



**North Carolina
Archaeological Society**

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2001 Annual Fall Meeting

North Carolina Archaeological Society

October 5-6, 2001

Town Creek Indian Mound

Mt. Gilead, North Carolina

Schedule:

Friday Evening, October 5, 2001 (Rankin Museum)

6:00 - 9:00 PM Reception hosted by the NC Archaeological Society & the NC Archaeological Council

Saturday, October 6, 2001 (Town Creek Indian Mound)

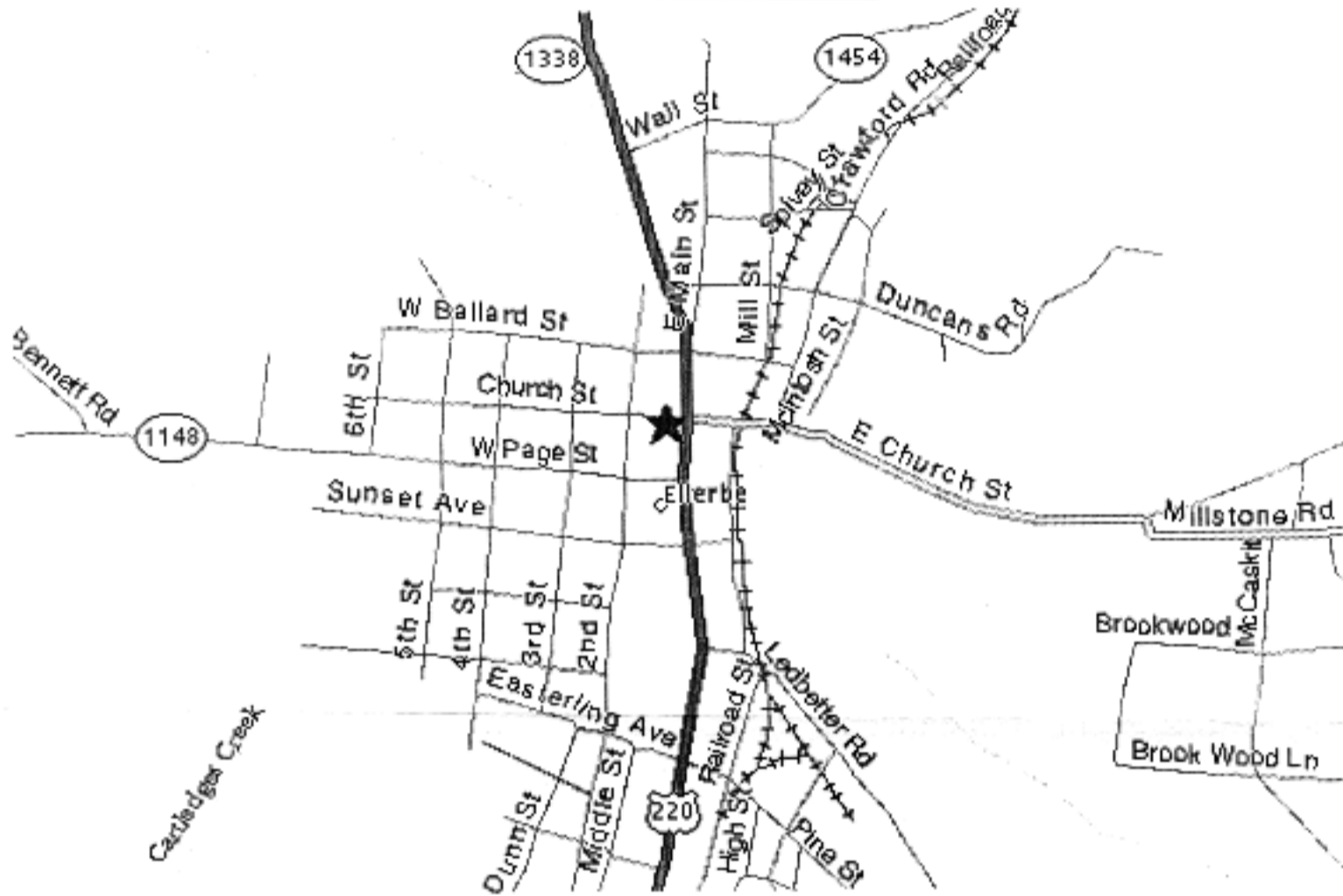
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| 10:00 AM | NC Archaeological Society Board of Directors Meeting |
| 10:15 AM | Registration |
| 10:30 AM | NC Archaeological Society Business Meeting |
| 11:15-NOON | Speakers Recent Studies of Pottery from Town Creek (Tony Boudreaux) Mortuary Patterning and Health at Town Creek (Liz Driscoll) |
| 12:00 NOON | Lunch* |
| 1:15-1:45PM | North Carolina GIS Project (Scott Madry and Matt Wilkerson) |
| 1:45-2:30PM | NC Archaeological Council Meeting |
| 1:45-4:00 PM | Tours and Demonstrations on Site |
| 4:00 PM | Adjourn |

*Buffet lunch catered by Jordan Catering consisting of BBQ, fried chicken, two slaws, green beans, baked beans, potato salad, rolls, tea/lemonade, and dessert.

