town covered eight city blocks. It began as a few scattered tents and evolved into a thriving neighborhood that survived for more than 130 years. It is one of Houston's oldest neighborhoods, and it grew up shadow of Houston's downtown business district.

Throughout its lifespan, Frost Town was a working-class community. Like many similar urban neighborhoods across the United States, the ethnic makeup of Frost Town changed over time. The dominant groups that lived there were German immigrants/German Americans from the 1830s–1890s; African Americans from the 1890s–1920s; and Mexican immigrants/Mexican Americans from the 1920s–1970s. By the 1930s, the Hispanic residents called it *Barrio del Alacran* (the scorpion neighborhood) and by the early 1950s, the City considered it to be a slum area. The fate of the community was sealed when a large swath of the houses was removed in the mid-1950s for the construction of the Elysian Viaduct bridge. The last houses were torn down in the 1990s for another freeway construction project.

A Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) road improvement project triggered the first investigation of Frost Town in 2004. Archeologists were called in to examine the site because TxDOT would be removing the old Elysian bridge and replacing it with a larger and safer roadway. There were no surface indications that this had once been a residential community, but archeologists quickly discovered intact archeological remains of the former community in every trench they dug. This eventually led to series of more extensive archeological testing and archival research from 2008–2015, followed by large scale “data recovery” excavations in 2016 and 2018.

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PUBLIC FORUM Speaker Doug Boyd

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For this project, Prewitt and Associates' archeologists collaborated with TxDot's Archeological Studies Program and many volunteers from the Houston Archeological Society. This work discovered over 1400 residential and nonresidential features and recovered more than 250,000 artifacts associated with households from all time periods.

This program will look at the history and historic archeology of Frost Town as it evolved over 140 years. The analysis of the archeological evidence is still underway, but the features and artifacts are already revealing some exciting insights into the people who lived in Frost Town at different times. In many cases, groups of artifacts can be linked with specific time periods and households. These materials can reflect differences in social and economic status between households and changing status over time. Some artifacts—such as German-made dolls and hand-painted Mexican pottery—also reflect the ethnicity of the residents. Some features do too. Lines of buried, upside-down bottles turned out to be garden and walkway borders that are strongly linked with German-immigrant households. Oral history interviews with former residents also provide rich narratives illuminating the final days of the *Alacran* community.

The program will also look at the mystery of the Chinese opium pipe bowl and Chinese porcelain recovered from a yard pit at an early twentieth-century bordello.

Douglas K. Boyd is a senior archeologist with Cox|McLain Environmental Consulting (Austin) with more years of experience than he would like to admit. He began his archeological career in the 1970s while in junior high and high school, working on several archeological projects for West Texas State University and the Llano Estacado Museum. He received a BA degree in General Studies-Archeology from West Texas State University in 1983 and an MA degree in Anthropology from Texas A&M University in 1986. Boyd spent 33 years at Prewitt and Associates, Inc. serving as a project archeologist, project manager, or principal investigator on numerous cultural resources management (CRM) projects throughout the state.

Boyd has worked on many prehistoric and historic archeological site investigations, primarily in Texas, New Mexico, and Oklahoma. He has published more than 150 CRM reports and articles for books, professional journals, and popular magazines. He has presented hundreds of archeology programs and site tours and collaborated on a wide variety of public outreach products, from popular brochures to internet web sites to documentary films. Boyd also serves on the Texas Preservation Trust Fund Advisory Board and the Antiquities Advisory Board to the Texas Historical Commission. One of his more rewarding outside activities is his role as a Youth Group dig director for the Texas Archeological Society's Annual Field School. The 2021 Field School in Kerrville was Boyd's 20th year as one of the Youth Group Directors.



Frost Town artifact of Chinese origin.

Dr. Carolyn Boyd to be featured Speaker at 2021 TAS Annual Meeting Saturday, October 23, 6:30 p.m.

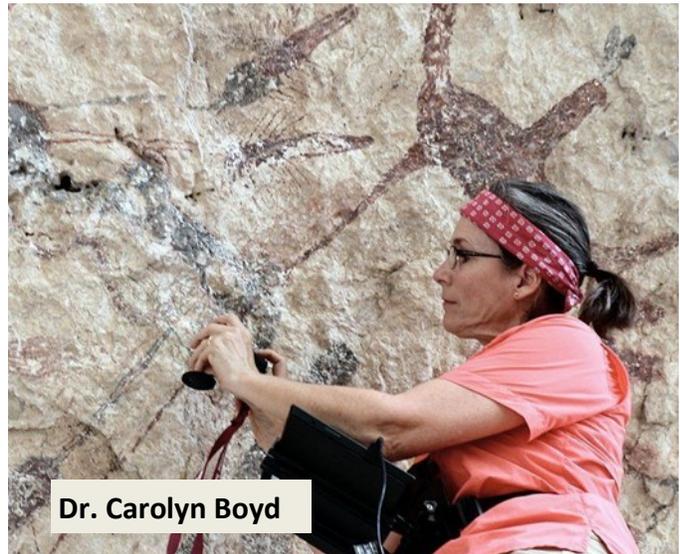
Origins and Tenacity of Myth in Archaic Period Rock Art of the Lower Pecos Canyonlands

Linda Gorski, Co-Chairman, Local Arrangements Committee

This year we are privileged to announce **Dr. Carolyn Boyd** as our featured Saturday evening Speaker. Dr. Boyd's presentation will be held on Saturday evening night of the conference, October 23 at 6:30 p.m. Due to the Covid surge in Houston and concerns for the health of all TAS members, we will not simulcast her program from the Houston Museum of Natural Science as originally planned. Boyd's presentation will be offered virtually only to all TAS members who have registered for the meeting.

Dr. Boyd will be presenting preliminary findings generated by her latest research project, "*Origins and Tenacity of Myth in Archaic Period Rock Art of the Lower Pecos Canyonlands*," funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities. This region of southwest Texas and Coahuila, Mexico contains some of the most spectacular and complex rock art in the world, some of it almost 4,000 years old. These images represent a fragile and irreplaceable heritage of global significance. In January 2021, the Lower Pecos Canyonlands Archaeological District was designated a National Historic Landmark District by the United States Department of the Interior.

