



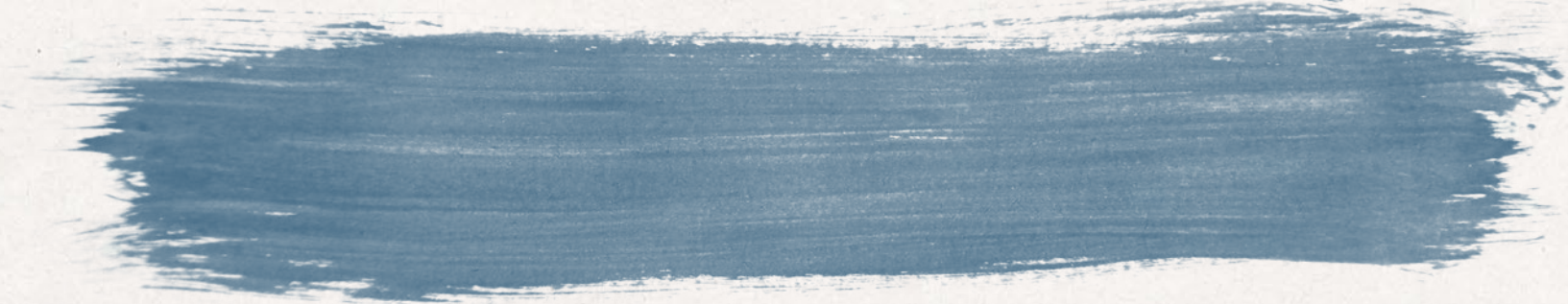
Annual Report: FY 2014-2015

FLORIDA PUBLIC ARCHAEOLOGY NETWORK

A Program of the University of West Florida

Without public appreciation of the importance of archaeological sites and information, there can be no effective protection of sites, or of the information contained within them, through well-written, enforceable antiquities legislation and through the willing effective cooperation of those who control the use of land.

Charles R. McGimsey III (1925-2015)



A Message from the
Executive Director



Mission:

To promote and facilitate the stewardship, public appreciation, and value of Florida's archaeological heritage through regional centers, partnerships, and community engagement.

Ten years ago, on July 1, 2015, the Florida Public Archaeology Network (FPAN) was officially a new unit of the University of West Florida (UWF). When I arrived on campus, a week before Hurricane Katrina brushed past Pensacola, FPAN had no office, no staff other than myself, and a conceptual plan for a state-wide network of public archaeology centers that had been developed the preceding year by a UWF steering committee.

With the good counsel of Dr. Judy Bense and Dr. Elizabeth Benchley, and with the aid of Karen Mims at the UWF Archaeology Institute, we began to build FPAN from the ground up. We soon had a temporary office in downtown Pensacola, and began to hire additional permanent staff for the Coordinating Center: Cheryl Phelps as Office Manager and Della Scott-Ireton as Public Archaeologist; both continue to serve FPAN, though Della is now Associate Director. Through the rest of the year, we worked to establish our first Charter Regional Centers at Flagler College in St. Augustine, the University of Florida Randall Research Center at Pine Island, and the University of South Florida in Tampa.

It has been amazing to watch the FPAN develop since the summer of 2005. With the guidance of an able Board of Directors, we have selected well-qualified host institutions to operate six of our eight regional centers, with the other two operated directly by UWF. We have hired amazingly well-qualified, energetic, positive, and creative staff who have been the driving force behind the development and evolution of FPAN's award-winning program of public archaeology. The dedication of the Board and the FPAN staff and hosts has allowed us to survive the worst economic downturn since World War II, and we have come out the other side a well-established, mature organization whose work is respected within the state and well beyond our borders.

This report reviews our work during our ninth year of operation. The excellence of our programming this past year is a reflection of the paths we have chosen through the years, and of all those who have in the past and who today call themselves part of the FPAN family.

Dr. William B. Lees, RPA

Northwest Region Public Archaeology Assistant Jess Hendrix discusses local archaeology with visitors to the St. Joseph Peninsula State Park.



Florida Archaeology Month



FPAN West Central staff pose for a picture with their "Archaeology Bike Tampa" tour group.

Florida Archaeology Month (FAM) provides FPAN the opportunity to reach out to visitors and residents, promoting Florida's amazing cultural resources.

Archaeology Bike Tampa

This year, the West Central Region coordinated and conducted an "Archaeology Bike Tampa" tour. The cycling tour took participants on a guided tour of archaeological and historical sites in and around downtown Tampa. The event was a part of History Bike Tampa's monthly guided rides through the city's streets.

Ximenez-Fatio Investigations

Starting in February and continuing through FAM, the Northeast Region partnered with St. Augustine City Archaeology and the Florida Anthropological Society's local chapter, the St. Augustine Archaeology Association, to conduct a public excavation in the Ximenez-Fatio House yard. Each week, FPAN staff provided a new suite of hands-on activities based on "Archaeology Works"

workshop materials: historic ceramics, prehistoric ceramics, nails, remote sensing, dating, and shell mounds. Over 4,500 visitors came to the site in six weeks. The #XFdig450 was featured in numerous newspapers, the subject of many TV news segments, and generated an estimated \$100,000 of free publicity for FAM and the City's 450th anniversary. The project was presented as a case study at the 2015 FAS conference during the Media workshop.

