

ArkyFacts

Monthly Newsletter of the
South Suburban Archaeological Society
Lecture meetings are at 7:30 p.m. at
The Irwin Center
18120 S. Highland Avenue, Homewood

Schedule of Events

2018

February 15 Arthur Bourgeois, Ph.D.

"Ft. de Chartres & the French Colonial
Period in Illinois"

February 26 Officers' Meeting

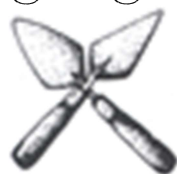
March 15 Paula Porubcan, M.A.

"Archaeological Resource Management in
the Forest Preserves of Cook County"

Deadline for material to be included in the next
Arkyfacts is two weeks before the monthly meeting.

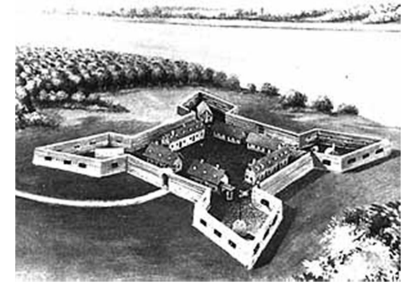
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February 15, 2018, 7:30 PM

“Ft. de Chartres & the French Colonial Period in Illinois”
by Arthur Bourgeois, Ph.D.

Dr. Bourgeois will present an overview of French settlement in the Mississippi Valley. He will focus on the four successive forts built at Ft. de Chartres in comparison with other locations during the French colonial period. Dr. Bourgeois is an art historian who continues to teach as Professor Emeritus at Governors State University. Of French Canadian/Acadian descent, he has followed a lifelong interest in researching folk life, as well as significant locations in French colonial history.



Membership

2018 Membership Applications are again included in this month's newsletter for anyone who has not yet renewed, along with a revised 2018 Programming Lineup.

IAAA ~ 2018 Annual Meeting

The IAAA annual meeting will take place in Champaign-Urbana on April 27-28, hosted by the East Central Illinois Archaeological Society. An all-day conference, “*Ancient Cahokia, Future Visions*” will be held on Friday, April 27 at the iHotel Conference Center in Champaign. This free event is open to the public, but please register as soon as possible at the Conference website: <https://cahokiaconference.wixsite.com/cc2018>.

Business Meeting Notes

Our next business meeting will be on Monday, February 26 at 7:30 PM.

Bookmarks! Find us online.....

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Interesting New Reads

MISSISSIPPIAN BEGINNINGS

Edited by Gregory D. Wilson

University of Florida Press

This book, edited by University of California/Santa Barbara scholar Gregory Wilson, takes a fresh look at the emergence of Native American Mississippian civilization.

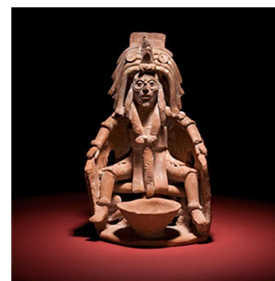
“Until recently, most archaeologists believed that the Mississippian culture evolved from the earlier Woodland culture. Fresh evidence questions that interpretation, and this volume presents the results of recent fieldwork from a wide variety of sites, archival studies, and new investigations of collections. Sixteen scholars present this new evidence that provides the latest information about the emergence of the Mississippian culture. They discuss migrations, missions, pilgrimages, violent conflicts, and extensive trade, factors that worked together to develop a single unified culture over a vast area.

This volume is a badly needed update on the latest research and perspectives on how the Mississippian culture emerged and spread. Much of this information comes from new techniques, such as remote sensing and AMS dating, and more information is on its way. Clearly, there is much more to learn about this great native culture, and *Mississippian Beginnings* gives us a new understanding at both the site level and of the entire region.”

-Mark Michel, President, The Archaeological Conservancy

MAYA-HIDDEN WORLDS REVEALED

The largest exhibition on the ancient Maya ever to be displayed in the U.S. will be at the **Milwaukee Public Museum from February 10-May 28.**



The ruined cities of the ancient Maya have captured our imaginations since news of their discovery in the jungles of Central America was published in the 1840's.

Hundreds of authentic artifacts, immersive environments, and hands-on activities take visitors into Maya life and culture. Discover the history of kings who ruled powerful cities, artisans and laborers who formed the backbone of society and the gods to which they prayed.

Visitors will see spectacular examples of Mayan artistry made by masters of their craft, along with objects from everyday life. They'll also get a close look at the scientific work being carried out at key Maya sites across Central America to understand exactly how we know what we know of the once-hidden Maya of the ancient past.