[Scholars long have maintained that concepts at the core of Mesoamerican religious traditions persisted across time and across cultural, linguistic, and geographical boundaries.](#) Alfredo López Austin suggests that these concepts emerged from an earlier, almost unchangeable, Archaic core of beliefs, perhaps as old as the earliest migrations into North America. However, the idea that the complex cosmologies of Mesoamerican civilizations are an outgrowth of the worldview of Archaic period hunter-gatherers has met with resistance. The traditionally held assumption has been that hunter-gatherer groups were too "simple" to have a complex belief system or to produce elaborate compositions of narrative mural art. Over the past twenty-five years, Boyd has chipped away at that assumption. To do this, she had to crack the Archaic code, the graphic vocabulary utilized by the artists. She has identified strong parallels between cosmological symbols and concepts portrayed in the murals of the Lower Pecos and the myths and cosmologies of



Mesoamerican civilizations. Most interestingly, she has identified these symbols and myths in current Indigenous populations in American Southwest and Mexico, including the Huichol. Recognizing the importance of her research, the National Endowment for the Humanities awarded Boyd a grant in April of this year to produce digital illustrations of three premier rock art panels and to share these with the Huichol community in Mexico.

In her visually driven presentation, Boyd will describe the field and laboratory methods she and her team of archaeologists have developed to study not just the art, but the artists that produced it. She will show how these Archaic period foragers used color, shape, and context to infuse the murals with meaning, sound, and life.

Dr. Boyd is the Shumla Endowed Research Professor in the Department of Anthropology at Texas State University and the founder of a nonprofit organization, Shumla Archaeological Research and Education Center (www.shumla.org). She is author of *Rock Art of the Lower Pecos* and *The White Shaman Mural: An Enduring Creation Narrative*, which received the 2017 Scholarly Book Award from the Society for American Archaeology. Although Boyd devotes most of her time to research, she teaches Field Methods in Rock Art, a four-week class offered through Texas State University and gives numerous lectures around the country and abroad.

92nd Annual TAS Meeting Coming up VIRTUALLY October 22 – 23

Due to the continuing Covid pandemic, the 92nd Annual Meeting of the Texas Archeological Society will be a virtual event held Friday afternoon, October 22 through Saturday evening, October 23, 2021. The Call for Papers and Registration forms are now available on the TAS Website at www.txarch.org

According to Dr. Jason W. Barrett, one of the program chairmen for the event, several abstracts for papers, panel discussions, symposia and posters have already been received. Here are some of the presentations you can expect to see during this annual meeting.

Paper - Wilson W. "Dub" Crook and members of the Houston Archeological Society

The Lone Oak Site (41CD168): A 12,000 Year Occupation in Colorado County, Texas

For the past three years, members of the Houston Archeological Society have excavated the Lone Oak site in northern Colorado County. Over 350 diagnostic artifacts have been recovered indicating the site was occupied from 11,000-12,000 years B.P. (Dalton) through the end of the Late Prehistoric (Toyah). While this represents one of the longer continuous occupations in Colorado County, the most significant period of habitation occurred during the Late Archaic and the latter part of the Late Prehistoric (Toyah). Although a substantial period of time is represented by the artifact assemblage, there is no evidence that the site was ever occupied on a permanent basis. Rather, Lone Oak appears to have been a well-known seasonal camp used by foraging hunter-gatherer peoples. The reason for the repeated occupation over time is the combination of fresh water, high-quality chert toolstone, hard wood, and food resources in the immediate vicinity of the site.

Paper - R. G Wakeland

Cultural Contexts in Casas Grandes and Jornada Mogollon Polychrome Ceramics, 1150-1475 C.E.

Shifting cultural definitions and boundaries

since 1930 contributed to wrong attribution of culture to ceramics in museum collections. They were assigned to Mogollon culture, rather than correctly to Casas Grandes or Jornada Mogollon. Overlap, contradictions, boundary disputes, and ambivalence within the literature impacted clarity. Further, not until 1997 did archaeologists commence to define the end of Mogollon culture. At that time, most museums had completed accessioning, cataloging, and indexing these artifacts. Villa Ahumada polychrome and El Paso polychrome illustrated such catalog errors. In addition, both culture of manufacture and culture of use designations arose as preferable database field structures to accommodate trade ware. Online searches, public records requests, and resulting photos and catalog data from the Museum of New Mexico, Arizona State Museum, and the University of Colorado Boulder Museum of Natural History supplied sources.

Panel Discussion - Emily Dylla, Ph.D., with Vicky Roberts, Sarah Wigley, Victoria Pagano, Nadya Prociuk, Lindsay Vermillion

Women in Texas Archeology: Current Realities and Looking Forward

This panel continues a series of discussions with and about women archeologists in Texas. It highlights the voices and perspectives of women who are early- to mid-career in a variety of archeological career paths. Taking an intersectional and inclusive approach, we will address why more women appear to be choosing archeology as a career path in Texas, identify and discuss a series of issues pertaining to women in Texas archeology, and brainstorm constructive, actionable items and best practices for future success. Our purpose is to amplify dialogue about these and related issues and to encourage Texas archeology to continue to become a more diverse and accepting space for those who have historically been marginalized from the discipline.

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Upcoming presentations, panel, poster

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Symposium

Mike McBride and others from the Hill Country Archaeological Association

41KR754: A New Paleoindian and Diverse Multi-Component Site, Kerr County, Texas

Francois Wilson

An overview of the development and geoarcheology of the site 41KR754

Mike McBride, Francois Wilson, and Steve Stoutamire

The results of excavations of the Archaic/Late Prehistoric Period area of the site with emphasis on trade items recovered 41KR754

Mike McBride

A study of Late Paleo hearths excavated in context with St. Mary's Hall (SMH) diagnostic material

Steve Stoutamire

A review of diagnostic lithics recovered in both Archaic/Late Prehistoric and Late Paleo areas of the site, with emphasis on unique details of the SMH points and fragments (>20) recovered to date

Olivia Talley

An inside look at the documentary about the Gault Project and Dr. Mike Collins

Filmmaker Olive Talley will show video clips and provide an update on the production of a feature-length

film about Dr. Mike Collins and his leadership in saving the Gault Archaeological Site. Many members of the Texas Archaeological Society have played critical roles in the Gault project over the past three decades as staff and volunteers. The film will recognize the value of professionals and avocational archaeologists working together on these vital projects. The goal is to use Mike's story as a narrative spine for exploring the challenges of preserving cultural resources like Gault and weave in scientific advances about the peopling of the Americas during this time frame. We hope to educate private landowners about the value of working with archaeologists to expand research that benefits humankind. Talley will answer any questions and ask viewers/ members to share examples of how they've managed to rally public support and create a sense of urgency for protecting cultural resources.

