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Annual Archaeology Field Day at the Berry Site



Learn how native people and Spanish explorers lived and interacted in the 16th-century by visiting the Berry archaeological site on June 25, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Warren Wilson College, Western Piedmont Community College and the Exploring Joara Foundation invite the public to visit the site for tours, pottery making, and primitive technology demonstrations along with Cherokee and Catawba storytelling. Children's activities include pottery making, blowguns, the chunky game, face painting and temporary tattoos.

The site dates to the 15th and 16th centuries A.D. and is believed to represent an ancestral Catawba Indian town and the location of Fort San Juan, built by the Spaniard Juan Pardo in 1567, twenty years before the "Lost Colony" on Roanoke Island.

Entrance fees will be \$5.00 per car, \$12 for vans, and \$20 for buses. Refreshments will be available on site.

To get to the Archaeology Field Day, take I-40 to Morganton. Turn right off of exit 105 and proceed through town following signs for NC 18/NC 181 N. Continue straight following the signs for NC 181. From the K Mart plaza, continue north on Hwy. 181 4.1 miles to Goodman Lake Road on right. Take Goodman Lake Road to end (1.6 miles) and turn right on Henderson Mill Road. Follow Henderson Mill Road 1.9 miles to the Berry site. Turn right and follow parking signs.

For more information go to www.exploringjoara.org or call 828-439-2463.