

# ArkyFacts

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 - 2023

Thursday,            Dr. Christopher Milan ~ 7:30 PM  
May 18            "One Thousand Years of Complex Society:  
Malpaso and the Rise of U-Shaped Temples  
In the Central Coast of Peru"  
(In-person and via Zoom.)

Fri. ~ Sun.            IAAA Annual Conference  
May 19-21            Dickson Mounds Museum, Lewistown IL

Tuesday,            Officers' Meeting ~ 6:00 PM  
May 30            PANERA BREAD  
820 175<sup>th</sup> St., Homewood  
Host: Dave Swanson

Deadline for material to be included in the next  
ArkyFacts is two weeks before the monthly meeting.  
Contact Susan Saric.

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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Thursday, May 18 ~ 7:30 PM

“One Thousand Years of Complex Society:  
Malpaso and the Rise of U-Shaped Temples in the  
Central Coast of Peru”  
with Christopher Milan, Ph.D.



Malpaso is one of eight U-shaped temples in the Lurín Valley of Peru that is associated with the Manchay Culture during the Initial Period (2000 – 800 BC). This was a time period marked by a number of significant developments associated with the emergence of complex society, including the introduction of ceramics and irrigation canals. It was also during this time period that people established the first permanent settlements and supported agriculture centered around these temples. Excavations at Malpaso have revealed how these farming communities were first established and how they thrived.



The community at Malpaso also shows a unique contradiction in Manchay society. On one hand, each temple represents an autonomous community with its own distinct identity. The temples have slightly different layouts, and the communities produce their own distinct material cultures. On the other hand, these same temples formed a network that connected people from different regions and facilitated trade throughout the central coast. Temples were situated in strategic parts of the valley to exploit the resources of different micro-climates and control crucial routes through the Andes Mountains.

Both of these functions will be discussed by looking at Malpaso's relationship with other sites. Its relationship to nearby farming communities at Anchucaya and Chillaco shows how independent each settlement in the Lurín Valley truly was. Material from Malpaso's later occupation also indicates that it engaged in long-distance trade and may have even had a relationship with the influential temple of Chavín de Huántar.

Dr. Christopher Milan, Department of Anthropology, DePaul University, will be appearing in person at the Irwin Center. For those who wish to view this presentation remotely via Zoom, see our insert page.

Please join us for light refreshments before the program!

**Search: “South Suburban Archaeological Society” or**  
<http://southsuburbanarchsociety.weebly.com/>

**SSAS on Tumblr: <http://southsuburbanchapter.tumblr.com>**

**South Suburban Chapter on Facebook:**  
<http://www.facebook.com/SouthSuburbanChapter2015>



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## 2023 Membership Reminder!

Any 2022 members who have not renewed by **June 30, 2023** will no longer receive SSAS newsletters. If you are unsure of your membership status, contact Membership Chairman Milan Saric.

Please renew! We hate to see you go. 😞

## EVENTS

**Lemont Public Library**  
**50 E. Wend Street, Lemont IL**

**Sunday, May 7 – 2:00 PM**  
***“175 Years with the I&M Canal”***

The Nation’s first National Heritage Area is a living landscape and outdoor museum that flows through our own backyard! Ana Koval, President of the Canal Corridor Association, will describe how the canal (which is also celebrating its 175th Anniversary this year) was integral in populating our state, and will explain the importance of its preservation and conservation. To register, call (630) 257-6541.

**Izaak Walton Preserve**  
**1100 W. Ridge Road, Homewood IL**

**Thursday, May 25 – 7:00 PM**  
***“Shifting Chicago: A Tale of Ice and Water”***

Join SSAS April speaker Dr. Roy Plotnick as he discusses the geological and paleontological history of Chicago, and shows how it has influenced the growth and development of the region. Phone (708)798-1850 or visit: <https://www.homewoodizaakwalton.com>  
**How to Remotely View our May 18th Program:**

Interested in participating via Zoom?

