Making the Past Come to Life!
Exploring Ancient Techniques

Society for Georgia Archaeology
Spring Meeting

Saturday, May 15, 2010
10:00 am—4:00 pm
The Parks at Chehaw, 105 Chehaw Park Road, Albany, GA
Free with paid park admission

Join the Society for Georgia Archaeology to honor the 17th annual Archaeology Month by "Making the Past Come to Life! Exploring Ancient Techniques" through exciting outdoor demonstrations! Learn how modern-day craftsmen use skills much like our ancestors. Take a tour of the ArchaeoBus, visit the kids' area, and learn how you can become a supporter of archaeology in the state of Georgia.

Demonstrators/Archaeologists include Ben Kirkland, Scott Jones, James Stewart, Jackie Briggs, Sean Taylor, Carl Etheridge, Brian Floyd, Keith Grenoble, and Nancy Basket.

Skills to be demonstrated include flintknapping, cordage, burn and scrape woodworking, weaving and woven bags, bone tools, steatite carving, basket making, pottery, brain tanning, fire by friction, edible/medicinal plants, as well as others.

For more information regarding the meeting, the available accommodations, or the park, please visit http://thesga.org and www.chehaw.org.
Archeology Month Events

This brochure lists upcoming events for Georgia Archaeology Month, May 2010.

Event: 2nd Annual Fort Hawkins Archaeology Celebration
Date: Saturday, May 1, 2010
Time: 10:00 am—4:00 pm
Location: Fort Hawkins Historic Site, corner of Emery Hwy. and Maynard St., Macon. From I-75 in Macon, take I-16 East to Exit 2. At the end of the ramp, turn left on Highway 80. After 0.5 mile, turn right on Emery Highway (also Highway 80). The fort is on the left.
Contact: Stephen Hammack, 478-718-3398, stephen.hammack@robins.af.mil
Fees/Limits: None
Description: Something for everyone! Artifact identification, primitive skills demonstrations, and children’s activities.
Sponsors: Ocmulgee Archaeological Society and the Fort Hawkins Commission

Event: Archaeology of Camp Lawton, Magnolia Springs State Park
Date: Saturday, May 1, 2010
Time: 10:00 am—4:00 pm
Location: Magnolia Springs State Park, Millen, GA
Contact: Sue Moore, 912-478-5568, smmoore@georgiasouthern.edu
Fees/Limits: Park Entrance Fee ($5), No Limits
Description: Visit with archaeologists from Georgia Southern University as they excavate the possible stockade wall of Camp Lawton, a Civil War prison camp. See what has been found and even help in the ongoing work!

Program: Homeschool Archaeology
Date: Wednesday, May 5, OR Friday, May 14, 2010
Time: 9:00 am—1:30 pm, with 30-minute lunch break
Location: Fernbank Museum of Natural History, 767 Clifton Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30307
Contact: Mandy Gee, 404-929-6379
Fees/Limits: Cost is $25 per person. Available for children 9 and up. Space is limited to 24 and advanced registration is required. Program fees are non-refundable unless the minimum enrollment is not met. Museum or IMAX admission must be purchased separately.
Description: Experience the thrill of discovery at Fernbank Museum’s true-to-life archaeology site! Explore the details of how an archaeology site works, how artifacts are found, and what happens to them once they come out of the ground!

Event: Archaeology Day
Date: Saturday, May 8, 2010
Time: 10:00 am—4:00 pm
Location: 1797 Ezekiel Harris House, 182 Broad Street, Augusta, GA
Contact: John Arena, 706-855-2910
Fees/Limits: None
Description: Event will include flintknapping, primitive skills demonstrations, artifact identification, Ezekiel Harris House tours, and Paleoindian point identification and recording.
Sponsor: Augusta Archaeological Society and Augusta Museum of History

Event: Celebrating Georgia’s Archaeology
Date: Saturday, May 8, 2010
Time: 2:00 pm—3:30 pm
Location: Lovejoy Branch Library, Clayton County Library System, 1721 McDonough Road, Hampton, GA
Contact: Vanessa A. Rice, 770-472-8129
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Lecture: “De Soto’s Footprints: New Archaeological Evidence from Georgia” by Dennis Blanton, Curator of Native American Archaeology
Date: Tuesday, May 11, 2010
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Fernbank Museum of Natural History, 767 Clifton Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30307
Contact: Main Office, 404-929-6400
Fees/Limits: No fees. Limited to 150.
Description: Recent discoveries will be described that put the earliest Spanish explorers in a part of Georgia where no one expected them to be. The evidence comes from Fernbank Museum’s archaeological excavations on the Ocmulgee River in southeastern Georgia that have been ongoing since 2006.

Event: Artifact Identification and Archaeology Laboratory Open House
Date: Saturday, May 15, 2010
Time: 10:00 am—1:00 pm
Location: Chieftains Museum, 501 Riverside Parkway, Rome, GA
Contact: Dave Davis, 706-291-9494, daved1@bellsouth.net, see website at www.chieftainsmuseum.org
Fees/Limits: $5.00

All events are free of charge, unless otherwise noted, and are open to the public.

http://thesga.org/category/archaeology-month/