

Southwest Florida Archeological Society

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SUMMER'S HERE! And with its arrival, many of our members have disappeared! For one, our Field Director and Program Chairman, John Beriault, who is usually responsible for securing a speaker for the regular meeting. John, along with a goodly number of our members, visited Yucatan and will be back in town for our July meeting, after a second trip to another Caribbean archaeological site. However, in the meantime, we have decided to provide an opportunity for members to share their experiences with the group, as they relate to our mutual interest in archaeology. An adult version of "What I Did On My Summer Vacation" might be another way of putting it. Your secretary will provide a report on the Crystal River State Archaeological Site, your President will tell us about his visit to the Florida State Museum, and we're hoping that those of us who were able to travel the Yucatan with David Washburn will be on hand to share that with us. The meeting will be held June 21 at 7:30 p.m. at First Federal Savings & Loan of Ft. Myers on the N. Trail.

NOTE: As discussed in our last meeting, there will be no committee meetings or sorting sessions for the month of June, due to the absence of many of our key members.

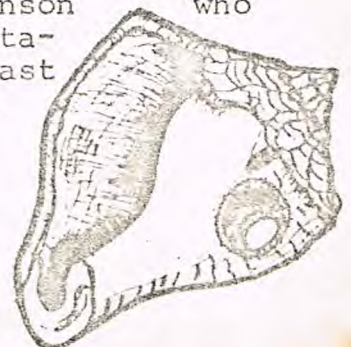
ANOTHER DIG is planned for June 31-July 1 to excavate a previously unexplored transitional to early formative shell midden site on the Imperial River in the Bonita area. See Charles Strader at the next meeting if you need directions to the site.

COMING ATTRACTIONS...A TRIP TO AN ARCHAEOLOGICAL/HISTORICAL SITE IN THE ISLANDS SOUND OF NAPLES...A GLADES GRITTY WARE PARTY. You too can make ceramics like the pre-Columbians did!

HORR'S ISLAND, in the Marco Island area, could become part of the public domain if its price tag is not too much for the State of Florida to buy. The Board of County Commissioners is considering a proposal to rezone this pristine island paradise, and the rezoning would raise its property value. If individual members wish to contact their Commissioner(s), a request to delay rezoning might make this property more affordable for the State to consider. Public hearings regarding purchase of it have already been held...

MONEY TALKS but according to our treasurer's report, our voices have dwindled and membership is a primary source of funding for our group. I know I'm guilty of not "pushing" our group more, and can think of at least two friends who would contribute \$10 dues just to receive regular information about SWFAS, even if they are not active. How about you? Our continuing research and excavations will benefit from bringing in new members, on any basis.

SWFAS MEETING MINUTES - May 17, 1984: Thanks to Bill Johnson who travelled down from Tampa to give his interesting presentation on archaeological efforts in the Green Swamp northeast of Tampa./ Treasurer reports \$883.06 in funds./ John B., Charlie and Gail surveyed a site in S. Ft. Myers./ No other reports; secretary's minutes passed as read.



Respectfully submitted,

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