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**Archaeology Day at Bonnet House
Saturday, October 4th from 10am to 3pm**

Fort Lauderdale, FL, September 5, 2008...*Bonnet House Museum & House Museum & Gardens* celebrates Archaeology on Family Day Saturday, October 4 from 10am to 3pm. Come explore the archaeology of Bonnet House and south Florida with guided walks and historical discoveries.

Families will also have the opportunity to tour the historic house museum filled with a delightful collection of art and personal treasures from the Bartlett family as well as explore the nature trails filled with native plants, trees and an occasional monkey, swan or fox.

Archaeology Day schedule will be as follows:

Archaeology Presentations:

10:00 - 3:00 Florida Public Archaeology Network Information Booth

Meet archaeologists and check out the fascinating artifacts found here in Florida. Learn the stories of the early Florida settlers and some real snowbirds.

10:15-11:45 Fort Lauderdale Sunrise Wreck

Guest Speaker: **John Noyes** will present his finding from a sailing ship that wrecked in a severe storm sometime in early 1840. He will share his story of finding the wreck in 1956 and collecting the artifacts.

12:30 Telling Stories with Trash

Dr. Michelle Williams will share her stories of the study of archaeological remains which tell the history of those who left no written records. This is a FUN lecture for all ages!

2:00 Guided Walk Through Pre-History

Join **Dr. Michelle Williams** as she walks and talks you through Bonnet House Estate. See how Archaeologists pick the special sites where our early ancestors lived, learn about what these people ate and how they lived.

Bonnet House is open from 10am – 4pm with the last guided tour starting at 2:30pm. Family Day prices are ½ price for adults and free for children 12 and under.

For more information on Family Day activities please contact Linda Schaller at (954) 563-5393 x137 or lindaschaller@bonnethouse.org.

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Bonnet House Museum & Gardens -- 900 North Birch Road, Fort Lauderdale
Open for tours Tues.- Sat. from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm; Sundays from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm
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