Archaeology News

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

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Take our survey at www.IN.gov/dnr/historic to help the DHPA revise Indiana’s Cultural Resources Management Plan!

- Indiana Archaeology Month- Only two more months remain until Indiana Archaeology Month, the 16th annual statewide celebration of archaeology! Feel free to submit your information regarding archaeological events that will take place during September for the official Calendar of Events. Go to http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/4288.htm to find the form to complete and submit, and if you have any questions, don’t hesitate to contact Amy Johnson, Archaeology Outreach Coordinator at 317/232-6982 or ajohnson@dnr.IN.gov.

- Outreach to Junior Master Naturalists- On June 16, 2011, Dr. Rick Jones conducted a class in Indiana Archaeology for a Junior Master Naturalist program at Holliday Park, Indianapolis, Indiana. Topics and activities included how to do archaeology, past cultures of Indiana, hands-on examination of artifacts, flintknapping, and great fun with atlatl throwing. Thirteen students, two counselors, and a supervisor participated.

- IN Lake Michigan Underwater Archaeological Resources Project- The Indiana DNR currently has an Indiana Lake Michigan Underwater Archaeological Resources project underway. To learn more about this project, its history, and to take a survey about shipwrecks, go to http://www.in.gov/nrc/2449.htm. Funds for this project are provided through a cooperative agreement with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s Office of Coastal Resource Management. To learn more, contact Mike Molnar, Lake Michigan Coastal Program, at mmolnar@dnr.IN.gov.

Part of the map depicting the Muskegon shipwreck site. The site was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1989.
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**Archaeologist of the Month** - Dr. Kent Vickery passed away in early June, 2011. He earned his doctorate in Anthropology at Indiana University and served as a Professor of Anthropology at the University of Cincinnati for over thirty years. His archaeological work in the Midwest included investigations in Indiana, such as at Mounds State Park (12M2) in Anderson, and information about a selection of some of his archaeological research can be found at the following links:

- [http://books.google.com/books?id=msCAAAAMBAJ&pg=PA60&lpg=PA60&dq=university%20of%20cincinnati%20kent%20vickery&source=bl&ots=xKadlh2V9q&sig=SEqPZm__YJgh04JZMSayBHS-w&hl=en#v=onepage&q=university%20of%20cincinnati%20kent%20vickery&f=false](http://books.google.com/books?id=msCAAAAMBAJ&pg=PA60&lpg=PA60&dq=university%20of%20cincinnati%20kent%20vickery&source=bl&ots=xKadlh2V9q&sig=SEqPZm__YJgh04JZMSayBHS-w&hl=en#v=onepage&q=university%20of%20cincinnati%20kent%20vickery&f=false)

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

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- Provides protection and preservation of Indiana’s finite and fragile archaeological resources
- Implements the state law providing protection for archaeological sites and human remains
- Reviews, evaluates and comments upon projects that may affect archaeological resources
- 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