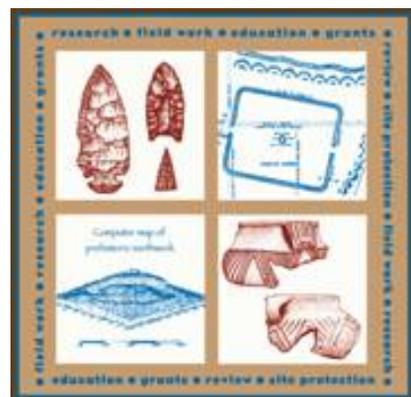




Archaeology News



- *from the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA), office of the Indiana State Archaeologist*

- **Early Peoples of Indiana**- Our most requested archaeology outreach product, *Early Peoples of Indiana*, has been revised and updated by the authors, Dr. Rick Jones and Amy Johnson. Look for the 2008 version soon on the DHPA webpage (www.IN.gov/dnr/historic) as well as the arrival of the printed versions.

- **Indiana Archaeology Month events**- The DHPA archaeology staff were busy with various types of events during the month of September. The archaeologists enjoyed all of the events which they were involved in and were happy to share these experiences with the public. We now look forward to beginning the planning for Indiana Archaeology Month 2009!

Publicity is obviously a big part of getting the public in to visit the events during Archaeology Month. To the right is a flyer which was produced by the Eiteljorg Museum of American Indian and Western Art for their Archaeology Month event.



- **Archaeology Intern**- Since mid-September, Claudia Ray has been volunteering as an archaeology intern at the DHPA. Claudia is an undergraduate student majoring in archaeology at the University of Indianapolis. She will be assisting the archaeology team with various tasks, including the entry of site form information into the computerized database, artifact processing, and more. We welcome her assistance as well as the opportunity to share with her various aspects of archaeology in a state government

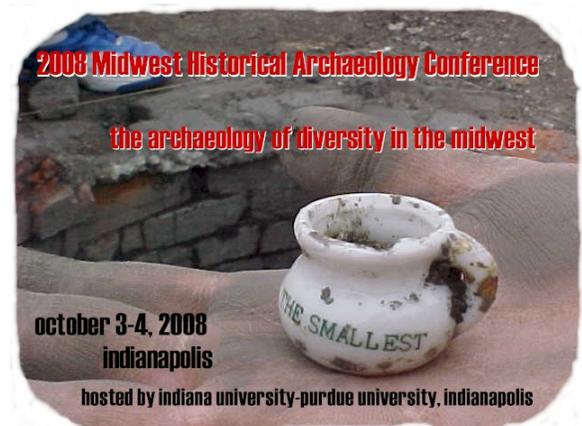
setting. If you know of others who may be interested in volunteering with our office, do not hesitate to contact our staff.

- **Conference in Bloomington**- The 2008 Cornelius O'Brien Historic Preservation and Indiana Mainstreet Conference is being held in Bloomington, IN on October 16-18th. There will be several sessions regarding archaeology, including "Indiana Mounds," "Archaeology in Your Community," and more. To learn more details, go to <http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/10176.htm>.

- **Yankeetown site visit**- The Indiana State Museum is conducting field investigations at the Yankeetown site (12W1; emerging Mississippian period) as part of their Historic Preservation Fund grant project. These investigations are providing valuable information regarding the interpretation of Yankeetown phase as well as the effects of losing valuable sites to the Ohio River. On September 17, 2008, Cathy Draeger, DHPA archaeologist, visited the site.



- **Staff member attending conference**- DHPA Archaeologist Laura Black will be attending the fourth Midwest Historical Archaeology Conference at IUPUI in Indianapolis. The conference, October 3-4, 2008, will examine the archaeology of diversity in the Midwest, including discussion panels examining African-American heritage, the earliest French colonial sites, rural farm communities, and archaeologies of gender and class throughout the Midwest. For more information regarding the conference, go to <http://www.iupui.edu/~anthpm/mhac2008.html>.



- **Indian Creek Middle School**- On September 10, 2008, Cathy Draeger, DHPA archaeologist, joined the Indian Creek Middle School's eighth grade social studies class in Trafalgar in exploring Indiana's past through archaeology. This is part of the teacher's (Tom Haywood) efforts to engage the students in a multicultural approach to history. The following day a flint-knapper showed the students how prehistoric tools were made.



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Indiana Archaeology Month (September) webpage- www.in.gov/dnr/historic/10316.htm.

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