



North Central Regional Center-Quarterly Report

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Quarterly Highlight:

The summer proved to be very busy with summer youth programs throughout the region and in the Northwest Region. The North Central Region visited many libraries to host summer reading. This summer also provided the opportunity to again work with Jefferson County 4-H to assist with their youth summer camp. This year we partnered with the Southeast Archaeological Center of the National Park Service to offer a variety of program stations for the campers. These stations included a demonstration in flint knapping, atlatl antics, and stamped pottery lessons. The Native Plant lecture developed for FAM 2010 still continues to be the most popular lecture and Barbara Clark has traveled within and outside of the region to give this lecture to a variety of civic groups this quarter. The North Central and Northwest regions partnered to offer the annual Archaeology Day at the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement in Blountstown. This program continues to be very well attended and helps to meet our goal of offering more programming in some of our rural counties. As the school year started, there have been several requests for classroom visits from teachers within Leon County that have been steady partners with the North Central region since its inception in 2010. The North Central Region elected not to hold a Teacher Workshop this summer due to poor attendance in the past. However, this is something that we, as a network, are working to remedy, and we hope to offer workshops in the near future. In September the Panhandle Archaeological Society held their annual Kick Off event and Barbara Clark was once again nominated as chapter President. Throughout the quarter staff from the Northwest and North Central (with input from other regions as well) worked to plan the third annual FPAN/DHR meeting in Tallahassee. This meeting wrapped up the end of this quarter, and provided for an opportunity for FPAN staff to come together and discuss a revision of our strategic goals.

Progress on Work Plan Objectives:

- Continue to develop and present educational and outreach programming such as Archaeology Days, school visits, informational booths with hands-on components and lectures.
- Partnered with SEAC for the 2014 Jefferson County 4-H Summer Camp to offer an archaeology component.
- Continue to coordinate with outreach staff to ensure that FPAN is represented at relevant teach and educator conferences state-wide.

- Plan and implement the 2014 Annual meeting with DHR
- Barbara Clark was nominated to the National Forests in Florida Resource Advisory Committee.
- Partnered with libraries to offer summer reading programs.
- Continue to develop a Swift Creek curriculum for Swift Creek Middle School in partnership with SEAC/NPS



A family learns about prehistoric tool technology at an FPAN informational booth at a local festival in the North Central Region.