

Archeological Society of Virginia Massanutten Chapter

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POINTS



A Note From Our Chapter President

Submitted by Cindy Schroer

Friends,

Happy New Year! 2010, can you believe it? I want you all to pat yourselves on the back, the holiday party was great - your culinary expertise and generosity never cease to amaze me. The Silent Auction earnings totaled \$535.00. You are truly a wonderful group of people and my life is enriched by knowing each and every one of you. As we all set our 2010 New Years resolutions - don't forget Archeology. Maybe you will try to read more, visit more exhibits, attend more meetings, work on more sites, or wash more pottery (I particularly like this last one). This group thrives because you are all so willing to help. In order to set future goals for the chapter I need your feedback. In what direction would you like to see us going, how can the group meet your needs, what would you like the group to be doing, what do we currently do that you like, what about things that you may not like - now's your chance. Please let me know by email at cschroer@augusta.k12.va.us

Looking forward to hearing from you,

MAY 2010 BE THE BEST YEAR YET!

Cindy



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2010 State and Chapter Dues

Submitted by Tom Mizell

As 2010 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 are due **January 31, 2010**. 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 and available on the ASV and MCASV website. The form has typically been available on the ASV website as well. You may submit the **form with payment** directly to Patrick O’Neill, ASV Secretary/Membership. Mr. O’Neill’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. O’Neill 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 MCASV Chapter Membership Application**. Please fill out and bring to the next meeting or when you pay dues.

Chapter Dues are \$5.00 and **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. O’Neill (ASV Secretary/Membership) his mailing address follows:

Patrick O’Neill
9902 Rand Drive
Burke, VA 22015
E-mail: patrickloneill@verizon.net

The Massanutten Chapter ASV appreciates your attention to this matter and we look forward to your participation in the life of our Chapter in 2010!

January Birthdays

Paul Adams	January 7
George Lott	January 19

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.

****2010 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

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.

Mt. Vernon Field Work - Jan 9 & 23, 2010

Field days or lab days dependent on the weather. If interested, contact Curt Breckenridge at (703) 799-6303 or cbreckenridge@mountvernon.org. There are more details on Page 4 of this newsletter.

Announcement

Under the Archaeological Laws & Ethics section in many versions of the Certification Program Blue Books, the article, "End of Millennium Report on Time Crime," (Robert Hicks) is no longer available on the ASV web page. Contact Carole Nash for the Word version, or go to this link for a similar article (from Robert, "Time Crime: Anti-Looting Efforts in Virginia"): <http://crm.cr.nps.gov/archive/24-02/24-02-1.pdf>

MCASV January 6, 2010 Meeting Agenda

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

I. Call to Order

II. Welcome to Guests

III. Program: Dr. Kathryn Stevens, Madison Art Collection, James Madison University "Celtic and Viking Archaeology"

IV. Secretary's Report

V. Treasurer's Report

VI. Newsletter Editor's Report

VII. New Business

VIII. Certification Program Report

IX. Morris Pottery Kiln

X. Announcements

XII. Adjournment

Upcoming Events

Jan 6, 2010	Dr. Kathryn Stevens, Madison Art Collection, James Madison University "Celtic and Viking Archaeology"
Feb 3, 2010	Dr. Thomas Hester, Massanutten Chapter ASV "An Introduction to Hawaii's Accesible Archeological Sites"
March 3, 2010	Mr. Michael Pulice, Virginia Department of Historic Resources "A Primer for the Identification of Log Buildings"
April 7, 2010	TBA
May 5, 2010	TBA

Mt. Vernon Lab & Fieldwork Opportunity

Submitted by Carole Nash

ASV Certification Folks,

Mount Vernon archaeologists are scheduling field work for January 9th and 23rd. They are continuing work on site FX2460, the location of the planned library. The excavation of 5x5 test units is proceeding (approximately 100 have been done so far) and more information is being gathered about the distribution of artifacts across the hill.

If you would like to brave the winter, they would be glad to see you. Please contact Curt Breckenridge (cbreckenridge@mountvernon.org) if you can attend on any of the dates listed above. They are planning to work in the field but if the weather is too wet (or really cold), they will make it a lab day. If you let Curt know that you're coming, he will try to let you know beforehand whether they plan to work in the field or lab.

If you are an ASV Certification student and would specifically like to get lab hours, please let Curt know so there are staff dedicated to work in the lab on the Saturday you want to come.

As always, we thank Mount Vernon for being such strong supporters of the Cert Program!

Carole and Bruce

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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.