Poster Presentation

Mike McBride

Chert Heat Treatment: A Singular Example from an Archaic Period Hearth

Please check the TAS website at www.txarch.org for announcements and updated information.

We need a few more "Virtual Volunteers" for the TAS Annual Meeting!

No particular skills are required other than the basic ability to get online and use your computer—we can train you on the rest! It also helps if you have a computer or laptop that has a camera/microphone and can run Zoom. TAS needs volunteers to help moderate the all-virtual 92nd Annual Meeting in October. Please email Liz Coon-Nguyen if you are interested in volunteering for this – we will set up a training session for the near future!

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Thanks!

Reminders of the Values of Virtual Meetings

As most of you have noted during the past year when attending other virtual meetings, there are several benefits to registrants for an online event:

Value! Normal expenses for travel, accommodation and food are not necessary this year, opening the opportunity for attendance to virtually every interested TAS member. Your registration fee will give you full access to the entire meeting.

Virtual! Connect from anywhere! The technological advancement in the modern world has improved the internet connection such that users on the web can connect and interact from any part of the world. Finally, our out of state and even out of country members can enjoy our annual meeting with the rest of us!

Variety! You can pick and choose from a wide variety of online topics and sit in on those virtual meetings from the comfort of your own home.

Voice! You will have an opportunity for interaction and question and answer periods with speakers and other members of TAS.

Environment! Since virtual meeting systems work on green technology, organizations and businesses reduce the amount of carbon in the environment. This environment-friendly communication method reduces travel and paper printing!

Viewing Parties! Get together safely with friends from your neck of the woods to attend this meeting virtually – sort of like Tailgating for Archeology! These Watch Parties will be especially fun for the evening talks by Doug Boyd and Carolyn Boyd. **Mark your calendars now and plan to join us as we watch Doug on Friday, October 22nd, and Carolyn on October 23rd. Both presentations start at 6:30 pm.**

Excavations at Boxed Springs Site (41UR30)

Crystal Dozier

A team of **Wichita State University** students, led by TAS member Dr. Crystal Dozier, spent two weeks over this summer investigating an Early Caddo mound site in Upshur County. The five undergraduate and three graduate students completed 44 shovel test pits in an area of the site that has never been formally surveyed. Two excavation units and

a series of cores were placed to investigate possible features identified in magnetometer and ground penetrating radar results. Updates and details will be provided at this fall's TAS Annual Meeting!



Projectile point (preliminary type: Alba), recovered in a shovel test pit, held by graduate student Jennifer Banks.

Photo by Crystal Dozier



**Two excavation units, 1 x 2 meters
Pictured: WSU undergraduates Robbyn McKellop, Arland Wallace, Adrien Emanuel, and Cameron Hill.**

Photo by Crystal Dozier

Volunteer Call-Out for Ground-Truthing GPR Results

Verifying Targets & Features in the Clovis Field Survey

Del Barnett, Steve Davis, and Chris Meis

For the past six years archeologists, and a small army of volunteers from the Gault School of Archeological Research (GSAR), and various local archeology societies have been working in western Mills County about 10 miles west of Goldthwaite, TX. Situated near the Pecan Bayou, a tributary to the nearby Colorado River, the project site is a 14-acre oat field planted yearly for deer food and has been prolific and has provided evidence of Clovis occupation. For many years, the site has been known for an abundance of projectile points and other artifacts and has been named the "Clovis Field."

During the 1991 Texas Tech Field School at the Barnett Ranch, led by Dr. Grant Hall, 23 archeological sites were recorded plus 3 others added shortly thereafter. Later, the rancher formed diversion ditches in the oat field to decrease erosion. After a rain, atop one of the new berms, landowner Del Barnett discovered Clovis era artifacts including a Clovis point, polyhedral core and a utilized flake.



Photo courtesy of Del Barnett

The world-famous Gault Site near Florence TX, thoroughly investigated by the Gault School of Archeological Research (GSAR), is only about 50 miles from the Barnett Ranch, as the crow flies. To corroborate evidence found there, GSAR has extended its public outreach work to other areas of Texas. If our project finds evidence of early paleo occupation, it will be handed off to the GSAR to pursue further. Dr. Steve Howard, GSAR Field Director, has been field testing potential sites all over central Texas for 6 years, and includes extensive review of the Barnett Ranch. Numerous

ranches in Mills and surrounding counties have been explored with the assistance of several Texas Archeology Stewards led by Del Barnett, Steve Davis, Chris Meis, and Buddy Whitley. Many others have given countless hours to Dr. Howard's efforts in the area and he has agreed to serve as our Principal Investigator on this all-volunteer project at the Clovis Field.

THE VOLUNTEER CALL-OUT

The Clovis Field project is for everyone regardless of experience level. First-timers will receive "Archeology 101" type instruction, styled after the Texas Archeological Society's program but streamlined and will be assigned to an experienced crew chief for hands-on instruction. A regular "Progress Update" will be sent out to everyone who has asked to be on our volunteer callout list. Contact [Del Barnett](#), [Chris Meis](#), or [Steve Davis](#) to sign up or get more information. Tell us what you'd like to do: 1st timer, experienced excavator, crew chief, area paperwork chief, site secretary, lab work, etc.

Please note this project is not an officially sponsored Texas Historical Commission project; merely heavily staffed by Texas Archeology Stewards.

