

Texas Archeology Month 2019 Calendar of Events

Texas Archeology Month (TAM) is held each October and promotes the appreciation of scientific archeology, prehistory, Native American cultures, and the stewardship of Texas' irreplaceable archeological resources.

Check out the listings below to find a TAM event or activity near you!

Month-Long Exhibits & Recurring Events

Brady, McCulloch County

Clean-up of Soldier's Water Hole historical marker and site

Oct. 1 - 31 **Self-guided tour** **None - donations appreciated**

The main project focus during 2019-2020 of the McCulloch County Historical Commission (located in Brady) is the surveying/repairing and publicizing/promoting of the county's 21 state historical markers. The commission is pleased that it will be working with Ledger Bucholz, a local Eagle Scout candidate who has received Boy Scout approval for the clean-up of the Marker 4976 site (known as Soldier's Water Hole) for his qualifying project. Ledger has developed a plan that he will implement during October in cooperation with the commission. The historical site, a popular local and tourist destination, is badly in need of a general clean-up and some refurbishing. Commemorating the era between 1850 and 1869, which saw numerous conflicts between the Native Americans, soldiers, and settlers, the marker is located along Onion Creek, on a site that had been an ancient Indian campground - as evidenced by numerous grinding holes and other artifacts. The historical commission plans to host a 2020 Soldier's Water Hole event that will further commemorate the poignancy of the inevitable clash of cultures that took place at the site. From Brady, take US 190 East about 5.5 miles. Take CR 422 east 2.5 miles to marker. Sponsored by McCulloch County Historical Commission. Location: Texas Historical Marker #4976, known as Soldier's Water Hole, CR 422, Brady, TX 76825. Information: www.mchc1.com, Kevin A. Dodds, Archeology Committee Chair, skyhorsehelicopters@hotmail.com, 325-456-7824

Cameron, Milam County

El Camino Real and Mission Exhibit: Photographs by Chris Talbot

Oct. 3 - 31 **Tues. - Fri., 10am - 4pm** **Free**

The Milam County Historical Commission and the El Camino Real de los Tejas National Trail Association is presenting a beautiful and significant exhibit of photographs taken along the Camino Real by noted El Camino Real and Mission photographer Chris Talbot. Sponsored by Milam County Historical Commission & El Camino Real de los Tejas National Trail Association. Location: Milam County Historical Museum, 112 W 1st St., Cameron, TX 76520. Information: milamcountyhistoricalcommission.org, Geri Burnett, geriburnett@sbcglobal.net, 512-760-5461

Denison, Grayson County

Eisenhower's Neighborhood

Oct. 1 - 31 **Sept 3-Nov. 25, 9am - 4pm Tues-Sat; 1 - 5pm Sun** **Free**

The Eisenhower Birthplace State Historic Site presents a temporary exhibit on the architecture of the Birthplace; displays of artifacts found on the surface of the site; and features a self-guided walking tour of the "Lost Neighborhood" that once surrounded the Birthplace. Exhibit runs September 3 - November 25. Sponsored by THC & Eisenhower Birthplace

SHS. Location: Eisenhower Birthplace State Historic Site, 609 S. Lamar Ave., Denison, TX 75021. Information: www.visiteb.us, Robin Cole-Jett, robin.cole-jett@thc.texas.gov, 903-465-8908

Junction, Kimble County

Flint-knapping Workshop & History Lesson

Oct. 12 - 31 **Program 10am & Tours 1:30 - 4:30pm** **FREE**

Free hotdogs & soft drinks for attendees. Free tours of Native American artifacts on display in the Kimble County Historical Museum Oct. 12-31 each weekday afternoon from 1:30 - 4:30pm. Sponsored by Kimble County Historical Commission. Location: Kimble County Historical Museum, 130 Hospital Drive @ North Main Street, Junction, TX TX. Information: Frederica Wyatt, fwyatt30@cebridge.net, 325-446-2491 or 325-446-6275

Lubbock, Lubbock County

Lubbock Landmark Lake Online Exhibit

Oct. 1 - 31 **24/7** **Free**

Lubbock Lake Landmark, also known as Lubbock Lake Site, is an important archeological site and natural history preserve in Lubbock. There is evidence of ancient people and extinct animals of nearly 12,000 years of use by ancient cultures on the Llano Estacado. The site is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and is a designated National Historic and State Archeological Landmark. Lubbock County Historical Commission will be recognizing Archeology Month by partnering with the Lubbock Lake Landmark to highlight its history. Through a series of vintage photos and narratives, we will tell the Lubbock Lake Landmark story on Lubbock County Historical Commission's Facebook page "Historic Lubbock County" throughout the month of October. Sponsored by Lubbock County Historical Commission & Lubbock Lake Landmark. Location: Lubbock County Historical Commission's Facebook page, 2401 Landmark Dr, Lubbock, TX 79415. Information: www.facebook.com/Historic-Lubbock-County-456944424395685/, Sandy Fortenberry, sjfberry@msn.com

Paris, Lamar County

Gravestone Symbols and their Meaning in Evergreen Cemetery

Oct. 1 - 31 **8am - 5pm** **Free**

As part of Archeology Month, the Sam Bell Maxey House State Historic Site is presenting "Gravestone Symbols and their Meanings in Evergreen." Gravestones are very personal things, used to represent the people that they honor. In the past, different symbols and carvings on gravestones held certain meanings and told the viewer something about the deceased. Throughout the month of October, visitors to Evergreen Cemetery will be able to learn about the meanings behind different symbols on the gravestones. Evergreen Cemetery is a local, historic cemetery located south of the Maxey House on Church Street at 560 Evergreen Street in Paris, Texas. It is also where the Maxeys and the Longs are buried. The outdoor exhibit is free to the public and open seven days a week from dawn until dusk. Sponsored by THC & Sam Bell Maxey House SHS. Location: Evergreen Cemetery, 560 Evergreen Street, Paris, TX 75460. Information: www.visitsbmh.com, sam-bell-maxey@thc.texas.gov, 903-785-5716

Tyler, Smith County

Texas Aviation Pioneers

Oct. 1 - 31 **10am - 4pm** **\$6.00 adults, \$5.00 seniors, less for children.**

We have a new photo display of 23 Texas born men/women who have distinguished and historical backgrounds in aviation history. The objective is for the viewer to guess who the person is. We have a book with all the personal data on each person. Location: Tyler Pounds Regional Airport, 150 Airport Drive, Tyler, TX 75704. Information: Louis Thomas, hamm2008@aol.net, 903-521-3467

Waco, McLennan County

Texas Archeology Awareness Exhibit

Oct. 1 - 31 **M-TH 7:30am-10pm, F 8am-5pm, Sat 9am-3pm, Sun 3-9p** **Free**

A Texas Archeology Month exhibit and outreach materials are featured at the McLennan Community College Library throughout the month of October. Location: McLennan Community College Library, 1400 College Dr, Waco, TX 76708. Information: www.mclennan.edu/library/, Linda Pelon, lpelon@mclennan.edu, 469-744-0086

