



# North Carolina Archaeological Society

# Newsletter

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## NCAS MEMBERS MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT!!

As many of you know, this Fall ushers in another Election Season for the North Carolina Archaeological Society. Two Board of Directors positions will come open. The Elections Committee, composed of Ken Robinson, Terri Russ, and Dee Nelms, have put together a list of candidates who have agreed to serve on the board for the next three years (2003-2005). The List of Candidates is shown on the attached ballot.

In agreement with the NCAS By-Laws, we are required to allow members who did not yet send in a ballot to nominate other candidates "from the floor" at the Annual Business meeting. These "floor" candidates must have been asked in advance and agreed to serve if elected.

This year, however, because the Annual Fall Meeting will be held on the bus while on our way to Fall Field Day in South Carolina, the Board has decided to accept "floor" nominations via write-ins at the special event.

If a NCAS member wishes to nominate a write-in candidate, but is not on the bus trip (drives down on their own), they must submit their nomination by contacting one of the NCAS board members at the event. The list of candidates, including floor nominations, will then be considered and the final vote taken on the return bus trip to Raleigh.

What this also means is that it is very important for each member who does not plan to attend the Fall Meeting (and take the bus trip) to mail in their ballot ASAP in order to be counted. Please feel free to contact any member of the Elections Committee or any NCAS officer if you have questions regarding this Fall's Election of two board members. We want to give each and every NCAS member an opportunity to **MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT!**

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## NCAS Awards First Grant-in Aid of Research

Vin Steponaitis and Dave Moore  
Co-chairs, NCAS Endowment Committee

Last fall and winter, NCAS held the first competition for its program of research grants funded by the NCAS Endowment Fund. Five proposals were received and evaluated by the Endowment Committee consisting of Randy Daniel, Rick Langley, David Moore (co-chair), Ken Robinson, Vin Steponaitis (co-chair), and Ann Tippitt. Committee members were impressed with the quality of the proposals and felt that all were worthy of support. However, given the available funds, only one could be selected. After considerable deliberation, the committee awarded the first grant to Mr. Tony Boudreaux (Research Laboratories of Archaeology, UNC-Chapel Hill) for his proposal entitled, "Developing an

Architectural and Social History: Dating Nonmound Contexts at Town Creek." Tony will use the \$1,000 award to pay for four radiocarbon dates from the Town Creek site, which he is studying for his doctoral dissertation. On behalf of the Society, we congratulate Tony and look forward to the results of his research!

We expect that we will receive more excellent proposals for next year's award (see the announcement in this *Newsletter*). We also might consider ways to increase funding for the award by raising additional grant funds. It is clear that this award can have an important role to play in the future of North Carolina archaeology.

# NCAS Grants-in-Aid Program for 2002-2003

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Co-chairs, NCAS Endowment Committee

This fall, the North Carolina Archaeological Society will continue its Grants-in-Aid Program designed to fund research pertaining to North Carolina archaeology. At least one grant of up to \$1000 will be awarded each year. Applicants must meet one or more of the following criteria: (a) a graduate or undergraduate student actively pursuing a degree in archaeology or a related field; (b) an individual enrolled in an internship program with a museum, a state historic site, an archaeological park, or a Native American group (with state or federal recognition); or (c) an avocational archaeologist who is a member of the North Carolina Archaeological Society and has over time demonstrated a concern for the protection or study of archaeological resources within the state. The next deadline for proposals is November 1, 2002. Full details and application instructions appear on

a flier enclosed with this newsletter and also can be found on the web at <http://www.arch.dcr.state.nc.us/grants.htm>.

Grant recipients will be selected by the NCAS Endowment Committee, whose members currently include Randy Daniel, Rick Langley, Dave Moore (co-chair), Ken Robinson, Vin Steponaitis (co-chair), and Ann Tippitt.

The grants are underwritten by the NCAS Endowment Fund, which now totals more than \$21,000. As detailed in last fall's *NCAS Newsletter*, this endowment was established from the proceeds of the sale of the "Blue Banks" property near Greenville, which took place largely through the efforts of then-president Robert Graham. We owe him our thanks for making these grants possible!

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## GOOD NEIGHBORS BUS TRIP: NCAS JOINS ASSC FOR FALL FESTIVAL DAY! "Time to Get On the Bus, Part II"

NCAS members mark your calendars, send in your reservations (with fee!), pack up your lunches, and get on the bus. We're headed south of the border to visit with our South Carolina Archaeological Society neighbors for the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Festival Day on **October 12, 2002**. This special event, hosted by the ASSC, is being held at the Sesquicentennial State Park near Columbia, South Carolina. Our bus, sponsored by the NCAS, will **depart at 7:00 a.m. from the parking lot of the Office of State Archaeology** (located at 421 N. Blount Street in downtown Raleigh). The bus will carry us to the event where we should arrive before noon. We will depart Columbia about 5:00 pm and arrive back in Raleigh about 9:00 pm. **The roundtrip cost per person for the bus will be \$15. This special offer includes your roundtrip bus ride, the entrance fee to the park, and entrance to the event. Plan to bring**

**your own lunch** and eat on the bus or picnic when we get to the Festival. Please **complete the attached reservation form and return it to the OSA address, along with the remittance fee by September 20, 2002 (no call-ins please)**. This will guarantee your seat on the bus. **The September 20, 2002 DEADLINE IS FIRM**, so please do not tarry in returning your reservation. **A capacity of 55 tickets** will be sold for this trip. At this special rate, co-sponsored by your NCAS, it is a bargain!

