

TIME CAPSULE

Newsletter of the **FORT BEND ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY**

An affiliate of the Fort Bend History Association

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General Meeting, April 19, 2022. 7:00 p.m.

The Mexican Army in Texas

Speaker: Dr. Gregg Dimmick



Dr. Gregg Dimmick will be discussing the documents that will be included in Vol. 1 of his three volume work on the Mexican Army in the Texas Revolution. Volume 1 covers the Mexican Army in 1835. The book will be published by Texas A & M University and is scheduled to come out next spring.

Dr. Dimmick, M.D. is a retired pediatrician and now a highly esteemed a vocational archeologist. He has written "Sea of Mud, the Retreat of the Mexican Army after San Jacinto, an Archeological Investigation".

Location: Fort Bend Museum, 410 S. Fifth Street in Richmond, Texas. The meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome - the program is free and open to the public.

Field Notes – Archeology along the Brazos

More evidence of a vertical interface has been found in the newest excavation pit. This interface is what happens when two different soils are side by side. This can happen when a hole is dug and filled back in. The fill dirt is a mixture of different soils and appears different from the undisturbed soil. The side of the hole looks like a line when viewed from above. A straight line indicates that it was probably made by a human. Is it a grave, a root cellar or maybe a foundation?

We dig every Saturday morning and welcome all new volunteers - come join us!



This small artifact, about 1-1/2" long may be part of a clay smoking pipe.



We found more evidence of that interesting soil feature. Notice the line between contrasting soil colors.



Meeting Minutes

March 15, 2022

The Fort Bend Archeological Society met at the Fort Bend Museum, Richmond, TX.

In attendance were 9 members and 1 guest.

President Paul Spana, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes from February 15, 2022 - No objections, minutes stand as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: Balance as of February 7, 2022 is \$5,197.58 - No objections, Treasurer's Report stands accepted.

Old Business:

- Spana gave an update about the excavation taking place at the Lamar site. New pit was opened.
- FBAS members opened a new excavation pit recently. The goal for this pit is to see if a recently found soil feature can be seen continuing into the new pit.

New Business:

- Bob Crosser announced a report for the excavations at the Barnett Plantation has been completed.

Announcements:

- Spana announced the next meeting will be April 19.

Presentation:

Vice president Rich Murphy introduced speaker Dr. Christopher Lintz. The title of the presentation was "Excavation and Reconstruction of a Native American House."

Meeting adjourned 8:26 p.m. A thank you gift was presented to the speaker.

Minutes submitted by Kevon Hunter, Secretary

Treasurer's Report

April 14, 2022

Balance as of March 8, 2022					\$5,182.58
1979	3/11/2022	Chris Lintz	speaker honorarium	100.00	
Balance as of April 14, 2022					\$5,082.58

Submitted by
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Treasurer