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POINTS



Certification Opportunity: Golden Ball Tavern

Information submitted by the Virginia Dept. of Historic Resources

The Prince George County Regional Heritage Center and the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR) along with their regional partners (City of Petersburg, Richard Bland College, and Historic Petersburg Foundation) are in the second year of a three year program of archaeological investigation at the Golden Ball Tavern Site in Old Towne Petersburg. The former tavern (ca. 1764) is but one component of a deeply stratified and artifact-rich site that includes deposits from early Petersburg/Prince George County and deposits dating to the time of Ft. Henry (1645). Beneath the European deposits lies an intact Late Woodland period Native American site (AD 1400-1600).

Volunteers are welcome to participate from **June 17th-July 19th, 2009** (every Wednesday-Sunday, except 4th of July weekend; Friday-Sunday) in the excavation of the site. This second field season will involve clearing of the original Golden Ball foundation and mapping of the site's architectural footprint. Previous test excavations in 2002 and 2008 documented thousands of 19th and 20th century artifacts. Test excavations will also be conducted to the rear of the tavern to look for deposits dating to the 17th century.

Please contact Dr. Chris Stevenson (chris.stevenson@dhr.virginia.gov or 804-367-2323 ext. 132) to arrange dates of participation and to receive an application form. Applications are due May 1, 2009.

*Golden Ball Tavern
Old Towne Petersburg
ca. 1764*



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2009 State and Chapter Dues

Submitted by Tom Mizell

As 2009 has quickly arrived, we are gently reminded that "Dues for ASV are now due." Please check your records and start the New Year with a smile and show of support for both ASV and your local chapter. Annual Membership Renewal Dues were due **January 31, 2009**. Prompt remittance ensures that members continue to receive the Quarterly Bulletin and Newsletter. Other benefits include major discounts on all Society publications and participation in Society supervised archeological activities in the field.

There is a **Membership Renewal Form** that is included in the most recent ASV mailing. The form has typically been available on the ASV website as well. You may submit the **form with payment** directly to William A. Thompson, Jr. Treasurer ASV. Mr. Thompson's address is provided at the end of this article. A second option is for you to submit both the Massanutten Chapter and State dues to me. I will be glad to forward the State dues to Mr. Thompson for you. If you opt for this alternative please provide the completed **Membership Renewal Form** and the funds to me at your earliest convenience. I will have a stock of the forms available soon. Attached with the minutes is the new Chapter Membership Application. Please fill out and bring to the next meeting or when you pay dues.

Chapter Dues are \$5.00 (Don't forget to fill out the attached MCASV Chapter Membership Application).

State dues vary as shown below:

Regular Membership Dues	\$25.00
Senior (65 and older)	\$20.00
Student	\$15.00
Life	\$350.00
Sustaining	\$50.00
Additional family members	\$ 2.00 (please provide their names)

For those opting to submit directly to Mr. Thompson (ASV Treasurer) his mailing address follows:

Treasurer, ASV
536 Summit Ridge Drive
Chesapeake, VA 23322

The Massanutten Chapter ASV appreciates your attention to this matter and we look forward to your participation in the life of our Chapter in 2009!

April Birthdays

April 13 Goldie Runion

April 28 Leanne Tysinger

Please complete the MCASV Membership Application and submit to the MCASV Treasurer, so we have your birthdates for the newsletter.



Certification Program Opportunities

Submitted by Carole Nash

The following is information on upcoming certification opportunities:

Historic and Prehistoric Lab Work: Artifact processing and analysis from several 19th century historic home sites and prehistoric base camps. M, W, F schedule -- set your time! Contact Carole (432-6864 or nashcl@jmu.edu) for parking information and directions to her new JMU lab space.

****2009 Field School and Volunteer Opportunities****

There are a number of opportunities available throughout the state for Certification members and Chapter volunteers. Check out the MCASV website at www.mcasv.org for a full listing of the programs, their web-sites, and contact information.

