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Happy New Year! Our New Year's Resolution is the Increased Activity of the Kadohadacho Chapter!

AAS Working with the SAU Foundation to Raise Money for the SAU Museum

The Arkansas Archeological Survey and the Kadohadacho Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society are partnering with the SAU Foundation to help find the money necessary to transform the first floor of the Bruce Center (formerly the SAU Student Union dining hall and kitchen) into the new SAU Museum interpreting the archeology and history of southwestern Arkansas to the region.

The first stage of the plan addresses the current security concerns by cutting off access from shared areas and creating a secure, alarmed facility to house the 1,942 boxes of artifacts held by the AAS and SAU. These measures will insure that a theft—such as this summer's theft of the Caddoan pots from the Cedar Grove collection—will never happen again.

The SAU Physical Plant and local building contractors estimate that this first stage will cost \$22,000. Further infrastructural changes providing offices and exhibit space will cost an estimated \$15,000.

Several private donations have already been made to the SAU Foundation and the AAS staff has plans for applying for grant monies this spring's grant cycle.



The Bruce Center: Future home of the SAU Museum.

If you (or anybody you know) are interested in helping in this effort to raise funds, contact Jamie Brandon, the new AAS-SAU Research Station Archeologist, at (870) 235-4229 or jcbrandon@saumag.edu. Donations can be directed to the SAU Foundation (870) 235-4078.



Spring 2007 Kadohadacho Speakers

- **February 13**—"Southwest Arkansas Archeology and the SAU Museum Project: Where Do We Go From Here," by Dr. Jamie Brandon, AAS, Southern Arkansas University Research Station.
- **March 13**—"Arkansas Rock Art" by Jerry Hilliard, AAS, University of Arkansas-Fayetteville Research Station.
- **April 10**—"The Jones Mill Site and the Upcoming Society Dig near Arkadelphia" by Dr. Mary Beth Trubitt, AAS, Henderson State University Research Station.
- **May 8**—"High-Tech Archeology at Grandview Prairie in Hempstead County, Arkansas", Dr. Jami Lockhart, Director of AAS Computing Services Program.

Note: All Kadohadacho Chapter meetings will be held at 7:00pm in Bruce Center 104 (the old "Blue & Gold Room") on the SAU Campus.



2007 Speaker Schedule for the Kadohadacho Meetings

We have finished the speaker schedule for the Spring 2007 Kadohadacho Chapter meetings and it looks to be a promising line-up. All meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of every month in Bruce Center Room 104 (the old "Blue & Gold Room") at 7:00pm.

Come learn about the SAU Museum Project with Dr. Brandon in February, or celebrate Arkansas Archeology Month in March by coming to a talk about Arkansas Rock Art by Jerry Hilliard—one of the team of researchers working to record rock art across Arkansas through a grant from National Endowment for the Humanities. In April, you can get a preview of June's Arkansas Archeological Society Dig and Training Program from the lead archeologist on the project—Dr. Mary Beth Trubitt. Finally, in May you can come and learn about how new, cutting edge technology is being used to change the way we do archeology right here in southwestern Arkansas when Dr. Jami Lockhart discusses his research at Caddo sites on the Grandview Prairie in Hempstead County.

Wednesdays are Volunteer Lab Days

Currently we are continuing the long-held tradition of having a volunteer laboratory day on Wednesdays. If you are interested in getting some “hands on” experience with archeological materials in the lab, stop by and see us on any given Wednesday. If there is interest following the restart of regular meetings in February, we may begin a monthly laboratory night to accommodate those who can only volunteer after normal business hours.



A typical Wednesday lab day: Kadohadacho member and volunteer Julian Cranfill works on restoring a Caddoan bottle recovered from a Arkansas Archeological Society dig at Grandview Prairie in Hempstead County.

East Texas Archeological Meetings in February

The East Texas Archeological Conference is scheduled for Saturday, February 10, 2007, at the Robert R. Muntz Library on the University of Texas at Tyler Campus in Tyler, Texas. For more information contact Mark Walters (walters@tyler.net).

Magnolia to Host the 49th Caddo Conference in March

The Arkansas Archeological Survey and Southern Arkansas University are pleased to announce the 49th Caddo Conference to be held in the new Reynolds Center on the campus of Southern Arkansas University in Magnolia, Arkansas—located deep in the beautiful pine forests of southwestern Arkansas and in the original heartland of the Caddo. In addition to the many papers, the conference will feature a Sunday field trip to two legendary Caddoan sites in southwestern Arkansas—Crenshaw and Battle Mounds.

You can find the latest Caddo Conference updates on the AAS-SAU web site:

<http://www.saumag.edu/archeology/>



Timber Talk Interview

In late November Dr. Brandon did a 30 minute interview about archeology in southwest Arkansas on the radio program *Timber Talk* hosted by Teddy Reynolds—president of Reynolds Forestry Consulting.

Timber Talk is a popular radio program that informs, educates, and updates landowners, as well as the general public, about forestry. *Timber Talk's* airing coverage includes 42 counties in Arkansas, 7 counties in Texas, 6 parishes in Louisiana, and 4 counties in Oklahoma.