Port St. Joe Archaeology Weekend

Each year, the Northwest and North Central Regions use FAM as an opportunity to reach cities in their regions farther away from their main offices. This year, the combined regions hosted an "Archaeology Weekend" in the small, coastal towns of Port St. Joe and East Point. Northeast Region

Public Archaeology Coordinator Ryan Harke kicked off the weekend on Friday night at the St. Joseph Bay State Buffer Preserve with a well-attended presentation on his Master's research. On Saturday, FPAN staff divided and conquered by holding public outreach info-booths and children's activities at the St. Joseph Bay Peninsula State Park, the Florida Constitution Convention Museum, and the Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve.

FAM Poster Design

Visually and educationally engaging posters have become a hallmark of Florida Archaeology Month. This year, the West Central Region's Jeff Moates and Rebecca O'Sullivan created the [text and graphic design for the FAM poster](#) and accompanying bookmarks. Following the timeline of Florida history begun in 2013, this year's poster featured "The Innovators of the Archaic." The front of the poster provides images of important

archaeological finds related to Florida's Archaic period, while the reverse provides more detailed information about specific Archaic sites in Florida and their archaeological significance.

Community Partnerships

The East Central Region kicked off FAM with Florida Historical Society, Florida Historical Society Archaeology Institute, and the Brevard Museum of Natural History. Director Sarah Miller delivered her "Fantastic Archaeology: Florida Frauds, Myths and Mysteries" talk, followed the next day by a hands-on archaeology expo featuring local archaeologists, historians, and reenactors. For more information about the event, check out the [East Central Region's blog post](#).



Heritage Tourism

Heritage tourism is an increasingly important aspect of the tourism industry in Florida; FPAN encourages visitors to explore heritage sites yearlong.

“For Over 150 Years...”

The Southwest Region co-hosted the “For Over 150 Years: Remembering African American Contributions to Ft. Myers” event in 2015. This February event took place in collaboration with the Lee County Black History Society and other local cultural organizations. Over 300 residents and visitors came to see the 2nd Infantry Regiment of the United States Colored Troops’ reenactment of camp life and enjoyed esteemed speakers such as FPAN Executive Director Dr. William Lees. Public Archaeology Coordinator Melissa Timo was interviewed by several local and state-wide news outlets in the weeks prior to the event. Staff from the neighboring Southeast Region assisted with the event’s planning and execution.

Pensacola Area Cemetery Team (PACT)

As one of Florida’s oldest and most historic cities, Pensacola has a great deal to offer the state’s heritage tourists. In late 2013, the City of Pensacola contacted the UWF Division of Anthropology and Archaeology (of which FPAN’s Coordinating Center and Northwest Region are a part) to help promote the preservation and revitalization of the city’s historic cemeteries. In support of the City’s request, FPAN and UWF teamed up with community leaders and stewards of local historic cemeteries to conduct a series of meetings and workshops throughout the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year. As a result, the city’s cemetery stewards now have a great deal of information and a large network of people from which to draw in order to better preserve their important cultural

resources. Additionally, FPAN staff and graduate students from UWF helped record each of the historic cemeteries, producing scale drawings and records of grave marker text. Each cemetery’s Florida Master Site File was also updated.

Koreshan Historic State Park Partnership

The Southwest Region completed a year-long programming partnership with Koreshan Historic State Park. FPAN staff met with Park staff at the end of June 2014 to discuss a partnership that began in August 2014 with a series of programs similar to the “Archaeology Works” programs ongoing in other FPAN regions. Each of the programs focused on a single archaeological theme, and included a short talk followed by associated hands-on activities. Diverse topics such as historic cemeteries, shipwrecks, and prehistoric food ways were explored. These programs will hopefully bring new visitors to Koreshan Historic State Park.



FPAN Southwest staff pose at the “For Over 150 Years: Remembering African American Contributions to Ft. Myers Event.”

“Ancient Sunset” Mural in Crystal River

This year, the Central Region oversaw the installation of a new exhibit mural and coordinated the museum opening of *Ancient Sunset*, a painted mural on canvas depicting a day in the life of the people who once lived at the Crystal River Village and Mound Complex. The mural is now open for public viewing at the Crystal River Archaeological State Park Museum.

Archaeology Pub Crawl

Carl Halbirt is famous for saying that you can tell the history of St. Augustine by the watering holes above the ground. For the second year in a row on International Archaeology Day, Northeast Region staff organized a pub crawl through the city to support local business and to highlight the archaeology conducted below each stop. FPAN coasters filled the tables of each establishment, giving patrons the opportunity to travel along or follow up with the website left behind.



FPAN staff from the Northwest and North Central Regions host the annual Heritage Awareness Diving Seminar (HADS).

Training Programs



Students learn about ancient building technologies during the Timucuan Building Technology workshop at the Oakland Nature Preserve.

Training programs allow FPAN to provide others with relevant and practical information toward preserving Florida's heritage sites.

CRPT Training and Conference

In June 2015, FPAN facilitated the second annual Cemetery Resource Protection Training Conference (CRPTC) at the Volusia County Historic Courthouse in DeLand, Florida. The conference drew 40 participants to learn more about cemeteries as cultural resources, learn best practices in cemetery management and care, and help keep these endangered sites standing for another 100 years.

was held at the Governor Martin House where the Florida Bureau of Archaeological Research is located. The afternoon's hands-on session was held at The Grove, where attendees had the opportunity to clean the headstones of important figures in Florida's history, such as Governor Call and LeRoy Collins. As a result of this workshop, attendees from Wakulla County have documented over 30 previously unrecorded historic cemeteries in their county and The Grove has begun work on a Cemetery Management Plan.

