

# The Society for

# Pennsylvania Archaeology, Inc.

# **Newsletter Fall 2013**

## Message from the SPA President

Since October is Pennsylvania Archaeology Month, I want to begin with a thank you to everyone organizing and participating in Archaeology Month events. This year we are again coordinating with International Archaeology Day, October 19 (<a href="http://www.archaeological.org/archaeologyday">http://www.archaeological.org/archaeologyday</a>). SPA events are detailed elsewhere in this edition of the Newsletter as well as on our website (<a href="pennsylvaniaarcaheology.com">pennsylvaniaarcaheology.com</a>), and they represent real effort and commitment by SPA members in promoting Pennsylvania archaeology. Without these efforts fewer Pennsylvanians of all ages would know about the Commonwealth's archaeological heritage, and we'd all miss the fun of sharing our fascination with the past. I think we can be pleased with our current efforts, but no doubt there is more that each of us can do to make Pennsylvania Archaeology Month successful. Be sure to attend events and bring a friend you can introduce to archaeology. If you have not been involved in putting on an event this year, how about resolving to get more involved next year?

I also want to remind everyone that SPA membership renewals will soon be due. There is a renewal form included in this issue of the Newsletter, but we also have decided to send you a postcard reminder about renewing this year. We are trying these postcards because some members have suggested that it was too easy to overlook the renewal notice in the Newsletter. Thus, we are experimenting with this new approach. Membership in the SPA is still a bargain. Remember that your SPA dues of \$25 for an individual (\$18 for a student and \$30 for a family) entitle you to this newsletter and to a year's subscription of *Pennsylvania Archaeologist* as well as insure your inclusion in mailings related to the annual meeting and other events across the Commonwealth. Postcards should be going out in October so look for them in your mail, and respond promptly. Better yet, use the form in this Newsletter and respond today! I ask you as well to encourage members in your Chapters who do not belong to the SPA itself to join us and receive these benefits. To that end, I remind Chapter Presidents and Program Chairs that I would be happy to come to a meeting and talk about member benefits, give a face to the larger organization and the annual meeting, and possibly give a program about my own research and interests. Feel free to contact me at <a href="mailto:sawn@iup.edu">sawn@iup.edu</a> or (724) 357-2133 to see if we can work this out.

Finally, I'm pleased that thanks to the efforts of Roger Moeller there has been progress on the creation of PDF files for articles and back issues of *Pennsylvania Archaeologist*. You now can obtain digital files for all past articles (\$5 each) and issues (\$10 each) as well as the hard copies of issues. Check the website and if not yet posted there, please go to this link for purchase of PDF files directly at this link <a href="http://quad50.com/PaArch/Publications.htm">http://quad50.com/PaArch/Publications.htm</a>. ~Sarah Neusius

#### **Archaeology Month 2013**

#### **Event Calendar**

#### The State Museum of Pennsylvania

#### Learn at Lunchtime - Friday, October 4

Please join us for a presentation by Dr. Bernard Means, editor of Shovel Ready and Janet R. Johnson, Curator at The State Museum of Pennsylvania. Artifacts from some of the archeological investigations discussed in this publication will be on display during the event. Specific time is 12:15 for the presentation in the Galaxy Room. Free admission to the museum from 11:00 to 1:30.

#### Fort Hunter – Wednesday September 4 through Friday, October 11

The Section of Archaeology will continue our discovery and investigation program of the French and Indian War fort at Fort Hunter Mansion and Park, Harrisburg. This year we will focus on the front yard area of the mansion where backhoe testing in March of 2013 revealed evidence of features that may represent the ditch that surrounded the fort or the stockade. Plans are also underway to continue in the north end of the well excavation block in units that identified a lineal feature and a few 18<sup>th</sup> century artifacts. SPA members should contact Kurt Carr at 717-783-9926 if they are interested in volunteering.

Special Events - Fort Hunter Days 9/15
Indian Festival Days 10/6
Close of excavations 10/11

#### Cabela's - Saturday, October 26

In cooperation with the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology, the Section of Archaeology will have an information display on Pennsylvania archaeology featuring the dugout canoe and the tools used to make it.

#### Archaeology Day at the Capital – Wednesday, October 30

In the East Atrium of the State Capitol, the Archaeology Section will have an information table emphasizing the contributions of archaeology to our society. This is an opportunity to interact with our legislators and promote the preservation of archaeological resources in the Commonwealth.

#### Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology, Inc.

#### Allegheny Chapter 1

Chapter meeting on Tuesday, October 1 at 7:30 p.m. in Kresge Theater at Carlow University, 3333 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh PA. Ken Burkett and Dr. Matthew Rhode will present "A New Look at Old Bones". In 1975 Ken Burkett excavated and recorded a prehistoric adult burial at the Pinnacle Rock Rockshelter (36El49) in Elk County, PA. Since then the remains and associated grave goods have been curated by the Carnegie Museum of Natural History in Pittsburgh, where recently the presenters were granted an opportunity to conduct an extensive pathological analysis of the burial. The findings of the analysis will be presented along with a review of the accompanying artifacts and an overview of the cultural affiliations of this unusual discovery.

#### Forks of the Delaware Chapter 14

Chapter meeting on Thursday, October 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Palmer Township Library in Easton, PA. Guest speaker Jim Wosochlo will present a program on 36Sc81, the Wosochlo Farm Site. This is a prehistoric component site that dates from the Paleo period to the Middle Woodland Period. Jen Rankin of Temple University will also update the chapter on this summer's progress at the site. Many finds of the late Paleo Period were recovered during the ongoing excavations. Guests are welcome to attend.

Chapter members will participate at the Wosochlo Farm Site 36SC81 dig under the direction of Jen Rankin every Sunday in October from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Chapter members will also be participating in the Cabela's event on Saturday, October 26. For more information on the above events contact Jim Wosochlo at jameswosochlo@yahoo.com.

#### Westmoreland Archaeological Society Chapter 23

Archaeology display in front of the Dunham's Sports Store in the Latrobe 30 Shopping Center just off Rt. 30 and across from Wal-Mart on Saturday, October 12, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Rain or shine as the sidewalk in front of Dunham's is covered.

#### North Fork Chapter 29

Chapter meeting on Friday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m. at the Heritage House, 4 Sylvania Street in Brookville, PA. Ken Burkett will present the program "Wildcats at War: The 105<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry". For more information contact Cheryl Burkett at <a href="mailto:cheryl-mailto:che

#### Venango Archaeology Chapter 30

Chapter meeting on Friday, October 11 at the Christ United Methodist Church, Franklin, PA. Dr. Karen Martin will present the program "Down Memory Lane in the British Isles." She will describe her parts in the excavations of an Anglo Saxon Church and cemetery in Raunds, Northhamptonshire, a castle restoration in Northumberland, an excavation of a Neolithic wheel house at Mavis Grind in the Shetland Islands and a Roman fortlet in Wales. She received an MA in Anthropology from Pitt in 1986. While she was there she worked for Jim Adovasio in the CRMP program. She received her VMD (Doctor of Veterinary Medicine) from Penn in 1990. She works for the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture investigating dangerous transmissible diseases and does archeology for fun. For more information contact Karen Martin at <a href="mailto:kfmartin@zoominternet.net">kfmartin@zoominternet.net</a>.

#### Hawk Mountain Chapter 31

Chapter meeting on Monday, October 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the Hamburg Municipal/Police Building, 61 North 3rd Street, Hamburg, PA 19526. Guest speaker Jim Wosochlo will present a program on 36SC82, the Black Smith Site. This is a prehistoric/historic component site that dates from the Archaic Period to the pre-civil war era. Historic artifacts include 17 coins dating from 1801 to 1856, buttons, and bottles of this time. Prehistoric artifacts consist mainly of Lehigh Broad Spear and Marrow Mountain points.

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#### Philadelphia Archaeological Forum

The 8th annual Philadelphia Archaeological Forum Archaeology Month celebration will be held this year on Saturday, October 26. As always, this event represents a joint effort between the PAF and Independence National Historical Park, and will be held at the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia. The event consists of a one-day series of illustrated presentations and exhibits that typically highlights the various archaeological discoveries that have been made in Philadelphia over the past year. More information on our event can be found at www.phillyarchaeology.org. The program of talks for this year's event will be posted to our website as soon as it is finalized.