Site Progression

The site in western Mills County that has been named the "Clovis Field" encompasses 41MI91, 41MI92 and 41MI93. Shovel tests and several 1x1 meter excavations have been conducted over the past several years and the sites have revealed several hearths, middens and scattered artifacts as expected. This field is composed primarily of sandy loam with a moderate clay content which was deemed acceptable for Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) investigation of subsurface conditions.

During the Spring of 2021 an intrepid group of TASN Stewards, Del Barnett, Chris Meis, and Steve Davis, banded together to find a way to have four areas of the Meis and Barnett ranches surveyed with GPR equipment. Another Steward, Bruce Grethen, was recruited to provide professional advice on all things GPR and eventually the full analysis of the data collected.

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Volunteer Call-Out for Clovis Field

After two expeditions to the ranches to test the soil conditions with the equipment, with Grethen present for oversight, we discovered that the “Clovis Field” was suitable for a full survey. A total of eight survey grids were set up for the crew of volunteers that also included Stewards Art Tawater and Kathleen Hughes, to survey. Eventually, 5 grids of 40m x 40m totaling 86,040 s.f. of area were successfully surveyed in one day. In addition, Chris and Art successfully excavated a 1x2 test unit to ground-truth a potential target where an ancient creek-bed was found. Thanks to Bruce Grethen’s generous labor, we have identified approximately 100 subsurface targets and landforms to be investigated.

During the site tests and subsequent full survey, six individuals from the TASN were trained in the use of the field equipment and procedures for accurately laying out a survey grid pattern and geo-referencing grid locations. This crew may be called upon by other projects needing such testing.

We plan to explore the targets with an organized and regularly scheduled excavation. Weather permitting, we will be starting our work the last weekend in Sep-

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tember (25th and 26th) and in October (9th and 10th). Additional dates and times will be added and continue until all targets have been explored and possibly beyond.

There will be a campground available by the Barnett cabin for anyone wishing to campout and participate the full weekend. The cabin facilities will be available for food storage and for lunch time together. There is a large lake at the cabin for evening fishing excursions. Additionally, a cabin is available for overnighters on the Meis Ranch about 45 minutes away. This cabin is available for up to 8 occupants on a first-come/first-served basis. A porta potty will be on-site by the campout area at the Barnett Ranch and lunch each day will be at the cabin on site. Our COVID-19 plan is to be flexible with the changing conditions. The goal will be to ensure the safety and health of ALL participants which may require masking where/when appropriate, social distancing, or even vaccination proof, etc.

Past experiences have shown that everyone learns a lot about archeology from the archeologist on site and we all tend to have a really good time. We hope you can join us for this important endeavor.

TAS Archeology 101 Academy a winning combo

Active learning online and in the field

Sarah Chesney

Our 2021 TAS Archeology 101 Academy – like many other events – looked a bit different this year than in years past. In order to keep our volunteers and participants safe and abide by the state and agency COVID-19 protocols, the Academy Committee along with Archeology 101 instructor Dr. Jon Lohse, PI Dr. Sarah Chesney, and volunteers from the Houston Archeological Society embraced the challenge of creating a unique experience for all: a hybrid 101 Academy. Months of planning and practice sessions resulted in a hugely successful Archeology 101 Academy with over 40 participants of all ages and

backgrounds coming together over two consecutive weekends in March.

Our hybrid 101 Academy began with two days of online (via Zoom) classroom teaching and discussion focusing on the basic tenets of archeology and the importance of archeological research for understanding the past. Led by Dr. Jon Lohse, 101 participants spent Saturday, March 13, and Sunday March 14, 2021, exploring how and why archeologists do what they do in both the field and the lab, what artifacts, features, and sites can tell us about the past, and how that data is interpreted and shared with a wider audience. It was a challenge to adapt the usual interactive classroom sections of hands-

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on activities and discussions to an online format, but the Archeology 101 Academy team rose to the occasion with guest talks from Houston Archeological Society members and Stewards, interactive polls, adapted activities and discussions. Feedback from the 101 participants was very positive, and everyone ended the Sunday afternoon session looking forward to the following weekend of actual field archeology.

As in 2018 the field methods portion of the Archeology 101 Academy took place at the San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site in San Felipe, TX, approximately an hour west of Houston. Founded in 1823 and burned to the ground in March 1836, the town of San Felipe de Austin was the capital of the Austin Colony, the first American colony in Mexican Texas. This year the field excavation focused on two town lots owned by the Calvitt family, relatives of Jane Long, who lived in San Felipe during the 1820s. Commerce Street, which was one of the main roads through town, bordered the Calvitt lots to the south and connected this section of the town with commercial properties to the west and the neighborhood known as “Spanish town” to the east. Previous testing and mitigation in this area revealed artifacts from several eras of occupation and suggested that there was likely to be significant preservation of archeological remains that can shed light on multiple periods of Texas frontier history.

Led by PI Dr. Sarah Chesney and an expert team of volunteers from the Houston Archeological Society and the Texas Historical Commission, 101 Academy participants signed up for either Saturday, March 20 or Sunday, March 21 for their day of in-the-field hands-on archeology experience excavating the Calvitt town lots. Over the course of two days the 101 participants opened six 1x1-meter units in teams of four or five with experienced HAS members and THC archeologists as crew chiefs, screen supervisors, excavators, and floating helpers lending their expertise. Sharon Menegaz once

again served as our fantastic Paperwork Guru, keeping us all organized and making sure that all the bags and the field records matched and got turned in at the end of the day. By the end of the weekend, the Archeology 101 team had completely excavated and backfilled two units, and discovered a wealth of archeological material.

Recovered artifacts included transfer-printed ceramics in a variety of colors, mochaware ceramics (PI Sarah’s favorite!), window and bottle glass of various colors, architectural debris including brick, nails, and mortar remains, numerous iron objects, a ceramic doll’s head, and several buttons. One button was in good enough condition to be identified as an early Texas Republic uniform button, which may have been the find of the weekend for many.

A few weeks after the end of the 101 Academy, several HAS volunteers returned to San Felipe to finish excavating two of the open units and to help shoot in all the unit locations with a total station. The artifacts recovered from this work will be processed this fall as part of our celebration of Texas Archeology Month in October. The remaining two open units will be finished and on display in November as part of the Grand Opening Celebration of Villa de Austin, a new



Crew chief Liz Coon-Nguyen and her crew pause for a photo.

