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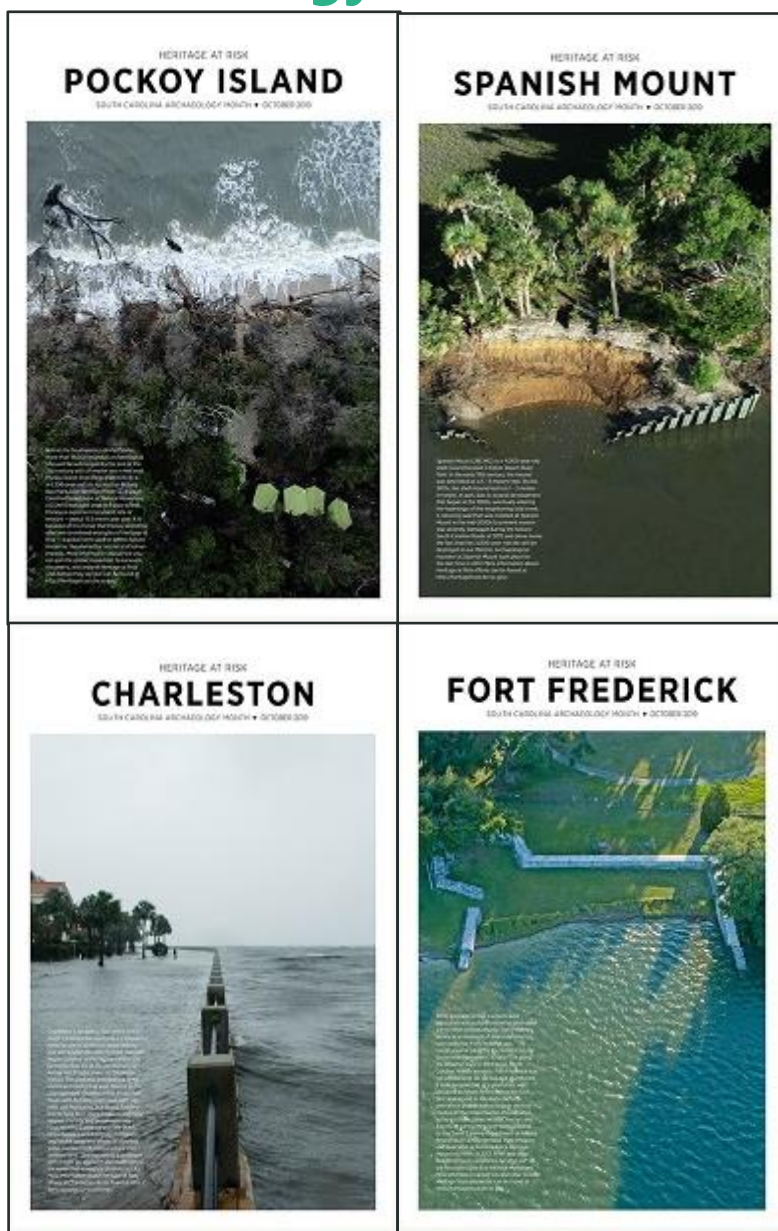
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The Archaeological Society of South Carolina Quarterly Newsletter

Archaeology Month 2019



Heritage at Risk: The 2019 Archaeology Month Poster series focuses on the topic "Heritage at Risk" and features four coastal historic properties. Copies of the posters may be viewed online at <http://heritagetrust.dnr.sc.gov/heritage-at-risk.html>. Posters will be available at the SCDNR Parker Annex Archaeology Center and this year's Fall Field Day.

About the Society

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Letter from the President

My Fellow Society Members,

October is South Carolina's Archaeology Month, which culminates in the ASSC Fall Field Day on October 26, 2019 at the 12,000 Year History Park on Congaree Creek in Cayce. Why commemorate archaeology? Mainly because archaeology is always an adventure that is just plain fun!

We professional archaeologists consider ourselves lucky to wake up every morning to a full day of archaeology, and we enjoy sharing this passion with the interested public. Everyone is curious about the past lifeways of our human ancestors, whether it was thousands of years ago or in the 1800s. What was their technology like, how did they make a living, what were their houses like, how were their societies structured? These are just a few of the many questions about the human condition that scientific archaeology can attempt to answer.

