

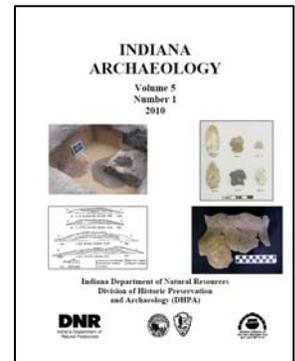
## Archaeology News



- *from the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA)*

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- **Indiana Archaeology journal**- The Editors of Vol. 5, No. 1 of the journal *Indiana Archaeology* have received all of the articles resulting from the FY2008 Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) grant projects. The journal is now being laid out and editing has begun. If you are interested in contributing an article to this volume, contact either Amy Johnson (ajohnson@dnr.IN.gov) or Dr. Rick Jones (rjones@dnr.IN.gov). The deadline for article submissions for Volume 5 is **March 31, 2010**. The target audience of the journal includes: the general public, professional archaeologists, avocational archaeologists, and anyone else interested in the history and prehistory of Indiana. This journal continues a tradition of scholarly research, and important contributions, in the science of archaeology. The topics are primarily specific to Indiana, but they also have importance in the broader context of Midwestern archaeology. To read previous volumes, feel free to go to <http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/3676.htm>.



Cover of Vol. 5, No. 1 of the journal.

- **DHPA colleague** - We are sad to report that our co-worker, Archaeologist Laura Black, is resigning from our office. Laura joined the DHPA in 2007, and her last day with the office will be January 8, 2010. She will be pursuing her art career full time. Please join us in wishing her all the best.
- **Educator Open House**- Senior Archaeologist and Archaeology Outreach Coordinator Amy Johnson represented the DHPA at the Indiana State Museum's Educator Open House on Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>. She distributed materials about the DHPA and its available educational resources to educators who attended the free event.



- Native American Resource Fair**- On November 18th, the Miami Nation of Indians of the State of Indiana, Inc. held a Community Day at their headquarters in Peru. Multiple groups were there to pass out literature on various community programs. It was a great opportunity to exchange important contact information. Cathy Draeger-Williams represented the DHPA and the DNR at this event.
- Outreach in Jackson County**- Archaeologist Cathy Draeger-Williams was invited to the Crothersville Public School (K-12) on November 5<sup>th</sup> to discuss the multiple cultural components of archaeology in Indiana. The 7th and 12th grade students asked good questions and were interested in the artifacts which Cathy brought to show.
- Opportunity for Giving**- Do you know someone who is difficult to buy for around the holiday season? If they appreciate Indiana's cultural heritage, why not consider a voluntary contribution, in their name, to the Archeology Preservation Trust Fund? The statute (IC 14-21-1-34) that created the Fund provides that the division may conduct a program with this fund to assist private homeowners who have accidentally discovered an artifact, a burial object, or human remains and who need assistance to comply with an approved plan to excavate or secure the site from further disturbance. For further information, go to <http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/2764.htm> and [http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/files/hp-FallWinter\\_2009.pdf](http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/files/hp-FallWinter_2009.pdf).
- Mounds State Park**- On November 9, 2009, DHPA archaeologist Cathy Carson went to Mounds State Park in Anderson to identify a number of miscellaneous artifacts that had been donated to the Park over the years. Cathy identified the artifacts (and chert types) while two members of the Park Staff inventoried them so that the artifacts could be utilized in possible future displays and teaching programs. She was also able to "weed out" numerous non-artifacts. The Park Staff was extremely appreciative of Cathy's assistance, and we are always pleased when we can assist a sister DNR division.
- Archaeologist of the Month**- Gary D. Ellis was Indiana's first State Archaeologist. During the 1980s, he carried out underwater archaeological investigations in the Indiana portion of Lake Michigan. He also developed a historic context for underwater resources, so that they may be investigated, preserved and interpreted in a framework of Indiana history and preservation (e.g. [http://www.gbl.indiana.edu/abstracts/86/ellis\\_86.html](http://www.gbl.indiana.edu/abstracts/86/ellis_86.html); <http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/files/shipwreck.pdf>). Gary worked on numerous Indiana prehistoric and other historic sites. For instance, in the DNR magazine, *Outdoor Indiana*, several articles by Ellis discussed archaeological investigations at sites in our state, including the Governor Hendricks House in Corydon. Since retiring from the DNR/DHPA, Gary has been very active in archaeology in Florida.



Gary Ellis,  
former Indiana  
State Archaeo-  
logist.

- **Archaeology Shirts-** If you are still interested in purchasing an Indiana Archaeology Month t-shirt, some are available, in size small (and a few mediums), from the DNR Customer Service Center. Each shirt is only \$ 7.00, and purchasing a shirt would be a great way to show your support for archaeology and Indiana archaeology specifically. They could also be great for holiday presents. To purchase a shirt, call 317/232-4200.



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Indiana Archaeology Month (September) webpage-  
<http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/3674.htm>

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