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POINTS



Beyond Jamestown: Exhibit Opening

Submitted by Carole Nash

Please join us for the opening of the "Beyond Jamestown" exhibit on September 20, 2008 at the JMU Festival Student Center. There will be a number of activities and speakers. A schedule is below, and please visit the website at http://web.jmu.edu/thegallery/new_page_1.htm for more details!

Time	Presentations, Displays, Performances
9:00-9:15	Welcoming Remarks
9:15-9:45	"We're Still Here"
9:45-10:00	Tribal Dancing
10:00-11:30	"More Than Arrowheads": Interpreting Virginia Indian History for Educators and Museum Staff
11:30-12:30	Dancing (Lunch)
12:30-1:30	"Finding the Indians of Virginia's Interior": A Roundtable Discussion
1:30-1:45	Dancing
1:45-2:45	"Beyond Jamestown: Virginia Indian Communities and Issues Today"
2:45-3:30	Break: View Exhibits
3:30-4:00	Community Discussion

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We hope to see you there!

Kittiewan Plantation Work Days

Submitted by Laura Roder

The Kittiewan Plantation will hold work days through September 27 (the day of the Westover Autumn Pilgrimage) each Wednesday and Saturday. There are a variety of jobs that need to be completed, including sorting documents and photographs, retagging items, and various outdoor activities as well. A lot of work has to be done and any volunteers are welcome!

If you are interested in lending a hand, please call Harry Jaeger at 804-273-9291 or Royce McNeal at 804-829-2272 when you plan to volunteer your time so work can be coordinated. Kittiewan Plantation is located in Charles City County. Directions are on their website at <http://www.kittiewanplantation.org> on the Tours & Contact Information page.

Thanks in advance for your help!

Website of the Month

Submitted by Carole Nash

<http://www.chesapeakearchaeology.org/Index.htm>

"A Comparative Archaeological Study of the Colonial Chesapeake", sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Virginia Department of Historic Resources.

Several years in the making, this website is a collaborative effort by scholars of Chesapeake colonial archaeology with research affiliations at regional universities, house museums, and government agencies. Here you'll find complete descriptions of some of the most famous historic excavations in the Maryland and Virginia Coastal Plain: Carter's Grove CG8 (Martin's Hundred), Jordan's Journey, Camden, King's Reach, and many more. Downloads of papers on the sites, as well a master database of artifacts, are also available.

This is electronic research at its best. Enjoy!

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.

****2008 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 **Updated******

The DHR Fall Field School will be starting up again in September 2008 from 9:00—4:00 each work day. The dates are September 26 & 27, October 24 & 25, and November 14 & 15. Both prehistoric and historic artifact processing is needed, in addition to cataloguing, data entry, documentary research, and outreach activities. Space is limited to 20 participants each day, so please contact Chief Curator Dee DeRoche at dee.deroche@dhv.virginia.gov or (804) 367-2323 x134 for an application if you are interested. Assistance is also needed with various lab projects on other weekdays. Contact Dee for details.

New London Museum Archaeological Survey **New******

On September 20 and 21, come out to survey the probable site of part of the New London Arsenal, an arms manufacturing and storage depot during the periods of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812. More information can be found at www.newlondonmuseum.org. Contact the Editors for registration details.

Poplar Forest Survey **New******

On September 27 and 28, an archaeological survey of Thomas Jefferson's retreat home Poplar Forest will be conducted. Expected finds will date from the early to mid 19th century. More information can be found at www.poplarforest.org. Contact the Editors for registration details.

MCASV September 2008 Meeting Agenda

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| I. Call to Order | V. Treasurer's Report |
| II. Welcome to Guests | VI. Newsletter Editor's Report |
| III. Program:
Carole Nash, James Madison
University "The Big Cold Snap
and the Paleo Indians of the
Virginia Interior" | VII. Certification Program Report |
| IV. Secretary's Report | VIII. Morris Pottery Kiln |
| | IX. New Business |
| | X. Announcements |

Upcoming Events

- Sept. 3, 2008 MCASV Monthly Meeting, Bridgewater Town Hall, 7:00 p.m.
Program: Carole Nash, James Madison University "The Big Cold Snap and the Paleo Indians of the Virginia Interior"
- Sept. 20 2008 JMU Festival (Conference Center)
Opening of "Beyond Jamestown: Virginia Indians Yesterday and Today"
- Oct. 1, 2008 MCASV Monthly Meeting, Bridgewater Town Hall, 7:00 p.m.
Program: David Puckett, Frontier Culture Museum of Virginia, will talk about the farmsteads and how they have been recreated, as well as new exhibits that are in the works (African American and Native American).
- Oct. 9-12, 2008 ASV Annual Meeting
Virginia Museum of Natural History, Martinsville, VA
- Nov. 5, 2008 MCASV Monthly Meeting, Bridgewater Town Hall, 7:00 p.m.
Program: New Archeology DVD
- Dec. 3, 2008 MCASV Monthly Meeting, Bridgewater Town Hall, 7:00 p.m.
Program: TBA

ASV Annual Meeting October 9 - 12, 2008

Submitted by Laura Roder

This year's annual meeting will be held at the Virginia Museum of Natural History in Martinsville, Virginia. As always, there will be plenty of exciting presentations and a group banquet on Saturday night, Oct. 11. To reserve a room at The Quality Inn Dutch Inn for \$45.00 per night (plus tax), you must call the hotel at 276-647-3721 by September 8 and mention the ASV.

Registration details and the registration form are posted on the ASV website at www.asv-archeology.org. As more details become available, they will be added to the website. In addition, the MCASV newsletter will keep you informed!

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