Teacher Training

During Spring 2015, the Southeast Region hosted a very successful teacher training in collaboration with Miami-Dade College's School of Education. Staff completed a full day math-themed program for nearly 100 graduating educators

Also during the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year, the North Central Region hosted its first CRPT with the assistance of staff from the Northwest Region. The training included ten attendees and staff from the Florida Department of State's Division of Historical Resources. The morning classroom session

including lectures, group activities, and discussions. The program's faculty was so impressed with the training that they asked the Southeast Region to offer it every semester. Southeast Region staff coordinated the event with the support of the Florida Atlantic University graduate student assistants.

The Southwest Region also co-hosted an educator training with Koreshan State Historic Site in early 2015. Nearly 20 educators from 11 different cultural organizations and parks joined staff for the half-day program. The turnout for this training was particularly encouraging given the lackluster response to earlier attempts at local teacher trainings.

Timucuan Technology

The Oakland Nature Preserve (ONP) hosted its first Timucuan Technology program, a Timucuan Building Technology workshop, with the assis-

tance of staff from the East Central Region. A range of participants, including adults and families, enjoyed learning about thatching walls, building mounds, and tying materials together with cordage. In addition to the workshop, the ONP also hosts Science Saturdays, Nature Walks, and Summer Camps at which FPAN regularly delivers programming.

Heritage Awareness Diving Seminar

FPAN staff from the Coordinating Center, Northwest, North Central, and West Central Regions converged in Marathon, Florida, for the annual Heritage Awareness Diving Seminar (HADS). Along with staff from the Florida Bureau of Archaeological Research and the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, FPAN trained SCUBA instructors on how to integrate submerged cultural resources protection messages into their diver training programs.

The West Central Region facilitated the opening of a Public Archaeology Lab at the Weedon Island Cultural and Natural History Center.



Volunteer Opportunities



The Florida National Guard's "Operation Restore Respect" participants and their Florida Archaeological Council award for stewardship.

Providing FPAN volunteer programs for the public creates a base of dedicated heritage stewards in Florida.

Archaeologists for Autism

The inaugural [Archaeologists for Autism](#) Day was held on November 22, 2014, at the Sams House at Pine Island Sanctuary on Merritt Island. FPAN staff and volunteers from three regions converged to host an activity booth covering different archaeological concepts for the event. The idea for this event began with archaeologist Thomas Penders, the Cultural Resources Manager for the 45th Space Wing, whose daughter is on the autism spectrum. Wanting to provide an all-inclusive opportunity for autistic children to learn more about archaeology, Tom began raising support in the professional community for the event. FPAN was an early supporter of the endeavor and assisted with planning and promotion of the event, seeing this as an invaluable

opportunity to engage with a group underrepresented in our past outreach activities. Over 30 families were able to attend the event free of charge thanks to the donation of time by groups like FPAN, the Scott Center for Autism, UCF Anthropology graduate students, the Alliance for Integrated Spatial Technologies lab at USF (who scanned and 3D printed busts of the children), the Seminole Tribe of Florida's Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, and many more.

Working with Students

This year, the North Central Region put in extra effort to recruit a number of student volunteers, all of whom are provided with opportunities that will supplement their education. Currently, the North Central Region has volunteers recording previously undocumented historic cemeteries in

Leon County with the Florida Master Site File, assisting citizens with National Register Nominations of archaeological sites, and working with citizens to record previously unrecorded archaeological sites in southern Leon County near the site of the Battle of Natural Bridge.

Public Archaeology Lab

The West Central Region initiated its first Public Archaeology Lab days this year at the Weedon Island Cultural and Natural History Center in Pinellas County. Volunteers helped process archaeological materials for the lab recovered during University of South Florida St. Petersburg excavations of the Weedon Island midden site, under the director of Dr. John Arthur.

As in years past, the Northwest Region provided hands-on opportunities for the public to volunteer their time in archaeology. The [Public Archae-](#)

[ology Lab](#), housed in the Coordinating Center and managed by Public Archaeology Assistant Gregg Harding, continues to attract new volunteers. Participants rough sorted archaeological material excavated by UWF archaeologists and archaeology students.

Cemetery Clean-ups

In November 2014, the St. John's County Board of Commissioners honored the Florida National Guard and "Operation Restore Respect" for their maintenance and preservation efforts at San Sebastian Cemetery in St. Augustine. After receiving training at a CRPT, this dedicated group cleaned the entire cemetery of foliage (no small task!), and continues to partner with the Northeast Region and 4H groups at other cemetery clean-up projects and CRPT workshops. For these reasons, they received the Florida Archaeological Council's "Stewards of Heritage Award."

DARC Manager Mike Thomin appeared on BlabTV's "The Daily Brew" to advertise the opening of the latest DARC exhibit.



FPAN in the Media



The Athens Theatre in DeLand, Florida, advertising the July 2015 CRPT Conference.

Media exposure, whether digital or print, helps promote FPAN programs, workshops, and events through the year.