•SSAS members who have renewed their membership for 2023, and for whom we have an email contact address, will automatically be sent the program’s Zoom access information.



•2022 SSAS members who have not yet renewed their membership for 2023 should send a request to the email link shown below. **Please submit your request as soon as possible.** (Those who are not SSAS members are also welcome to use Zoom, but should include enough information in the email to verify identity.)

1-2 days before the event, the host will respond with an invitation to attend through Zoom. For questions about remote viewing, contact Will Kelley at (773)268-6705.

[southsubarkyzoom-request@yahoo.com](mailto:southsubarkyzoom-request@yahoo.com)



## 2023 Member Excursions

- A Saturday in mid-July - Tippecanoe Battlefield, Battle Ground IN
- August – Field Museum exhibit, *“First Kings of Europe”*

Excursions are open to all 2023 SSAS members and their guests. Specific tour dates and further information will be available in upcoming *ArkyFacts* newsletters.

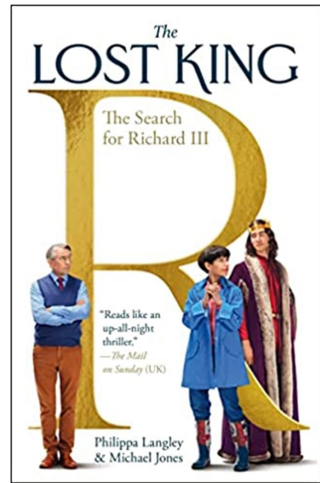
## Officers’ Meeting

Our next business meeting will take place on **Tuesday, May 30 – 6:00 PM at Panera Bread (820 175<sup>th</sup> St., Homewood)**. Our host will be Dave Swanson.



## NEW BOOKS

**“The Lost King” by Philippa Langley & Michael Jones**  
**St Martin’s Griffin, March 2023**



The mystery of who Richard III really was has fascinated historians, readers and audiences familiar with Shakespeare's dastardly portrait of a hunchbacked monster of royalty for centuries. In 2012, the remains of a man with a curving spine, who possibly was killed in battle, were discovered underneath the paving of a parking lot in Leicester, England. Philippa Langley, head of The Richard III Society, spurred on by the work of historian Michael Jones, led the team that uncovered the remains, certain that she had found the bones of the monarch. When DNA verification later confirmed that the skeleton was, indeed, that of King Richard III, the discovery ranks among the great stories of passionate intuition and perseverance against the odds.

The news of the discovery of Richard's remains has been widely reported by the British as well as worldwide and was front page news for both the New York Times and The Washington Post. Many believe that now, with King Richard III's skeleton in hand, historians will finally begin to understand what happened to him following the Battle of Bosworth Field (twenty miles or so from Leicester) and, ultimately, to know whether he was the hateful, unscrupulous monarch of Shakespeare's drama or a much more benevolent king interested in the common man. Written in alternating chapters, with Richard's 15th century life told by historian Michael Jones (author of the critically acclaimed *Bosworth - 1485*) contrasting with the 21st century eyewitness account of the search and discovery of the body by Philippa Langley, *The Lost King* will be both an extraordinary portrait of the last Plantagenet monarch and the inspiring story of the archaeological dig that finally brings the real King Richard III into the light of day.

*(Excerpted) Amazon Books*



## IAAA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Friday, May 19 – Sunday, May 21

Dickson Mounds Museum, Lewistown, IL

Included in this month's newsletter is additional information on the IAAA's annual meeting, to be held this year at Dickson Mounds Museum in Lewistown, Illinois.

Along with a business meeting and IAAA chapter reports, there will be many interesting presentations and a chance to participate in a Central Illinois Valley Mound Tour. The mounds date from many periods of Native American settlement, and cover many millennia. This exciting opportunity to visit a wide array of pre-contact mounds is scheduled for Sunday morning, May 21.

For overnight accommodations, there are numerous options in the Lewistown area. The link below may be helpful in finding hotels and campgrounds. There are also B&B's available in the area.

<http://fultoncountyoutdoor.org/places-to-stay/>

