



The Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology, Inc. Newsletter Spring 2021

Spring 2021 President's Message

What a difference a few months can make! This newsletter address carries with it the optimism offered by COVID-19 vaccinations and the coming of spring! It certainly was not easy, but as we emerge from the chaos and uncertainty of the pandemic, we can again occupy ourselves with the business and mission of the SPA. As we emerge from the wreckage, it is important to remember that not all will go back to “normal” with the waning of the pandemic. Some things have fundamentally changed moving forward—possibly for the better. We have demonstrated that business, learning, and fellowship can happen remotely with more connectivity than ever before. It is my hope that the one thing we carry forward from this pickle we have all been in, is to communicate more—whether we can be face-to-face or not. The Pennsylvania Archaeological Council (PAC) has offered to rebrand their YouTube channel to include the society's initiatives and activity should we choose to accept. Short promotional videos provide a way to connect with the multitude of people who are interested in our activities—whether they connect us with people who share our interests or simply allow the public to live vicariously through our actions; this is a powerful medium that our chapters might consider using. Lastly, our community was saddened to hear of the passing of Leonard C. Ziegler last month. His stewardship and donation of the Plenge Site collection to the Smithsonian Institute is an enduring example of living the SPA's mission.

Jonathan Burns
SPA President

Educational and Outreach Opportunity

The Pennsylvania Archaeological Council has offered the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology the use of their YouTube channel to host any videos that come out of the SPA spring event (or future events). The current pandemic has forced both of our organizations to think in new ways of reaching our members and others interested in archaeology, including an emphasis on video content. As it is in keeping with our mission statement, I think that the SPA should accept the offer, and we are asking for your consideration moving forward.

Note: If chapters have or are developing video material suitable for YouTube programming, please review the content and quality for educational viewing. Additional information for submitting the video and any restrictions will be coming in the near future. Check the SPA Website for up to date information at: www.PennsylvaniaArchaeology.com

Please make certain you have a valid email address on file with the Society that can be used for zoom meeting purposes.



Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology
2021 Annual Meeting

virtual

Business Meeting

The SPA business meeting will be held via **Zoom** on Friday April 9th at 5:00 pm. The meeting is free and open to all SPA members, but pre-registration is required.

Virtual Meeting- Call for *In Memoriam* Presentations

In lieu of the annual in-person meeting, the SPA Board of Directors is pleased to offer a virtual meeting via **Zoom** on Saturday April 10, 2021 from 9:00 am to 2:20 pm (EST). We would like to pay tribute to and highlight the archaeological contributions of those we have lost since our last in-person meeting, namely Barry Kent, Steve Warfel, Vance Packard, Paul Heberling, John M. Zavinski Jr., Al Moore, Charles H. "Chuck" Sekera, and Lenord C. Zigler. Presentations will be limited to 20 minutes each and can cover one or more individuals. Anyone wishing to participate should send short abstracts to the Program Chair, Susanne Haney, no later than Monday March 22, 2021.

Virtual Meeting-Call for Student Posters*

There will also be a virtual Student Poster Session on Saturday afternoon from 2:30 pm to 3:00 pm following the memorial presentations. The virtual posters should consist of either a 3 to 5-minute pre-made video explaining the study and findings or 3 to 5-minute Zoom presentation. In either case, students need to be available Saturday April 10th to answer any questions from the attendees. Students wishing to present virtual posters should e-mail their title, abstract and a copy of their student identification card to Kira Heinrich, Educational Committee chair, no later than Monday March 22, 2021. The videos need to be provided to Kira by Friday April 2nd. Please also submit a high resolution .pdf version of your poster for early review by Friday, April 2nd.

*Videos and presentations will be made available to the public via the Pennsylvania Archaeological Council's YouTube channel in the weeks following the meeting.

All presenters must be current members of the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology. The meeting is free and open to all SPA members, but pre-registration is required. Donations to the SPA are welcome.

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Annual Meeting information:

In light of the continuing Covid-19 pandemic, a **Virtual Annual Business Meeting** will be held **Friday, April 9th at 5:00 pm via zoom**. Please make sure your current email address is valid and in the hands of the Secretary and/or planning committee to ensure your preregistration for the meeting. We want our members to stay safe and healthy. Send Agenda items to the Secretary ASAP at jmduritsa@comcast.net

To save time and take care of all Board of Directors and Annual Meeting obligations, we are holding one meeting to include Board of Directors, Trustees and general membership.