Building a Digital CRPT Community

Staff in each region of the Florida Public Archaeology Network have contributed to building a community of cemetery enthusiasts in Florida who have participated in a Cemetery Resource Protection Training (CRPT) workshop. In particular, Northeast Region Director Sarah Miller of has had wonderful success moderating the "[CRPT Alliance](#)" [Facebook Group](#). CRPT participants post to the website yearlong, keeping track of upcoming workshops, new techniques for cemetery preservation, and preservation activities across the world. Sarah also created a wildly successful [blog post about this year's CRPT Conference](#) in DeLand, Florida. At the end of the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year, Sarah's blog post reached over 200,000 readers.

Orange County Cemetery Recording

This year, the [West Orange Times covered the East Central Region's Orange County Cemetery Recording Project](#) directed by Public Archaeology Coordinator Kevin Gidusko. The project was assisted by Glenda Vaillant Cruz, an anthropology student at Valencia College.

Promoting Programming

Throughout the state, FPAN Regions have been successful in enlisting the help of both digital and print media resources to promote programming. This year, an increasing number of programs received media exposure.

The Destination Archaeology Resource Center's [Mike Thomin was featured in an interview](#)

by a Pensacola-based television morning show, BlabTV's "The Daily Brew." Mike discussed his collaboration with UWF graduate student and FPAN Public Archaeology Assistant Gregg Harding to produce the latest DARC temporary exhibit, "Journey into the Dark."

In the Southeast Region, Public Archaeology Coordinator Sarah Nohe received [some great press after conducting a CRPT workshop](#) with the Palm Beach Day Academy in April 2015. During the program, students learned about the importance of historical cemeteries as community resources, as well as proper methods for taking care of these cemeteries.

In October 2014, the Southeast and Southwest Regions teamed up to co-host a "[Cruising Down the River: Speakeasies, Gangsters, and Rum Runners](#)" boat tour along the New River with the historic Bonnet House Museums and Gardens.

An article on the event, quoting FPAN staff, was featured in the *Sun Sentinel* newspaper.

The FPAN Blog

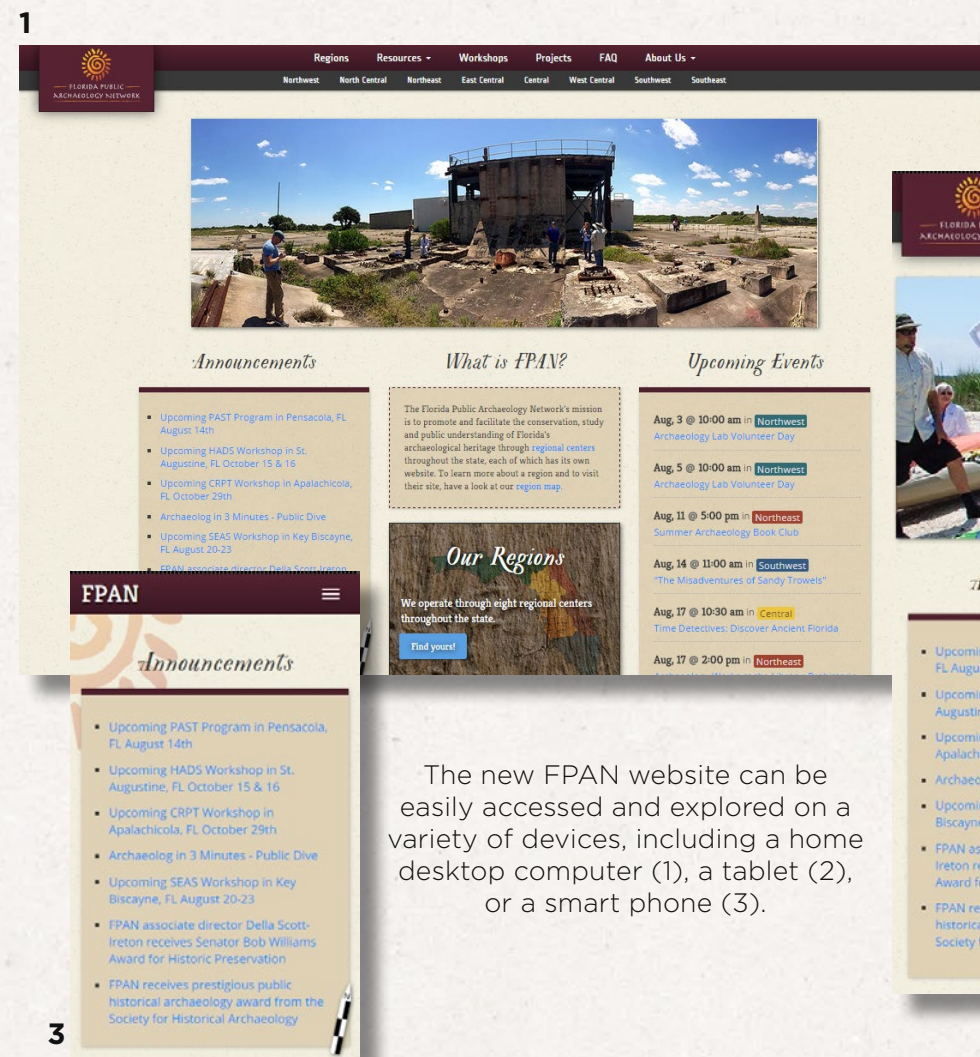
Although some FPAN Regions host their own local blogs, FPAN also maintains a [state-wide blog](#) dedicated to discussing some of the most pressing issues facing archaeology, archaeologists, and archaeological preservation in Florida. During the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year, critical topics covered in the blog included the State of Florida's proposed "Artifact Amnesty" program, FPAN's tenth anniversary, recent controversies surrounding the flying of the Confederate flag in historical contexts, awards won by FPAN and FPAN staff, and the importance of the National Register of Historic Places.