Strictly defined, "archaeology is the study of the ancient and recent human past through material remains (artifacts)." What makes archaeology a scientific discipline are the methods and techniques that archaeologists use to obtain information from the material remains to address these types of questions. This is what distinguishes archaeology from "arrowhead collecting" and artifact looting. Professional archaeologists always begin their research with a question in mind to answer.

Archaeological excavation is structured to recover the types of artifacts from an undisturbed, subsurface context where they were lost or buried that will help to address the research question. To further aid with interpreting and explaining information about the past, archaeologists turn to such activities as experimental archaeology. This is the study of how artifacts such as spear points or pottery vessels were made and used in the past by replicating the manufacture and function of these objects today.

Another means of collecting archaeological evidence is through the technology of photogrammetry. This technology allows the researcher to obtain reliable information about material remains and their context through the process of recording, measuring and interpreting photographic images and patterns. And then there are the military reenactors portraying Revolutionary or Civil War soldiers from whom we can learn what kinds of military equipment we might expect to find in archaeological excavations. We can also find out how this equipment was used and even how their army camps were laid out in specific patterns.

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Fall Field Day is an annual event where the public can observe these and other aspects of archaeological investigation including how archaeological sites are discovered, the scientific recovery of artifacts, artifact identification and conservation, skilled primitive technologists, and much more. I encourage everyone to attend and participate in the ASSC Fall Field Day. It will be a memorable time for adults and children alike. All ASSC members should bring friends and show them the wonderful world of archaeology. For detailed information visit the ASSC webpage at <https://archaeologysc.org>.

-Keith Stephenson, *President*



FALL FIELD DAY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26 | 10AM - 3PM

12,000 YEAR HISTORY PARK ON CONGAREE CREEK
1120 FORT CONGAREE TRAIL, CAYCE SC 29033

Each fall the Archaeological Society of South Carolina sponsors a free gathering of archaeologists, prehistoric and historic skills demonstrators, story tellers, and more who present how the people of South Carolina's distant and recent pasts experienced their daily lives through work, play, food, and community.

Fall Field Day 2019

Saturday, October 26, 2019

12,000 Year History Park on Congaree Creek

1120 Fort Congaree Trail, Cayce SC 29033

10 AM – 3 PM

The 32nd Annual Fall Field Day will take place on October 26th in Cayce at the 12,000 Year History Park on Congaree Creek!



To learn more about the 12,000 Year History Park and their upcoming events, follow their Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/cayce12000years/>

12,000 Year History Park

The 12,000 Year History Park is a unique archeological site in Cayce, South Carolina, where history and nature converge. Over the last 120 centuries, the area has had an array of inhabitants, including mammoths, Native American tribes and Civil War soldiers. The park includes earthworks from an 1865 Civil War battle and is full of stories that offer something for explorers of all ages.

Guided historical walking tours of the 12,000 Year History Park will be offered throughout Fall Field Day. Volunteer guides, trained by the National Park Service, will take you on a walk along the beautiful trail filled with stories of the Battle of Congaree Creek, Fort Congaree and Native American Lifeways.

Thank You!

A special thank you to the 12,000 Year History Park for hosting this year's Fall Field Day and to all the participants and demonstrators for being such an important part of the day's activities.

Fall Field Day Participants and Demonstrators



SC DNR Heritage Trust

Archaeologists from the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SC DNR) **Heritage Trust** will be participating in this year's Fall Field Day. You'll be able to learn more about the SC Parker Annex Archaeology Center, the Heritage Trust Program and how you can volunteer to get involved to help preserve South Carolina's cultural heritage.



Fuz Sanderson

We're excited to have back Fuz Sanderson for our upcoming Fall Field Day! Sanderson is an endangered species biologist, Earthskills teacher, musician, and storyteller. With over 25 years of experience as a wilderness instructor and researcher for various organizations, Sanderson always brings a diverse array of knowledge and skills to the event. Look forward to many great demonstrations and conversations with Sanderson throughout Fall Field Day.