Events & Activities

San Antonio, Bexar County

Under the Bronze Age Seas, Nicole Hirschfeld

Mon. Sept. 16 **7:30 - 9:00pm** **Free**

The Late Bronze Age was the era of the pharaoh Tutankhamun and Homer's Trojan war. It was also an age of 'globalization' in the eastern Mediterranean world, a time of intense economic and diplomatic interaction among the peoples of Greece, Anatolia, the Levant, and Egypt. Our understanding of their overseas commerce is based on archives and two shipwrecks and a third just discovered last year. In this illustrated lecture Dr. Nicole Hirschfeld presents the results of excavations and ongoing scientific analyses of the artifacts recovered from the ship that sank Cape Gelidonya, on the southwestern coast of Turkey, ca. 1200 BC. Parking on campus is open after 5:00 pm to the general public for university events. Sponsored by Archaeological Institute of America: San Antonio Chapter. Location: Trinity University Chapman Auditorium, 1 Trinity Place, San Antonio, TX 78212. Information: Nicolle Hirschfeld, nhirschf@trinity.edu, 210-999-7125

Austin, Travis County

4th Annual Texas Archeology Month Tailgate

Sat. Sept. 21 **3:00 - 6:30pm (kickoff)** **Free**

We're revving up for TAM early this year! Join archeologists from the Texas Historical Commission (THC) and the University of Texas' Texas Archeological Research Laboratory (TARL) for the 4th Annual Texas Archeology Month Tailgate. Stop by our tents on the way to the OSU game and see what TAM has to offer. Tailgate will be outside the THC's Elrose building at the corner of 16th and Colorado. Sponsored by THC. Location: Texas Historical Commission Elrose Building, 108 W. 16th Street, Austin, TX 78701. Information: <https://www.thc.texas.gov/tam>, Maggie Moore, Maggie.Moore@thc.texas.gov, 512-463-6508

Washington, Washington County

Farm Focus Weekend: Chinking and Daubing

Sun. Sept. 29 **10am - 4pm**

Patching the chinking and daubing between the logs of the slave cabins to keep the elements out would be a seasonal task for those enslaved at Barrington Plantation. Roll up your sleeves and get your hands dirty with us as we mix the clay daub and put it up on the walls of the cabin! Sponsored by THC & Barrington Plantation SHS. Location: Barrington Plantation State Historic Site, 23400 Park Rd. 12, Washington, TX 77880. Information: www.thc.texas.gov/historic-sites/events/9123, Ben Baumgartner, barrington-plantation@thc.texas.gov, 936-878-2214 x248

Austin, Travis County

Texas Archeology Month Fair

Sat. Oct. 5 **10am- 2 pm** **Free**

The Texas Archeology Month Fair is a day of archeology fun for the family! Thanks to the collaboration of professional and avocational archeologists, this free event provides an interactive education experience on the history of Texas through archaeological displays, hands-on activities, and artifact identification. Included this year will be a dance presentation by Great Promise for American Indians. Along with artifact identification, kids have the opportunity to test their skills in pottery-making, atlatl throwing, artifact reconstruction, excavation, and more! Other highlights of the fair

will include flintknapping demonstrations and face-painting. In addition the fair offers information on innovating techniques in the field such as 3-D modeling and how scientific methods are utilized to preserve the rich history of Texas at nearby sites. Please come out to join us for this free event open to the public! This event will take place at the Commons Learning Center on the J.J. Pickle Research Campus Sponsored by The Texas Archeological Research Laboratory & THC. Location: J.J. Pickle Research Campus, 10100 Burnet Rd., Austin, TX 78758. Information: <https://liberalarts.utexas.edu/tarl/>, Annie Riegert, dariegert@utexas.edu, 512-471-6006

Castroville, Medina County

Botany as Applied to Art

Sat. Oct. 5 2 - 3pm

Visitors will make art with natural materials based on The American Girls' Handy Book. The book encourages us to "not look far for suggestion" for our art. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow wrote a book of poems "The Seaside and the Fireside" in 1850. The handy book quotes the poem Gaspar Becerra from that book: "O thou sculptor, painter, poet!/ Take this lesson to thy heart:/ That is best which lieth nearest;/ Shape from that thy work of art." Come try your hand at this mid-nineteenth-century craft with supplies found only at Landmark Inn. Sponsored by THC & Landmark Inn SHS. Location: Landmark Inn State Historic Site, 402 E. Florence St., Castroville, TX 78009. Information: <https://www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/botany-applied-art>, LandmarkInnStaff@thc.texas.gov, 830-931-2133

El Paso, El Paso County

Family Friendly Cooking Class using Historic Recipes

Sat., Oct. 5 & Sat. Nov. 2 10am - 12pm \$5

Why are old recipes so strange? Join us at the Magoffin Home State Historic Site Visitor Center on the first Saturday of every month as we discuss this and look at the role food played in the daily lives of 19th Century El Paso. This month's recipe comes from the El Paso Cookbook published in 1898. The recipe, ingredients, and cooking supplies will be furnished. Call 533-5147 to reserve your spot! Seating is limited and these events sell out quickly. Cost is \$5. October 5 – German Meatballs; November 2 – Apple Bread & Applesauce Sponsored by THC & Magoffin Home SHS. Location: Magoffin Home State Historic Site Visitor's Center, 1117 Magoffin Ave., El Paso, TX 79901. Information: <https://www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/family-friendly-cooking-class>, magoffin-home@thc.texas.gov, 915-533-5147

Kaufman, Kaufman County

Vintage Garden Market and Archeology Day at the Kaufman County Poor Farm

Sat. Oct. 5 9am - 6pm Free

Kaufman County Historical Commission will be celebrating Archeology Month by hosting Vintage Garden Market Day at the Historic Poor Farm. During the day we will have re-enactments by Shadow's of Old Texas, a Children's Archeology Education area including digging for arrowheads and making pinch pots from clay, and new this year is the Vintage Garden Market that will consist of vendors selling plants, antiques, art, fine crafts and other great finds. Our event will have something for the entire family to enjoy. The County Poor Farm sits behind the Kaufman County Memorial Park Sponsored by Kaufman County Historical Commission & Kaufman County Master Gardeners. Location: Kaufman County Poor Farm, 3948 S. Houston St., Kaufman, TX 75142. Information: Pam Corder, pcorder@kaufmancounty.net, 469-376-4140

San Felipe, Austin County

Archeology at San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site: Archeology Walking Tour

Sat. Oct. 5 & Sun. Oct. 20 3:00 pm- 4:00 pm Free with museum admission

Join our site archeologist, Dr. Sarah Chesney for a walk around our grounds that will show you our most recent archeological investigations. Get the inside scoop about what is planned for the future! Sponsored by THC & San Felipe de Austin SHS. Location: San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site, 220 2nd St., San Felipe, TX 77473. Information: www.visitsanfelipeaustin.com, Dr. Sarah Chesney, Sarah.Chesney@thc.texas.gov, 979-885-2181

San Felipe, Austin County

Archeology at San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site: Artifacts

Sat. Oct. 5 & Sun. Oct. 20 **9 am-noon** **Free**

Drop by the museum in the morning to see what happens to artifacts after they come out of the ground! Members of the Houston Archeological Society will be here to help us with lab work activities. Sponsored by THC & San Felipe de Austin SHS. Location: San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site, 220 2nd St., San Felipe, TX 77473. Information: www.visitsanfelipedeAustin.com, Dr. Sarah Chesney, Sarah.Chesney@thc.texas.gov, 979-885-2181

