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Newsletter

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FIELDWORK OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND ACROSS NORTH CAROLINA THIS SUMMER

Want to participate in archaeological fieldwork in Europe this summer? How about Barbados? Well, if you are a student at Wake Forest University or UNC-Wilmington you might have those opportunities. But for the rest of us there are still some opportunities to visit or even participate in some excavations happening right here in North Carolina this summer. From west to east, here's a sample of what's happening in the state this field season. Be sure to call the contact person listed to get the latest information before you plan a visit.

In the mountains, Appalachian State University will be conducting a fieldschool in late May - early June. Professors Tom Whyte and Larry Kimball welcome interested volunteers and may have several different sites to work on, including an Archaic site in downtown Boone. By the time you read this their plans should be firming up, so call them at (704)262-2295 for more information.

Western Carolina University will be working at a site in Macon County, in the Nantahala National Forest. Tentative dates are between May 13 and June 14, but part of that time may be spent visiting other sites, so be sure to call ahead to arrange a visit or to volunteer. Contact Dr. Ann Rogers at (704)227-7268.

If you're in the Charlotte area, the Schiele Museum of Gastonia and the University of North Carolina-Charlotte are going to be working at Latta Plantation in May. They will have opportunities for volunteers to join them from May 18-31. Contact Dr. Janet Levy, UNC- Charlotte at (704)547-4282) for more information and directions.

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill will be back in Hillsborough this year, at the Jenrette Site. Dates are May 20 - June 21. Sunday, June 9th will be a visitation day for Society members, they will be glad to have people volunteer on other days. Call Dr. Steve Davis at (919)962-3845 for information and to make arrangements to participate in the dig.

In eastern North Carolina, the folks at East Carolina University will be working in historic New Bern at the old New Bern Academy. The site was one of the first public schools in the nation and served as a military hospital in the Civil War. Work will be ongoing from May 20 - June 17. Contact Dr. Charles Ewen at (919)328-1071.

In the Wilmington area, contact Johnathan Noffke at the Bellamy Mansion to participate in excavations at that historic site. They have been conducting landscape archaeology excavations with students from UNC - Wilmington, exploring the grounds and gardens. They also hope to receive a grant from the Department of Cultural Resources for more extensive archaeological investigations later this summer. The number to call is (910)251-3700.

Remember, proper dig etiquette includes contacting the archaeologist in charge beforehand to find out dates, and to get directions and instructions on what to bring, etc. Running an archaeological excavation involves a lot of coordination and logistics. Never assume it is OK to show up on a site with young children, dogs, or additional people. With proper planning, visiting or actually participating in an archaeological dig can be a wonderful educational experience, and your help can make a big difference in achieving the goals of archaeology.

1996 Annual Spring Meeting North Carolina Archaeological Society Saturday May 18, 1996

Warren Wilson College Swannanoa, North Carolina 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Free and Open to the Public

The Otarre Chapter is pleased to host this year's Annual Spring Meeting of the North Carolina Archaeological Society, Saturday, May 18, 1996, at Warren Wilson College. You may recall our 1993 Summer Field Day at the Warren Wilson site with over 200 visitors—this should be even better! Bring family and friends for a great day.

Exhibits

There will be a wide variety of exhibits, including a series of nine exhibits being prepared by North Carolina archaeologists for display at the Society of American Archaeology national meeting in New Orleans in April. Topics from across the state will be featured.

Demonstrators

Several mountain area demonstrators will display their talents of primitive technology including firestarting, flintknapping, soapstone carving, blowgun shooting, and more! All are welcome and encouraged to participate in these hands-on activities—take home some new skills!

Site Tour

The Warren Wilson site is one of the best-known sites in western North Carolina. Work at this site helped archaeologists to describe the major prehistoric cultures of our region. Visitors will get to see excavation samples, as well as portions of recreated palisades and houses.

Artifact Identification

Do you have artifacts you cannot identify? Bring them along; we'll have archaeologists available to identify them for you.

