West Central & Central Regional Centers January/February/March 2016 Jeff Moates, Director

## **West Central**

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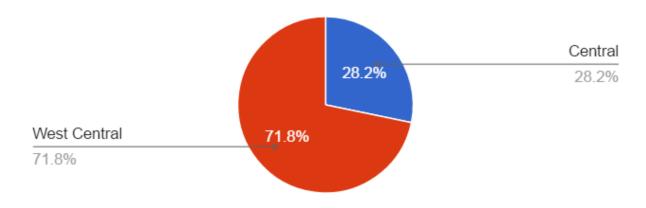
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FPAN Staff participated in 85 distinct events/activities during January-March 2016 serving a total of 2,716 individuals in Florida archaeology outreach and education.

## **Total Events by Region**



| Event Type                           | Top results |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Presentation/Lecture                 | 30          |
| Meeting                              | 19          |
| School/Youth Program/Workshop        | 10          |
| Other - explain in notes             | 8           |
| Festival/Infobooth                   | 6           |
| Site Visit or Fieldwork              | 5           |
| Traditional Media (TV, radio, print) | 4           |
| Adult Training/Workshop              | 3           |

## **Events by County**

| County           | Top results |
|------------------|-------------|
| Hillsborough     | 23          |
| Pinellas         | 20          |
| Citrus           | 16          |
| Other in Florida | 6           |
| Sarasota         | 6           |
| Alachua          | 5           |
| Manatee          | 4           |
| Levy             | 2           |
| Marion           | 1           |
| Pasco            | 1           |
| Polk             | 1           |

## **Quarter Highlights**

- Florida Archaeology Month 2016 Staff participated in several events and programs based on this year's theme Artisans of the Woodland. In both regions, at Weedon Island and Crystal River, staff organized and conducted tours and other fun activities paired with various outreach events. We conducted the 4<sup>th</sup> installment of History Bike Gainesville with a 12 mile ride to Newnan's Lake for talk of canoes and other things archaeology from the Woodland time period. Staff in the West Central Region created the first Archaeology Academy where folks listened to theme-related presentations and were able to choose a particular activity: ceramics lab, kayak tour, archaeology and plant hikes.
- Replacing Fort Brooke is a historic map and archaeology interactive exhibit created in partnership with the Tampa Bay History Center. The exhibit opened on February 20 and will be showing through August. We created the exhibit to increase public awareness of Tampa's origins, the founding of Fort Brooke in 1824. The exhibit highlights our work in georeferencing old maps and archaeological discoveries with Tampa's downtown streetscape today. The results of the work and the exhibit are promoted as a resource for city officials and planners. Along with the opening of the exhibit FPAN staff also conducted a bicycle tour in conjunction with History Bike Tampa. USF grad students in Dr. Pluckhahn's Public Archaeology class helped with the public event at the History Center by creating related activities and information tables.