

## **Pedro Menendez 1565 Founder's Weekend**

### **Fountain of Youth Archaeological Park**

**September 9-11<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

This weekend commemorates the 1565 Founding of St. Augustine, Florida by Spanish Explorer Pedro Menendez de Aviles on the original colony site at the Fountain of Youth Archaeological Park. This historic site is the Birthplace of St. Augustine and Colonial European America. The English colony at Jamestown would not exist for 42 more years and the Pilgrims did not land until 55 years later.

**This is where it all began.**

**Fountain of Youth Archaeological Park  
11 Magnolia Avenue, St. Augustine, Florida**

#### **Schedule of Events:**

##### **Friday, September 9, 2011:**

7-8pm - ***An Evening with Pedro Menendez***. Explore the life and times of the Founder of St. Augustine and hear his epic tales of triumph and tragedy as portrayed by Chad Light. (*seating is limited*)

##### **Saturday, September 10, 2011:**

10-4p - **Historic 16<sup>th</sup> Century Encampment and Faire** featuring 1565 reenactments, demonstrations and participation with the Historic Florida Militia.

*9am – 2pm - Landing reenactment, Mass and presentation by Dr. Michael Gannon at the Mission Nombre de Dios historic site next door.*

##### **Sunday, September 11, 2011**

10-4p - **Historic 16<sup>th</sup> Century Encampment and Faire** featuring 1565 reenactments, demonstrations and participation with the Historic Florida Militia.

11-3pm Hourly – **Distinguished Speaker's series**. Learn about the Archaeology, People and Events related to this important Historic Site and the founding of St. Augustine, Florida starting with Dr. Kathy Deagan at 11am and ending with a Lifetime Achievement Award presentation to Dr. Eugene Lyon at 3pm. (*seating is limited*)

*Call 904-829-3168 for more information*