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interpretive area of the San Felipe de Austin State historic Site that showcases several reconstructed buildings from the Austin Colony era of San Felipe.

Although the 2021 hybrid Archeology 101 Academy did not look much like 101 Academies of the past, it was just as successful and popular as our previous versions, and the feedback from participants is clear evidence of this. All TAS Academies are labors of love from an incredible team of volunteers made up of Academy committee members and local regional society volunteers, and the 2021 TAS Archeology 101 Academy was no exception. We could not have pulled it off without the amazing leadership from

Academy Committee Chair Jimmy Barrera and 101 Coordinator Deb Eller, the flexibility of Dr. Lohse and the tireless and selfless energy of the HAS members and Stewards who gave up their weekends to participate in both parts of the academy. I especially want to thank HAS President Linda Gorski and HAS members Bob Sewell, Louis Aulbach, Larry Golden, Liz Coon-Nguyen, Beth Kennedy, Sharon Menegaz, Frank Kozar, Leonie Waithman, Geoff Mills, Mike Woods, Kathleen Kennedy, and my THC Historic Site colleagues Dr. Catherine Jalbert and Jamie Ross – you guys are ROCK STARS and are absolutely the reason that this 2021 101 Academy was so successful.

THANK YOU ALL!

**Crew chief Beth Kennedy
instructing 101 participants
in laying out a unit**



The whole crew. Sunday March 21, 2021

Photos courtesy of Sarah Chesney

The 2021 TAS Annual Field School was an outstanding success!

Tiffany Osburn

Through partnership and collaboration with the Hill Country Archeological Association, the Texas Archeological Society held its annual Field School in Kerrville, Texas in June 2021. This summer's field school was a brief but welcome return to in-person events and camaraderie after last year's unfortunate cancellation. We had a great turnout with over 350 field school participants. Nearly a quarter of our participants were newcomers to TAS and archeology. A BIG WELCOME TO NEW TAS MEMBERS!

Every June, TAS Field School participants split into crews that focus on either prehistoric excavation, historic excavation, field laboratory methods, or archeological survey. In addition, the 2021 field school offered a cemetery workshop, teacher workshop/CPE credit, a metal detecting workshop, as well as extra-curricular tours, site form work sessions, an archeolympics competition, and fantastic evening programs.

Under the leadership of our **Principal Investigator, Eric Oksanen**, the primary excavation occurred on a prehistoric site on **Marvin Gohlke's** ranch overlooking the Guadalupe River. As our host, Marvin appeared everywhere on scene and behind the scenes- with a deft hand at the trowel or backhoe- and preparing and maintaining the site to make our jobs easier. Our host society, the Hill Country Archeological Association (HCAA), has been exploring, mapping, excavating, and analyzing the site since 2013 and provided much needed support and expertise during the field school.

The Field Lab was hosted in an ideal setting near the prehistoric excavations and was lead by our **Lab Directors Marybeth Tomka and Aina Dodge**. Lab participants spent the week sorting, cleaning, counting and cataloguing all of the incredible finds of the week. Their work kept pace with the artifacts, forms, and samples coming out of the field daily, including a back



log of trench finds at the beginning of the week.

Ron Ralph ably directed the historic site excavations on a nearby ranch and investigated the remains of a historic school-house and dancehall associated with the Turtle Creek Community.

Forty TAS members were also able to attend a multi-day cemetery workshop hosted by the Texas Historical Commission's Historic Cemetery Program under the leadership of **Jenny McWilliams** and **Carlyn Hammons**. Participants truly enjoyed the field instruction and the variety of cemeteries visited.

The annual Archeolympics competition was great fun with many new faces in both the novice and skilled categories. This year's event included a rabbit stick-throwing competition and an atlatl spear-throwing competition that lasted until the sun went down.

On Thursday evening, TAS hosted an evening program for the public and flintknappers **Mike McBride, Chris Ringstaff, and Sergio Ayala** conducted demonstrations of lithic tool production technology. TAS members also hosted an Artifact ID station where members of the public could bring their personal artifacts for identification by professional and avocational specialists.

The TAS Field School always brings together the archeological community of private professionals, government agencies, academics, students, and most of our members, avocationalists. Through the shared experience, we improve and expand our archeological community. We couldn't have been more fortunate to enjoy field school in Kerrville. Once again, TAS Field School fulfilled its commitment to good research and archeology, public outreach and education, camaraderie and the creation of lasting friendships.

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Field Lab

Photo courtesy of
Katherine Turner-Pearson

Metal detecting

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Katherine Turner-Pearson



Excavations at 41KR744 (Kemosabe Site)

Eric Oksanen

Excavations targeted seven areas, A through F and area Y- the Youth Group. Blocks were divided into 2-x-2 excavation units, with the exception of F, which was excavated as a single feature. In the six excavation blocks, 295 levels were hand-excavated, while Area F, the earth oven or hearth, was excavated by backhoe and hand.

The placement of excavations drew upon the extensive testing regime of the HCAA and Marvin, which was critical to the placement of the excavation areas.

The Youth Group had a spectacular year and, as usual, came away with some of the best finds.

Excellent drone footage from **Chris Shelton** from SWCA and **Gus Costa** will help with the spatial interpretation. The site was georeferenced with the assistance of **Josh Haefner** of TRC and Allterra.

The analyses of the findings are in the beginning stages. However, several significant finds are indications of what awaits us during the continued analyses and future investigations.

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Prehistoric Site
Drone photography by Gus Costas



Prehistoric Site
Drone imagery by Chris Shelton

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Notables

Captions by Erik Oksanen



What appear to be historic-era, Native American tinklers, conical metal ornaments made from sheet copper or brass, were found just beneath the surface.

Photo courtesy of Eric Oksanen



Late Archaic projectile points were most represented, as expected during this phase of the investigations.

Photo courtesy of Bryan Jameson



Ground stone-metates, including a phonebook (paper)-sized fragment from the productive Youth Excavation Block headed by **Doug Boyd**.