International Archaeology Day October 19, 2013 Look for all events at

www.archaeologyday.org

# 2013 Annual Workshops in Archaeology Archaeology of A Troubled Nation, 1775-1865

Saturday, November 16th
The State Museum of Pennsylvania
300 North Street
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Cosponsored By: Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology, Pennsylvania Archaeological Council and PHMC Bureau for Historic Preservation

The Archaeology Section of the State Museum of Pennsylvania invites you to attend the annual Workshops in Archaeology on Saturday, November 16, 2013. Program lectures are designed to provide the general public with an overview of archaeological discoveries in the Commonwealth. This year's theme covers a challenging era in the nation's history, spanning from the American Revolution through the American Civil War. Archaeology provides a unique opportunity to enhance or correct the historic record and uncovers evidence of the daily lives of individuals and events often omitted by historians. Presentations will include an examination of the evidence of living conditions for American soldiers at Valley Forge, to the secret network of the Underground Railroad. This is an opportunity to learn about our rich archaeological heritage in Pennsylvania and the important role we played in our nation's development. Participants can share their archaeological discoveries with staff from PHMC's Bureau for Historic Preservation who will provide assistance and information in artifact identification and in recording archaeological sites, an essential task for protecting and preserving our archaeological heritage. Additional offerings include demonstrations by a master flint knapper and an opportunity to visit two Civil War exhibitions specially developed to commemorate the sesquicentennial of this conflict. A reception at the close of the sessions will provide an opportunity to meet with presenters and staff in the Anthropology and Archaeology Gallery of The State Museum.

#### **SESSION DESCRIPTIONS**

9:10 a.m.-9:50 a.m.

[Session I] "I am Sorry to Inform You of the Unhappy Explosion..." Searching for the Continental Powder Works at French Creek, Chester County—Wade Catts, John Milner & Associates

The Continental Powder Works and gun factory at French Creek was an important industrial operation in the early years of the American Revolution. Established in 1776, the stamping mill exploded in March of 1777 (sabotage perhaps?). The entire industrial complex was put to the torch by Crown Forces on September 22, 1777, and never rebuilt or reoccupied. Funded by a grant from the American Battlefield Protection Program, East Pikeland Township is actively searching for the archeological remains of the site. Recent archeological investigations, including outstanding geophysics, have identified several of the foundations and the raceway associated with this complex.

9:50 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

# [Session 2] The Discovery and Preservation of a Cheval de Frise—Janet R. Johnson, The State Museum of Pennsylvania

The recent discovery of a cheval de frise in the Delaware River near Bristol, Bucks County, has raised new questions as to the use and placement of these lines of defense. Chevaux de frise (plural of cheval de frise) was a line of defense erected in the Delaware River near Philadelphia and Fort Mifflin. Placement of these defenses were intended to block British Naval ships from transporting supplies and attacking two nearby defensive forts, Mercer and Mifflin. Conservation of this important artifact will ensure preservation of this little known story of the American Revolution.

10:45 a.m.-11:25 a.m.

# [Session 3] Valley Forge Archaeology—Dr. David Gerald Orr, Temple University

Valley Forge is a name which most Americans relate to almost unselfconsciously. It is important in the founding of our republic in history, myth and literature. The archaeology of Valley Forge has recently contributed significantly to the impressive reservoir of primary source material. This session will detail those contributions and how they underscore and revise our understanding of this storied encampment from December 1777 to June 1778. The archaeological record presents the more famous story of tenacity and sacrifice but also more unfamiliar tales of industry, effective leadership, diligent training and efficient support. Features such as discrete trash pits, "kitchens," and soldiers' huts will illustrate the discussion.

11:25 a.m.-12:05 p.m.

### [Session 4] Discovery of a Revolutionary War Hospital at Ephrata Cloister—Stephen G. Warfel, Retired Senior Curator, Archaeology, The State Museum of Pennsylvania

During the winter of 1777 through the spring of 1778, a military hospital was established at Ephrata Cloister, an early eighteenth century German religious communal society founded near the modern town of Ephrata, Lancaster County. Learn how the hospital was discovered while searching for the Brothers' Mount Zion dormitory and prayer house sites.

Additional	<b>Programming</b>	

9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

# Site Recording in Cultural Resources Geographic—Information System (CGRIS). Noel Strattan and Tom Held, PHMC Bureau for Historic Preservation

Recording of archaeological sites is an essential task in protecting and preserving our archaeological resources. Assistance in recording your archaeological sites will be provided by these qualified individuals.

