

# 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

## NOVEMBER – 2018

November 15	2019 SSAS OFFICER ELECTIONS FALL RAFFLE DRAWING! William Iseminger, MA ~ 7:30 PM “Telling Time in Ancient North America”
January 3	Officers’ Meeting ~ 7:30 PM Location to be Announced
January 17	Paula Bryant, ISAS ~ 7:30 PM “The Landscape of the Chicago Portage”

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



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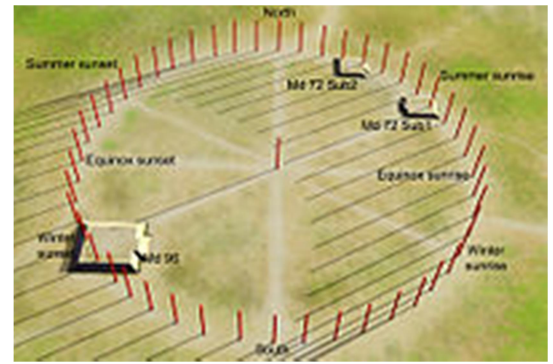
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Thursday, November 15 ~ 7:30 PM

## TELLING TIME IN ANCIENT NORTH AMERICA

By William Iseminger, MA



### *Woodhenge at Cahokia Mounds*

Humans have been measuring time for thousands of years. Without a cell phone or clock around to tell if one was running late for the hunt or needed to prepare for harvesting season, the earliest human civilizations had to rely on other methods to schedule their days and nights. Discover the various timekeeping methods employed by these ancient civilizations in North America. Whether natural formations on the horizon or artificial man-made structures--their calendars made use of the sun, moon and certain bright stars to measure time. Learn about the Woodhenge sun circles of Cahokia Mounds (America's and Illinois' first city), other prehistoric Indian sites in eastern North America, Pueblo structures in the Southwest, and the rock circle "Medicine Wheels" of the Great Plains—all evidence of the great innovators who looked to the sky to know what time it was.

William Iseminger is assistant site manager in charge of exhibits, interpretation and public relations at Cahokia Mounds for the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency. *(Please note: Bill will also be presenting a program on "Mighty Cahokia: America's First City" at 7 PM on Wednesday, November 14 at the Isle a la Cache Museum, 501 E. Romeo Rd., Romeoville, IL).*

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Fall Raffle Drawing.....to be held during the November program. A \$100.00 Gift Certificate to La Voute Bar & Bistro will be awarded to the lucky winner. There is still time to purchase tickets! 1 ticket-\$1.00, or 6 tickets-\$5.00. La Voute Bar & Bistro is located at 2034 Ridge Road in downtown Homewood.

Our Next Business Meeting..... will be on Thursday, January 3, 2019 at 7:30 PM. Location to be announced.

This will be our final newsletter and program for 2018. Please remember to send in your 2019 Membership Application, and join us on January 17, 2019 when Paula Bryant of the Illinois State Archaeological Survey (ISAS) will present "The Landscape of the Chicago Portage."

 *We wish everyone a joyous holiday season & a Happy New Year!* 

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