Photo provided by Eric Oksanen



Marvin Gohlke Single use earth-oven (Area F) that appears to be >5,000 years. Marvin could not be constrained. *Photo courtesy of Eric Oksanen*

Special samples were collected for archeobotanical analysis by **Dr. Leslie Bush** and for photolith analysis by **Dr. Arlene Rosen** of UT Austin. **Dr. Charles Frederick** was on hand to excavate and provide in-situ interpretations while his lab awaits soil column samples.

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Area D divided into 2-x-2 excavation unit
Photo courtesy of Bryan Jameson



The Youth Excavation units

Photo courtesy of Katherine Turner-Pearson

Historic Excavations on the Neunhoffer Ranch

Ron Ralph

The TAS 2021 Field School historic excavation component had 41 participants working under five crew chiefs. During the eight days on site, the crews excavated 25 units each measuring 5 by 5-foot with most removed in two or three 6-inch levels. Over 10,000 artifacts including metal, mortar, bone, glass, ceramic and wood fragments, were recovered from the charred remains of the structures and associated features. A metal detecting crew working under Becky Sheldon recovered over 60 artifacts from around the buildings.

The Real school house was built around 1892 and served as a school until the 1920's. It was constructed with cut or square nails and had a stone perimeter foundation measuring 18- by 18- feet. A wood stove against the west wall provided warmth in the winter. Julius Neunhoffer said his grandmother, cousins, and possibly children of the hired hands probably attended the school. Julius confirmed there was no outhouse or cistern and that Turtle Creek was closer to the school

house and provided drinking water for all.

A dance hall built around 1897 was situated just west of the school. It was built with wire or round nails and sat on juniper piers. It measured 30- by 50-feet with wooden steps up to the double front door and the rear door. Windows on all sides provided ventilation for dancers and a small loft with stairs on each end supported local musicians.

In 1978, a fire in a dump pit to the southeast spread across the grasslands to the structures and with 500 bales of hay in the dance hall, it and the school burnt to ground level.

The TAS is grateful to Julius Neunhoffer, Jr. and his brother Marvin for opening his ranch to us and I am grateful to the crew chiefs (Sarah, Joe, Karen, Diana and Jim) for assisting with the work. And thanks to all participants for their dedication and perseverance in the hot Texas summer heat.

2021 TAS Collegiate Scholars share their Field School experiences

The Collegiate Scholarship Committee awarded seven scholarships to this summer's Field School in Kerrville. The award winners included Anaiah Montano, Faizan Khan, Lori Connolley, Jaime Reyna, Spencer Gage, Gage Curry, and Kristin Kaosa. Below are some of their comments about their experiences.

Anaiah Montano



This was my first year attending the TAS Field School. I gained many new skills, friendships, and professional networks that inspired me to continue pursuing archaeology. I am in a transitional point in my life now as a recent graduate and a new mother. I was nervous because I had never attended a field school before, nonetheless with a three-month old baby. I wasn't sure if it would be possible to attend with my daughter while I was still nursing but I was encouraged by members of the TAS community to attend. I began the week with an in-depth and comprehensive orientation that was useful to me because I was taught excavation practices and methodology with hands-on exercises. My apprehensions subsided and I confidently went into the Field Lab with the baby. The Lab was stationed under a large, low hanging breezy tree. Although I didn't know what to expect, I found it useful to learn how to observe each object carefully and critically. I was taught terms and definitions to

best identify various marks. I felt deeply connected to the objects through my new found curiosity of each object's historical context. I laid the baby down on a blanket under the tree, and several kind lab partners shared their fans to help her stay cool. She had a blast looking up at the sky, and at so many friendly new faces who were eager to show her their findings. Throughout the week I attended lectures from project archaeologists and professors from the field who shared memorable findings from their most recent work and the advancements being made in technology and excavation. The presentations at the evening lectures were fascinating and helped me form connections for graduate school, national field schools, and mentorship for academic prospects. I was struck by the level of comradery and passion I was surrounded by throughout the week and truly enjoyed sharing this experience with my daughter. I deeply appreciate TAS for awarding me this scholarship and for supporting me in bringing my daughter. As a nursing mom it is possible to feel isolated at times. I was told by many fellow archaeologists who were also mothers that they were not able to pursue their interests until their children were older and how nice it was to have us there to share in the experience. The scholarship made it possible for me to advance my career in archaeology because I learned fundamental practices for excavation and lab work that increased my vocabulary for the field. The dig kit that I received is one I can use for years to come. This scholarship has enabled me to begin applying for field schools abroad and has helped me become better connected with my local archaeology chapter.

Faizan Khan

I moved to Texas almost two years ago. Then I was taking an online archaeology-related course by a professor at the University of Pennsylvania. I started to second guess my decision of moving to Texas instead of the east coast. It seemed that Texas was not a good fit to quench my thirst for archaeology. Then, while one day surfing on the internet, I came across the website of the Texas Archaeological Society. This website was like a breath of fresh air.

Unfortunately, last year due to the pandemic, the events of the TAS were canceled. But this year, I was not going to miss the chance of attending the Field School. From submitting the scholarship application to driving back from the campsite, it has been a wonderful experience. This Field School affirmed my conviction in pursuing archaeology as a career.

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Faizan Khan



The Field School was a holistic crash course of what to expect when you become an archaeologist. The administration of the Field School was helpful every step of the way. Every moment of the Field School was a testament to this statement. The professional archaeologists at the Field School, from former state archaeologist to current state archaeologist and fellow crew members to the principal investigator, were very kind to help a student like me to understand even the basic principles of field archaeology. The TAS Field School was like an oasis in the middle of a desert. I am immensely thankful to the Texas Archaeological Society for providing this phenomenal opportunity to learn and experience field archaeology in our very own State of Texas.

Jaime Reyna

I had a great time at Field School. I was assigned to a team of people with different academic backgrounds and great experience. This was valuable in helping me to learn not only about field work methods, but about prehistoric lithics of the Paleoindians that inhabited the area.