El Paso, El Paso County

Rationing in World War II America

Wed. Oct. 9 **12:00 - 12:30pm**

Don't let leftovers get you down... spice them up with fun and educational discussions at the Brain Trust Bag Lunch Series at the Magoffin Home! On the second Wednesday of every month we will provide a comfortable eating space, as well as guest speakers, volunteers and staff who will entertain you with topics plucked from El Paso's history and its stewardship. Bring your lunch and we supply the laughs and learning! Event will be held on the grounds (weather permitting) or Visitor Center Sponsored by THC & Magoffin Home SHS. Location: Magoffin Home State Historic Site, 1120 Magoffin Avenue, El Paso, TX 79901. Information: www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/brain-trust-bag-lunch-series, magoffin-home@thc.texas.gov, 915-533-5147

Huntsville, Walker County

The Discovery and Recovery of a 14th Century Dugout Canoe on the Red River, Jeff Girard

Thurs. Oct. 10 **6:30 - 9:00pm** **Free**

The Sam Houston Museum welcomes archeologist Jeff Girard, retired faculty at Northwestern State University and regional archaeologist for the Louisiana Division of Archaeology for more than 25 years. Early in June 2017, a remarkable prehistoric dugout canoe was discovered on the banks of the Red River north of Shreveport, Louisiana. At 10.2 m (about 34 feet) in length, it is the largest yet discovered in Louisiana, and one of the largest in the Southeastern United States. A radiocarbon date indicates that the canoe was constructed in the 14th century, contemporary with an extensive Caddo settlement on the east side of the river. This presentation summarizes the challenges that confronted researchers and local volunteers for extracting the canoe from the riverbank and transporting it to Texas A&M university for conservation; and provides information about nearby Caddo village and ceremonial sites whose past inhabitants might have made and used the boat. Also to be discussed is the nature and importance of visitation, gift giving, and trade among Caddo societies of the 14th century. Exhibits and refreshments 6:30 pm with hour-long presentation and questions starting at 7:00 pm. Sponsored by Sam Houston Memorial Museum. Location: Sam Houston Memorial Museum, Katy & E. Don Walker Education Center, 1402 19th St., Huntsville, TX 77340. Information: www.samhoustonmemorialmuseum.com, Mikey Sproat, sproat@shsu.edu, 936-294-4895

Albany, Shackelford County

Fort Griffin Living History Days 2019

Fri. Oct. 11 - Sat. Oct. 12 **8am - 5pm** **\$4 adults, \$3 seniors, kids 5 & under free**

Join us for our annual Fort Griffin Living History Days! The past will come to life at Fort Griffin State Historic Site on October 11-12, 2019, as living historians gather to portray life at the fort and nearby Wild West town as it was in the 1870s. You're invited to join us from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days for exciting demonstrations, education, and authentic frontier history. Education Day for area schools will be held on Friday, October 11, 2019. If you are a teacher, home school parent, or school administrator wishing to have your students attend our 2019 program for free, please contact Eric Abercrombie. Sponsored by THC & Fort Griffin SHS. Location: Fort Griffin State Historic Site, 1701 N US Hwy 283, Albany, TX 76430. Information: www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/living-history-days-4, Eric Abercrombie, Eric.Abercrombie@thc.texas.gov, 325-762-3592

Alpine, Brewster County

Big Bend 75th Birthday Bash

Fri. Oct. 11 **4 - 6pm** **Free**

Come join a celebration of Big Bend National Park's 75th birthday. Organizations working in the park will have tables presenting their work, cake will be served, and live music. Sponsored by Big Bend Conservancy. Location: Museum of the Big Bend, Sul Ross State University, 400 N Harrison St C-101, Alpine, TX 79832. Information: Courtney Lyons-Garcia, friendsdirector@yahoo.com, 512-529-1149

Amarillo, Potter County

Texas Archeological Society 90th Annual Meeting

Fri. Oct. 11 - Sun. Oct. 13 **8am - 9pm** **Some free, some registration required**

This annual conference is open to the general public and provides professional and avocational archeologists the opportunity to present papers, poster displays, and exhibits on current and ongoing archaeological and historical research from around the state. In addition to two days of presentations, conference attendees will also have the opportunity to participate in a number of special activities. On Friday morning a tour of archeological sites in Palo Duro Canyon is planned. Later that day, participants will travel to nearby Canyon, Texas to visit the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum (PPHM), the largest historical museum in Texas. The PPHM has exhibits covering the archeology, anthropology, paleontology, history, geology, transportation, and oil and gas industry of the region, as well as extensive collections of artwork, weapons, and textiles. Friday night activities include a free public lecture by Don Wyckoff entitled "Pondering Southern Plains Prehistory." Saturday night will feature a banquet with Doug Scott speaking on the use of systematic metal detecting to locate Apache and U.S. Army campsites in the Guadalupe Mountains National Park. On Sunday participants will travel to the famed Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument to see where native peoples from the region and surrounding areas traveled to acquire this highly prized and uniquely colored stone used for the manufacture of chipped stone tools for over 13,000 years. Following a tour of the quarries and a trip to the visitor's center, participants will travel to permanent villages established nearby by people attributed to the Antelope Creek phase. Sponsored by Texas Archeological Society. Location: Embassy Suites Amarillo-Downtown, 550 S Buchanan St., Amarillo, TX 79101. Information: www.txarch.org, Scott D. Brosowske, tasannualmeeting2019@gmail.com, 806-434-0157

El Paso, El Paso County

21st Biennial Jornada Mogollon Archaeology Conference

Fri. Oct. 11 - Sat. Oct. 12 **8:00am - 4:00pm** **\$35 pre-registration, \$45 at door**

The Jornada Mogollon Archaeology Conference brings together scholars from around the region to share their research with colleagues as well as enthusiasts. The conference consists of multiple sessions that present a variety of topics, including prehistoric, historic and modern, covering the Jornada Mogollon region and surrounding areas. There will be a dinner following the conference on Friday. CONFERENCE REGISTRATION SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR MEMBERS OF NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITIES OR THOSE TRAVELING FROM MEXICO (NOT CD. JUAREZ). \$35 pre-registration, now open (general, all classifications through October 8, 2019). \$28 student fee with student ID (pre-registration and at the door). \$45 registration fee at the door (general, all classifications except members). \$40 registration fee at the door for EPMArch and EPAS members. \$14 per person buffet dinner under gazebo Friday PM (pre-registration). No alcoholic beverages Sponsored by EL Paso Museum of Archaeology. Location: El Paso Museum of Archaeology, 4301 Transmountain Rd., El Paso, TX 79924. Information: <https://archaeology.elpasotexas.gov/>, George Maloof, MaloofGO@elpasotexas.gov, 915-212- 3272

Rockport, Aransas County

New Techniques in History and Genealogy Techniques in the Digital Age, Amy Earhart

Fri. Oct. 11 **12 - 1pm** **Free**

As part of our Fulton Mansion Fall Lecture Series, guest speaker Dr. Amy Earhart, Associate Professor of English at Texas A&M University College Station will be speaking for October's lecture about new techniques available to researchers of history and genealogy in the digital age. Admission is FREE! Just bring your lunch and enjoy!

