

Monthly Newsletter of the SOUTH SUBURBAN ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Lecture meetings are at 7:30 p.m. at The Marie Irwin Community Center 18120 S. Highland Avenue, Homewood

MAY - 2020

Thursday, Programming canceled.

May 21

Monday, Officers' Meeting - 7:30 PM

June 1 Host: Warren Hastings

Mama & Me Pizzeria, Homewood

Thursday, Madeleine McLeester, Ph.D. ~7:30 PM

June 18 "The Kankakee Protohistory Project"

Deadline for material to be included in the next ArkyFacts is two weeks before the monthly meeting. Contact Susan Saric (milansaric@aol.com)

For more information about South Suburban Archaeological Society, or if you have a special need because of a disability, contact SSAS President Will Kelley

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May 2020

Due to continuing state and nationwide health concerns, there has been a change in SSAS programming for the month of May. Be safe and stay well! We hope to see everyone very soon.

Thursday, May 21

Our program originally scheduled for the evening of May 21, "Pots From the City of Sin: Consequences of Buying Holy Land Antiquities" with Dr. Morag Kersel, has been canceled. This program has been rescheduled to September 16, 2021.

In Archaeology News..... Mysterious Decorated Mud Balls Excavated in Louisiana!

Abstract, highly decorated mud balls have been excavated at the ancient Poverty Point Site in Louisiana.

Poverty Point inhabitants used cooking balls to prepare food, utilizing them as hot rocks, but these are different. Baked to make them durable through the ages, their abstract designs contain patterns representing spider webs, lotus pods, the sun, and an owl. The decorated mud balls are dated to 1700 BCE and were made with soil from as far away as the Tennessee River Valley and the Gulf Coast, hundreds of miles away. Were pilgrims bringing these objects to Poverty Point? For more information, visit:



Belleville News Democrat at

https://www.bnd.com/news/nation-world/national/article241821501.html

Researchgate at https://www.researchgate.net/publication/304610019 Poverty Point Objects Reconsidered.

For more on ancient Poverty Point, visit

https://michaelruggeri.com/THE MISSISSIPPIAN WORLD AND THE MOUND BUILDERS/MIKE RUG GERIS MISSISSIPPIAN WORLD.html

Our Next Business Meeting...... is <u>tentatively</u> scheduled for Monday, June 1 - 7:30 PM at Mama & Me Pizzeria, 18219 Dixie Hwy., Homewood. Our host will be Warren Hastings.

Bookmarks! Find us online......

Search: "South Suburban Archaeological Society on Weebly"

OR: http://southsuburbanarchsociety.weebly.com/

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South Suburban Chapter Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/SouthSuburbanChapter2015

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ONLINE OPPORTUNITIES TO TUNE IN TO PROGRAMS & LECTURES IN ARCHAEOLOGY DURING THE MONTH OF MAY......

Thank you Mike Ruggeri for providing these interesting and fascinating finds!

Saturday, May 9, 2:00 PM (CST)

The Amerind Museum is hosting a free lecture via Zoom: "An Overview of Mimbres Archaeology: Beautiful Pottery, Ordinary Architecture, and Scarlet Macaws in Southwestern New Mexico" with Patricia Gilman on Saturday, May 9, from 1:00 pm-2:00 pm MST. To register,

visit: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bceb5zYsTkeTsOv0GKDWxg

Tuesday, May 12, 5:30 PM (CST)

"Images of Basketmaker II Society in the Canyons of Southeast Utah" with Shanna Diederichs and Meadow Coldon

https://4454pp.blackbaudhosting.com/4454pp/Friends-of-Cedar-Mesa-Presents-Shanna-Diederichs-and-Meadow-Coldon

Saturday, May 16, 12:30 PM (CST)

THE PRE-COLUMBIAN SOCIETY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA MUSEUM OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY ZOOM LECTURE

The next scheduled meeting will be May 16, 2020 at 1:30 EST pm via Zoom or other online service. Dr. Joanne Michel (PhD Foreign Cultures & Languages Community College of Allegheny County-Allegheny Campus) will speak, possibly on her work on whether Teotihuacan had a written language.

NO URL YET

Go here closer to the event

https://precolumbian.org/next-meeting/

Saturday, May 16, 2:00 PM (CST)

"An Insider's View of Paquimé" free Zoom lecture by archaeologist Dr. Paul Minnis*

Register at https://bit.ly/AmerindOnlineMay1620.

.....And You Tube Videos. Steve Lekson one will be great;

Crow Canyon Archaeological Center's YouTube videos of recent webinars including:

"The T-Door is an Enigma..." with Steve Lekson;

"Discover Archaeology: Flintknapping Demonstration by Tyson Hughes; and more: https://www.crowcanyon.org/index.php/archaeology-webinars.

[&]quot;Southwest Indian Art: Origins and Revivals" with Emerald Tanner;

[&]quot;Toward a Science of ArchaeoEcology: Placing Humans into Food Webs" with Stefani Crabtree:

[&]quot;Discover Archaeology: Pueblo Farming Project Webinar" with Mark Varien and Paul Ermigiotti;