Join other PAS members Tuesday, Feb. 10 for a trip to the suburbs of Rome. Dr. Kristina Killgrove, UWF Department of Anthropology will present this month’s program.

After centuries as a small but thriving urban center and quarry less than 20km east of Rome, Gabii essentially collapsed, and the Imperial-era occupation was by the dead rather than the living. Excavations by the Gabii Project since 2009 have uncovered several dozen burials dating to a variety of time periods (10th c BC to 3rd c AD). The Imperial burials, however, are the most numerous and the most anomalous. From standard lower-class burials a cappuccina to the unique “lead burrito,” the Imperial tombs effectively marked Gabii as a place only for the deceased and reveal a population both similar to and different from people buried at Rome itself. This presentation will address the bioarchaeological evidence of the three main burial phases at Gabii—including age-at-death, sex, stature, and pathological conditions—in an attempt to understand the day-to-day experiences of people who lived and died in the shadow of Rome.

Meetings are held at the West Florida Public Library in downtown Pensacola at 7 pm. Make plans now to attend and bring a friend or two for this interesting program.

DON’T FORGET TO VISIT THE PAS FACEBOOK PAGE FOR UP TO DATE INFORMATION AND NEWS.
NEWS FROM FPAN NORTHWEST REGION

Nicole Grinnan, Outreach Coordinator Northwest Region based at the Florida Public Archaeology Network Center; Dr. William Lees, Executive Director FPAN; and Dr. Della Scott-Ireton, Associate Director FPAN, contribute periodically to this newsletter.

FPAN will offer many local and regional activities for Florida Archaeology Month. Find something to do near you by subscribing to their newsletter or by using the following:

FPAN Website: http://flpublicarchaeology.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/FPANnorthwest
Twitter: www.twitter.com/FPANNorthwest

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

1. University of West Florida Archaeology Lab—Mon. 10-12 and Tues, 12-2 beginning Feb. 23. Parking tag required on campus. For info call 474-2087.
2. Florida Public Archaeology Network Lab—Mon. and Wed 10 am - 4 pm.
   No experience is necessary and a brief orientation will get you started.

FLORIDA ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY

PAS is a chapter of the Florida Anthropological Society (FAS). Thirty members of PAS are also FAS members. You must join FAS individually to receive the journal, The Florida Anthropologist, and the FAS Newsletter. See the FAS website for more information: http://www.fasweb.org

Dues are: Regular and Institutional - $30, Family - $35, Student - $15 (with copy of current student id). **Applications available at PAS membership meetings each month. Join us!
The 67th Annual Meeting of FAS will be hosted by Time Sifters Archaeological Society in Sarasota this year. The conference theme is “The Many Faces of Florida, Past and Present.” This year FAS has moved into the digital age and conference registration is now open online. All registrations and abstract submittals must be made through online forms. These links are available on the FAS website. [www.fasweb.org](http://www.fasweb.org) under the Annual Meeting tab. More information about meeting offerings, hotels, the banquet and field trips on Sunday can be found on the website and will be covered in the next newsletter.

**SAVE THE DATES:**

PAS has a number of activities planned for the next few months. Please add these dates to your calendar so you can participate.

*March 14—Arcadia Mill Archaeological Site Grand Re-Opening, 10 am to 2 pm (see p. 6)*
*Thursdays in March—FPAN archaeology lectures, Bowden Building, 7 pm*
*April 14—PAS Annual Bar B Q at Argos Athletic Club, UWF (more in next newsletter)*
*April 25—PAS members’ morning field trip to Presidio Santa Rosa Pensacola and Ft. Pickens*
*May 18—UWF Summer Field Schools Start with kick-off assembly program*
*May 28-31—FAS Annual Meeting, Sarasota, Hyatt Regency conference hotel*
*June 6—PAS will participate in the UWF Historic Trust’s 25th Annual Open House downtown in the historic district.*

**The Hernando de Soto Expedition: Exploration and Tragedy**

by Dr. Ronald Fritze, Professor of History, Athens State University

Thursday, February, 26, 2015, 7:00 pm

This lecture will be held at the University of South Alabama’s Archaeology Museum in Mobile.

Hernando de Soto’s expedition (1539-1543) was the first to explore extensively the interior of the eastern part of North America. It spent a substantial amount of time in what is now Alabama, where there are many places associated with De Soto’s expedition. The Southeast on the eve of European contact contained the most culturally sophisticated Native American societies in Northern America. During the 16th century, the Spanish called the region La Florida. Prior to De Soto’s expedition, Florida’s coast had been explored by various people, most famously Ponce de Leon. In 1528, Panfilo de Narvaez attempted to explore Florida, but his expedition ended in disaster. Cabeza de Vaca’s epic account of his survival in 1536 rekindled interest in the exploration of North America, including De Soto’s expedition. His expedition explored most of the Southeast following a much-debated route. This event is sponsored by Alabama Humanities Foundation.

**WEBSITE FOR PAS**

http://pasfl.org
COMING EVENTS

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FEB. 10, Tues. Living and Dying at Gabii:
A Bioarchaeological Look at the Roman Suburbs
Dr Kristina Killgrove, UWF Dept of Anthropology
7 PM, West Florida Regional Library, downtown Pensacola

MARCH IS FLORIDA ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH

Mar. 3, TUES. PAS Board meeting, 4:30 PM, UWF Archaeology Institute,
Members are welcome to attend

MAR. 10, Tues UWF Field Schools: Summer 2014 Recap – Summer 2015 Preview

MEETING SPACE SEPTEMBER - MARCH COURTESY OF

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A Chapter of the Florida Anthropological Society
As usual, FPAN and other groups have plenty of activities planned all over the state for Florida Archaeology Month 2015. The activities are far too numerous to mention here, but check out the FPAN websites to make some educational and fun plans for these weekend activities locally and afar.

Here in Northwest Florida, FPAN is continuing their archaeology lecture series on Thursday nights at the Bowden Building during March and a complete list can be found on the website. Again this year they are also featuring the very popular Dash Through the Past on March 7. It is a scavenger hunt type activity and fun for one and all.

Your PAS Board has decided to have a special field trip for members in April instead of March because of all the other activities available during Florida Archaeology Month. We will visit the site of Presidio Santa Rosa Pensacola and Ft. Pickens with lunch afterwards at a local restaurant on the island. More information will be available in the next newsletter.
Arcadia's Grand Reopening is free to the public and fun for the whole family! This event will showcase Arcadia's newly constructed bridge and boardwalk in addition to providing children's activities, vendors, and site tours.

Since parking along the residential streets can be a problem, event parking will be at Pensacola State College West Lot (Intramural Sports Field) off Hwy 90. Trolleys will continuously shuttle guests to and from the event to relieve the bottleneck.

See the poster below for details and enjoy the day.