Sponsored by THC & Fulton Mansion SHS. Location: Fulton Mansion State Historic Site, 317 S. Fulton Beach Rd., Rockport, TX 78382. Information: www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/fulton-mansion-fall-lecture-series-0, fulton-mansion@thc.texas.gov, 361-729-0386

Anderson, Grimes County

Stagecoach Saturday

Sat. Oct. 12 **9am - 3pm (rides 11-3)** **Donations suggested**

Take a trip back to 1850 as you explore what life was like travelling on the Texas frontier! Don't miss this great opportunity to ride our mule-drawn stagecoach, take a tour of Henry Fanthorp's beautifully preserved inn or sit on the front porch and enjoy the sweet sound of dulcimer music. Texas Historical Commission presents Fanthorp Inn to you without admission fees but with a suggested donation of \$4 (\$10 w/ coach ride) for adults and \$2 (\$5 w/ coach ride) for children. Sponsored by THC & Fanthorp Inn SHS. Location: Fanthorp Inn State Historic Site, 579 S. Main St., Anderson, TX 77830. Information: www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/stagecoach-saturday-0, fanthorp-inn@thc.texas.gov, 936-873-2633

Belton, Bell County

Adventures in Archaeology!

Sat. Oct. 12 **11am - 2pm** **Free**

Kids and families are invited to the Bell County Museum to learn about archaeology and ancient cultures. There will be a special demonstration by a representative of the Gault School. Kids can dig in our outside dig pits, make catapults and create strata jars to show the stratigraphy of Earth! The event is completely free and all ages are welcome. Location: Bell County Museum, 201 N Main St., Belton, TX 78660. Information: Kayte Ricketts, kayte.ricketts@bellcounty.texas.gov, 254-933-5243

Bogata, Red River County

Bogata Historical Marker Dedication

Sat. Oct. 12 **4:30 - 5:30pm**

Come celebrate the dedication of a Historic Texas Cemetery designation and historical marker for Cuthand Cemetery. From Bogata, Texas, take Farm Road 909 and proceed north 6.5 miles to FM 1487 by the Country Store. Turn right (south) on FM 1487 and go 3.7 miles until you see the Cuthand Cemetery sign. Turn right onto County Road 1412 and cemetery is on the right. Sponsored by THC. Location: Cuthand Cemetery, CR 1412, Bogata, TX 75417. Information: www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/calendar, Lynnette.cen@thc.texas.gov, 903-739-3373

Brownwood, Ochiltree County

Archeology Family Day

Sat. Oct. 12 **11am - 3pm** **Kids 5 & under Free; Adults \$3.00; Military \$2.00**

Our event is for families, especially children. Our objective is to make it fun and interesting to students and their parents. Our activities include 1) grinding corn with mano & metate to show how natives prepared food even before the Comanches tribes 2) hunt for fossils in our large sand pit that we've hidden fossiles 3) will make fossil jewelry like necklaces out of pieces of horned coral found abundantly at Lake Brownwood and 4) make fossil molds from clay. We will have an expert show how to knap arrowheads from flint rocks. Another demonstration of how to use rocks to make fire. Each child will take home an arrowhead, fossil jewelry and real fossils from their own person "dig". This event will be in the Museum's Center for Education Building. Families may tour the Museum's buildings before or after. In downtown Brownwood, lots of parking area. Sponsored by Brown County Museum of History. Location: Brown County Museum of History, 209 N. Brownwood St., Brownwood, TX 76801. Information: www.browncountymuseum.org/events, Wanda Furgason, wandaf@browncountymuseum.org, 325-641-1926

Cameron, Milam County

The El Camino Real de los Tejas National Trail tour

Sat. Oct. 12 9am - 5pm \$40

The El Camino Real de los Tejas National Trail Association Annual Meeting is offering an all-day tour that will take you to several important historical sites related to the Rancheria Grande and the El Camino de los Tejas National Historic Trail. Must make reservations beforehand to attend (see website). Parking is available in a lot on the south side of the Courthouse, across from the old jail building, at the intersection of S. Fannin and 1st St. Sponsored by El Camino Real de los Tejas National Trail Association. Location: Milam County Courthouse (Meet here at 9 am), 102 S Fannin Ave., Cameron, TX 76520. Information: <https://www.elcaminorealdelostejas.org/member-resources/>

Chandler, Henderson County

Dig It!

Sat. Oct. 12 12 - 2pm Free

The Chandler Historical Museum will sponsor a mock dig for children at the annual city festival (Pow Wow). A 15 x 15 area will be gridded with "treasures" (donated coins). Children ages 3-12 will be given sifters, shovels, gloves and assigned a specific area to practice excavating. Those visiting the mock dig will be given information about Texas archeology and how they can participate. The dig site will be in a shaded area on the north side of the park. Sponsored by Chandler Historical Society & Chandler Chamber of Commerce. Location: Winchester Park, FM 315 South, Chandler, TX 75758. Information: www.chandler.tx.com, Nancy Bertholf, museum@chandler.tx.com, 903-521-5962

Denison, Grayson County

Eisenhower's 129th Birthday Celebration

Sat. Oct. 12 12 - 4pm Free

It's General Eisenhower's 129th Birthday! Celebrate Dwight Eisenhower's birth in Denison, Texas, with performances, military vehicles, activities, and free Birthplace House tours. Sponsored by THC & Eisenhower Birthplace SHS. Location: Eisenhower Birthplace State Historic Site, 609 S. Lamar Ave., Denison, TX 75021. Information: www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/eisenhower-birthday-celebration-0, eisenhower-birthplace@thc.texas.gov, 903-465-8908

Houston, Harris County

Ancient Houston – KBR Kids Day

Sat. Oct. 12

Does Houston have ancient history? You bet! Celebrate International Archaeology Day with activities connected to the earliest people who lived along the bayous, long before our city was founded. Sponsored by Archaeological Institute of America, Houston. Location: Guadalupe Plaza Park, P.O. Box 271062, Houston, TX 77277. Information: <http://archaeologynow.org>, Becky Lao, archaeologyhouston@gmail.com, 713-364-6344

Mexia, Limestone County

Archaeology Day at the Confederate Reunion Grounds

Sat. Oct. 12 1 - 4pm Free for school age kids; Adults \$4.00

Join the Confederate Reunion Grounds State Historic Site in celebrating Archaeology Month by coming out and enjoying the Site and learning stations. Learn about archaeology digs, native American bead work, make your own pinch pot pottery and more! This event is for all ages. Sponsored by THC & Confederate Reunion Grounds SHS. Location: Confederate Reunion Grounds State Historic Site, 1738 FM 2705, Mexia, TX 76667. Information: Alysha Richardson, alysha.richardson@thc.texas.gov, 254-472-0959

San Antonio, Bexar County

Super Saturday: 5th Annual Can You Dig It?

