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Highlight of the Quarter

The highlight of this quarter was our June 20-22 programming commemorating the 500th anniversary of Ponce de Leon's first visit to the Keys (radio interview about events: <http://wlrn.org/post/ponce-de-leon-s-500th-florida-anniversary>). On June 20th, Sarah Miller generously led a Cemetery Resource Protection Training (CRPT) program in Key West. This program was in collaboration with the Historic Florida Keys Foundation which provides preservation services for the Historic Key West Cemetery. One attendee, Cammy Clark, used the CRPT as an inspiration for a wider ranging *Miami Herald* article on historic cemeteries in south Florida (http://www.miamiherald.com/2013/06/28/3474043_p2/keys-initiative-spotlights-need.html). Associated Press reporters also joined us on the following day for a trip to the Dry Tortugas National Park (<http://staugustine.com/news/florida-news/2013-06-21/sea-turtle-released-dry-tortugas-anniversary>). Finally, we coordinated an archaeology lecture series on June 22nd at the Florida Keys Eco-Discovery Center. National Park Service, Florida Public Archaeology Network, and Mel Fischer Maritime Heritage Society scholars talked about Keys archaeology to a standing room only crowd. All told, we estimate that over 200 people participated in these three Viva Florida 500 events.

Progress on Work Plan Objectives

Public Outreach

- Offered 11 public lectures at venues across our region, including Ms. Nohe's TEDtalk in Delray.
- Participated in 10 youth activities in Palm Beach, Miami-Dade, Monroe, and Broward Counties.
- Completed 15 workdays at Lawrence E. Will Museum of the Glades.
- Actively maintained Twitter feeds, FaceBook page, Viva 500, and FPAN websites/databases.
- Served on boards for Broward Trust for Historic Preservation, Broward County Historical Commission and Florida Archaeological Council.
- Completed two Palm Beach Educator Trainings in collaboration with Palm Beach County Parks and Palm Beach County Libraries.
- Panels from "Then and Now" exhibit on display at Broward County Libraries in April and May
- Drafted text and illustrations for "*The Misadventures of Sandy Trowels*." Associated library programming was on-going during this quarter.

Assistance to Local Governments

- Met with Broward and Palm Beach County Archaeologists, Key West Foundation, and the Cultural Resource Manager of the Everglades and Dry Tortugas National Parks to investigate how SE-FPAN could help their preservation efforts.
- Attended Emergency Management Task Force meeting with Broward County.
- Assisted City of Pompano with its National Register nomination for Indian Mound Park.

Support of DHR

- Continued Viva 500 activities with a variety of local partners.
- Completed work with Lawrence E. Will Museum of the Glades and submitted final report.
- Attended Florida's Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan meeting in Miami.



"Viva 500: Hidden History of the Dry Tortugas" scholars at Ft. Jefferson (left to right): Melissa Memory (Chief of Cultural Resources for Everglades and Dry Tortugas NPS), Michele Williams (Director of Southeast FPAN), Corey Malcolm (Director of Archaeology for the Mel Fischer Maritime Heritage Society), Sarah Nohe (Outreach Coordinator for Southeast FPAN) and Sarah Miller (Director of Northeast FPAN) at Fort Jefferson Viva 500 event.