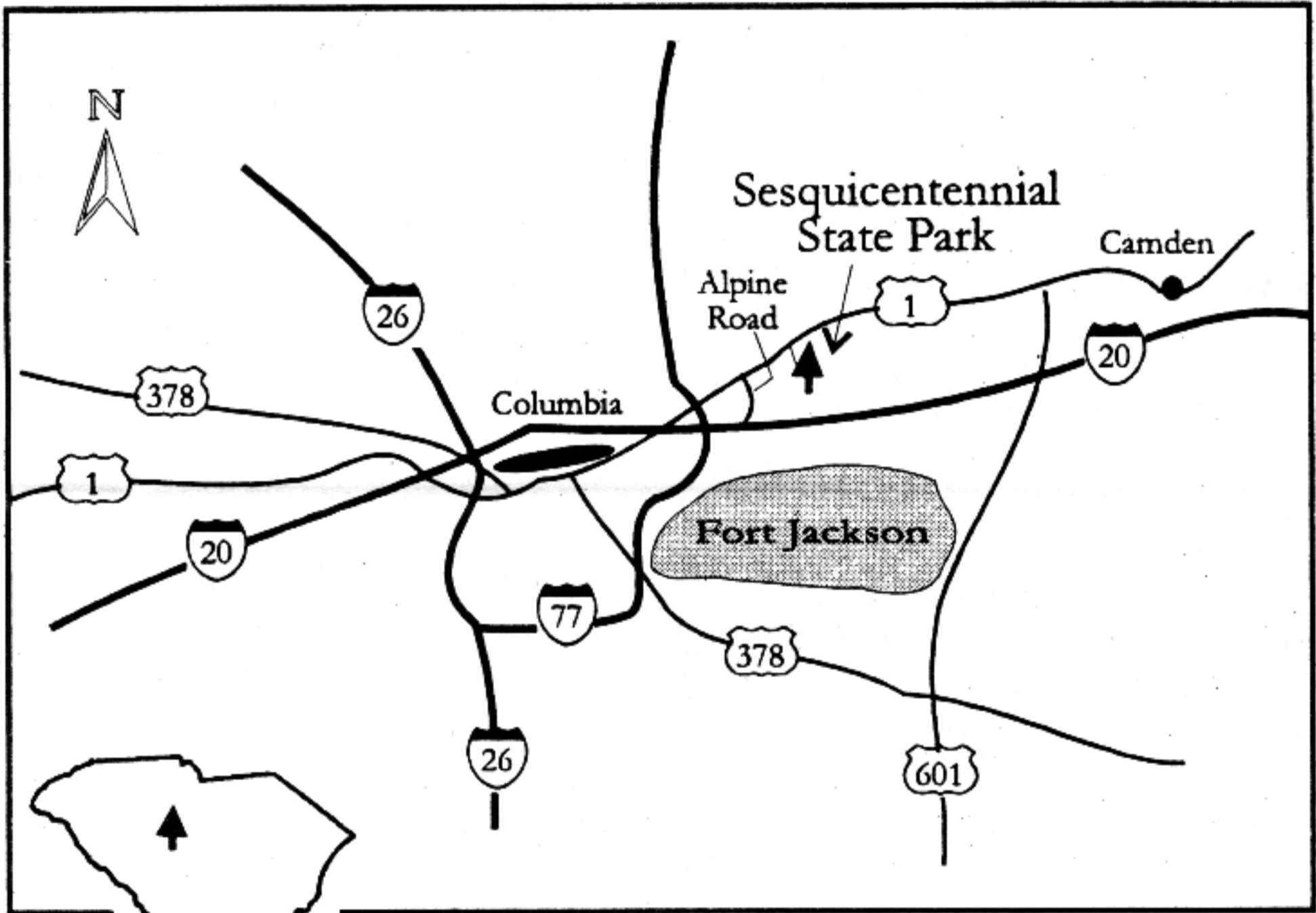
We will conduct our Business meeting and Board meeting on the bus. The fall elections for two new officers will occur on the return ride (see separate newsletter article). A special speaker (or two) is also being asked to give us an overview of South Carolina archaeology (prehistoric and historic) during our bus ride down. The Festival is a major event, and it offers demonstrations of prehistoric and historic techniques and highlights

performances by the Plantation Singers, storytelling, pottery making, stone tool making, blow guns, wrought iron making, children's games, artifact identification, exhibits, music, and a popular archaeological auction. This promises to be a fun trip with lots to see at the Festival and a way to share some southern hospitality from our South Carolina Archaeological Society neighbors.

Please note: If you plan to drive yourself to the event, refer to the map below for directions. The

cost for entrance into the state park is \$1.50 per person, and into the event is \$5.00 per adult and \$2.00 for children ages 6-12 (children under 6 free). If you need additional information about the event, contact ASSC at 803.777.8170.

If you have any questions about the bus trip please call Dee or Linda at 919.733.7342 (at OSA). See you on the BUS!!!



*Sesquicentennial State Park is on US #1, 13 miles northeast of Columbia and three miles from I-20.*

**NCAS Bus Trip to South Carolina to be returned by September 20<sup>th</sup>**

North Carolina Archaeological Society's 2002 Fall Meeting, Saturday, October 12, 2002

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

\_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15/ea. Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Remember to pack your lunch.**

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

## 2002 NC State Fair

We are planning for the 2002 State Fair exhibit for October 18-27. We still have a few openings if you want to help man our booth located in the Kerr Scott Building. Two people work the booth, so you can sign up your friend to work with you. You will get an entrance pass for the day(s) you work. Please contact Dee Nelms @ 919/733-7342 for available times. Thanks.



## Chapters

We need to hear from you, Coastal Plain, Otarre, and Tarheel Chapters. Please send an update to Dee Nelms, Office of State Archaeology, 4619 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699-4619, for the next newsletter. Thanks.

### 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:

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

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