Seven Ages

The Research Associates at Seven Ages have shared interests in history, archaeology, science and culture that inspires their production of independent studies, articles, videos and other educational media. Their goal is to study and interpret the past and to create educational resources that “bridge the gap” between academics and amateurs as well as private and professional groups. Check out Seven Age’s content online at <https://sevenages.org/> and visit them at Fall Field Day to learn more about their recent episodes, including one highlighting the White Pond site in South Carolina.



Scott Jones

This year we are excited to welcome Scott Jones of **Media Prehistoria** back to Fall Field Day. Media Prehistoria is dedicated to exploring, rediscovering and educating the public about early technology and lifeways. Jones provides excellent discussions and demonstrations of how primitive technology worked. He's attended several of our events in the past and we're incredibly thrilled to have him back.



SCAPOD

The **South Carolina Public Outreach Division (SCAPOD)** aims to create innovative programs and projects that connect people with South Carolina's cultural heritage using archaeology. SCAPOD's programs are designed to engage people of all ages with varying backgrounds in archaeology. Their programming offers a unique opportunity to learn about South Carolina's cultural heritage. SCAPOD will be bringing their exceptional educational programming back for this year's Fall Field Day!



SC Parks, Recreation and Tourism Archaeology

Archaeologists from **SC Parks, Recreation and Tourism** will be a part of Fall Field Day. Learn more about how they preserve and interpret South Carolina's archaeological heritage, including Charles Towne Landing State Historic Site and the Colonial Dorchester State Historic Site, two of the state's earliest historic settlements.



Native American Studies Center at USC-Lancaster

The **Native American Studies Center** at USC-Lancaster (NASC-USCL) holds the single largest collection of Catawba Indian pottery in existence and hosts educational classes and programs on Native Americans in the Southeast. Visit representatives from the Center at this year's Fall Field Day to learn about their archaeology lab, archives, galleries, upcoming events and talks.

Dr. Chris Judge, Director of the NASC-USCL will also be providing artifact identifications throughout the day so make sure to bring any mystery artifacts that you'd like to find out more about.

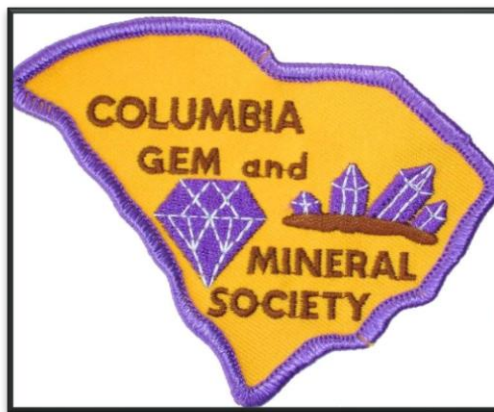
Bobby McLeod

Bobby McLeod, a historical reenactor, will be providing demonstrations throughout Fall Field Day.



Warren Lasch Conservation Lab (WLCC)

Scientists from the **WLCC** will be at Fall Field Day to share their expertise in the conservation of historically significant materials and structures, based on years of study and preserving the H.L. Hunley submarine and associated artifacts. Learn more about their conservation projects across the state including at the Fort Sumter and Colonial Dorchester.



Columbia Gem and Mineral Society

The **Columbia Gem and Mineral Society** promotes popular interest in Geology, Mineralogy, and Paleontology and will be participating in Fall Field Day. Stop by to learn more fossils, minerals and how to join the society.



Archaeological Society of South Carolina – Hilton Head Chapter

Representatives from the **ASSC-Hilton Head Chapter** will be present at Fall Field Day to share updates on their recent meetings and events.

Call for Submissions: *South Carolina Antiquities*

South Carolina Antiquities is published annually by the Archaeological Society of South Carolina (ASSC). Society members and non-members alike are invited to contribute articles to the 2019 issue. We are in need of articles, book reviews, and “Notes from the Field” submissions. Articles can range from research, syntheses or discussion pieces of a topic relevant to archaeology, or the reporting of interesting archaeological discoveries. Book reviews can cover any archaeologically relevant book, which may include history books of relevance to historic or prehistoric archaeology. “Notes from the Field” contributions are short (1-3 page) summaries of current or recent fieldwork or research in South Carolina archaeology and/or history.