1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

#### John Heckman, Civil War Reenactor

John holds a master's degree in applied history from Shippensburg University and is a veteran historical interpreter. His display will showcase the uniform and equipment of a common Pennsylvania soldier in the American Civil War.

#### Artifact Identification by Doug McLearen, Chief, Archaeology and Protection and Kira Heinrich., Bureau for Historic Preservation

These individuals possess more than 50 years of experience with archaeological artifacts. Bring your historic or prehistoric artifacts for analysis by the experts.

#### **Afternoon Sessions**

1:10 p.m.-1:50 p.m.

#### [Session 5] Lake Erie's Role in the War of 1812— Senior Captain Walter P. Rybka, of the Flagship Niagara

On June 17, 1812, the United States declared war on England. Beginning in the fall of 1812 and throughout the winter men and supplies poured into Erie with the goal of constructing a fleet of ships and an unstoppable fighting force. The Battle of Lake Erie in 1813 saw the defeat of the British Navy at Put-in-Bay and gave control of the Great Lakes to the United States, eliminating the threat on the northwestern frontier from British forces. Learn about the decisive role the Flagship *Niagara* played in this victory.

To register: send Name, address, email and phone number plus your affiliation, if any:

To: Workshops in Archaeology, The State Museum of Pennsylvania, 300 North Street, Harrisburg, PA 17120-0024

Make check payable to: **Pennsylvania Archaeological Council (PAC)** 

**Registration Fee:** \$20.00 Early Registration (Nov.8)

Workshops in Archaeology

I:50 p.m.-2:30 p.m. [Session 6] Excavations at the Thaddeus Stevens and Lydia—Hamilton Smith Site, Lancaster, Pennsylvania: Archaeological Evidence for the Underground Railroad James A. Delle and Mary Ann Levine

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Stevens, a noted anti-slavery legislator, and Smith, his African American housekeeper and companion, are reputed to have been actively involved in the Underground Railroad during the 1850s. While little concrete evidence exists to corroborate the degree to which Stevens and Smith assisted fugitives escaping from enslavement, our excavations uncovered a modified cistern that may have been used as a hiding place. Learn how archaeologists examine the artifacts, oral traditions and history in interpreting and understanding this obscure structure.

2:30 p.m.-3:10 p.m.

[Session 7] The Dennis Farm: Maple Sugar, Production, and Politics in the 19th Century.—John R. Roby, Ph.D., Anthropology Department, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

This presentation will explore maple sugar production by a family of free African American settlers in Susquehanna County. It will suggest ways to interpret archaeological and documentary evidence in light of a social justice movement to promote commodity production by freeholding farmers as an attack on slavery.

3:30 p.m.-4:10 p.m.

# [Session 8] A Civil War Battlefield Burial—Ben Resnick, RPA, GAI Consultants

The presentation reports on the archeological recovery and analysis of a Civil War battlefield burial at Gettysburg National Military Park. Excavation, analysis, and interpretation of the burial will be reviewed within the context of the treatment of battlefield dead and the Union and Confederate engagement in this area on July 1, 1863.

4:10 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

# Closing Thoughts—Judd Kratzer, Archaeologist, Larson Design Group

Closing thoughts will examine important themes and trends introduced by workshop presenters throughout the day. Comments will particularly focus on the archaeology of Revolutionary War and Civil War sites.

\$15.00 Student, Heritage Society, SPA & PAC

#### **Highlights of the 2013 Annual Meeting**

The Society thanks the Mon-Yough Chapter #3 hosting a well attended, informative and enjoyable meeting. The bookroom was one of the best and the displays and student contributions get better each year. This is in keeping with one of the Society's main goals—to attract and keep young members, students and young professionals.

#### From the Board Meeting:

- -Pennsylvania Archaeologist Editor is requesting submission of manuscripts for publication.
- -Memorial for Verna and Paul Cowin reflecting their dedication to the Society
- -Pennsylvania farm Show 2014—the SPA should consider a stronger presence at the Farm Show by manning an area within the museum's space, full time to hand out membership information and directing the public to the local chapters. Many volunteers would be needed to do this, however the results might be significant. If anyone would like to coordinate this event, please contact Kurt Carr.

From the Annual Meeting: The 84th Annual Meeting of the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology, Inc. was dedicated to the Memory of Verna and Paul Cowin.

