

Archaeology News



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

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- **Archaeologist of the Month**- Harry Murphy is the Archaeologist of the Month. Harry recently resigned from his service to the Indiana Historic Preservation Review Board and attended his last meeting as a member on January 27, 2010. He served as an archaeologist Board member since 2003.



For eight years (1999-2006), he was the coordinator for the Next Step Education through Archaeology Project, which was a six-week summer archaeological research field school at Fort Harrison State Park for lower-income high school students. The project received several Historic Preservation Fund grants for this important and innovative work. Harry received the Division's Archaeology Award in 2002 for his work with the Next Step project. He also organized the Indiana Heritage Symposium: Indiana's African American Heritage and Archaeology in September 2004. The objective of the symposium was to strengthen Indianapolis' communities and families through archaeological education. We thank Harry for his service to the Review Board, for his accomplishments in Indiana archaeology, and his great working relationship with the DNR and DHPA. Please join us in wishing him all the best in the future.

- **Indiana Archaeological Council meeting**- DHPA Division Director Dr. Jim Glass attended part of the Indiana Archaeological Council meeting which was held on December 11, 2009. The IAC held elections for officers:

Officers for 2010

President: Chris Schmidt

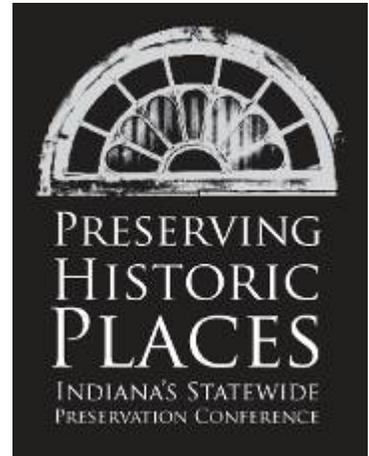
Vice President: Jeff Plunkett

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The IAC will also be holding a Spring Workshop on March 20th. For information regarding the IAC Workshop, feel free to contact Chris Schmidt at cschmidt@uindy.edu or Jeff Plunkett at accidentaldiscoveries@comcast.net.

- **Statewide Conference has a New Name and New Date-** For the past 20 years preservationists have set aside time in October to get together, attend some lectures, and visit historic sites at the Cornelius O'Brien Conference on Historic Preservation. In 2010, things will change. The busy fall season in the preservation world encouraged us to move the conference to the spring and new partners have come on board to reinvigorate and reshape the conference.

So instead of convening this October for the Cornelius O'Brien Conference on Historic Preservation, the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology, Indiana University, and Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana invite you to *Preserving Historic Places: Indiana's Historic Preservation Conference* in April 2010.



Join us April 7-9, 2010 in New Harmony for more workshops, educational sessions, and tours – but the same great mix of preservationists, historians, archaeologists, and architects. The conference planners are also working to expand the attendance, by marketing to various professional groups to provide them a better understanding and appreciation of archaeology and our built environment.

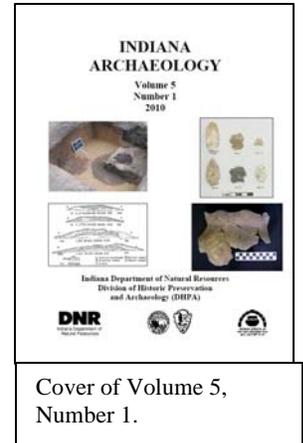
Our two keynote speakers for the April conference include Paul Goldberger, architecture critic for *The New Yorker*, where since 1997 he has written the magazine's celebrated "Sky Line" column. He also holds the Joseph Urban Chair in Design and Architecture at The New School in New York City. He was formerly Dean of Parsons School of Design, a division of The New School. He began his career at *The New York Times*, where in 1984 his architecture criticism was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Distinguished Criticism, the highest award in journalism.

Our second keynote speaker is Bernhard Karpf, Associate Partner at Richard Meier & Partners. Currently he oversees a number of projects in Germany, including the Burda Collection Museum in Baden Baden, the department store for Peek & Cloppenberg in Mannheim, an office complex at Feldmühleplatz in Dusseldorf and the Arp Museum in Rolandseck.

There will be several opportunities to learn more about archaeology, through educational sessions on topics such as archaeology at the Harmonist Kiln Site, a guided tour of Indiana's currently only archaeological National Historic Landmark, Angel Mounds, and more.

To register, see an updated conference agenda, speaker bios, or to learn more, go to www.in.gov/dnr/historic and click on Preserving Historic Places.

- Journal Reminder-** For those who did not have an Historic Preservation Fund archaeology grant, but are interested in submitting an article for Volume 5 of the journal *Indiana Archaeology*, the deadline 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>.



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

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- Maintains standards and guidelines for archaeology in Indiana and provides technical assistance
- Promotes public education about the science through publications, training and presentations
- Offers grant funds for archaeological projects
- Maintains the repository of archaeological records and state site database