Please submit research articles directly to the Journal Editor. Submissions to the journal are subject to peer review and to the discretion of the editor. Manuscripts submitted for review should conform to the style guide published in *American Antiquities* (April 1983, vol. 48, no. 2). All submitted materials should preferably be submitted in up to date digital formats. Should anyone have physical copies of materials that need to be digitized for publication, please email the Journal Editor for assistance and/or guidance. Digital figures should be submitted as individual JPEG files with a minimum of 300 dpi. The journal is now accepting figures in full color. Please email the Journal Editor if you have any questions. I look forward to receiving your submissions.

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ASSC Grant-in-Aid

The ASSC sponsors the Grant-in-Aid program to provide financial assistance to graduate students working on research topics that focus on archaeological investigations in South Carolina. Grant-in-Aid funding is used to assist graduate students working on theses or dissertations that pertain to the archaeology of South Carolina at both in-state and out-of-state universities. Funds from several hundred to one thousand dollars are available on a competitive basis to graduate students.

The ASSC Grant-in-Aid program has helped provide \$28,000 over the past 27 years to help support more than 50 student research projects in the state of South Carolina. This program would not be possible without the long-term support of our society members. If you would like to donate to Grant-in-Aid, visit our donation page for more details: <https://archaeologysc.org/grant-in-aid-program/donate-to-grant-in-aid/>

If you know a graduate student working on a thesis or dissertation pertaining to the archaeology of South Carolina at an in-state or out-of-state university, please encourage them to apply for funding from Grant-in-Aid.

ASSC Membership

The 2019 Membership rates are as follows:

Individual: \$25
Student: \$15
Senior: \$15
Family: \$30
Senior Family: \$25
Life: \$500
Institutional: \$100

You can pay your dues one of four ways:

- **Through your local chapter**
- **Through Paypal, via the instructions on our website: <https://archaeologysc.org/about/membership/>**
- **By mailing a check to:**

Archaeology Society of South Carolina
 PO Box 1357
 Columbia, SC 29202

ASSC Executive Board Call for Nominations

The Archaeological Society of South Carolina (ASSC) has several board positions that will be up for elections this Fall. If you are interested in being part of the ASSC, please send us an email to archaeologysocietysc@gmail.com.

Please indicate which position you would like to be volunteer for in the email. You may also nominate an individual to be on the board. Please include their name and board position.

Elections will be in November 2019. The deadline for nominations is October 31, 2019.

Positions available:

Vice president

Newsletter editor, *Features and Profiles*

Board member (three positions)

Brief Role Description:

ASSC Board Member: responsibilities include helping organize our annual conference and Fall Field Day along with providing assistance with any of the society's projects.

Vice President: The vice president is responsible for organizing ASSC's annual conference, including putting together the schedule of speakers, setting up location, and general organization of the day. The vice president typically assumes the role of ASSC president after their two-year term.

Newsletter Editor: Along with board member duties, the newsletter editor is responsible for preparing and distributing the society's quarterly newsletter *Feature and Profiles*.

All board members typically meet six times a year to discuss plans and organize events.


If you have any questions about the positions, please feel free to contact us at archaeologysocietysc@gmail.com.

From the Archives

Brent Burgin

Fall Field Day Flashback

In 1989, Fall Field Day was a three-day event complete with camping, a fundraising auction, and a day of canoeing.



