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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE

### FORT BEND ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

An affiliate of the Fort Bend History Association 600 Houston Street / Richmond, TX 77469 281-342-6478 ext. 1301 August 2020



### August 18 meeting is on!

This month's meeting will take place in person - in the large meeting hall on the first floor of the Gus George Law Enforcement Academy building. There is plenty of room for social distancing – and we ask everyone attending to wear a mask.

This first meeting back will mainly be a business meeting – please read the minutes and treasurer's report elsewhere in this newsletter. However, Bruce Grethen is going to give a talk about LIDAR and the Lamar site project – and that will be very interesting!

Also, continue to follow the work of the Society on Facebook and on our YouTube channel. Thanks, stay safe, and see you soon.

Jay Roussel, FBAS President

*Location:* Gus George Law Enforcement Academy - 1521 Eugene Heimann Circle, Richmond, Texas. *Everyone is welcome - the program is free and open to the public. Wear your mask!* 

### FBAS YouTube Channel is Operational

Hopefully by now everyone has heard of the Fort Bend Archeological Society YouTube channel. If not, please go to this link and subscribe so you don't miss out on any content. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFSV34RlLn8svWMlDiPzVjQ

### **Reminder: New Phone Number**

Since the Fort Bend Museum installed a new phone system, the phone number for the FBAS has a new extension! If you dial 281-342-6478, you can ask to be transferred to the new extension to leave a voice mail. The extension is 1301.

**Meeting Minutes from the February Meeting** 

#### FORT BEND ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Minutes from February 18, 2020

The Fort Bend Archeological Society met at the Gus George Law Enforcement Academy, Richmond TX. In attendance were 14 members and 13 guests.

The meeting was called to order by Jay Roussel, President, at 7:05pm.

Minutes from January 21, 2020: No objections, minutes stand as approved.

Treasurer's Report: Balance as of February 13, 2020 is \$3,741.96

No objections, Treasurer's Report stands accepted. Roussel explained the number was up due to a corporate contribution for his and Bob Crosser's volunteer work.

Old Business: None

#### **New Business:**

- President Jay Roussel welcome everyone to the meeting.
- Bruce Grethen gave an update for the archeological work currently taking place at the Lamar Site in Richmond. Volunteers are investigating anomalies with excavations. The anomalies were detected by the society using various electronic devices. To date about 30-31 pits have been dug. Artifacts are being discovered at the 16"-20" level, but no evidence of Lamar's house yet.

#### **Announcements:**

• The next meeting will be held on March 17. The speaker will speak about the pre-Clovis occupation in central Texas through the findings at the Gault Site.

#### **Presentation:**

Vice president David Rose introduced guest speaker, Dr. Michelle Marlar. Her presentation was titled "The Osiris Temple at Abydos: An Offering Which the King Gives." Dr. Marlar is an Egyptologist who teaches at the Center of Excellence for Visual and Performing Arts at Houston Community College. She travels to Egypt each spring for a couple of months to perform excavations. Her work done at the Osiris Temple at Abydos sheds new light on early Egyptian culture.

Meeting adjourned: 8:02 pm Minutes submitted by: Paul Spana

## FBAS Treasurer's Report: August 14, 2020 Balance as of February 13, 2020

\$3,741.96

Deposit	2/18/2020	Thomas Catlett	membership dues	+ 20.00
1956	4/29/2020	FBHA	postage - March and April	- 10.00
1957	5/4/2020	Fort Bend Museum	book for speaker - M. Marlar	- 23.80
Deposit	7/13/2020	Jesse Eastes - new	membership dues - arch only	+ 20.00
		Kate and Natalie Eastes	student memberships - free	
		Richard Murphy - new	membership dues - arch only	+ 20.00

#### Balance as of August 14, 2020

\$3,768.16

Submitted by Claire Rogers, Treasurer