

Southwest Florida Archeological Society
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S.W.F.A.S. Monthly Meeting, Aug. 16, 7:30 p.m., First Federal Savings & Loan of Ft. Myers on the North Trail. JOHN BERIAULT will be our speaker, presenting a discussion and slide show on SWFAS's Excursion to the Yucatan with DAVID WASHBURN as guide.

RON JAMRO, Director of the Collier County Museum is planned as our speaker for the September 20th monthly meeting.

August 7 at 7:30 p.m.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES: SITE FORM COMMITTEE, Charles Strader's home, Edgewater Drive, in Bonita. Call Charlie at 992-6133 for information...SORTING AND ANALYSIS Session at John Beriault's house, 3550 Bolero Way, Saturday, Aug. 11, at 10 a.m. Call John at 261-0295 for further information...EVENING SORTING Session, also at John Beriault's, Tuesday evening, August 14, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Members of SWFAS are urged to contact Dr. Elton Gissendanner, Executive Director of the State Department of Natural Resources, regarding state acquisition of CANNON ISLAND, located adjacent to the Rookery Bay area. The Society has sent a letter to Dr. Gissendanner urging that the property be added to the CARL land acquisition list, but individual letters would also be useful. The island serves as a land barrier protecting Rookery Bay, and is in pristine condition, harboring many plant, animal and bird species. A November survey of the island by SWFAS indicates that archaeological sites could be located in the mangrove and upland zones on the eastern side of the island, but further exploration is needed. Dr. Gissendanner's address is 3900 Commonwealth Blvd., Tallahassee, FL. 32303.

SWFAS MEETING MINUTES/July 19 - Secretary's minutes approved as read/Treasurer's report stands as read in June minutes, no additions or withdrawals of funds to date/Survey Committee reported a survey completed by John Beriault in the Pine Ridge area, most of which had been badly impacted by agricultural activity, but also including a small cypress dome/pond feature similar to the Bay West site. A letter will be sent to the development firm regarding this feature./ A two weekend dig is planned for the next two weekends (7/21-22 & 7/28-29) to examine a sand mound in the extreme northwest section of Collier County./ LOUIS TESAR, Editor of the Florida Anthropologist, plans to attend SWFAS's Glades GrittyWare Party tentatively planned for this coming November. The fall date has been chosen, as summer humidity levels adversely affect the drying process for making ceramics "the old fashioned way". Louis Tesar is an authority on primitive ceramics and will add greatly to the learning process. See later newsletter for a definite November date./ CHARLES STRADER is in the process of setting up a personal tour of the Florida State Museum with DR. BILL MARQUARDT, to be scheduled for some time in September./ MARK BENEDICT, Collier County Environmentalist, was our featured speaker at the July meeting and gave us a very detailed and comprehensive explanation of his role in County government. Thanks, Mark!



Respectfully submitted,
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