SEPTEMBER 1989
NENA POWELL, EDITOR
 THERE WILL BE NO MONTHLY MEETING IN SEPTEMBER DUE TO FALL
 FIELD DAY TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 1, 1989

2nd ANNUAL FALL FIELD DAY
PROGRAM - R. G. BELL CAMP

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1989
 4:00-until Arrive, Set Up, Camping

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1989

7:00-9:00	Arrive, Set Up Displays	Behind Lodge
9:00-12:00	Stone Tool Technology Demonstrations	Behind Lodge
	Steve Watts - Flintknapping	
	Joan Gero - Flintknapping/Heat Treatment	
	Bill Koob - Flintknapping	
	Wayne Roberts - Flintknapping	
	Ken Sassaman - Stone Boiling	
9:00-12:00	Brain Tanning Demonstrations	Picnic Shelter
	Bill Westbrook - Brain Tanning	
	Bill McAmis - Brain Tanning	
10:00-12:00	Pottery Demonstrations	Lodge
	Sara and Foxx Ayers - Making and Firing	
	Traditional Catawba pottery	
11:00-12:00	Time for the Actual Firing	Lodge
12:00-1:30	Lunch/Free Time to Look at Exhibits	
1:30-2:00	Lithic Raw Material/Site Recording	
	Keith Derting	
1:30-2:30	Storytelling Jonathan Leader -	
	Traditional Indian Myths and Hero Tales	
2:00-3:00	Atlatl Throwing/Blow Gun/Musket Gun	Basketball Ct.
	Demonstrations	
	Steve Watts - Atlatl Throwing	
	Wayne Roberts - Musket/Blow Gun	
	Bill Westbrook - Blow Gun	
	Daryl Miller - Amazonian Bow and Arrows	
3:00-3:30	Free Time/Exhibits	
3:30-5:00	Auction	
5:30-7:30	Bar-B-Que	
8:00-9:00	Indian Style Dancers	
9:00-Until	Camping/Storytelling Around the Campfire	

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1989
 9:00-Until Swimming/Canoeing



Submit Your Announcements and Events

If you have an announcement or event that you would like included in an upcoming issue, please email it to the Newsletter Editor, Keely Lewis, at KLewis@scdah.sc.gov.

Archaeology Month 2018

October is Archaeology month in South Carolina! Archaeology Month in South Carolina began in 1991 and is celebrated with educational opportunities to learn about archaeology across our state. These events and programs are developed by dedicated professionals, avocationists, and organizations in order to bring our state's prehistoric and historic past to life for all ages. Through such public outreach efforts, the archaeological community hopes to build regional and local public support for the preservation of our Native American, African, and European heritage.

Archaeology Month Events

October 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30: Volunteer Archaeology Lab, Columbia, SC

Join the SC DNR Heritage Trust team each Tuesday for processing artifacts from their current and past excavations. To reserve your spot online, visit: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/volunteer-archaeology-lab-tickets-69058653291>

October 4: Natural History and Archaeology of Beer, Hilton Head, SC

CEO and President of the Coastal Discovery Museum, Rex Garniewicz, will share the science behind historic brews from ancient Mesopotamia, China, Egypt, and the jungles of the Amazon. Reservations are required by calling 843-689-6767 ext. 223 and information about the museum is available online at: coastaldiscovery.org

October 8: SC Archives & History Fall Speaker Series, Columbia, SC

Dr. Chris Judge will be the featured speaker for October and will give a talk on "Gathering up the Fragments: The Elusive Cheraw Indians" For details and to register visit: <https://scarchivesandhistoryfoundation.org/2019/07/16/fall-speaker-series-2019/>

October 10: Archaeology Thursdays at Drayton, Charleston, SC

On the second Thursday of every month, visit Drayton Hall as they highlight objects and stories from the active archaeological site. Demonstrations each week also allow you to be part of the archaeological process. To visit Drayton Hall: <http://www.draytonhall.org/visit/>

October 10-13: Arkhais Cultural Heritage and Archaeology Film Festival, Columbia, SC

The 7th annual Arkhais Cultural Heritage and Archaeology Film Festival will be held October 10-13 in Columbia, SC. For the full list of films and festival schedule, visit the website online at: <http://www.arkhaisfilmfestival.org>

October 12-15: Archaeology at Hampton Fall Dig, McClellanville, SC

The Friends of Hampton Plantation State Historic Site will be hosting the Fall Dig at Hampton Plantation State Historic Site. Come visit to observe or participate in the biannual archaeology dig. Find out more information on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/events/353619718880631/>