In addition to board business, we must ratify the actions of the Board for the past year and elect our slate of officers:

<p>Nominations for election at Annual Meeting President: Kira Heinrich First Vice President: Chuck Williams 2nd Vice President: Angie Jaillet-Wentling Secretary: Jessica Schumer Treasurer: Kenneth Burkett Directors: Kristina Gaugler Janet Johnson Phil Neusius</p>

The SPA website will also have all updated materials and information for reserving your spot at the zoom conferences. Please refer to these sources for the most up to date information.

After becoming familiar with the zoom format, the SPA zoom license will be used in place of in person meetings until it is safe for us to congregate. We will have to make do with the technological meetings. While we miss the social and hospitality portions of the Annual Meetings, we can only plan for direct contact in the future.

We are not alone in making major adjustments to our meeting schedule or our procedures. All other Archaeological groups have to make these same tenuous decisions. Please help the planning committee if called upon. We will move forward but in a different way. Questions may be sent to the Secretary at jmduritsa@comcast.net

Scholarships: All Scholarship awards for Annual Meeting attendance will be suspended until the next in person meeting takes place. This would be the Kinsey and Hatch scholarship awards.

Poster Sessions: The committee is investigating ways to hold the poster sessions virtually. Look for future information regarding participation.

Auction to Benefit the Elmer Erb Permanent Fund cannot be held as yet. **If you would like to donate directly to the Society there is a tab on the Society's webpage: www.PennsylvaniaArchaeology.com to do so.**

The **SPA Summer tours** are postponed until further notice.

Please help your chapters and Society survive the effects of the health crisis by supporting the virtual activities and by renewing your membership for 2021.

<p>Recent Donations to the SPA Phylis Levino in memory of Albert Moore</p>
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Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology Life Member Passes

Leonard C. Ziegler, 89, of Belvidere, NJ, passed away on Saturday, February 13, 2021. Born in Brooklyn, New York he was the son of the late Beatus and Johanna (Ortwein) Ziegler. Leonard was the husband of the late Judy (Damelio) Ziegler with whom he shared 65 years of marriage.

Leonard honorably served his country in the United States Army. He was a member of the Chapter 14 of the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology, the Archaeological Society of New Jersey, Eastern States Archaeological Federation, Musconetcong Watershed Association and the past commander of the American Legion Post 379.

Leonard will be lovingly remembered by his children, Pence Ziegler and his wife Joan of Broadway, NJ, Gary Ziegler and his wife Diana of Belvidere and Laura Rader and her husband David A. of Belvidere; 9 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. A memorial service will take place at 10:00A.M. on Saturday, February 27, 2021 at The Chapel at Warren Valley, 384 Route 57 West Washington, NJ 07882. Cantelmi Long Funeral Home, 500 Linden Street, Bethlehem has been entrusted with arrangements. A memorial tribute may be placed at www.Cantelmifuneralhome.com.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Musconetcong Watershed Association, 10 Maple Ave, Asbury, NJ 08802 or The Chapel at Warren Valley, 384 Route 57 West Washington, NJ 07882.

Lenard Ziegler's Donation to the Smithsonian, the National Museum of Natural History.

Posted on *June 13, 2019*



Our thanks goes to Lenard Ziegler for his Donation to the Smithsonian, the National Museum of Natural History, Chapter 14 would like to thank and recognize Lenard Ziegler for his life long love and achievement of collecting native and colonial artifacts. Lenard has been collecting artifacts dating back to 10,000 plus years from a small 22 acre Clyde Speck's Farm since 1954 which is known now as the Plenge site. This collection has represented a long time line of Warren County, New Jersey history. Since the time of retreating ice glaciers and extinct animals that roamed the lands to the formation of the colonies we now know as the United States, Lenard has collected 14,520 pieces of artifacts. Plenge Site is a rare site for the fact that it hosts many Paleo point styles of the Paleo period such as Clovis, Cumberland, to Crowfield. There is also a collection from Plenge Site which consists of many Archaic points, hammer stones, tools and debitage, which was generously donated by Lenard to the Smithsonian Institution.

In the photos we will see fellow and friend of Lenard, Dr. Joseph Gingerich. Dr. Gingerich has done research on the Plenge Site for the last several years and is an archeologist from Raleigh, North Carolina State University. Dr. Gingerich and Lenard are meeting with Archeologist Dr. Dennis J. Stanford. Dr. Stanford is curator of North and South Paleolithic collections and Director of the Smithsonian's Paleoindian/Paleoecology Program for the Smithsonian. Dr. Stanford has at this time, taking the collection of the plenge site artifacts for future generations to view and research in our nation's capital.