Site Survey/PASS forms—Noel Strattan reported the annual count of new sites recorded in Pennsylvania totaling 409 for 2012. A large percent of them were reported due to work done around the Marcellus Shale industry. There will be a database change in the PASS files to provide fill-in pdf forms for site reporting. The forms, when ready, will be available on the PHMC and SPA websites.

**PAC Representative**—PAC is looking for Pennsylvania public officials who are helpful to archaeology for the Fisher Award. Contact Paul Raber for information.

**Election of Officers for two year term:** 

President: Dr. Sarah Neusis
1st Vice President: Jason Espino
2nd Vice President: Dr. John Nass
Secretary Judy M. Duritsa
Treasurer Kenneth Burkett

Board of Directors for 6 year term ending in 2019: Dr. Catherine Spohn and Mary Jane Shaw

Welcome to Chapter #31 Hawk Mountain located in Hamburg, PA. The charter will be presented at the fall Board of Directors Meeting.

#### **Annual Awards 2013**

#### J. Alden Mason Award

**Janet Johnson, Curator, section of Archaeology, The State Museum** began as an intern at the State Museum of Pennsylvania in 1979 and joined the staff in 1993. In 2004 she promoted to curator.

Janet encourages the use of the museum's collections for education and research, making herself available to aide persons doing research. She is especially good with young researchers and mentors high school and college students. Janet understands that Pennsylvania archaeology cannot grow without encouraging students.

Janet is also in charge of volunteers at the museum, is on the SPA C14 committee and helped establish the Kinsey scholarship. She has participated at various excavations in Pennsylvania, including Fort Hunter. Janet works closely each year with the archaeology exhibits at the Pennsylvania Farm Show.

Janet published with McConaughy in 2003 - Sugar Run Mound and Village and with Kent, Rice, and Ota in 1981 - A map of 18th Century Indian towns in Pennsylvania. Her most recent research has focused on New Deal historical archaeology in Pennsylvania.

Janet is also working with the Virtual Curation Laboratory at Virginia Commonwealth University, regarding Susquehannock animal and human effigies found on vessels and smoking pipes.

#### **Archev Award**

#### Bill Tippins, Pennsylvania Archaeologist Editor

Twice a year there is something we all look forward too. We anticipate its arrival and finally it's here, the "*Pennsylvania Archaeologist*". Beginning with issue 74(1) in 2004 to present, Bill is has done an outstanding job as editor for the PA Archaeologist. He brings the journal to a highly respected standard. Bill encourages the submission of manuscripts and works closely with his editorial committee to bring them to publication.

For the past decade, Bill has been an active member of SPA and Allegheny Chapter #1. Bill has participated in various excavations and authored and co-authored numerous articles.

John Witthoft Award for new or reinstated members to the John Shrader Chapter #21

Frances Dorrance Award for the chapter recording the most new sites to Westmoreland Archaeological Society Chapter #23

**Jacob L. Grimm C-14 Award**—Bernard K. Means reported that the award would be present to **Westmoreland Chapter #23** for the Consol Site.

**2013 Hatch Scholarships** awards went to **Stephanie Bowen and Sara Griggs**, Lycoming College and **Kelsey Morgan**, Juniata College.

**2013 Kinsey Scholarship** award went to Jonathan R. Libbon, Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

**Cowin Award**—on March 14, 2013 Paul F. Cowin passed on to be with Verna. The Pennsylvania Archaeologist Vol. 83(2) will document the many contributions of Paul and Verna to the SPA, the Carnegie and to others during their lifetime. Meanwhile, the Board is working on an appropriate award to be named for the Cowins. Look for more information in the future.

### **Announcements:**

**Student Reminder—The W. Fred Kinsey Meeting Scholarship** provides student membership to The Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology for one year, a \$100.00 award, and banquet costs for the annual Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology meeting. Students currently pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree are eligible to apply for the W. Fred Kinsey Meeting Scholarship. Eligibility is dependent on a complete, single-author paper with PowerPoint slides (if appropriate) to be presented at the annual meeting being held April 4, 5 & 6, 2014 in Greensburg, Pennsylvania. **Now is the time to start thinking about submitting your paper for the 2014 W. Fred Kinsey Scholarship!** 

Help publicize the Cabela Event—The public is invited to attend an event sponsored by the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology at Cabela's Outfitter store, Hamburg on Sunday, October 27, 2013. This day long program will feature archaeologists from The State Museum of Pennsylvania, displays of archaeological materials by local collectors, and a twenty foot replica of a Native American dugout canoe. Bring your artifacts for identification and learn about the value of archaeology in preserving the heritage of your community.