Web and Social Media

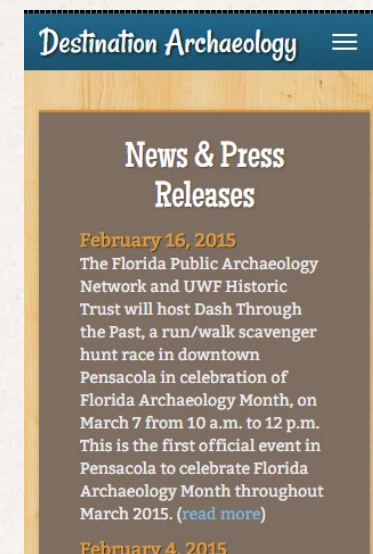
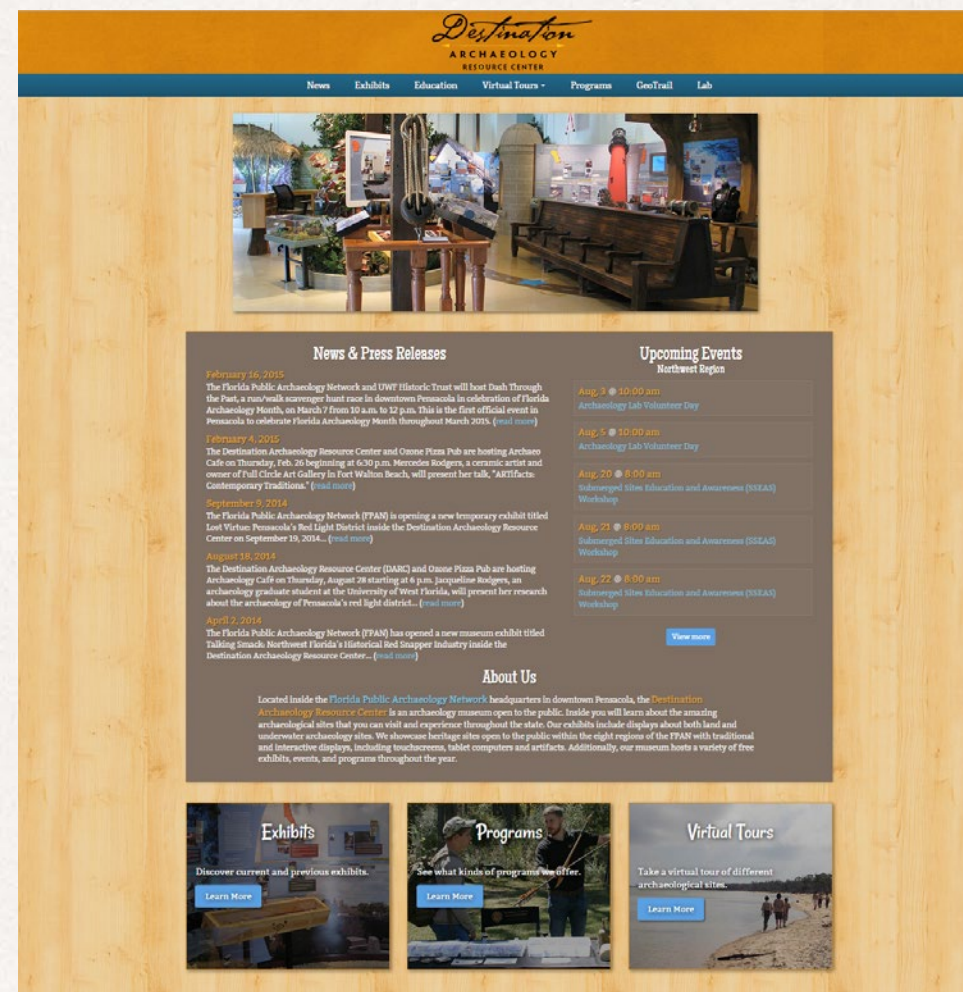
With a new design and a responsive format, the new FPAN website is meant to be accessible to users on all devices.

The 2014-2015 Fiscal Year saw the completion and implementation of the new FPAN web presence across all regions. In late 2014, the new FPAN home site and regional websites went live in a refreshing new style that includes a new responsive site format. The responsive design allows the site to be functional across a much wider range of browser and device types.

Later in the year, the same design principles were applied to the Destination Archaeology website and the Destination: Civil War website, both of which are now nearing completion. Whether web visitors are seeking information from the comfort of their home desktop computer, on tablet, or their smart phones, the new site designs allow FPAN to engage audiences in a much broader range of situations and to provide an optimal user experience.



The new FPAN website can be easily accessed and explored on a variety of devices, including a home desktop computer (1), a tablet (2), or a smart phone (3).



The Destination Archaeology Resource Center's responsive website as it looks on a home desktop computer (left) and on a smart phone (right).



The Destination: Civil War responsive website as it looks on a home desktop computer (right) and on a smart phone (left).



The "Your Florida Archaeology" exhibit on display at the T.T. Wentworth, Jr. Florida State Museum.



Destination Archaeology Resource Center (DARC)



Visitors to DARC enjoy a guided tour from museum staffer Tristan Harrenstein.