Sat. Oct. 12 **12 - 4pm** **General Admission**

Come explore the world of archaeology through three immersive exhibits that span thousands of years including our newest exhibition, Ancestral Visions: Yarn Paintings of a Huichol Shaman! Enjoy activities such as throwing spears and making rock art. Dig and sift for artifacts to uncover what being an archeologist in Texas is all about! Sponsored by Witte Museum. Location: The Witte Museum, 3801 Broadway, San Antonio, TX 78209. Information: Joshua Segovia, JoshuaSegovia@wittemuseum.org, 210-357-1901

San Felipe, Austin County

Archeology at San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site: Archeology Scavenger Hunts

Sat. Oct. 12 **9:00 am- 5:00 pm** **Free with museum admission**

Think you are familiar with our exhibits? See the museum in a different way, by doing one of our archeology-themed scavenger hunts! Paper copies are available at our front desk. Sponsored by THC & San Felipe de Austin SHS. Location: San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site, 220 2nd St., San Felipe, TX 77473. Information: www.visitsanfelipedeaustin.com, Eleanor Stoddart, Eleanor.Stoddart@thc.texas.gov, 979-885-2181

Waco, McLennan County

Information Fair

Sat. Oct. 12 **10am - 2pm** **Free; donations will be accepted**

Texas Archeology Month outreach activities will be held at the newly remodeled Taylor Museum of Waco History on Saturday, Oct 12, from 10 am until 2 pm. An Information Fair will feature archeologists to assist with the identification of artifacts and answer questions that property owners may have about archeological sites on their property. A variety of brochures from the Texas Historical Commission will be distributed to raise awareness of the importance of archeology for preserving and understanding our Texas cultural heritages and the archeological and historic landscapes associated with them. Sponsored by Central Texas Archeological Society, Helen Marie Taylor Museum of Waco History, McLennan Community College, University Center/Texas Tech Anthropology Department & McLennan County Historical Commission. Location: Helen Marie Taylor Museum of Waco History, 701 Jefferson Ave., Waco, TX 76701. Information: Linda Pelon, lpelon@mclennan.edu, 469-744-0086

San Antonio, Bexar County

Recent Archeological Excavations in Downtown San Antonio

Wed. Oct. 16 **6:30 - 8 pm** **Free**

Lectures by Kristi Nichols and Clint McKenzie. Join local archeologists for this evening lecture about recent excavations in San Antonio. Clint McKenzie (Center for Archeological Research, UTSA) and Kristi Nichols (Archeologist and Collections Manager, The Alamo) will speak about their archeological findings. Learn about the history of our city through material remains. Location: San Antonio Missions NHP Visitor Center, 6701 San José, San Antonio, TX 78214. Information: www.nps.gov/saan/planyourvisit/calendar.htm, Lauren Gurniewicz, 210-534-8875

Sherman, Grayson County

Eisenhower Archeology

Thurs. Oct. 17 **1 - 2pm**

Join the Eisenhower Birthplace staff at the Sherman Senior Center (1500 N Broughton) at 1 pm in a "touch and learn" activity with artifacts that tell the history of the Birthplace neighborhood. This is a Texas Archeology Month activity. Sponsored by THC & Eisenhower Birthplace SHS. Location: Sherman Senior Center, 1500 N. Broughton St., Sherman, TX 75090. Information: www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/talk-eisenhower-archeology, eisenhower-birthplace@thc.texas.gov, 903-465-8908

Canyon, Randall County

Palo Duro Prairie Palooza

Fri. Oct. 18 **5:00 - 10:30pm** **Free Entry into the Park!**

Become a Texas Time Traveler and see the wonders of the past! Dive in to an evening filled with the magic of Palo Duro Canyon at our biggest cultural event of the year! Experience history like you never have before. Booths will feature surrounding museums offering a peak into Georgia O'Keefe's Canyon works, Honey Farms, Goodnight's Chuckwagon, The weather on your birthday 100 years ago, Native American life, Flint Knapping, Folk Music, Frontier Regiment, and more. The Austin Astronomy and 3Rivers Astronomy Club will be providing solar and night sky programs! Cultural booths: 5pm-7:30 pm, Dance: 7:30pm-8:30 pm, Star Party: 9pm-10:30 pm Event is in the Wolfberry campground. Sponsored by Palo Duro Canyon State Park. Location: Palo Duro Canyon State Park, 11450 Park Road 5, Canyon, TX 79015. Information: <https://tpwd.texas.gov/calendar/palo-duro-canyon/palo-duro-prairie-palooza>, Lindsay Pannell, lindsay.pannell@tpwd.texas.gov, 806-452-9844

Bay City, Matagorda County

Kids & Karankawas

Sat. Oct. 19 **2 - 4pm** **None**

Activities for kids to introduce kids to the Karankawas of Matagorda County. Includes, stories, language, arrowheads & points, food, and lifestyle. Sponsored by Matagorda County Historical Commission, Matagorda County Museum & City By The Sea Museum. Location: Matagorda County Museum, 2100 Avenue F, Bay City, TX 77414. Information: <http://usgenwebsites.org/TXMatagorda/mchc.htm>, Carol Sue Gibbs, carolsgibbs@yahoo.com, 979-241-1108

Castroville, Medina County

Tavern Macabre

Sat. Oct. 19 **5 - 7:30pm**

Presented by the Friends of Landmark Inn. Visitors will learn about taverns in mid-nineteenth-century Texas through participatory singing. Revel with historically attired Amanda's "A Man's a Man" Band for an evening of 1850s songs, merriment, and spirits. Medina River Winery will host a cash bar featuring several wines. Heavenly Q food truck will be serving a delicious fare. Sponsored by THC & Friends of Landmark Inn. Location: Landmark Inn State Historic Site, 402 Florence St, Castroville, TX 78009. Information: <https://www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/tavern-macabre>, LandmarkInnStaff@thc.texas.gov, 830-931-2133

Conroe, Montgomery County

Lidar Presentation of Original Montgomery County

Sat. Oct. 19 **1pm - 2pm** **Free**

Darrell Herbert, resident of Montgomery County, specialist in analyzing LIDAR Digitized Earth Model features and historic landmarks, will share his discoveries of Old Montgomery County roads, villages, and artifacts. Includes Grimes and Walker Counties. North of Candy Cane Park on Museum Grounds at the Strake-Gray Oilfield House. Sponsored by Council of Texas Archaeologists. Location: Heritage Museum of Montgomery County, 1506 Interstate 45 N, Conroe, TX 77301. Information: www.heritagemuseum.us, Joy Montgomery, muse@consolidated.net, 936-539-6873

El Paso, El Paso County

Family WWII Cooking Class

Sat. Oct. 19 **10am - 12pm**

Have fun as a family and learn about the ways WWII affected how people ate. Participants will prepare and eat a dish that was popular during WWII while learning about Tom Lea as the first embedded artist-correspondent of the war. The concept of K Rations (food carried by soldiers in battle) and rationing is explained and a ration book is displayed. Sponsored by THC & Magoffin Home SHS. Location: Magoffin Home State Historic Site Visitor's Center, 1117 Magoffin Ave., El Paso, TX 79901. Information: <https://www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/family-wwii-cooking-class>, magoffin-home@thc.texas.gov, 915-533-5147

Houston, Harris County

International Archeology Day, Houston Museum of Natural Science

Sat. Oct. 19 **10am - 4pm** **Partially free**

For the fifth year the Houston Archeological Society will participate in International Archeology Day at the Houston Museum of Natural Science, offering hands on activities for kids, exhibits and displays for adults and fun for all! Professional and avocational archaeologists from all over the greater Houston area will mark the day at HMNS by highlighting exciting discoveries in local archaeology. The event will also feature a family-friendly archaeology fair with interactive hands-on displays using real artifacts recovered from archeological sites, including stone tools, prehistoric pottery, and animal bone and shell, flint knapping demonstrations, and arts and crafts for kids focusing on the prehistoric era. Attendees will receive a goody bag. Celebrate International Archaeology Day with HMNS! Sponsored by Houston Museum of Natural Science, Houston Archeological Society, and others. Location: Houston Museum of Natural Science, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., Houston, TX 77030. Information: www.hmns.org, Dirk Van Tuerenhout, Curator of Anthropology, dirk@hmns.org, 713-639-4629