Working with this team was so rewarding, as we all contributed to the findings, celebrated each others' achievements. This was perhaps the most memorable part for me. The scholarship awarded to me helped me in so many ways: not only did I not have to worry about paying for Field School while still a student paying for classes, but I also had the oppor-

tunity to have an amazing experience doing what I am passionate about. This field school is something that I will never forget. I completed my Field School and left motivated to continue my career path and determined to come back next year and to share what I have learned with others.



Spencer Gage

The TAS Field School was a great experience for me, one that has me excited for the opportunity to do it all over next summer! I met people from all over the state who have a variety of archaeological experience, from people with a casual interest to career professionals. As someone who is close to jumping into the CRM world, making these connections has been incredibly valuable to me and my job search. Furthermore, it gave me an oppor-

tunity to hone my skills and learn more about the studies that I love from experts in the field! I had a blast talking lithic technologies with people who know way more than I do, and getting practice excavating units and identifying artifacts with them was a great experience. The scholarship made this all possible for me! It gave me this invaluable experience and helped me save money that I've already set aside for more tools and field equipment for when I start work this fall!

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Lori Connolley

In 2019, I was forced to resign from my long-standing career in sales. The decision at the time, while abrupt, served to point me towards a much truer North, to return to college. Since that time, I have found renewed hope as I look towards my future. This hope, in part, was inspired by the mentorship I have received from all those at the North Texas Archeological Society, and the opportunity to participate in the Collegiate Scholarship Program sponsored by the Texas Archaeological Society. Due to their unwavering commitment and generosity, I can now say I attended (and survived) my very first TAS Field School!

Words alone are not adequate to express the gratitude I have for the people within the Texas Archaeological Society Organization. Their commitment to continually provide knowledge, training and educational opportunities for aspiring lifelong learners like myself, as well as fostering a new generation of young archaeologists, is awe inspiring to say the least. This was my very first Field School, so naturally I was a bit apprehensive as I ventured out for an archaeological week of unknowns. But the moment I arrived, I quickly realized this was going to be an amazing and unforgettable week! As I drove through the park, the gravel road wound around to the back where several tents had already been set up. I met up with my newest friend, Christine Upton, who directed me towards a nice shady spot she had scouted out the night before and I was beyond grateful! As I looked around, I saw people visiting, unloading, and helping their neighbors get their temporary house in order. In that moment, I realized that Field School was not just an event, and River Star Park was not just a camp but a

community: a culture of archaeology where people come together once a year for one purpose. To give of themselves, their time and effort, unconditionally, without hesitation all for one purpose - to make TAS Field School happen!

While there were many firsts, including finding my first ever in-tact projectile point; it was on the last day of Field School, where I had my most profound moment. As I took one last look around before departing for home, I had what could only be described as some sort of vision; one where I found myself asking...had we all been here before? In another time, in another place, doing the same things we have always done? Didn't we deliberately choose this site? A site that is on, or near, where our ancient ancestors used to roam, meet and camp? A site that is archaeologically rich, and centrally located so that those who travel from afar can come together; to commune, to trade wares, to share knowledge and forge new alliances? Those who made Field School possible all had an important role, everything from keeping us safe, keeping us fed, and keeping us in good spirits! But it was the greater mission that drove us to there; ultimately, we came together, to hunt and to gather. Did we not survey and excavate in the hunt for artifacts? Did we not gather the data and record the new information? Did we not share with each other to learn more about who our ancestors were, and more importantly, how best to preserve their past? I am certain that the people I had just spent the last week with, would ensure that the tradition of Field School lives on, and as we continue to return to places of our ancestors in search of our past year after year, I would like to believe, that even now, we are, and will always be, hunters and gatherers!

**Melissa Alouf (left) and TAS Scholar
Lori Connolley (right)**

**Thanks to Tim Sullivan, Chair, TAS Collegiate
Scholarship Committee, for the photos.**

**Thanks to the Scholars for sharing your
experiences. Congratulations to each of you!**



In Memoriam



Alston Vern Thoms

Alston was born in Canyon, Texas on June 18, 1948, and passed away on June 4, 2021. Much of his childhood was spent in White Deer, Texas, where his father farmed wheat and sorghum maize and raised Santa Gertrudis cattle. His mother taught third grade. Trekking across sections of land in the Texas Panhandle with his father Walter and his brother Byron turned up many archaeological discoveries.

His early educational studies in history and anthropology were done at West Texas State University, where he earned a BA in 1970. After spending the next three years in the Peace Corps in the village of Poconé, Mato Grosso, Brazil, Alston returned to the Texas Panhandle in 1974.

In the 1980s, Alston directed a series of major research projects in the Northern Rockies through the Center for Northwestern Archaeology at WSU. His ground-breaking 1989 dissertation *The Northern Roots of Hunter-Gatherer Intensification: Camas and the Pacific Northwest* established his authority.

In 1990 Alston returned to Texas and joined the faculty at Texas A&M University, where he spent the next 30 years, and gained recognition as internationally respected archaeologist and professor of anthropology, teaching a range of graduate and undergraduate courses. Our sincerest condolences to his family and his legion of friends.

(Above text copied in part from <https://callawayjones.com/obits/alston-vern-thoms/>)



Sheldon Kindall

From Becky Shelton: We learned recently that HAS member Sheldon Kindall has passed away. Sheldon was a long-time member of the Houston Archeological Society and served as the society's president from 1991-1993. Sheldon died at his home in Seabrook, TX on June 6, 2021. HAS member Beth Aucoin was able to visit with his family and the following information was related to her by family members.

