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Non-invasive Remote Sensing of Human Remains
Specializing in Historic and Pre-contact Burials



Addie says "finally some sunshine and green grass"

SCA Annual Meeting March 16 - 19

SAA Annual Meeting March 29 - April 2

Apologies for sending the newsletter out late. We have been literally underwater, with no power and/or staying home to be safe from the wild weather. California has been praying for rain; well, we got it! March did not slowly march by, it came and went like a hurricane. We had to re-schedule several surveys because of rain and flooding.

We did manage to get to both SCA and SAA. My head is still spinning from talking to so many people and seeing friends who I have not seen since COVID. We had a great time at both meetings. In between the two meetings, we had a week-long intense workshop with Ronda Bowser from K9 Battalion.

The canine symposium at SAA was well attended and many great questions after we were done. This conference has many international students and archaeologists attending who were new to the idea of using trained dogs to locate burials. They are going home to share some new ideas and what is happening in other parts of the world.

We are planning on making the papers ICF gave available on our webpage via a video link. This will be a great way to get this information to more people who are interested in our work. Below is a list of the presentations that made up the symposium.

~Adela~

SYMPOSIUM CANINE RESOURCES FOR THE ARCHAEOLOGIST

Historical Human Remains Detection Dogs: A Unique Tool for Native American Communities

Adela Morris 

Use of Human Remains Detection Dogs to Find Unmarked Precontact Human Burials in the Ohio Valley

Cheryl Johnston, Jennifer Jordan Hall, Kevin Schwarz, Andrea Crider and Taylor Bryan

The Use of Human Remains Detection Dogs to Locate Empty Gravesites after Cultural Exhumation Practices in a Nineteenth-Century Chinese

Cemetery in Warren, Idaho

Florence Dickens and Samantha Blatt

Finding Lost Souls: Mapping and Preserving Historic African American Gravesites in Western North Carolina Using Human Remains Detection Canines and Ground-Penetrating Radar

Blair Tormey and Paul Martin

New Methods for Training Historic/Prehistoric Human Remains Detection Dogs

Michael Alexander

Multidisciplinary Recovery of Previously Cremated Remains after Urban Wildfires

Lynne Engelbert  and Adela Morris 

Key Factors Impacting the Efficacy of Canine Resources on Archaeological Surveys

Lisa Lee  and Paul Martin



Bryn and Jasper at the SCA meeting. They provided many opportunities for dog visits and snuggles. (And left a bit of fur on their visitors so they could try out their ICF logo'd lint brushes!)



Clfo taught yoga and stretching techniques to survive conferences.



Adela giving her presentation at the symposium at SAA

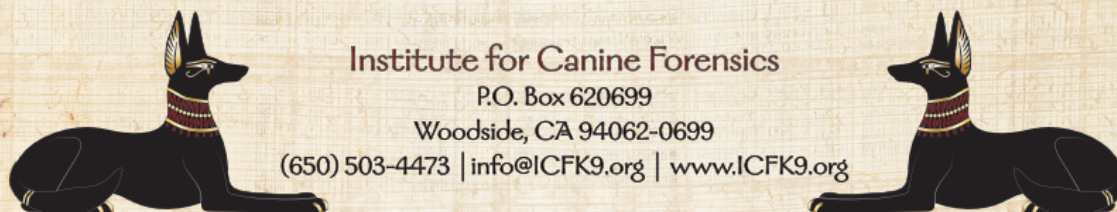


Our table in the exhibition hall at SAA. John and Kayle, Lisa in white talking to interested archaeologists.

Vicksburg National Military Park Begins National Cemetery Stabilization Project Following Weather-related Erosion

Click on the picture below to read the article. Next month we will have more information and pictures about this project and the small part we played in the restoration of the burials.





We are happy to talk with you about your project and how our dogs might help locate human remains or burials. Call, email, or check us out on facebook or our website. (You can find past newsletters there, too.)

Please feel free to pass this newsletter along to anyone who might be interested.

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