# **BITS AND PIECES**

## FALLS OF THE OHIO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

## **NEXT MEETING:**

When: August 13<sup>th</sup>

Where: Clark County Museum

What: Artifact processing of the materials recovered from the recent excavations. Come see some neat ild bttles dating to the prohibition era!



## **AUGUST 2016 MEETING**

This month we won't be able to meet at the Falls Interpretive Center. We will be meeting at the Clark County Museum located at 721 Michigan Ave behind the Vintage Fire Museum in Jeffersonville. We will be meeting at the regular time from 2-4 and will be washing and processing artifacts from our recent dig at the museum. Hope to see everyone there!

#### **AN APOLOGY**

So sorry for the long silence with Bits and Pieces. It is not Bett's fault! Anne has been so caught up with a huge backlog of work. We will be more timely from now on!

#### **PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Our Summer Picnic in July at Ashland Park was both fun and fruitful. Great company, excellent food and a very successful silent auction, led by Rhonda. Fifteen items were displayed and ten sold, bringing in a total of \$75, enough to pay for our next speaker! Thank you to the donors, the bidders and especially to Rhonda, great job!

We have had a run of excellent speakers this year. Brandon Zinsious started the year off with demonstrating the value of Lidar technology to map and document archaeological deposits using an example from his graduate research with the University of Louisville at a cave site in Portugal. Gerry Fisher captivated us in March with stories about the exploits of some famous and not so well known guerillas in Civil war Kentucky. In April, Jim Pritchard shared little known aspects of the Civil War in Frankfort, which were very surprising. May brought our long awaited report on the prehistoric component of the huge River Park place project that occurred along River Road in Louisville by

Duane Simpson of AMEC, quite impressive! In June, Rhonda introduced us to Justin Carlson, a graduate student at the University of Kentucky, and his amazingly research of the deeply stratified deposits at a sinkhole in front of Crumps Cave in Warren County, Kentucky. We are learning new things all the time! We are always looking for speakers. If you have any ideas, please give us a shout. Send info to Christina or Anne.

#### TRAVELING EXHIBIT

Bob DeMent is putting the finishing touches on our traveling exhibit case, which will be displayed at out August meeting. Christina, Anne and Bett will be filling the compartments with artifacts and archaeology information to share at the Falls of the Ohio's "Digging the Past" event and Jeffersontown's Gas Light Festival in September. We will have one table and one activity and will need members to sign up for the morning shift (10 to 1) or afternoon (1 to 4). The exhibit case will then be available to go out to libraries and other public venues.

#### JOURNAL

I know you folks have nearly given up, but next month at our October meeting, we will distribute copies of Volume 8 of Currents of Change. This is an early manuscript for Donald Janzen's Falls of the Ohio Archaeological Study that was done between 1969 and 1971. This formed the basis for his popular lay book Unearthing the Past.

#### LAB WORK

Paul Olliges and Bett have been working on FOAS' excavation materials from the Division Street School and the Clark County Museum. We are bagging, labeling, and entering all info on a database with the help of Kathy McGrath. Anyone who would like to help can contact Bett to set up a time.

The Projectile Point Guide: We really think this will be a great contribution from FOAS to the archaeology community. If you have collections you want to bring, remember, we are documenting projectile points only at this time. Because we can only do so many at any one session, we would like to schedule the collections. If you have a collection you want to share, please notify Anne at abader@ciarch.com or 502 592-2355 so that we do not have too much to handle on that day. September is a busy month with all of the Archaeology Month events. So stayed tuned for upcoming notifications. We would like to resume this work in early October. However, if anyone is interested in doing this during the week, there are plenty of projectiles from Janzen's collections that can be done at any time during the regular workweek. Call Anne to schedule a session.

#### **FACEBOOK PAGES**

There are two new Facebook Groups that you may be interested in following. The first relates to the Projectile Point Project. This was formerly a page that you could access. We have now abandoned the old "Page" and changed this to be a "Group" so that anyone could contribute images and feedback.

The second Group is for the Falls Potters Project. This group discusses nineteenth to mid-twentieth century earthenware and stoneware potters in the Falls area.

To join either of these groups, go to

https://www.facebook.com/groups/fallspoints/ or https://www.facebook.com/groups/fallspotters/

Click on the button over the top banner to Join Group. There have been some interesting postings. Feel free to contribute!

#### JACK CUSTER STATUS

Paul talked with talked with Jack in July and he had been home about a month at that time!!!!! He and Sandie are overjoyed about that. A physical therapist comes to the house often and jack said it's better therapy than he got at rehab. He's taking the steps to get to the 2nd floor of the house, just cautiously. And he uses a cane. Continued good wishes for Jack!

#### **WEBSITE**

Have you checked out the FOAS webpage? Go to www.falls-society.org. It now contains a gallery of photos from our trips and activities, as well as a blog for some interactive conversation. If you have anything you would like to see added to the page, please send along to Anne or Bett. We will soon be adding .pdf versions of our reports, Journals, posters, and power point presentation on the website. Watch for those to show up.

#### **DUES**

If you haven't yet gotten around to it, you can mail your dues to FOAS, P.O. Box 99363, Louisville, KY 40269. Please keep in mind the changes that we voted on at the December meeting. Single membership is now \$20, family is \$30 and there is no longer the option of life memberships, however current life memberships (there are 17) will be honored. **New option:** You can now pay dues on line at the FOAS website through PayPal.

## **THANKS**

As always to Paul and Leslie for continued good work in getting newsy items out to the membership!

To **SUBMIT** an item for inclusion in this enews letter, please email to the editors at:

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