Sheldon, an only child, was born on October 16, 1932, in Cheyenne, Wyoming where his father, who served in WWI and WWII, was stationed with the U.S. Army. As part of a military family, he lived in numerous places in the U.S. While living in the Washington, D.C. area, his mother served as a code breaker during WWII while his father was away serving his country. Sheldon earned a BS degree in Physics from Texas A&M and his MS in Physics from Louisiana State University. Sheldon worked at TRW for 20 years which then became Rockwell International and later Boeing. During the early space program, he worked on navigation related to getting the astronauts from Earth to the moon and returning them to Earth. While working at TRW, one of his responsibilities was to map the dark side of the moon utilizing photos taken by the Apollo 11 crew! Sheldon retired from Boeing and became an active avocational archeologist. Sheldon was a long-time member of Texas Archeological Society, Houston Archeological Society and **one of the ten founding members of the Texas Historical Commission's Texas Archeological Stewardship Network which began in 1984.**

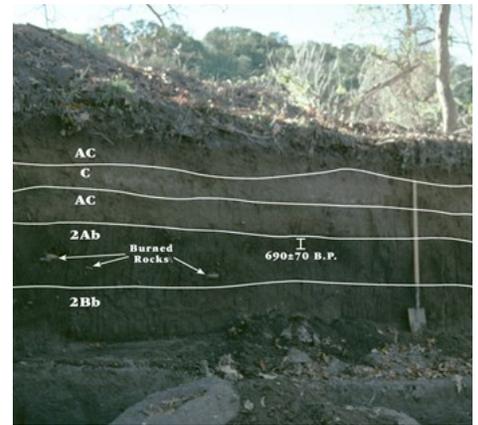
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2022 Geoarcheology 201 Academy in Victoria

In partnership with the Coastal Bend Archeological Logistics Team, the Museum of the Coastal Bend, Victoria College, and the McNeill Family Ranch

*The advance Geoarcheology 201 Academy is a two-day Texas Archeology Academy that explores how geological and soil formation processes affect archeological sites, and how investigators use this information to reconstruct both the human and natural histories of an area. This academy will be offered **twice** at Victoria College and the McNeill Family Ranch: the first session on **March 4-5, 2022** and the second session on **March 6-7, 2022**.*

After a brief classroom section, participants will work in small groups of 5-6 with an individual instructor across open trench profiles previously analyzed, documented, and interpreted by the geoarcheologists. Participants will analyze and describe soils in the field, and then compare with the geoarcheological descriptions and analysis performed by the instructors. Learn a better soils-geomorphology approach to interpret a landscape and a comprehension of geoarch reports and how best to work with the geoarchs for your projects.

This is the first advanced Academy TAS is offering, building upon the normal Geoarcheology Academy last held in 2020. The instructors are all experienced geoarcheologists. Dr. Charles Frederick taught for several years at the University of Sheffield, England, and is now a consulting geoarcheologist. Karl Kibler is a consulting geoarcheologist with Cross Timbers Geoarcheological Services in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Mr. Ken Lawrence is a consulting geoarcheologist with SWCA Environmental Consulting, Inc. in Austin. Dr. Brittney Gregory and Dr. Jim Abbott are geoarcheologists with the Texas Department of Transportation. And Dr. Gus Costa is a consulting geoarcheologist out of Houston.

The registration fee (\$250) plus TAS membership is for two days instruction with refreshments and lunch; it includes a digital manual. A certificate of participation will be awarded to attendees. Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credit is available for teachers as approved by the Texas State Board of Education Certification (SBEC). No previous archeological experience is needed to enjoy these sessions.

Scholarship opportunities <https://www.txarch.org/scholarships>

Victoria College is located at 2200 E Red River St, Victoria, Texas 77901. (361) 573-3291.

2022 Lithics Academy in Austin

In partnership with the Texas Archeological Research Laboratory at the University of Texas at Austin

The 2022 Lithics Academy: Reading Stone Artifacts is a two-day Texas Archeology Academy to learn how to recognize stone artifacts, how they are produced, and interpreting stone artifacts and patterns in the archeological record. Classroom sessions for the Academy will be held at the Texas Archeological Research Laboratory at the University of Texas at Austin on April 23-24, 2022.

Join archeologists to learn about Texas history and prehistory as revealed through archeological investigations. The course will include a brief overview of stone tools, why stone artifacts are important, how they are produced and used, and how stone tools contribute to the archeological record. The academy will include a review of raw stone materials and how they were used.

Participants will engage in exercises designed to record information about stone artifacts. These exercises include sorting, classifying, measuring, and information recording as part of stone tool analysis. Mr. Chris Ringstaff, experimental archeologist at the Texas Department of Transportation, will lead the workshop. Dr. Robert Lassen of AmaTerra Environmental Consultants and Mr. Sergio Ayala of the Gault School of Archaeological Research will be co-instructors.

The registration fee (\$100) plus TAS membership is for two days instruction with refreshments and lunch; it includes a digital manual. A certificate of participation will be awarded to attendees. Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credit is available for teachers as approved by the Texas State Board of Education Certification (SBEC). No previous archeological experience is needed to enjoy these sessions.

For updates including Registration visit the TAS website: <https://www.txarch.org/tas-academies>

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2022 Texas Archeological Society Academies

Geoarcheology 201 Academy will be offered **twice** in Victoria. With the first session March 4-5 and second session March 6-7, 2022. Dr. Charles Frederick, Karl Kibler, Ken Lawrence, Dr. Brittney Gregory, Dr. Jim Abbott, and Dr. Gus Costa will be the instructors.

Lithics Academy will meet April 23-24, 2022 in Austin. Mr. Chris Ringstaff will be the lead instructor, assisted by co-instructors Dr. Robert Lassen and Mr. Sergio Ayala.

MEMBERSHIP IN TAS is required for attendance at TAS Academies. Before completing this academy registration form, please complete a TAS membership form and mail to TAS - address below - with appropriate dues (\$40 Student/\$70 Individual/\$90 Family) or complete online form and pay with a credit card. TAS membership information is available on the web at <https://www.txarch.org/join-or-renew>.

Fees: The registration fee for the Geoarcheology 201 Academy is \$250. The registration fee for the Lithics Academy is \$100. Registration includes two days of instruction, a digital manual, and lunch and snacks on both days. A certificate of participation will be awarded to attendees. Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credit is available for teachers as approved by the Texas State Board of Education.

More Academy Info: Please check <https://www.txarch.org/tas-academies> on the Texas Archeological Society website for specific details and updates for each of the Academies. You can register by mailing a hard copy of this form to the address below (checks only please); or you can register online with a credit card. For scholarship opportunities check <https://www.txarch.org/scholarships>.

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Lithics Academy	Austin	April 23-24, 2022	April 9, 2022

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