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POINTS



71st Annual ASV Meeting A Hit!

Submitted by Tom Hester

The barns of the Frontier Culture Museum (FCM) in Staunton provided an excellent venue for the 2011 Annual ASV Meeting. All in attendance (including 143 registered) were treated to excellent presentations, expert demonstrations of ancestral skills as well as good food, drink and fellowship.

The photo below was taken by the author from about 2000' above the FCM barns just after the close of the 2011 annual meeting. Some of the tents from the Ancestral Skills activities are visible on the upper left.



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ASV Annual Meeting Continued

Dr. Carole Nash sent an email to MCASV members declaring the ASV Meeting a success and expressing gratitude to the 21 MCASV staff who volunteered at the meeting. She wrote, “the ASV Annual Meeting just ended and we had a great event at the Frontier Culture Museum, thanks to hard work of our members and rock-solid support from the FCM staff! From tending to the Registration Desk, to keeping the food and drinks stocked, to giving an energetic chapter report, to seeing to it that all the barbecue and banquet details were taken care of, we saw such great work by our chapter members.”

MCASV Annual Meeting Volunteer Honor Roll



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| Cindy Schroer | Kay Veith |
| Linda Waggy | Richard Hebron |
| Robert Hebron | Janice Biller |
| Cindy Turner | Archie Turner |
| Page Shields | Joe Sharrer |
| Tom Hester | Robert Oliver |
| Sarah Ellis | Paul Bisgaard |
| Katie Cross | Greg Adamson |
| Jeff Good | Eric Bryan |
| George Lott | David Puckett |
| Ray Wright | Peter Hof |

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ASV Annual Meeting Continued

Volunteers In Action



Kay Veith, Janice Biller & Cindy Schroer keep attendees happy & full.



Hannah Short, President of the Upper James River Chapter & Page Shields welcome all at the registration desk.

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Ancestral Skills Experts



FCM staff, Joan Bowman discusses how to cook in a cow's stomach.



FCM staff, Mat Weatherholtz built a wigwam on site.

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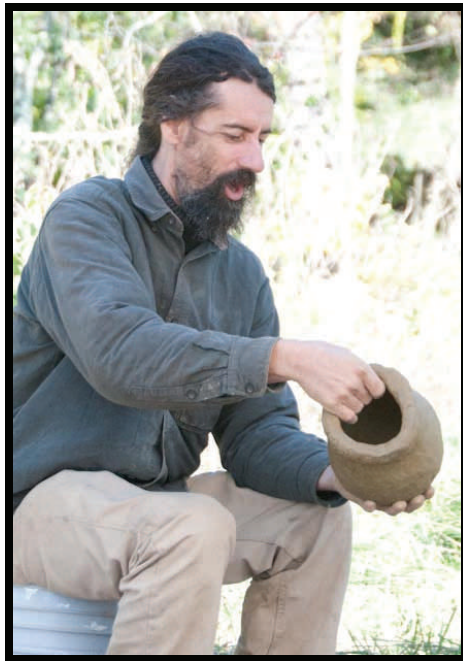
More Ancestral Skills Experts



Robert Godshall, flintknapper



Burton Brown, cord maker



Keith Grenoble, potter

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ASV Annual Meeting Continued

George Lott On the Mark with Atlatl



George Takes Careful Aim



A Perfect Throw!

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ASV Annual Meeting Continued

And so, the 71s ASV Annual Meeting came to end without one bad apple.



November Birthdays

November 10 Barry Click

November 20 Eric Bryan

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.

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.

The Certification Program is on Facebook!

Kay McCarron has created a Facebook page for the Certification Program, and it's available for your comments/photos. We have plans to post materials for the program and are open to your suggestions. Please look for it the next time you're social networking: "Virginia Certification and Training Program for Archaeological

MCASV November 2011 Special Event

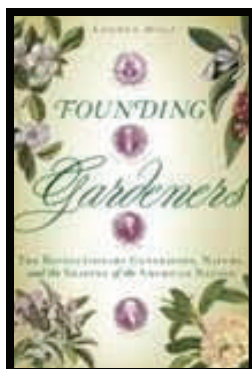
The MCASV will convene for our next meeting on November 2, at 7:00 pm at JMU to take advantage of a presentation by Andrea Wulf pictured.



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MCASV November, 2011 Special Event Continued

Dr Nash emailed MCASV members the following official announcement of Andrea Wulf's talk:



Is James Madison really “the forgotten father of American environmentalism”? If you are intrigued by that question, you’re invited to attend a lecture by Andrea Wulf, design historian and award-winning author of **The Founding Gardeners: The Revolutionary Generation, Nature, and the Shaping of the American Nation** on Wednesday, November 2, at 7PM in HHS 1302.

Her beautifully illustrated talk will look at the lives of the founding fathers and how their attitude towards plants, gardens, nature, and agriculture shaped the American nation. Regarding James Madison, Ms. Wulf will highlight his 1818 Address to the Agricultural Society of Albemarle as evidence of Madison’s understanding of the balance of nature and the practical challenges facing sustainable agriculture.

This lecture is sponsored by the Department of Integrated Science & Technology, the Institute for Stewardship of the Natural World, and The Augusta Garden Club. For more information about the speaker, visit www.andreawulf.com.

Upcoming Events

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| Nov. 2, 2011 | 7:00 p.m. Special Event at JMU Andrea Wulf will talk about: Is James Madison really “the forgotten father of American environmentalism”? |
| Dec. 10, 2011 | SATURDAY 5 p.m. until Arey Hall in the Bridgewater Municipal Building. MCASV Annual Christmas Dinner Meeting, and Silent Auction. |
| Jan. 4, 2012 | 7:00 p.m. MCASV Monthly Meeting, Arey Hall in the Bridgewater Municipal Building. Program: TBA |
| Feb. 1, 2012 | 7:00 p.m. MCASV Monthly Meeting, Arey Hall in the Bridgewater Municipal Building. Program: TBA |

2012 State and Chapter Dues

Submitted by Tom Mizell

As 2012 is quickly arriving, 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, 2012**. 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 website. You may submit the **form with payment** directly to Carl Fischer, ASV Treasurer. Mr. Fischer'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. Fischer 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 at meetings. The **MCASV Chapter Membership Application** will also be available at the meetings.

Chapter Dues are \$5.00 and State dues vary as shown below:

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|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Regular Membership Dues | \$35.00 |
| Senior (65 and older) | \$25.00 |
| Student | \$15.00 |
| Life | \$450.00 |
| Sustaining | \$65.00 |
| Additional family members | \$ 3.00 (please provide their names) |

You may take care of this on-line through PayPal: <http://www.asv-archeology.org/Org/OrgMembers.html>

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

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The Massanutten Chapter ASV appreciates your attention to this matter and we look forward to your participation in the life of our Chapter in 2012!

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 Tom by this time.

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