Plano, Collin County

Plano Archaeology Fair

Sat. Oct. 19 **10am - 3pm** **Free**

The Plano Conservancy for Historic Preservation, Inc. is pleased to announce the return of the Plano Archaeology Fair. This family-friendly even is located in scenic Haggard Park in Historic Downtown Plano. Our past Archaeology Fairs have attracted 300 to 500 visitors. Activities will include corn grinding, rock painting, petroglyphs, storytelling, corn husk dolls, flint knapping demo, excavation activities and more! The 15th Plano Archaeology Fair includes numerous activities and provides an opportunity for children to learn about Native American culture and early settlement of Plano. There will be two featured performances by the Bear Claw Singers, a local group of Native American performers. In keeping with their traditional values the Bear Claw use their talents to bring together the Native American community to celebrate their proud heritage through song and dance. The Plano Archaeology Fair provides a look at both prehistoric and historic archaeology. Children participating in the excavation will learn archaeological techniques and how archaeologists interpret what they find. Parking is available adjacent to the park and throughout downtown Plano. Sponsored by Plano Conservancy for Historic Preservation. Location: Haggard Park, 901 East 15th St., Plano, TX 75074. Information: <https://planoconservancy.org/>, Michelle Wurtz, MWurtz@versar.com, 214-547-9695

Austin, Travis County

Twelfth Annual Archaeology Playdate

Sun. Oct. 20 **1 - 5pm**

On Sunday, October 20, the Central Texas Society of the Archaeological Institute of America and the Department of Classics at the University of Texas at Austin will host the Twelfth Annual Archaeology Playdate. In keeping with our annual tradition, we will feature field reports and research from UT faculty and graduate students working in premodern material culture (presentation schedule to be announced). There is free on-street parking on Sundays. Sponsored by Archaeological Institute of America: Central Texas Society & Department of Classics at the University of Texas at Austin. Location: University of Texas at Austin, in Patton Hall room RLP 0.128, 305 E 23rd St., Austin, TX 78712. Information: www.archaeological.org/event/twelfth-annual-archaeology-playdate/, Christy Schirmer, schirmerc@utexas.edu, 415-819-9084

San Felipe, Austin County

Archeology at San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site: Archeology Walking Tour

Sat. Oct. 5 & Sun. Oct. 20 **3:00 pm- 4:00 pm** **Free with museum admission**

Join our site archeologist, Dr. Sarah Chesney for a walk around our grounds that will show you our most recent archeological investigations. Get the inside scoop about what is planned for the future! Sponsored by THC & San Felipe de Austin SHS. Location: San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site, 220 2nd St., San Felipe, TX 77473. Information: www.visitsanfelipedeAustin.com, Dr. Sarah Chesney, Sarah.Chesney@thc.texas.gov, 979-885-2181

San Felipe, Austin County

Archeology at San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site: Artifacts

Sat. Oct. 5 & Sun. Oct. 20 **9 am-noon** **Free**

Drop by the museum in the morning to see what happens to artifacts after they come out of the ground! Members of the Houston Archeological Society will be here to help us with lab work activities. Sponsored by THC & San Felipe de Austin SHS. Location: San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site, 220 2nd St., San Felipe, TX 77473. Information: www.visitsanfelipedeAustin.com, Dr. Sarah Chesney, Sarah.Chesney@thc.texas.gov, 979-885-2181

Denison, Grayson County

Texoma Archeology

Tues. Oct. 22 **6 pm to 7 pm** **Free**

The Eisenhower Birthplace State Historic Site presents "Texoma Archeology: Discover that discards can be historical treasures" at the Denison Public Library. This conversation examines how debris found at the Birthplace provides hints about how land has been used over the decades. Sponsored by THC & Eisenhower Birthplace SHS. Location: Denison Public Library, 300 W. Gandy St., Denison, TX 75021. Information: Robin Cole-Jett, robin.cole-jett@thc.texas.gov, 903-465-8908

Wichita Falls, Wichita County

A Brief Tour of Texas: Recent Archaeological Investigations Around the State, Joe Rogers

Wed. Oct. 23 **7pm**

This conversation is a brief survey of several archaeological operations around Texas using recent activities of the Texas Archaeological Society, the Texas Archaeological Steward Network of the Texas Historical Commission, the Texas Tech archaeology Dept. and avocational efforts. We will examine sites of prehistoric Native cultures from the Paleo past to just before European contact, Spanish Colonial interests, the Republic of Texas, an African American presence, very recent archaeological efforts in Conflict Archaeology, and even some Marine Archeology. Sponsored by Speakers & Issues and Moffett Library, with generous support from the Libra Foundation, Times Record News, KCCU-FM & KFDX-TV3. Location: Midwestern State University Dillard Room 101, 3410 Taft Blvd., Wichita Falls, TX 76308. Information: <https://msutexas.edu/sis/>, Dr. Whitney Snow, whitney.snow@msutexas.edu, 940-397-8917

Dallas/Ft. Worth, Dallas County

AIA President's Challenge Lecture

Thurs. Oct. 24 **7pm**

AIA President's Challenge Lecture by Andrea Berlin for the AIA Society Dallas/Ft. Worth area. Sponsored by Archaeological Institute of America: Dallas/Ft. Worth Society. Location: TBA, Dallas/Ft. Worth, TX. Information: www.archaeological.org/event/dallas-ft-worth-lecture-1-tba/, Martin Gallagher, martin.gallagher@unt.edu

Houston, Harris County

Death in Life: Egypt's Fascination

Thurs. Oct. 24 **6:30 - 8:00pm**

Death, burial, and the afterlife were as important to ancient Egyptians as how they lived. Art, monumental architecture, rituals, and magical incantations were used by Egyptians to create a story that helped them confront the unknowable. Today, we know about their fascination with death through the study of mummies. A foremost expert on mummification takes us on a journey exploring the afterlife in ancient Egypt. Through the technology of analyses, imaging, and DNA, mummies really do speak to us today, revealing their secrets and telling us their stories. Sponsored by Archaeological Institute of America, Houston. Location: Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, 1001 Bissonnet, Houston, TX 77005. Information: archaeologynow.org, Becky Lao, archaeologyhouston@gmail.com, 713-364-6344

Rockdale, Milam County

Early Milam County History Presentation

Thurs. Oct. 24 6 - 8pm Free

The Lucy Hill Patterson Memorial Library will host the Milam County Historical Commission Archaeology Month program of early Milam County History by Geri Burnett and Randy Billingsly in period costume. Throughout Archaeology Month, history presentations are given to 4th grade students in Milam County by MCHC members. Sponsored by Milam County Historical Commission & Lucy Hill Patterson Memorial Library. Location: Lucy Hill Patterson Memorial Library, 201 Ackerman St., Rockdale, TX 76567. Information: milamcountyhistoricalcommission.org, Geri Burnett, geriburnett@sbcglobal.net, 512-760-5461

