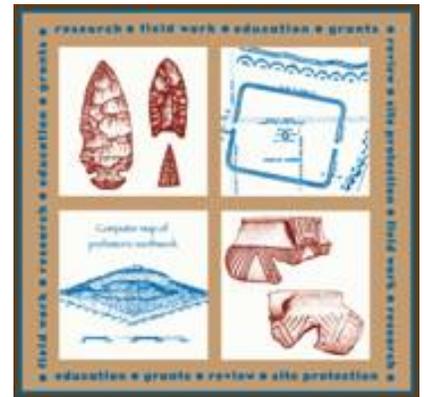




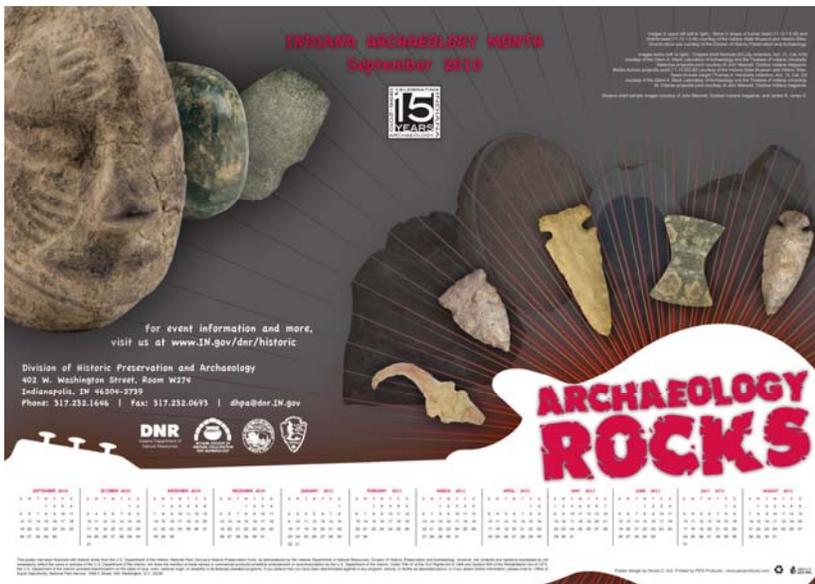
Archaeology News



- *from the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA)*

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- **Indiana Archaeology Month 2010** – September is Indiana Archaeology Month! We hope to see you at events during the month. Indiana Governor Mitch Daniels has issued a Proclamation declaring September 1, 2010 Archaeology Month Kick-Off Day. To learn about the Calendar of Events, obtaining the 2010 poster, or purchasing commemorative shirts, feel free to go to <http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/3674.htm>.



This year's slogan, "Archaeology Rocks," a play on words in several ways, conveys the excitement of archaeology and what can be learned through the science. The commemorative poster design this year features an interesting array of prehistoric stone artifacts, all found in Indiana. New for the 15th anniversary of a statewide celebration of archaeology in our state is a calendar running from September 2010 to August 2011.

Poster and shirt designs by Nicole D. Arb. Printed by PEN Products. Thanks go to the following for the use of images: Indiana State Museum and Historic Sites, Glenn A. Black Laboratory of Archaeology and the Trustees of Indiana University, John Maxwell, *Outdoor Indiana* magazine, and James R. Jones III.

- **Archaeology site of the month**- The Gronauer Lock #2 site (12-AL-1674), located near New Haven in Allen County, was discovered in 1991 during work being conducted for a highway road construction project. The wooden lock, a remnant of the Wabash and Erie Canal, was built 1838-1840 by Henry Lotz and was named after the primary lock keeper, Joseph Gronauer. The Wabash and Erie Canal, the longest canal system in the United

States at approximately 460 miles, linked the interior of Indiana, through Ohio, to Lake Erie and provided important access for commercial trade goods to the Great Lakes.

Approximately 90 percent of the original lock structure was still intact when it was encountered. Numerous artifacts (many of which were associated with the lockkeeper's house) and 750 pieces of timber were recovered during the archaeological excavations.

The wooden timbers underwent preservation treatment at the SCIAA (South Carolina Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology) Conservation Facility and approximately 5 percent of the total conserved lock structure is on exhibit at the Indiana State Museum. Also, it was revealed during archaeological excavations of the wooden lock that construction details of the lock were not entirely consistent with the historical documentation and building specifications of the lock.

This was the subject of a Master's Thesis at Ball State University and shows how archaeological investigations can enhance historical documentation. To learn more about this important site and the Wabash and Erie Canal go to:



<http://www.cas.sc.edu/sciaa/mrd/documents/GronLock2.pdf>

<http://www.cas.sc.edu/sciaa/mrd/documents/gronlock1.html>

<http://www.hmdb.org/marker.asp?marker=2498>

<http://www.in.gov/history/files/canalmania.pdf>

- **Indiana Conservation Hall of Fame** - Archaeologist Glenn A. Black is included in the 2010 class of the Indiana Conservation Hall of Fame. The 2010 inductees will be celebrated at the Conservation Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremony on September 17 at The Garrison at Fort Harrison State Park, Indianapolis. Tickets are \$75 and available by calling 317/234-5447 or ordering online at www.IndianaNRF.org. To learn more about Black, feel free to go to the following: <http://www.gbl.indiana.edu/aboutGB.php>, http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/files/hp-May_2010.pdf.



- **Girl Scout Archaeology at Strawtown** - On Friday July 16, 2010, DHPA archaeologist Cathy Carson joined staff members from Hamilton County Parks and Recreation to assist with an archaeology workshop for area Girl Scouts. The program was held at the Taylor Center of Natural



History at Strawtown-Koteewi Park near Noblesville. Junior and Cadette/Senior/Ambassador Girl Scouts (4th through 12th grade) got to experience the science of archaeology in action while earning a Badge in Archaeology. Activities included a visit to the IPFW-AS field school excavation at the Strawtown Enclosure and making a clay pinch pot.

- **Outreach programs-** On Tuesday, September 14, 2010, DHPA archaeologist Cathy Carson will give a presentation on archaeology to homeschool students at the Jackson County Public Library in Seymour. In addition, Ms. Carson will give another archaeology presentation on Thursday September 16 to 2nd – 5th grade students attending an Afterschool Enrichment Program at the Eckart Public Library in Auburn.

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