Catered Lunch

We will have a wonderful catered lunch for \$6.00 per person (children under 12 \$3.50). Lunch will include a "wood-roasted" chicken dinner, vegetables, rolls, drinks, and dessert. If you would like to make reservation for the meal, please fill out the registration form on page three and return it by May 10th.

Games

We will have contests in blowgun shooting and the chunkee game. Test your skills and have fun. Prizes will be awarded.

Accommodations

There are many motels in the Asheville area. Below are phone numbers for those located close to Warren Wilson College. Also, for anyone interested in staying in a dormitory room at Warren Wilson College—the College offers a two person room for \$24.00 per night.

Reservations must be made by April 16, 1996. If you are interested please call John Verner, Warren Wilson College at (704) 298-3325.

Cricket Inn (704)298-7952 Days Inn East (704)298-5140 Holiday Inn (704)298-5611 Hotel 6 (704)299-3040 Best Inns (704)298-4000

Schedule

9:00-11:00 am

Registration

9:00 am

NCAS Board Meeting

10:00 am

NCAS Business Meeting (Bannerman Hall)

Exhibits (Library)

11:00 am

NC Archaeological Council Meeting

12:00 pm

Catered Lunch

"wood roasted" chicken dinner

1:00-4:00 pm

Exhibits

Warren Wilson site tours

Primitive Technology Demonstrations

Games

Directions

Take I-40 to exit 55, the east side of Asheville. (There is a Warren Wilson College sign at exit 58, but exit 55 is easier.) Turn north for 1/4 mile to route 70. Turn right (east) and go 1 1/2 miles on route 70 to Warren Wilson Road. There is a traffic light at the intersection. Turn left (north). Drive 1 1/2 miles to the campus. After you have passed the red barn on the right with WWC painted in big white letters, go to the upper entrance and turn right. The meeting is in the Bannerman Lecture Hall (number 2 on campus map).



- 1. Morse Science Hall
- # 2. Bannerman Lecture Hall
 - Ellison Library
 - 4 . Spidel Science Hall
 - 5. Carson Hall
 - 6. Gladfelter Student Center
 - 7. Ogg Administration Building
- 8. Laursen Administration Building
- 9. Craft Shop (lower level)
- Recycling
- 11. Physical Plant
- 12. Early Learning Center
- 13. Work Program & College Press
- 14. Jensen Humanities Center
- Sunderland Residence Hall
 Dodge House (Admission Office)
- 17. Vining A Residence Hall
- 18. Vining Commons
- 19. Vining B Residence Hall
- 20. St. Clair Guest House

- 21. Bryson Gymnasium
- 22. Formal Gardens
- 23. Health Center
- Kittredge Amphitheater.
 Theater & Music Center
- 25. Holden Visual Arts Center
- 26. President's Home
- 27. Warren Wilson College Chapel 28. DeVries Gymnasium & Pool
- 29'. Schafer Residence Hall
- 30. Stephenson Residence Hall
- 31. Sage Residence Hall 32. Dorland Residence Hall
- 33. ANTC Memorial Hall
- Service Entrance
- D Lower Entrance
- **(1)** Upper Entrance

NOTE: NC Archaeological Council discussion on Archaeology in the 90's: burials and consultations at Warren Wilson College on Friday night, May 17th at 7:30 pm.

Return by May 10th

Catered "Wood-Roasted" Chicken Lunch
North Carolina Archaeological Society's 1996 Annual Spring Meeting
hosted by the Otarre Chapter at
Warren Wilson College, Swannanoa, North Carolina
Saturday, May 18, 1996

\$6.00 per individual (children under 12 \$3.50)

Name(s)______
Address_____

_____ # of adults @ \$6.00/ea./____ # of children under 12 @ \$3.50/ea. Total enclosed \$_____ Mail form and payment to: Dee Nelms, NCAS, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, NC 27601-2807 or for further information call @ 919/733-7342.

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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