Star, Mills County

Archeological Excavation Participation Opportunity

Fri. Oct. 25 - Sun. Oct. 27 all day

We will be working at a site south of Star, Texas, on October 25, 26 and 27th. Anyone wanting to join Dr. Steve Howard, PhD, archaeologist from the Gault School of Archaeological Research and professor at Austin Community College, is welcome to do so for any of that time. Contact Del Barnett for directions to the site or to join our group that usually goes out 1 or 2 weekends per month to a site in our area. Location: Contact Del Barnett for location information, Star, TX 76844. Information: <http://legacyplaza.org/2019/10/archaeology-day-at-the-pavilion-october-26th>, Del Barnett, del5501@centex.net

Boerne, Kendall County

Lecture, Frank Binetti

Sat. Oct. 26 10am Free

Frank Binetti will provide a lecture on archeology that is open to the public. Sponsored by Kendall County Historical Commission. Location: Patrick Heath Public Library, 451 N Main St., Boerne, TX 78006. Information: Theda Sueltenfuss, 830-537-4389

Bonham, Fannin County

A Walk Through History

Sat. Oct. 26 10am - 12pm Free

The program, hosted by the Sam Rayburn House State Historic Site and the Fannin County Historical Commission, will offer a free gravesite walking tour of prominent community members, associates and friends of Sam Rayburn and his family. Those who would like to attend are invited to meet at 10:00 on October 26, 2019 at Sam Rayburn's gravesite near the front entrance of Willow Wild Cemetery. Lite refreshments and hot beverages will be provided. Sponsored by THC & Fannin County Historical Commission. Location: Willow Wild Cemetery, 1220 W. 7th St., Bonham, TX 75418. Information: www.visitsamrayburnhouse.com, Kathy Lathen, Kathy.Lathen@thc.texas.gov, 903-583-5558

Bonham, Fannin County

Archeology Day Open House at Sam Rayburn State Historic Site

Sat. Oct. 26 10am - 3pm

Join us for our Archeology Day Open House with free tours of the Rayburn family home every 30 minutes and outside activities for the children. Sponsored by THC & Sam Rayburn SHS. Location: Sam Rayburn State Historic Site, 890 W. State Hwy. 56, Bonham, TX 75418. Information: www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/archeology-day-open-house, srhm@thc.texas.gov, 903-583-5558

Goldthwaite, Mills County

Archaeology Day at the Botanical Gardens & Native American Interpretative Center

Sat. Oct. 26 **2 - 8pm** **Free**

An archaeology program will be presented on October 26 at the Botanical Gardens & Native American Interpretative Center in Goldthwaite under the pavilion on 3rd Street and Fisher Street. Everyone is invited to attend. From 2-4pm under the pavilion, there will be a demonstration and training for those interested in flintknapping. Bring your gloves, any knapping tools you may have, glasses or goggles and something to cover your leg from the flint flakes. From 4-6pm, bring any artifacts you have that you want one of the archaeologist to help identify and date. The Gault staff specializes in Paleo artifacts that date back over 8,000 years, and at the Gault site they have uncovered some that go back 15,000 years or more. They have been coming to our area for the past 5 years hoping to find a site here that would have the oldest points like the ones they have found at Gault. Following the artifact identifying session, from 6-8pm, Steve Howard, PhD, archaeologist from the Gault School of Archaeological Research and professor at Austin Community College, will present the program on Archaeology in Central Texas and the phenomenal findings from the Gault site showing humans have lived here for about 15,000 years. Free parking is available for vehicles in our parking lot located behind the Goldthwaite Welcome Center. RV's, vans, and school buses may use street parking. Enter through the Welcome Center located at corner of US Hwy 183 and 2nd Street. Sponsored by Botanical Gardens & Native American Interpretative Center. Location: Legacy Plaza Pavillion, 1150 Fisher St., Goldthwaite, TX 76844. Information: <http://legacyplaza.org/2019/10/archaeology-day-at-the-pavilion-october-26th>, Del Barnett, del5501@centex.net

Houston, Harris County

Tales from Galveston's City of the Dead

Sat. Oct. 26 **9am - 5pm**

Explore the oldest and most historic cemetery in Galveston on a guided walking tour. Broadway Cemetery is where many well-known citizens of Galveston and Texas are laid to rest. Hear stories about Galveston's famous, and infamous, former residents. Your tour includes bus transport to Galveston from Houston and lunch at Gaido's, one of Galveston's oldest restaurants. After lunch, we will visit the home of Michael Menard, open to our tour exclusively, to hear more about one of the founders of Galveston. We will depart from Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery in Houston.

Sponsored by archaeologynow.org. Location: Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery, 6900 Lawndale, Houston, TX 77023. Information: archaeologynow.org, Becky Lao, archaeologyhouston@gmail.com, 713-364-6344

Mexia, Limestone County

2nd Annual Spooktacular

Sat. Oct. 26 **1 - 4pm** **Free**

Come and join the Confederate Reunion Grounds for a Spooktacular Fall Festival! There will be candy, crafts and games galore. You can even get your face painted and play Trap Ball with our TPWD Friends from Ft. Parker State Park! Make sure to come dressed in your Halloween best for the costume contest. Prizes go to: Most Creative, Scariest & Cutest. Age groups for costume contest will be: ages 10-13, 7-9, and any other little pumpkins who want to show off their costume under the age of 7 will get a special prize! Halloween fun for the whole family! Sponsored by THC & Confederate Reunion Grounds SHS. Location: Confederate Reunion Grounds State Historic Site, 1738 FM 2705, Mexia, TX 76667. Information: www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/2nd-annual-spooktacular, crg@thc.texas.gov, 254-472-0959

Paris, Lamar County

A Bewitching Affair at the Maxey House

Sat. Oct. 26 **6 - 9pm** **\$5 adults, kids 5 and under free**

Did you know that Halloween was not always about costumes and trick-or-treating? To turn-of-the-20th century Americans, it was a holiday for love and romance. Come learn about and participate in old-time Halloween traditions and games while touring the Sam Bell Maxey House at night. Admission is \$5 per person. Children 5 and under are free. If you attend both "A Bewitching Affair at the Maxey House" and "Maxey by Candlelight" on October 26, admission is only \$7. Sponsored by THC & Sam Bell Maxey House SHS. Location: Sam Bell Maxey House State Historic Site, 812 South

Church Street, Paris, TX 75460. Information: www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/bewitching-affair-maxey-house-0, sam-bell-maxey@thc.texas.gov, 903-785-5716

Paris, Lamar County

Maxey by Candlelight

Sat. Oct. 26 **10pm - 12am** **\$5**

It is said things look different in the dark, and that is true of the Sam Bell Maxey House, especially around Halloween. The Maxey House will be open late on October 26 from 10 p.m. to 12 a.m. for "Maxey by Candlelight." Visitors are invited to step inside after night has fallen and the lights are dimmed to learn about Victorian death, funeral, and mourning traditions. Admission is \$5 per person. If you attend both "A Bewitching Affair at the Maxey House" and "Maxey by Candlelight" on October 26, admission is only \$7. Hope you aren't scared of the dark! Sponsored by THC & Sam Bell Maxey House SHS. Location: Sam Bell Maxey House State Historic Site, 812 South Church Street, Paris, TX 75460. Information: www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/maxey-candlelight-0, sam-bell-maxey@thc.texas.gov, 903-785-5716