Photos and story provided by Chapter 14, Frances Dorrance.



This Memorial was sent out last year but it has come to our attention that some members missed the announcement. It is repeated here.

From right to left, Friends of Hopewell Furnace National Historic Site Vice President Charles Jacob, President Jim Thorne and Treasurer Peter Hammond (John Shrader Chapter #21) are pictured here with their acquisition an 18th Century Hopewell Furnace Stove Plate. The stove plate today is featured in the museum at the park. Photo provided by Hopewell Furnace.



Charles Jacob, long-time member of SPA Chapter 21, passed away on Sunday Dec. 29, 2019 He was a recipient of the Archey award back in 1996 and of the Fisher award for public officials who support historic preservation given by PAC. He was active his entire life in preservation and community efforts and will be missed. Details for the future services are contained in the following obituary.

Charles Hadley Jacob, 76, of Pottstown, died Sunday, December 29, 2019 at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia,

PA. He was the son of the late Ellis L. & Margaret Paxson Jacob. After graduating in 1961 from Owen J. Roberts High School, Pottstown he worked at local farms for several years while attending Brown Prep in Philadelphia. Charles graduated with honors from West Virginia University's Davis College, Division of Forestry in 1968 with a degree in Wood Industries. Before graduating from West Virginia University he and his brother Walter began conserving and restoring antique furniture. This morphed into their business, the Jacob Brothers Cabinetmakers. The business was well known to local antique dealers for pride of completed product. Their specialty was inlay work and repair. Charles was a life member of The Hay Creek Valley Historical Association. In that organization he has served as President, Board Member, head of Historic Restoration, and was active in the archaeology of the site. He was a member of Chapter 21 of the Pennsylvania Society of Archaeology, and a life member of Mid-west Tool Collectors Association. Charles had just completed thirty years on the Board of Supervisors of Warwick Township, Chester County and thirty-six years on the Planning Commission of the same township. He had served many terms as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. Survivors include his children Benjamin L, Rachael, William L, Sarah E, and Ruth M. Jacob and his siblings, Ann Jacob Weikel and Walter W. Jacob (Suzanne).

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to Hay Creek Valley Historical Association, Restoration Fund, PO Box 36, Geigertown, PA, 19523, or Natural Lands, 1031 Palmers Mill Road, Media, PA 19063 (online at natlands.org), or to a charity of the donor's choice.

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Chapter News

John Shrader Chapter # 21 has completed the 9th year at the Mouns Jones site in Douglasville PA. 2021 Field excavations will be starting on April 10th and continue every Wednesday and Saturday morning until November. Gene Delaplane is lead at this site. Contact Gene (484) 341-8775. There are special events planned throughout the year. The first is May 15, 2021 with details to be announced.

Chapter and Membership Obligations

Annual Chapter report forms have been mailed or emailed to the individual chapters. This report details chapter activities for the previous year (2020). This report is a chapter obligation under the SPA constitution. **Even though many chapters were inactive due to the Covid Pandemic, please make a brief annual report, if possible. Deadline: March 15, 2021.**

All SPA chapters are required to report **chapter officers** to the Secretary **annually**. This report is necessary for maintaining current contact information for all chapters. Please report officers even if there has not been an election or change of positions in your chapter. Please include addresses, phone numbers and email addresses if possible.

Dues Reminder: 2021 annual membership dues are now payable.

The membership form can be found on line at www.PennsylvaniaArchaeology.com
Only members in good standing may vote at Annual Meeting, hold office or present papers.

Members Please Note: SPA Membership dues increase in 2021

Memberships for 2021 and beyond will increase by \$5.00 per category while the student rate was capped at \$22.00.

Out of country memberships increased by an additional \$15.00 due to postage increases.

The increase was approved at the November Board of Directors Meeting.

Increases are effective for 2021 and beyond.

Jacob L. Grimm IV C-14 Award

Applications for the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology JACOB L. GRIMM C-14 Award are due to Bernard K. Means via email at bkmeans@vcu.edu no later than **March 30, 2021**. See the revised application form for details. This form is available at: <https://www.pennsylvaniaarchaeology.com/Awards.htm>

SPA Annual Awards:

Annual Awards are being considered at this time following the deadline for nominations of March 5, 2021. The awards are meant to extend the deserved honors to those of our Society who help make it better all the time and go over and above to further our educational goals and outreach initiatives. The SPA website awards section on the same lists the recipients from previous years, if you have questions about who has already received an award.