Instruction and assistance will be available for recording archaeological sites in the Cultural Resources Database maintained by the Bureau for Historic Preservation. Preservation of our archaeological heritage is dependent on individuals who record their knowledge of archaeological collections and sites in the Pennsylvania Archaeological Site Survey files. These files are a valuable resource for archaeologist tasked with reviewing construction and development projects, and important for preserving our past for the future.

SAA 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting Austin, Texas April 23-27, 2014

# Special Announcement for SPA Members: New Books by Orlandini and Kent

John Orlandini was a long time member of the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology, Inc. and Frances Dorrance Chapter #11. In addition, John was a lifetime resident of the Wyoming Valley. In his 42 years working for the Pennsylvania Game Commission, he traveled across the state, opening up new areas of research and exploration.

John authored three books documenting the Native American settlements and trails throughout the valley. Sadly, John passed away just 2 weeks after finishing his third manuscript. The final book, *Indian Paths of Northeastern Pennsylvania and their role in the French and Indian War*, documents the many paths and sites throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania that contributed to the history of the area and its people. Many of these were found and excavated during the author's career as a surveyor. Local digs, artifacts and interviews help to pull together a detailed history of the Native Americans and white men who fought mercilessly throughout history

His legacy will live on through the written words he so carefully researched and lived, as well as in the memories of his loving family and friends.

Indian Paths of Northeastern Pennsylvania and their role in the French and Indian War is now available for purchase. Special price for SPA Members is \$15.00 plus \$3.00 shipping. The \$3.00 shipping is for one book. The rates are better for bulk shipping. Non-member book price is \$18.95 plus \$3.00 for shipping. A limited number are available.

To order contact: Julie Orlandini 570-675-4683126, Jackson Rd. Shavertown, Pa. 18708

Renew your SPA Membership Now! Look for the membership form in this newsletter and your reminder postcard coming in October.

# EARTH'S ENEMY: A SATIRE ON THE PRESENT FROM THE FUTURE

#### By BARRY C. KENT

Earth's Enemy is an anthropological fiction about future changes in the way humans live. In this incredible culture humans have evolved a new technology, society and ideology. The changes were gradual and keyed to both a major decrease in population and a seemingly impossible alteration of the economy.

The setting is a century and a half from now and takes place largely in the area formerly called the United States. Due to an unfortunate loss of most books and electronic storage devices much of history no longer exists.

Jack, a psychologist, has volunteered to explain the new culture to a number of humans from the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century who had undergone cryonics and are now being revived. During these sessions Jack discovers many strange things about the past which the people of his time have forgotten. Likewise, few of the "cryons" are able to cope with the new culture to which Jack is introducing them. In one way or another each of them is disappointed by the paucity of technological inventions. Most are outraged or dismayed by the disappearance of so many things which they thought were an essential part of their way of life. No more newspapers, competitive sports, nursing homes, new music, fossil fuel, air travel, space programs, banks, courtrooms, prisons, money, multitudes of religions and only one language are generally unacceptable or incomprehensible to the cryons. All of them seem pleased to learn that there is no more war, crime, poverty, bigotry, overpopulation, or environmental pollution. However, when they discover the ridiculous changes in economy which have made the new way of life possible most of the cryons are willing to fight for a return to their old way of life.

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#### 2013 Seminar - November 1-2



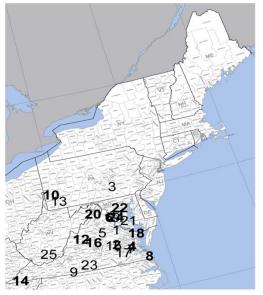
The Braddock Road Preservation Association will hold its' **25th Annual French and Indian War Seminar** at Jumonville, a Christian camp and retreat center located in the beautiful Laurel Highlands near Fort Necessity National Battlefield. The seminar, the oldest of its kind in the US, will kick off with a bus and walking tour on portions of the historic Braddock's Road from Fort Cumberland, MD to

