



Archaeology News



- *from the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA), office of the Indiana State Archaeologist*

- **Midwest Archaeological Conference**- For those who will be attending the annual meeting of the Midwest Archaeological Conference (South Bend, IN, Oct. 4-6), look for the DHPA archaeology staff. Dr. Rick Jones, Amy Johnson and Cathy Draeger will be attending. The Division will also have a table in the Conference bookroom where the staff will distribute literature about our office and Indiana archaeology as well. We look forward to seeing our colleagues at this important gathering.



- **New Archaeology Section Staff Member**- Laura Black, previously the DHPA's Records Check Coordinator, is joining the archaeology section. She holds a B.A. and M.S. from Purdue University in Anthropology with a specialization in Historic Archaeology. She will be filling the vacancy that was left after Dr. Melody Pope accepted a position with the Office of the State Archaeologist at the University of Iowa. Please join us in welcoming Laura in her new role.

- **Information on Indiana Archaeology Month**- *The Torch*, the official newsletter for Indiana state employees, featured in the September issue information about Indiana Archaeology Month. This monthly newsletter reaches thousands of people, so we were pleased to have the information included.



- **Annual Meeting of the Center for French Colonial Studies**- The annual meeting of the Center for French Colonial Studies will be held Nov. 2 and 3rd in West Lafayette, Indiana. The Center for French Colonial Studies was founded in 1983 in response to the renewed interest among historians, anthropologists, archaeologists,

genealogists and preservationists in the history of the upper Mississippi Valley during the period of French predominance from 1673 to the early part of the 19th century. State Archaeologist Dr. Rick Jones will give an overview/synthesis, including theory and recent investigations, titled “Archaeological Investigations of French and Historic Native American Sites in Indiana.” For more information regarding the entire program, registration, etc., go to <http://depts.noctrl.edu/cfcs/cfcsannualmeeting.html>.



Dr. Jones shovel probing in a region where early historic sites have been recorded.

- **Indiana Information on the Archaeological Conservancy webpage-** Information regarding the Goodall site in Northwestern Indiana is on the webpage (<http://www.americanarchaeology.com/aaquis.html>) of the Archaeological Conservancy. Bill Mangold, one of our colleagues, has been involved in the ongoing research regarding this important site.
- **Indiana Archaeology Month-** Thank you to everyone who hosted and attended events during this year’s Indiana Archaeology Month. Our staff enjoyed all of the events in which we participated. Below are some images which are from this year’s activities.



Volunteers at the Dubois County Museum helping sell Archaeology Month shirts. Volunteers play an important part in Indiana Archaeology Month!

Young people participating in activities at *Archaeology Day* at Turkey Run State Park.





Volunteers working at the Boxley Cabin site in Sheridan, Indiana.



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Indiana Archaeology Month (September) webpage-
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