Dr. John Nass is our awards committee chairperson. He and his committee will announce awards during the Society's virtual meeting according to the committee deliberations. If you have questions, please contact John at: nass81@atlanticbb.net.

Historical Markers Update

Progress report:

The PHMC Historic Marker for the Mead Island Tradition has been approved. The tentative wording for the marker is:

The Mead island Tradition

Near this location the Mead Island culture was first identified in 1967 by Carnegie Museum Archaeologist Dr. Stanley Lantz on Mead Island. Further excavations of this prehistoric Native American group nearby at the nearby Penelec site and other locations between here and Freeport in Armstrong county verify that these people were the dominant residents of the Middle Allegheny River Valley during the early Late Woodland period (960-1360 AD).



A new historical marker committee of the SPA to make applications and apply for additional historical markers relating to the Native Americans of Pennsylvania is being formed. To help or volunteer, contact Ken Burkett.

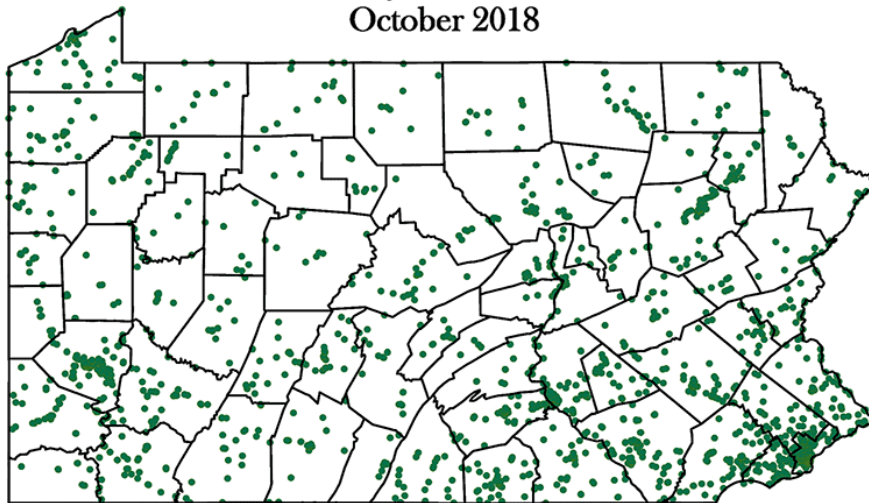
Kenneth Burkett previously sat on the PHMC marker selection committee and submitted successful nominations. He will head up the committee and would be willing to help with submissions. Interested individuals and Chapters should contact Ken to serve on this committee. The committee will prepare applications and help make the submissions. Contact Ken at: kenburkett@comcast.net

Each year the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission approves a number of Historical Markers throughout the state that commemorate people, places and events of significant historical merit. The applications are submitted by individuals or groups and must go through an in depth approval process meeting specific criteria. The PHMC has asked that groups specifically submit important archaeological resources for markers.

The markers must be of statewide significance and not just of local interest. I suggest that chapters consider submitting "Type Sites" from which a specific culture has been named that would certainly meet that criteria. Some examples include the Drew site, McFate site, Johnston site, and Mead Island site here in western PA. Other locations of specific interest include petroglyphs, historic villages, portages etc.

This year the Parkers Landing Petroglyphs was accepted and fully funded by the PHMC. After being held up by a delay in state funds it is now in production and hopefully will be installed with a dedication ceremony later this fall. For more information, go to <https://www.phmc.pa.gov/Preservation/Historical-Markers>.

Location of Pennsylvania Historical Markers, October 2018



• = 1 Historical Marker

Note: Excluded from the map are 211 historical markers whose location could not be determined. Data source: Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. Prepared by the Center for Rural Pennsylvania.

Annual PASS Report Available

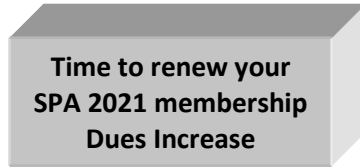
You may find the SHPO's yearly report on site recording, covering 2020 on the SPA website under links. www.PennsylvaniaArchaeology.com

We have once again included guest-authored project highlights, and this year we have at least one SPA chapter member and one PAC member in the bunch, along with interesting content from other researchers.

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