



**Southwest Region**  
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## HIGHLIGHTS

### **Heritage Tourism: Archaeology at Pineland/Randell Research Center**

This July, FPAN staff in the southwest partnered with the Randell Research Center and the University of Florida to create meaningful programming based around the archaeological site at Pineland. With this goal in mind, FPAN staff from the SW and SE region toured the area over the summer, conducted sea level rise monitoring, and assisted in management of the area, assisting with clearing and other park improvements in September. The results of FPAN's sea level rise monitoring at Pineland were presented at the first annual Tidally United in St. Augustine, and Ms. Kangas' efforts at the site drew praise from University of Florida and an invitation to speak at the county's sea level rise summit in the fall.



**Ms. Kangas with Pineland volunteers**

## **Web and Social Media: Skype Workshop**

This quarter, the Louisiana BREC Parks and Recreation approached FPAN SW requesting they lead an online/skype workshop for 30 children. Ms. Kangas did a virtual Archaeology Works for the children. This workshop illustrates how archaeology can be brought into any classroom and how Florida's archaeology can be creatively presented and promoted to groups who may not be as familiar with it.



**Students at BREC-Louisiana skyping with R. Kangas**

## **Progress on Strategic Plan Objectives**

- Goal 1: Thinking Like a Network By Delivery of Standardized Programs
  - FPAN SW organized two Cemetery Resource Protection Trainings (CRPTs) in September in association with local organizations—Collier County Museums and Charlotte County.
- Goal 2: Increase Protection of Archaeological Resources By Working at the Local Level
  - Raised awareness of sea level rise not only by documenting and presenting about work on Pineland, but also through incorporating a ‘Cemetery DASH’ element into local CRPT training listed above—assessing and recording two sites perceived to be vulnerable to sea level rise.
- Goal 3: Provide for the Long-Term Viability of the Network
  - Staff visited Fort Center and Ortona Mounds with the goal of assessing viability for tourism and development.
  - The Southwest region hired Victoria Lincoln as their new outreach assistant. Ms. Lincoln attends Florida Gulf Coast University and attended field school excavations at the Wedgworth site in western Palm Beach County.