Department of Historic Resources (DHR) Volunteer Program

The DHR Fall Field School has ended for the Fall 2008 season, but volunteer days can be arranged during the week for anyone interested. Prehistoric and historic artifact processing, cataloguing, data entry, documentary research, and outreach activities are some examples of what work is available. Please contact Chief Curator Dee DeRoche at dee.deroche@dhr.virginia.gov or (804) 367-2323 x134 for an application and to set up day(s) to volunteer if you are interested.

Golden Ball Tavern Site

Join DHR in doing historic excavation at this site in Petersburg from June 17-July 19 (Wednesdays through Sundays). Applications for participation are due May 1. Contact Chris Stevenson at DHR for more information and to get an application (chris.stevenson@dhr.virginia.gov or (804) 367-2323 ext. 132).

MCASV April 1, 2009 Meeting Agenda

The MCASV monthly meeting will commence at 7:00 at the Bridgewater Town Hall.

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| I. Call to Order | V. Treasurer's Report |
| II. Welcome to Guests | VI. Newsletter Editor's Report |
| III. Program: Michael Pulice,
Architectural Historian, Virginia
Department of Historic Resources
Roanoke Regional Office. "Bricks and
Brickmaking in Virginia" | VII. New Business |
| IV. Secretary's Report | VIII. Certification Program Report |
| | IX. Morris Pottery Kiln |
| | X. Announcements |
| | XI. Adjournment |

Upcoming Events

- Apr. 1, 2009 MCASV Monthly Meeting, Bridgewater Town Hall, 7:00 p.m.
Program: Michael Pulice, Architectural Historian, Virginia Department of
Historic Resources Roanoke Regional Office. "Bricks and Brickmaking in
Virginia"
- May 6, 2009 MCASV Monthly Meeting, Bridgewater Town Hall, 7:00 p.m.
Program: Patrick O'Neill, ASV President. Topic TBA
- June 3, 2009 MCASV Monthly Meeting, Bridgewater Town Hall, 7:00 p.m.
Program: TBA
- June 17-
July 19, 2009 Golden Ball Tavern Excavation, Petersburg, VA
Wednesdays—Sundays each week except July 4 weekend (Friday-Sunday)
- July 1, 2009 MCASV Monthly Meeting, Bridgewater Town Hall, 7:00 p.m.
Program: TBA
- August 5, 2009 MCASV Monthly Meeting, Bridgewater Town Hall, 7:00 p.m.
Program: TBA
- Sept 2, 2009 MCASV Monthly Meeting, Bridgewater Town Hall, 7:00 p.m.
Program: TBA
- Oct 7, 2009 MCASV Monthly Meeting, Bridgewater Town Hall, 7:00 p.m.
Program: TBA
- Nov 4, 2009 MCASV Monthly Meeting, Bridgewater Town Hall, 7:00 p.m.
Program: TBA
- Dec 2, 2009 MCASV Monthly Meeting, Bridgewater Town Hall, 7:00 p.m.
Program: TBA

Your Article Could Be Here!

Got something to say? Think about contributing an article to the MCASV Newsletter! We welcome all archaeology-related articles which could include a book or article review, movie review, artifact analysis, or a summary of a recent archaeological experience or museum visit, to name only a few suggestions. Jeff Good and Laura Roder are always looking for something

new to add to the newsletter. Please email them (atlatlist@comcast.net, roderla@aol.com) your articles and ideas by the 20th of the month for inclusion in the following month's newsletter.

So put your thinking caps on and come up with something to share with the rest of us! Let's keep the MCASV "Points" as informative and interactive as always!

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We're on the web
www.mcasv.org

We Need Your Help in Contributing Articles!

Your article could be here!

Please help by contributing articles each month.

The deadline for any information to be included in the newsletter will be the TWENTIETH of each month. Please have articles sent to Laura and Jeff by this time.

Your article could be here! Please email the Newsletter Editors at roderla@aol.com (Laura Roder) and atlatlist@comcast.net (Jeff Good) if you are submitting an article to the MCASV Newsletter.