The Destination Archaeology Resource Center engages the public through museum exhibits and programs focused on local history and archaeology.

Exhibits and Partnerships

Several exhibits were produced throughout the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year. DARC partnered with UWF Historic Trust staff to create an exhibit celebrating FPAN's tenth anniversary titled "Your Florida Archaeology." The exhibit featured artifacts and graphic panels about recent archaeological investigations conducted by University of West Florida staff and graduate students, information about FPAN, and details about Florida Archaeology Month. The exhibit premiered during Florida Archaeology Month and remained on display for three months on the third floor of the T.T. Wentworth, Jr. Florida State Museum, the largest museum in Northwest Florida. Several UWF archaeology graduate students volunteered to create exhibits under the guidance of DARC.

Two new traveling exhibits were created and opened inside the DARC museum titled "Lost Virtue: Archaeology of Pensacola's Red Light District" and "Journey into the Dark: Archaeology of Florida's Caves." Several of DARC's other traveling exhibits are also currently on display at public libraries in Escambia County.

DARC Manager Mike Thomin also led UWF public history students on a study examining options to reinterpret the Pensacola Colonial Archaeological Trail outdoor exhibit as part of an Advanced Museology graduate course. Additionally, DARC worked with the Northwest Region to update the Deadman's Island Shipwreck exhibit for the City of Gulf Breeze.

New Web Content

New web content on archaeological sites people can visit locally are hosted on [DARC's website](#). Information, images, videos, and links are now available for sites in Northwest and North Central Regions, with content continuously being added.

New webisodes of Archaeologyin3 were also produced, including "Metal Detection Training" featuring New South Associates and "Emanuel Point Public Dive" featuring FPAN's Northwest Region, the University of West Florida Archaeology Institute, and the University of West Florida Anthropology Department. This year, the Archaeologyin3 webisode "Florida's Caves" was awarded First Place Winner and People's Choice Award in the Video Category for the Archaeological Photo/Video Festival Competition sponsored by the Advisory Council on Underwater Archaeology at the 2015 Society for Historical Archaeology Conference.

"[Unearthing Florida](#)," a daily radio program DARC helps to produce, continues to air on WUWF Public Media 88.1 FM and WGCU 90.1 FM.

Museum Programs

DARC hosted and participated in numerous events, programs, and projects throughout the year. These included field trips to the museum for school groups and organizations, guided tours of archaeological sites, summer camps, info booths at events, public talks, "Archaeology Works" programs, Archaeo Café talks, exhibit openings, the 3rd annual "Dash through the Past," and ongoing support for the "By These Hands" project. 2,309 people visited the Destination Archaeology museum exhibit during the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year, a 65 percent increase over the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year.

FPAN staff put the finishing touches on a revamped exhibit at the Gulf Breeze Community Center that features the Deadman's Island Shipwreck.



Assistance to Local Governments

FPAN supports local governments in their efforts to preserve, protect and promote regional archaeological and historical resources.

Exhibit Rehabilitation

In summer 2015, the City of Gulf Breeze and the Gulf Breeze Historical Society contacted FPAN's Coordinating Center and the Northwest Region to enlist their help in revitalizing a Gulf Breeze Community Center exhibit on the Deadman's Island Shipwreck. The original exhibit, designed following field investigations of the late 18th-century British shipwreck site by the Florida Division of Historical Resources (DHR) and the University of West Florida in 1989, was in need of updating to appeal to a modern audience. Staff from the FPAN Coordinating Center and the Northwest Region teamed up with DHR staff (former and current), University of West Florida archaeological collections management, and a local craftsman to create a beautiful new exhibit that features updated interpretation, a strong preser-

vation message, and featured artifacts recovered from the site. The new exhibit now hangs in a publicly-accessible classroom in the Gulf Breeze Community Center.

Sea-Level Rise Workshops

Rising sea levels in Florida have become an increasing cause for concern among preservation-minded archaeologists. During the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year, both the North Central and Northeast Regions co-hosted Sea-Level Rise workshops geared toward community planners. The North Central Regional Center partnered with the City of Apalachicola to offer a workshop to the city's planning committee. Similarly, the Northeast Region hosted a workshop in cooperation with the Guana Tolomato Matanzas National Estuarine Research Reserve and the City of Fernandina Beach.



Public Archaeology Coordinator Kevin Gidusko conducts a GPR survey for the St. Augustine City Waterworks restoration project.

These workshops focused on how coastal cities could mitigate and plan for future sea-level rise, both along the coast and in the interior. Examples from other communities were used, as well as data from the Florida Master Site File to show the projected possible effects on Florida. Staff from the Coordinating Center, Northwest Region, and East Central Region attended at least one of these workshops.

City Staff Training Programs

West Central Region staff created and conducted three "Archaeology and Local Parks" training programs during the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year. These programs were offered in response to ongoing consultation and assistance with the City of St. Petersburg Parks and Recreation Department. Parks and Recreation Department Administrators scheduled every park maintenance employee and manager to sit in on the all-day training, with approximately 90 employees attending in all.

