EJF Fall Social & Annual Meeting

The Exploring Joara Foundation is hosting a Fall Social and Annual Meeting on Saturday, October 25th at the Old Burke County Courthouse. The social starts at 4:00 pm and continues until 4:45 pm when we will be giving an update on our outreach programming in the last year before Dr. David Moore of Warren Wilson College gives an exciting presentation on the upcoming 450th anniversary of St. Augustine, Santa Elena, and Juan Pardo's mission into the interior of what is now the United States. The presentation will conclude by 6:00 pm and we hope visitors will enjoy beautiful downtown Morganton. If you are available to help or would like to make a donation to the social please contact EJF Executive Director Marie Palacios at ED@ExploringJoara.org to learn how you can help. We look forward to seeing you there!

EJF Fall Archaeology Saturday Series- Last chance!

Want to experience the Berry site excavation?

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EJF Fall Archaeology Saturday Series
Didn’t get a chance to visit the Berry site this summer? Maybe you’ve always wanted to work at the site but haven’t been able to take part in the intensive summer field school schedules? Read on because we may have a solution for you.

The Berry site summer field school and the EJF summer archaeology camp season are over…..BUT…..the results of the 2013 and 2014 field seasons have been astonishing to say the least. The discovery of Fort San Juan is so exciting and significant that David Moore, Rob Beck, and Chris Rodning are working to find more resources to extend the field seasons for longer periods over the next several years. While the hunt for funding goes on, they want to open more opportunities for EJF members to participate in the excavations.

We are excited to announce that Warren Wilson College and EJF will begin the “Fall Archaeology Saturday Series” giving EJF members and non-members a chance to help archaeologists at the Berry site continue to expand this important excavation.

**Where?** Excavate at the Berry site

**When?** Saturdays 10 am to 2 pm. - October 18, October 25. Weather permitting all work will be at the Berry site. If rain or other conditions occur, Staff Archaeologist John Krebs will hold Archaeology Lab days at the Wall Center instead.

**Who can participate?** If you are interested in working and want to learn about the Berry site and archaeology, you are welcome. It is open to all (Children from 10-15 years old must be accompanied by a paid adult; sorry, but the work is not really appropriate for younger children). Everyone will need to sign a waiver before they are able to participate.
We can only afford to have two staff on hand so there is a limit of 12 participants for each Saturday session. You must RSVP in advance by calling EJF at (828) 413-2660, or by email at Archaeology@ExploringJoara.org.

How much does this cost and why do we need to pay? Every time archaeologists work on the site there are costs that are incurred. The small fees that we charge help defray some of these expenses. The fee is $5.00 per person per day for EJF members and is $20.00 for non-members. Non-members can join the EJF membership the day of the event to get the reduced rate.

**Other Questions?** Contact John Krebs, EJF Staff Archaeologist, at (828) 413-2660, or by email at Archaeology@ExploringJoara.org.

**What to bring:** Closed toed shoes (required)
Hat
Sunscreen
Bugspray
Water bottle
Lunch
Work gloves
camera (optional)

We look forward to seeing old friends and meeting new friends while we continue the important work at the Berry site. Please visit our website to see more about the summer field schools and summer camps and to see some of the artifacts that were found this summer.
Want to help support future excavations at the Berry site?

We welcome your financial support of this important project. Donations of any amount may be made to the EJF to support this Fall Excavation Series and other such efforts. Please contact John Krebs for more information. Join our team and help support this important educational and cultural project. Thank you.