You can listen to the interview in RealPlayer format (.rm) on the web by going to: <http://www.timbertalk.com/> or the [Press & Media section](#) of the AAS-SAU homepage.

Geoarcheology Weekend Workshop with Dr. Gregory Vogel

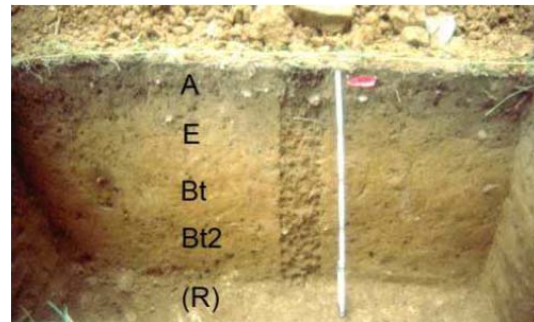
August 4-5, 2007

The Center for American Archaeology (CAA) in Kampsville, Illinois, is offering a weekend hands-on workshop in geoarcheology as a part of their summer calendar in 2007. Dr. Gregory Vogel, a Postdoctoral Research Associate at Arizona State University and Research Director at the Center, will lead the course. This intensive, 2-day workshop is appropriate for those seeking to further their understanding of geoarcheology. Instruction will include informal lectures and hands-on experience describing, sampling, and interpreting soils and sediments in the field and in the laboratory. Special attention will be given to using soil and sediment data to better interpret the archeological record.

Dr. Vogel, who obtained his Ph.D. from the University of Arkansas, is the author of *A Handbook of Soil Description for Archeologists* published in the Arkansas Archeological Survey Technical Report Series.

The Program: Tuition is \$200 for the weekend, and includes room, complimentary very basic field lunch each day, and instruction. Breakfast & dinner are on your own. Participants will stay at one of the CAA's bunk house style dormitories while in residence; rooms are at minimum double-occupancy.

NOTE: Registration for the program closes one week prior to the start of the session. Enroll early—this program is limited to 15 participants.



Learn to describe soil profiles such as this at the Geoarchaeology Workshop in Kampsville, Illinois.

Join the Southwest Arkansas Archeology E-Mail List

You can keep track with the latest local archeology news by joining the Southwest Arkansas Archeology e-mail list.

The Southwest Arkansas Archeology List [SWAR_ARCH] is meant to help spread information about archeological news and activities in southwestern Arkansas...and, of course, the list will remind members of the Kadodacho Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society about the monthly meetings.

To join simply send an e-mail message to SWAR_ARCH-subscribe@yahoo.com

You may also join the e-mail list by contacting Jamie Brandon at jcbrandon@saumag.edu



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March is Arkansas Archeology Month

Arkansas Archeology Month 2007 will be celebrated in March. The 2007 theme is *Arkansas Rock Art*, and already there are going to be a couple Archeology Month-related programs held in southwestern Arkansas. First, of course, is Jerry Hilliard's talk on Arkansas Rock Art at our March meeting of the Kadodacho Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society (see above). Hilliard is the AAS Station Assistant at the University of Arkansas Research Station and is an integral part of the NEH-funded Arkansas Rock Art Project.

The second regional program will be given by Dr. Jamie Brandon, the new Research Station Archeologist at the Southern Arkansas University Research Station. Dr. Brandon will present a program on Historical Archeology in Southwestern Arkansas at the 1914 School in Historic Washington State Park on Tuesday, March 6th at 7:00pm.

Other events happening throughout the state include the Eastern States Rock Art Research Association (ESRARA) conference to be held March 23-24 at the UofA Winfield Rockefeller Center on Petit Jean Mountain, and an exhibit on rock art tentatively titled *Above and Beneath This World* to open March 10 at the Arkansas Technical University Museum.

Arkansas Archeology Web Sites

Check out the new AAS-SAU website at: <http://www.saumag.edu/archeology>

Also check out the state-wide Arkansas Archeological Society website at: <http://www.arkarch.org>

Upcoming Conferences & Meetings

- **January 10-14, 2007**—*The Society for Historical Archaeology* in Williamsburg, VA. See <http://www.sha.org/> for details.
- **February 10, 2007**—*The East Texas Archeological Conference* at the University of Texas at Tyler Campus in Tyler, Texas. Contact Mark Walters. At walters@tyler.net for more information.
- ★ **March 16-18, 2007**—*Caddo Conference, Right here in Magnolia, AR!* Contact David Jeane, djeane@centurytel.net for more information.
- **March 23-24**—*Eastern States Rock Art Research Association*. Petit Jean Mountain. The conference will consist of a rock art field trip (to Petit Jean State Park) on Friday and papers on Saturday. Contact: Michelle Berg Vogel at michellebv@hotmail.com.
- **April 25-29, 2007**—*Society for American Archaeology*, Austin, TX. Info: <http://www.saa.org>
- **April 26-28, 2007**—*Arkansas Historical Association*, Little Rock, Ark. Theme: "Not Just Black & White: The Fight for Civil Rights in Arkansas." Contact: Laura Miller, laura_a_miller@nps.gov.

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