

SOUTH SUBURBAN ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS A FREE ILLUSTRATED LECTURE

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WILL DISCUSS



THE COLLIER LODGE SITE

A 9,000-Year Record of Life Along the Kankakee River

The Collier Lodge site is located on the northern edge of the former Kankakee Marsh in what is now Porter County, Indiana. Before the marsh was drained in the early 20th century, it provided an abundant array of wild resources that were used by people for over 9,000 years. Over the past six summers, the University of Notre Dame and the Kankakee Valley Historical Society have conducted field work to document evidence of human use of the site beginning in the Early Archaic and continuing up through the recent past. The site is a little over two acres in size but contains a remarkably rich archaeological record of the human activities that occurred there. The speaker will provide an overview of the site and highlight some of the most significant results, including the recent documentation of six Upper Mississippian features (dating to around A.D. 1400), and the discovery of a very large historic component which was explored further in 2008. The Collier Lodge Archaeological project has been



conducted primarily with volunteer labor and is intended to help preserve the Collier Lodge building and interpret its setting. This talk provides an overview of the project and the major findings, including an update on the most recent field season.

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