October 18, 2019: What is Underwater Archaeology? Ridgeland, SC

The Morris Center for Lowcountry Heritage will host Dr. Kurt Knoer, assistant professor of history at Georgian Southern University and the director of the Museum of Underwater Archaeology, for a talk on exploring submerged resources and shipwrecks. Learn more about this free event online:

<http://www.morrisheritagecenter.org/events/what-is-underwater-archaeology/>

October 19, 2019: Gullah Food Festival, Hilton Head, SC

The 4th Annual Gullah Food Festival will include food, drink, and activities for all ages and will be held at the Gullah Museum. For additional information visit:

<http://www.gullahmuseumhhi.org/gullah-food-festival1.html>

October 19, 2019: International Archaeology Day, Mt. Pleasant, SC

Celebrate archaeology by attending three lectures about local history, including Strangers in a Familiar Land: The East Cooper Planter that History Forgot, A Short History of the Yamasee Indians, and Uncovering Hampton Plantation. Find out more online at:

<https://www.ccpl.org/events/international-archaeology-day>

More Ways to Celebrate**Watch**

SCDNR Heritage Trust

Films

<http://heritagetrust.dnr.sc.gov/films.html>

View, for free online, nineteen award winning films highlighting how the Heritage Trust program works to protect South Carolina's unique cultural heritage. The films highlight Heritage Preserves across the state including Fort Frederick, Fort Lamar, Botany Bay and Congaree Creek.

Listen

Seven Ages

Legends of the White Pond Lodge

<https://sevenages.org/podcasts/seven-ages-audio-journal-episode-25-legends-of-the-white-pond-lodge/>

This episode of the podcast includes colorful interviews with several icons of southeastern archaeology, recorded live at the White Pond Lodge in rural South Carolina. The location is the site of a series of ongoing archaeological digs overseen by Christopher R. Moore, Ph.D. Some of the guests among the interviews featured in this episode, in addition to Christopher Moore, are geoscience educator Chris Cottrell, archaeologist Chris Judge, Tariq Ghaffar of SCDNR, Seven Ages listeners Dan Newbanks and Chris Corley, and Chris Young, a CRM archaeologist.

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Follow the Archaeological Society of South Carolina-Hilton Head Chapter for more updates.



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About the Chapter

Formally organized in 1998, the Foothills Chapter serves the Greenville-Spartanburg-Pickens area and boasts a membership of about 25. In addition to regular meetings, chapter members enthusiastically participate in archaeological site surveys, “road trips” to projects in progress, and spread the word about upper South Carolina history and pre-history via talks and demonstrations with area School and civic organizations. Membership in the Foothills Chapter is open to all who have an interest in studying, recording, and preserving South Carolina historic and prehistoric remains.

Monthly Meetings

Meetings of the Foothills Chapter are held at 6 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the Spartanburg Community College Tyger River Campus Hwy 290, Room 222, Duncan, SC.

ASSC Hilton Head Chapter

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Monthly Meetings

Chapter monthly meetings are normally held on the 2nd Saturday of the month, from September to May, except for December when the Christmas Social is normally held early in the month. Meetings are held at the Hilton Head Coastal Discovery Museum on Honey Horn Plantation in the Discovery House. **The chapter will not be meeting from June-August 2019.**

Issues of the Hilton Head Chapter monthly newsletter, *Island Archaeology*, are now available online. Please visit

<https://archaeologysc.org/chapters/hilton-head-chapter/> to view previous issues.

SC Archaeology Month

October 2019



Features and Profiles

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Membership Level Desired:

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____ Family: \$30 ____ Senior Family: \$25 ____ Life: \$500

____ Institutional: \$100

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*Membership renewal is also available online at

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About the Society

The Archaeological Society of South Carolina operates under State and Federal Law as a 501c3 non-profit organization. Contributions are tax deductible. The Society is assisted and supported by the South Carolina Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, the University of South Carolina, and the Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists.

Membership Information

ASSC members receive an annual copy of the journal, *South Carolina Antiquities*, the quarterly newsletter *Features & Profiles*, along with free entry to events such as our annual archaeological conference.

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