Reaching out to Orlando

The East Central Region worked more closely this year with the City of Orlando. After taking advantage of the city's free, monthly downtown architectural walking tour, staff met with City preservation staff to plan for a CRPT workshop held in December 2014. FPAN staff partnered with City staff who hosted the morning workshop session at City Hall, then moved over to Orlando's only historic cemetery, Greenwood Cemetery. Sexton Donald Price hosted the afternoon session and provided a free tour for workshop participants. Increased partnership in the Orlando area also included an "Archaeology Works: Historic Ceramics" workshop at the Orlando Museum of Art during Florida Archaeology Month. In April 2016, the City will host the Society for American Archaeology annual conference with several regional tours planned in cooperation with FPAN staff.

Volunteers in the East Central Region assist with the Orange County Historic Cemetery Recording Project (OCHCRP).



Assistance to the Florida Division of Historical Resources

FPAN and the Florida Division of Historical Resources (DHR) maintain a close partnership to promote heritage resource protection and preservation.

Boat Recording Workshop

The North Central Region partnered with the Underwater Archaeologists from DHR's Bureau of Archaeological Research to co-host a boat recording workshop. This workshop provided the public an opportunity to discover how maritime archaeologists document submerged resources. Workshop attendees were educated on the different types of ships and ship parts, how maritime archaeologists document these structures, and were then given the opportunity to record a boat. The entire workshop was conducted on dry land and a modern boat was used to simulate a submerged shipwreck, providing those that are not SCUBA certified an opportunity to participate and learn about maritime archaeology in a hands-on environment.

Orange County Historic Cemetery Recording Project (OCHCRP)

A project is currently underway in Orange County to begin recording as many historic cemeteries as possible. Under the guidance of East Central Region staff, volunteers are recording cemeteries marker by marker, with all Historical Cemetery forms eventually being submitted to the Florida Master Site File. The goal of this project is to make information available to local college students and other researchers who wish to conduct historic cemetery research in the East Central Region and throughout Florida. One volunteer will be using the information gathered on marker material type to examine commodity flow and choice in these historic cemeteries. A Facebook page for the project was started by

Public Archaeology Coordinator Kevin Gidusko, who has supervised all aspects of this project.

Cape Romano Survey

In response to a request from DHR, West Central Region Director Jeff Moates assisted East Carolina University with the shovel testing and remote sensing of a possible shipwreck site off Cape Romano, Florida. Together with Dr. Jennifer McKinnon of East Carolina University and her Advanced Field Methods graduate class, FPAN staff and students surveyed the shoreline and nearshore waters.

Pine Level Public Day

Toward the goal of listing more of Florida's archaeological sites on the National Register of Historic Places at the request of DHR, staff at the West Central Region coordinated the "Pine Level Public Art and Archaeology Day" in Deso-

to County in conjunction with Desoto County Historical Society. The dedication and public unveiling of the National Register of Historic Places marker at the site of Old Pine Level took place during the event and was the culmination of FPAN's collaboration with archaeologist Jana Futch during her University of South Florida Master's thesis research. The City of Pine Level was Desoto County's first county seat.

DHR Publications

As in years past, all FPAN Regions continue to promote the Florida Division of Historical Resources through public dissemination of its publications and media. Some of the most sought-after publications include DHR's numerous Florida Heritage Trail guides, Panhandle Shipwreck Trail Passports and brochures, and the Florida Underwater Archaeological Preserves brochures and posters.





FPAN scientific divers explore the mast of the *Adelaide Baker* in the Florida Keys.

Staff Developments

Coordinating Center

At the 2015 Society for Historical Archaeology Conference in Seattle, Washington, FPAN received the prestigious Daniel G. Roberts Award for Excellence in Public Historical Archaeology.

Executive Director Dr. William Lees co-authored a new book with Frederick P. Gaske, *Recalling Deeds Immortal: Florida Monuments to the Civil War*. The University Press of Florida published the book.

Associate Director Dr. Della Scott-Ireton was awarded one of Florida's highest honors in historic preservation, the 2015 Senator Bob Williams Award.

Web Architect Jason Kent left his full-time position to move to Washington, D.C., but continues to manage the FPAN website and digital content part-time.

Destination Archaeology Resource Center (DARC)

Museum Assistant Tristan Harrenstein left his position following his successful graduation from the University of West Florida's Historical

Archaeology Master's program. UWF Historical Archaeology graduate student Jess Hendrix was hired as the newest Museum Assistant.

Northwest Region

Public Archaeology Coordinator Nicole Grinnan (previously Nicole Bucchino) was awarded "Outstanding Master's Thesis" for her 2014 University of West Florida Historical Archaeology Master's thesis. Nicole is also serving as a new Board Member on the St. Michael's Cemetery Foundation Board and has joined the Florida Archaeological Council.

Public Archaeology Assistant Gregg Harding was awarded "Outstanding Graduate Student" for the University of West Florida's Anthropology Department and ended his three-year tenure with the Northwest Region. New Public Archaeology Assistant Katherine Sims has joined the Northwest Region for the next three years.

North Central Region

Former North Central Region Public Archaeology Coordinator Barbara Clark became Director of the Northwest and North Central Regions. Barbara also joined the Florida Archaeological Council as a Board member and serves as the



FPAN staff pose before the annual FPAN Board meeting during the 2015 Florida Anthropological Society Conference.

State Coordinator for the Society for American Archaeology's Public Education Committee.

Northeast Region

Director Sarah Miller's Cemetery Resource Protection Training (CRPT) program was awarded a 2015 Historic Preservation Award by the Florida Trust for Historic Preservation.

East Central Region

East Central Region staff moved into their new office in Merritt Island in May 2015.