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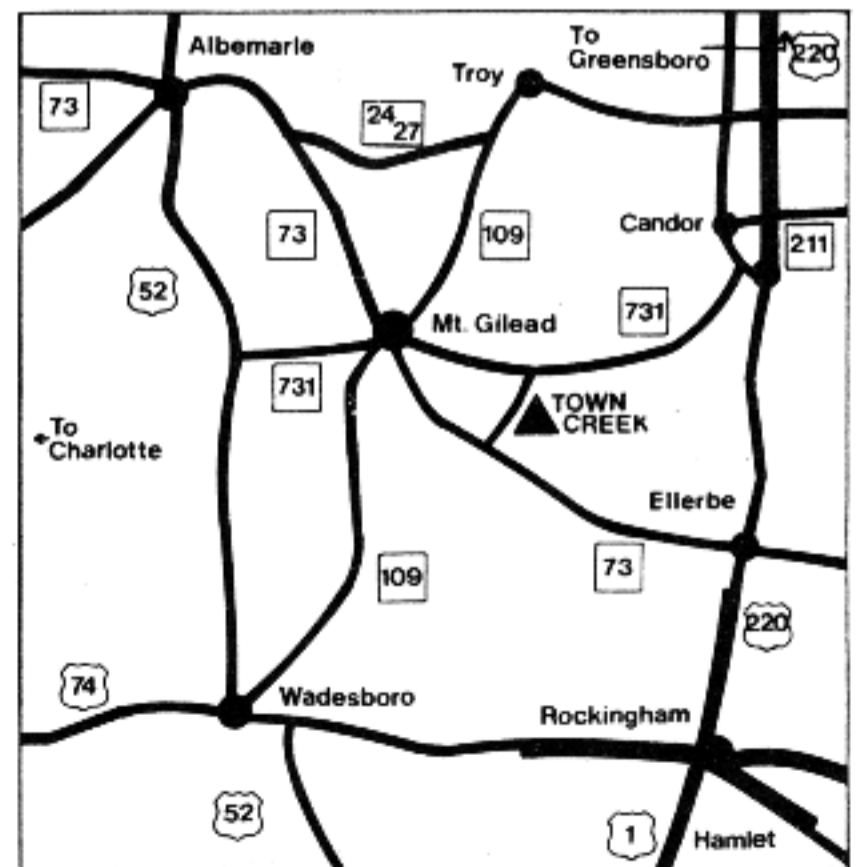
The Rankin Museum of American and Natural History

131 W. Church Street
Ellerbe, NC 28338
(910)652-6378



Town Creek Indian Mound

509 Town Creek Mound Road
Mt. Gilead, NC 27306
(910)439-6802



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The Rankin Museum of American and Natural History is recognized for its diverse and unique collections. Their emphasis is on the history and cultures of early American life; beginning with the Native American occupation and continuing to the present.

Town Creek Indian Mound

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Town Creek Indian Mound State Historic Site brings to life the dynamic culture left behind by prehistoric Indians over 500 years ago. On a bluff overlooking the junction of Town Creek and the Little River, these Indians of the Pee Dee culture established a religious, ceremonial and burial center that was the focal point of their society. This once obscure culture has been revealed through the meticulous excavation of archaeological features and artifacts.

Your visit to Town Creek Indian Mound will, through interpretive exhibits and an audiovisual program, introduce you to these early inhabitants of our state. Guided tours of the rebuilt Indian structures and mound will allow you to see first-hand the major temple, priests' dwelling, and ceremonial grounds.

Local Hotels/Motels

Ellerbe Springs Inn
11 miles North of Rockingham
on US #220
(800)248-6467

Holiday Inn Express
400 West Broad Avenue
Intersection of US #74 and US 220
(800)465-4329

Lunch Form to be returned by September 24th

North Carolina Archaeological Society's 2001 Fall Meeting
Hosted by Town Creek Indian Mound, Mt. Gilead, North Carolina
Saturday, October 6, 2001

Name(s) as you would like it to appear on nametag: _____

Buffet lunch catered by Jordan Catering consisting of BBQ, fried chicken, two slaws, green beans, baked beans, potato salad, rolls, tea/lemonade, and dessert. \$7.00/each.

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Mail form with payment to: Dee Nelms, NCAS, 4619 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-4619 or for further information call @ 919/733-7342.

New Book

The Archeological Society of Virginia announces publication of a new book, *Contributions to the Archeology of Southwest Virginia*. The book contains reports on extensive excavations done at two major prehistoric sites--one in Bland County and one in Tazewell County. The volume honors the late Emory Eugene Jones, Jr. of Bluefield, WV, who did the work over a 25-year period, but who died in 1996. Jones' dedication to archeology and its contributions to knowledge made him an outstanding avocational archeologist.

Each site was that of a palisaded village occupied around AD 1500. The Indians lived in circular houses, stored foods and other goods in underground storage pits, buried their dead in individual graves inside the village, and traded with Indians who lived nearer the Atlantic Ocean. The Indians' identity is unknown, but the work done revealed much about their lifestyles and culture. Comparing the excavated data with those from other sites shows a close relationship among villagers in an area reaching from Kingsport, Tennessee northeastward to about Covington, Virginia, generally north-northwest of Interstate 81. Since no historical records mention the local Indians, only further archeological research can determine their tribal and linguistic relationships.

The 200-page book is available at two local museums--Crab Orchard Museum at Pisgah in Tazewell County and Wolf Creek Indian Village and Museum near Bastian in Bland County. Both Museums display artifacts typical of the late Indian culture described. In addition, the book can be ordered by mail from the Archeological Society of Virginia, PO Box 70395, Richmond, VA 23255 for \$18.00, plus \$3.00 mailing cost.

NCAS Newsletter

Publication Schedule

All NCAS members are encouraged to submit articles and news items to Dee Nelms, Associate Editor, for inclusion in the *Newsletter*. Please use the following cut-off dates as guides for your submissions:

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| Spring Issue | February 28 |
| Summer Issue | May 31 |
| Fall Issue | August 31 |
| Winter Issue | November 30 |

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