Perryton, Ochiltree County

Perryton Family Archaeology Day

Sat. Oct. 26 **10am - 2pm** **Free**

Activities will include atlatl spear throwing, rabbit stick toss, archaeology dig, Kiowa ledger and teepee art, native american game, reenactors and more. Sponsored by Museum of the Plains. Location: Museum of the Plains, 1200 North Main, Perryton, TX 79070. Information: www.museumoftheplains.com, Stacy Brown, motp@museumoftheplains.com, 806-435-6400

San Antonio, Bexar County

Artifact Identification Workshop

Sat. Oct. 26 **10am - 2pm** **Free**

Archeologists will be on hand to help you identify artifacts. Workshop will be outside of the granary across from the entrance to the church. Sponsored by Southern Texas Archeological Association & National Park Service. Location: Mission San José, 6701 San José Dr., San Antonio, TX 78214. Information: www.nps.gov/saan, www.staa.org,

College Station, Brazos County

Carving Cucurbits

Mon. Oct. 28 **4:30 - 6:30pm** **Free**

Please join the TAMU Anthropology Research Collections for our stone tool pumpkin carving party! Learn about cucurbit domestication, Texas stone tools and the cultural origins of autumn festivals! BYOP (bring your own pumpkins), stone tools will be provided! All ages and majors welcome! Sponsored by Texas A&M University Anthropology Research Collections. Location: Outside of the Anthropology Department at Texas A&M University, 340 Spence st, College Station, TX 77840. Information: www.archaeological.org/event/carving-cucurbits/, Sydney O'Brien, anth-arc@tamu.edu

San Antonio, Bexar County

Burning Rings of Fire: Ancient Maya Resource Conservation Strategies, Kenneth Seligson

Mon. Oct. 28 **7:30pm**

Lecture by Kenneth E. Seligson for the Anawalt Lecture Series. The Ancient Maya used burnt lime for everything. From the mortar that held their elaborate temple pyramids together to the processing of corn into a nutritious staple food, burnt lime was literally the glue that held the Maya world together. Yet until recently, archaeologists did not know how the Prehispanic Maya made their burnt lime. The amount of wood used in traditional aboveground kilns during the Colonial Period and more recently raised the possibility that burnt lime production may have led to rampant deforestation during the Classic Period. In this lecture, I discuss the many archaeological methods that I used to identify a fuel-efficient Prehispanic pit-kiln technology in the Northern Lowlands – a finding that questions the idea that Classic

Maya civilization “collapsed.” Sponsored by Archaeological Institute of America Society: Southwest Texas (San Antonio) & Trinity University. Location: Trinity University (Room TBA), 1 Trinity Place, San Antonio, TX 78212. Information: www.archaeological.org/event/burning-rings-of-fire-ancient-maya-res, Nicolle Hirschfeld, nhirschf@trinity.edu, 210-999-7125

Paris, Lamar County

Trick or Treat with Livingston

Thurs. Oct. 31 6 - 8pm

Calling all Mummies, Daddies, and Kiddies! Join us at the Maxey House on Thursday, October 31 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. for a Halloween Open House. There will be plenty of Halloween-themed crafts and games for all to enjoy, and to prevent any tricks, there will also be treats. Don't be a scaredy-cat, come out and have a spooktacular time! Sponsored by THC & Sam Bell Maxey House SHS. Location: Sam Bell Maxey House State Historic Site, 812 South Church Street, Paris, TX 75460. Information: <https://www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/trick-or-treat-livingston-1>, sam-bell-maxey@thc.texas.gov, 903-785-5716

Austin, Travis County

28th Annual Austin Powwow and American Indian Heritage Festival

Sat. Nov. 2 9am - 9pm \$5-7 adults, kids 12 and under free

28th Annual Austin Powwow and American Indian Heritage Festival is a truly unique Austin experience. It brings you a fascinating look into the culture and heritage of Native American people. Grand Entry featuring dancers from across the country, Traditional Dance Competitions, Native Market / Food Court, Heritage Stage, Texas Parks & Wildlife Interactive Program. Early Bird Special: Adults - \$5 till Oct 15; At the Gate: Adults - \$7; Kids under 12 FREE. Parking is FREE. This is a family oriented event; Absolutely no drugs or alcohol permitted. Sponsored by Great Promise for American Indians. Location: Travis County Expo Center, 7311 Decker Ln., Austin, TX 78724. Information: <http://austinpowwow.net/>, 512-371-0628

El Paso, El Paso County

Family Friendly Cooking Class using Historic Recipes

Sat., Oct. 5 & Sat. Nov. 2 10am - 12pm \$5

Why are old recipes so strange? Join us at the Magoffin Home State Historic Site Visitor Center on the first Saturday of every month as we discuss this and look at the role food played in the daily lives of 19th Century El Paso. This month's recipe comes from the El Paso Cookbook published in 1898. The recipe, ingredients, and cooking supplies will be furnished. Call 533-5147 to reserve your spot! Seating is limited and these events sell out quickly. Cost is \$5. October 5 – German Meatballs; November 2 – Apple Bread & Applesauce Sponsored by THC & Magoffin Home SHS. Location: Magoffin Home State Historic Site Visitor's Center, 1117 Magoffin Ave., El Paso, TX 79901. Information: <https://www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/family-friendly-cooking-class>, magoffin-home@thc.texas.gov, 915-533-5147

Marshall, Harrison County

Victorian Fair 2019

Sat. Nov. 2 10am - 4pm Free

This 19th Century Carnival themed outdoor event is free and open to the public. Guests will enjoy 19th century toys and games, viewing living history demonstrations including blacksmith demonstrations, cooking demonstrations, art show, and making their own old-time crafts, and more. Maplecroft, the 1870 home of Frank and Clara Starr, will be available for tours. Tour tickets can be purchased in our Museum Store. Tours will be at 10:30, 12:00 1:30 and 3:00. The museum store will be open so you can pick up unique items including Beard Joy products made locally by Kevin Slocum. We will keep you updated through our Facebook page! Sponsored by THC & Starr Family Home SHS. Location: Starr Family Home State Historic Site, 407 West Travis St., Marshall, TX 75670. Information: <https://www.thc.texas.gov/news-events/events/victorian-fair-2019>, starr-family-home@thc.texas.gov, 903-935-3044

Tomball, Harris County

Diggin' Old Stuff

Sat. Nov. 2 9am - 3pm none

"Come See the Way We Was!" at the Historic Kleb Homestead. Ages 7 and up may participate in an archeological excavation with members of the Houston Archeological society, as we search for more farm buildings on this German family farm. Visitors can also learn to comb cotton, make a bandana using natural dyes, learn candle dipping, make a keepsake in the blacksmith shop, tour the 1890 farmhouse, visit the mobile Texas Water quality lab, and listen to dulcimer and bluegrass music throughout the day. Please bring water and snacks for your family. No fees for any activity. Sponsored by Harris County Precinct 3; Houston Archeological Society. Location: Kleb Woods Nature Center, 20303 Draper Rd., Tomball, TX 77377. Information: <http://www.pct3.com/Parks/Kleb-Woods-Nature-Preserve-Center>, Kleb Woods Nature Center, 281-357-5324