Public Archaeology Coordinator Kevin Gidusko supervised interns from the University of Central Florida and Valencia College.

University of Central Florida graduate student Rachael Kangas was hired as Outreach Assistant and completed a project-based internship in summer 2015.

West Central Region

The West Central and Central Regions transitioned to a new Principal Investigator (PI), Dr. Thomas Pluckhahn of the University of South Florida. Former PI Dr. Brent Weisman retired in May 2015.

Director Jeff Moates was appointed Chair of the Manatee County Historic Preservation Board.

Central Region

Public Archaeology Coordinator Nigel Rudolph became a Certified Interpretive Guide (CIG) after completing the National Association for Interpretation's CIG training.

University of Florida graduate Paula Specht was hired as Outreach Assistant.

Southeast Region

Public Archaeology Coordinator Sarah Nohe presented her paper "From Cuba with 'Chug': Interpreting the Historical Significance of a Vernacular Watercraft Collection" at the 2014 Southeastern Archaeology Conference.

Southwest Region

Southwest Region staff moved into their new office in Fort Myers.

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Associate Director

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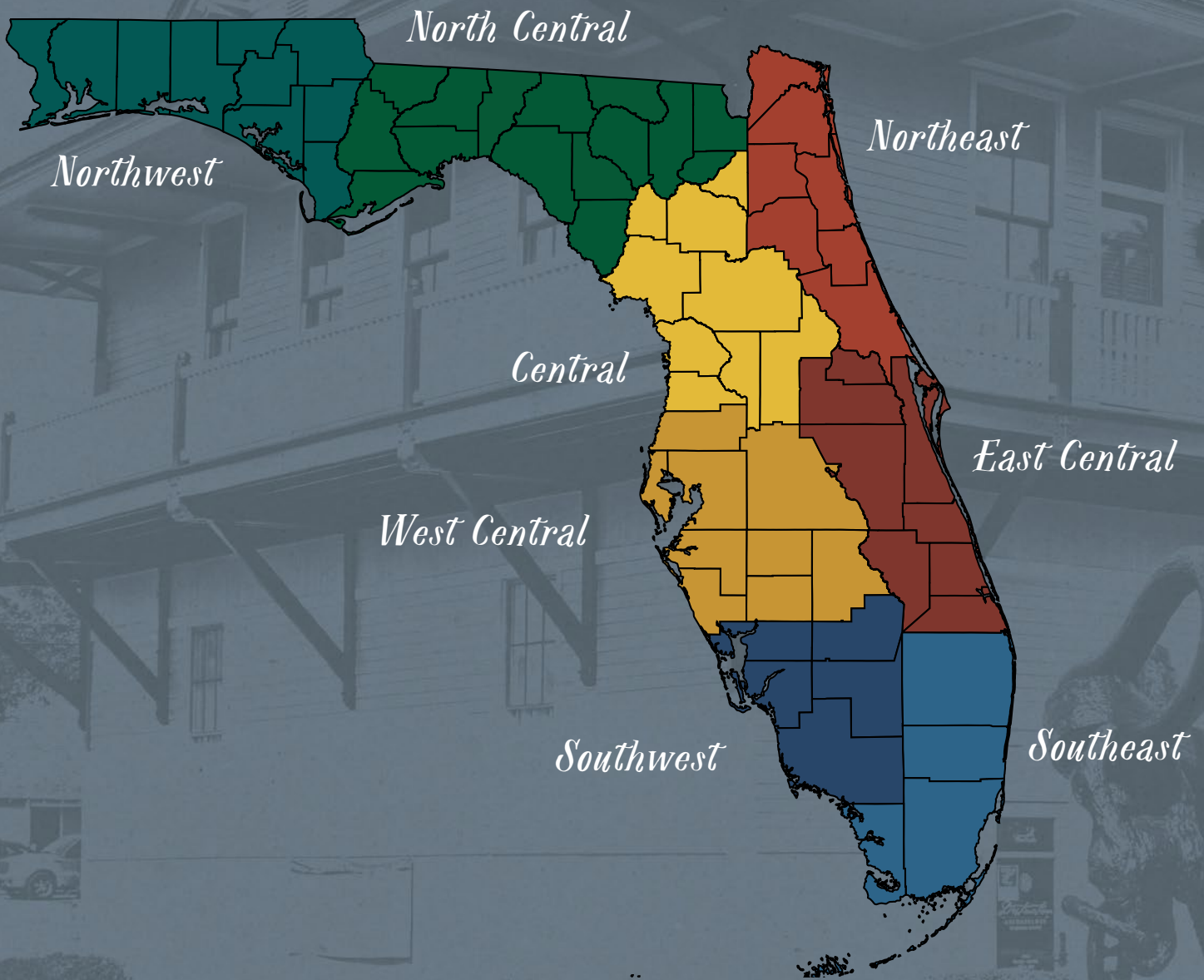
In memoriam

Dr. Hester A. Davis

Director, Emeritus

Dr. Hester A. Davis passed away on December 30, 2014, in Fayetteville, Arkansas, after a long and amazingly productive career. She served on the UWF Steering Committee that developed FPAN from concept to reality, and was a member of the FPAN Board of Directors through 2008 when she tendered her resignation because of difficulty traveling to meetings.

At their May 2008 meeting, the Board appointed Hester as FPAN Director Emeritus in recognition of her contribution to FPAN.



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