Dunbar's Camp (at Jumonville). Friday evening will host a keynote speaker, with sessions continuing all day Saturday on the historic Jumonville campus. Refreshments will be served both days, with an optional lunch available with registration. Download a brochure and registration form. <a href="http://www.braddockroadpa.org/seminar\_current.html">http://www.braddockroadpa.org/seminar\_current.html</a>

### Virtual Curation Laboratory @ VCU celebrates Two Years of Operation

By Bernard K. Means, Director, Virtual Curation Laboratory

On August 29, 2013, the Virtual Curation Laboratory celebrated two years of operation. Over these two years, team members have traveled to over two dozen locations to scan artifacts, including three in Pennsylvania. We've scanned artifacts in Pittsburgh made available to us by William C. Johnson, at California University of Pennsylvania, courtesy of John Nass, and at The State Museum of Pennsylvania. After George Washington's Ferry Farm (which is in my home town of Fredericksburg), The State Museum of Pennsylvania is the second most common place we have scanned. The reasons are twofold: first, we have ready access to these well-organized collections through the generous assistance of Curator of Archaeology Janet Johnson; and, second, well, the collections are simply amazing. We have scanned artifacts ranging in age from a 10,000 year old fluted point from Perry County to early nineteenth century historic artifacts from a free African American community in Philadelphia. The majority of artifacts that we have scanned from Pennsylvania are from the western part of the state. I have a long-term interest both in the Monongahela Culture, and Deal excavations that (http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/new deal archaeology/4671). My research in this area has benefit from the generosity not only from the aforementioned Janet Johnson and William C. Johnson, but also Bob Oshnock of the Westmoreland Archaeological Society, as well as the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology Allegheny Chapter. Over the next year, we will return to Harrisburg to scan artifacts as part of a new Department of Defense Legacy Program funded-project, and we will present findings from our research at the next SPA meeting. I'll feature some findings and printed replicas from our work on October 4, at a book signing by Janet Johnson and myself for Shovel Ready: Archaeology and Roosevelt's New Deal for America. In the meantime, if you wish to keep up with happenings in the Virtual Curation Laboratory, you can always find us at: http://vcuarchaeology3d.wordpress.com/

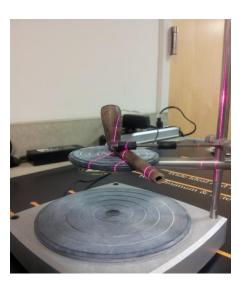






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# Eastern States Archeological Federation 80th Annual Meeting

# October 31 – November 3, 2013 Portland Marriott at sable Oaks

200 Sable Oaks Drive, South Portland, Maine 04106

Hotel Room Reservations: 1-800-752-8810; ESAF rate of \$119 per night for rooms reserved prior to September 30, 2013.

#### Saturday Evening Banquet

Guest Speaker: Dr. Kenneth E. Sassaman, Hyatt and Cici Brown Professor of Florida Archaeology, University of Florida. Title: "Futurescapes of the Northern Gulf Coast of Florida: How Thousands of Years of Rising Sea Promoted Cultural Resilience."

The buffet will offer traditional Maine lobster dinner or steak or chicken or vegetarian option.

# Tours: (free and accessed via carpooling):

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Please print and complete registration form. Those not making payment by PayPal through online registering with ESAF must make a check payable to The Maine Archaeological Society. Please mail both the registration form and check to:

Maine Archaeological Society, P.O. Box 982, Augusta, Maine 04332-9082

#### CALL FOR PAPERS

## THE SOCIETY FOR PENNSYLVANIA ARCHAEOLOGY

#### 85th ANNUAL MEETING

April 4, 5, and 6, 2014

#### **HOSTED BY**

### THE WESTMORELAND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

#### **CHAPTER 23**

The Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology (SPA) Annual Meeting and all events will be held at the Ramada Hotel and Conference Center, 100 Ramada Drive, Greensburg, PA 15601. The room rate is \$89.00 per night. Reservations can be made by calling 724.836.6060. Identify yourself as being with the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology. Rooms must be reserved by Tuesday, March 4, 2014.

#### Theme: We Can Save the Past for the Future

All registrants are invited to attend the Professional Archaeological Conference (PAC) symposium, held on April 4, 2014.

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