



# DECEMBER 2012 NEWSLETTER

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## 2012 ROGERSVILLE SHOW

The Rogersville Artifact Show was held September 23, 2012 at the Joe Wheeler State Park Lodge. This was one of the largest turnouts we have had all year for our shows. Every table was reserved and we had a constant flow of people all day viewing the fine artifacts that were on display.

We would like to congratulate the following Award Winners; Andy Odom and family for the best educational award, Frank and Janet Robison for winning both the Committee Award and the Point Type (Quad) award. Lamar Wilson won the award for the Best Recent Find

This was the first show that I have sponsored and I know I made a few mistakes and hopefully I have learned from them and will do a better job with the show next year.

The Jackson Alabama show sponsored by Bimbo Kohlen will be January 27th 2013. If you plan to attend be sure to call ahead to reserve your tables and to verify no changes have been made to the show date or location.



Best Educational Display - Andy Odom  
Committee and Point Type Award (Quad)  
Frank and Janet Robison  
Best Recent Find - Lamar Wilson



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Sherry and Donnis plotting something big!



John Hammons and John Tilley discussing artifacts.

### UPCOMING ARTIFACT SHOW LISTINGS

- **01/19/2013 Loretta TN,** Contact Roy McKey at (931) 762-7541 or mt\_manic@yahoo.com
- **01/26/2013 Meridian MS,** Contact Bill Breidinger at (601) 635-3222 of Frank Robison at (662) 562-2462
- **01/27/2013 Jackson AL.** Contact Bimbo Kohlen at (251) 542-9456
- **09/29/2013 Rogersville, AL.** Contact Rick Weems at (256) 577-6122 or rdweems@earthlink.net

### JACKSON ALABAMA INDIAN ARTIFACT SHOW

January 27th, 2013

Jackson Community House  
500 Vanity Park Drive  
Jackson AL

For Table Reservations and Information contact:  
BIMBO KOHEN

(251) 542-9456  
OR

bimbo@millry.net

REBEL STATE  
ARCHAEOLOGICAL  
SOCIETY SHOW

## 2012 RSAS ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

Following the 2012 Rogersville Artifact Show the annual business meeting was held.

The officers from 2012 were re-elected to hold the same positions for 2013. The officers are as follows:

**President** - James "Bimbo" Kohen

**Vice President** - John Hammons

**Secretary/Treasurer** - Rick Weems.

An amendment was made to the bylaws to allow the annual business meeting to be held at the Rogersville Show each year, regardless of the date of the show. If the Rogersville show is not held the business meeting will be held at the last scheduled show in the calendar year. Prior to the amendment the bylaws stated that the annual meeting would be held following the Rogersville Show in the month of November.

I would like to encourage our members to attend this very important meeting. This the place to voice concerns and bring forth new ideas to improve RSAS. In the past few years only the officers and 3 or 4 members have attended.

Also, if you would like to serve as an officer you need to attend the annual business meeting and submit your name for nomination as an officer. We have had the same officers for several years and it would be great to have more people taking an active part in our organization. New people bring with them new ideas that could possibly provide improvements. All of the current officers have been members of RSAS for a minimum of 25 years and we are pretty set in our ways. Newer, younger officers could provide constructive ideas that us "Old Guys" may not have considered.

Please attend this important meeting if at all possible and show your support for RSAS.

## REBEL STATE DUES

The RSAS membership dues for 2013 were due December 1st 2012. This gives us time to get all of the members names, address changes or corrections to Central States by their cut-off date of December 15th.

Each year at least 40% of our members fail to make this deadline. When this happens we have to wait for CSAS to send the extra journals to us and then we have to purchase envelopes and pay for the postage to mail them out at the expense of RSAS. This takes away much needed funds from RSAS. This also costs in extra time (which I don't have much of) and gas running to and from the post office.

The officers of RSAS receive nothing for our services to the society. We are not paid, we do not get free dues, we do not get free tables at the shows, and we do not get our expenses paid for attending the shows. We only get the satisfaction of keeping this society up and running. Paying your dues on time goes a long way in helping us out. Please don't take this as a complaint, just a plea for your help and consideration in getting your dues to us by the cut-off date established by Central States.

*The Officers at Rebel State  
Archaeological Society Hope You  
Had a Very Merry Christmas and  
Would Like to Wish All Our Mem-  
bers a Happy New Year and  
Hope That Each of You Find That  
All-Elusive Clovis or Cumberland  
This Year!*

*Bimbo, John and Rick*



COPENA - Shield Type

## REBEL STATE ARTIFACT SHOW DATES

At this time we only have two show dates confirmed. The first show will be in Jackson Alabama and will be hosted by Bimbo Kohen. This show is scheduled for January 27 at the Jackson Community House located at 500 Vanity Park Drive. Contact Bimbo for information or to reserve display tables. Bimbo can be contacted at (251)542-9456 at bimbo@millry.net.

The next show we have scheduled is the Rogersville Alabama Show which will once again be held at the Joe Wheeler State Park Lodge. This show is scheduled for September 29. Contact me, Rick Weems, for information or to reserve display tables for the show. My contact information is (256) 577-6122 or rdweems@earthlink.net.

If you plan on attending the Rogersville show and want to stay at the Joe Wheeler Lodge it would be a good idea to make your reservations early since the rooms are usually booked up quickly at that time of the year.

We are still working to find a place to have a show around June or July. Once this show has been finalized we will let everyone know the venue and contact information.

As always, be sure to contact the show host prior to attending a show to verify there have been no changes made to the show date or location and to see if display tables are still available if you have not already reserved them in advance.

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## ALABAMA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES

### THE FLORENCE INDIAN MOUND

Located near the banks of the Tennessee River in Florence Alabama, the Florence Indian Mound is the Tennessee Valley's largest domiciliary mound. It is a 42 foot high quadrilateral mound with a summit measuring 145 x 94 feet. Early settlers in the region found steps on the east side and evidence that the mound had been enclosed by a semi-circular earthen wall. It is a typical example of the work of the early Native Americans who lived in Alabama during the Mississippian Era, which was prior to the inhabitation of the Cherokee, Chickasaw and Creek nations in the region. This mound is called Wawmanona by the Native Americans.

The Florence Indian Mound Museum is located near the base of the mound and contains Native American artifacts dating back over 10,000 years, arranged in chronological order from Paleo to Historic periods. Many of the artifacts on display were collected locally. The museum is open Tuesday - Saturday, 10 am - 4 pm.



**Stemmed Hamilton**

#### ATTENTION

**The zip code provided for me on the yellow address car enclosed in the forth quarter journal was wrong. My correct zip code is 35645-8423.**

Thanks

Rick Weems

REBEL STATE  
ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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**NOTICE**

Please provide me with a current email address if you would like to continue receiving the RSAS Newsletter. This will be the last one that will be mailed out. The cost of printing and postage is more than we can afford at this time.



I will still be publishing the newsletter each quarter but will only be sending it out by email. I am sorry but that is the only option we have at this time.

Your email address will only be used for official RSAS communications and will not be provided to any person or organization.

If you did not provide an email address with your dues payment you can send it to me at [rdweems@earthlink.net](mailto:rdweems@earthlink.net). Please put **RSAS** in the subject line.

Thank you for your understanding.

Rick Weems

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