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Major symposium coming Nov. 8

A special daylong public forum, "The Future of Maryland's Past," will be held Saturday, November 8, at the University of Maryland campus in College Park to assess where archeology is in the state.

Speakers and panels will offer their views on three broad areas:

- What has been learned about life in this area in the years before the European settlers arrived.
- The conflict and contact that took place after those colonists came.
- The development of the colonial period.

Each panel will consist of a moderator, two speakers and a discussant, who will summarize what the speakers have said. Time will be left for audience members to question the panelists.

The session will be introduced by Richard Hughes of the Maryland Historical Trust, Maryland's top state archeologist. Other participants include academics, state archeologists and private contract archeologists.

The first session will look at the late prehistory period in the Potomac area. Charlie Hall of the Trust will moderate. The speakers are Richard Dent and Robert Wall. Dent, of American University, and Wall, of Towson University, are leading the inquiry into Late Woodland Indian life in the Potomac area. This summer each excavated a significant site, Dent at Winslow in Montgomery County (the ASM field school) and Wall was back at the Barton site in Garrett County. Dennis Curry of the Trust will be the discussant.

The panel looking into the fateful meeting of the Indians and the settlers includes speakers Julia King of Maryland's Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum in Calvert County and Christopher Polglase, a contract archeologist from Frederick. Virginia Busby, of the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, will review the session.

The panel exploring the early colonial period will be moderated by the Trust's Susan Langley. Speakers are Mark Leone, of the University of Maryland, who has done extensive work in Annapolis, and Washington College's John Seidel, whose work has included underwater archeology. Summarizing their remarks will be Julie Ernstein, of both the University of Maryland and Washington College.

"We see this as a kickoff symposium for a series of more narrowly defined topics," Jim Gibb told the audience at this year's Fall Meeting.

The program, co-hosted by ASM, the Maryland Historical Trust and the Council for Maryland Archeology, runs from 9 a.m. until 4:15 p.m. and will he held at the UMCP's Skinner Auditorium. The \$3 fee includes refreshments, but not lunch. There are several nearby choices for eating.

For the complete program and directions to the auditorium, see the insert with this month's newsletter. For more information on the program, contact Jim Gibb at 443-482-9593.

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Upcoming events

November 1 - 2: The Four Bay Winds First Annual Native American Indian gathering, The Lockhouse, Havre de Grace. Contact Rev. Amy Paul, 410-942-0542.

November 8: Special all-day seminar, "The Future of Maryland's Past." At University of Maryland, College Park.

November 13 - 16: ESAF meeting, Mt. Laurel, N.J. www.siftings.com/esafmt.html

March 12 - 14, 2004: Mid-Atlantic Archeological Conference annual meeting, Rehobeth Beach, Delaware. Maryland archeologists will have a leading role in arranging this. If you are interested in giving a paper contact Bernard K. Means, bkmeans@juno.com, or Steve Bilicki, bilicki@dhcd.state.md.us. If you would like to help out at the conference, contact Wayne Clark, clarkw@dhcd.state.md.us.

March 31 - April 4: The Society for American Archeology, Montreal, Quebec. Information at 202-789-8200.

April 17: ASM Spring Symposium, "The Way It Was: Reflections on Maryland Archeology." Crownsville

Volunteer opportunities

The following volunteer opportunities are open to CAT program participants and other ASM members: ASM field session collection: Volunteers are needed to work on up-grading collections associated with previous field sessions. Work will start with the Nolands Ferry collection. Nolands Ferry is a Late Woodland site excavated by ASM in 1978 under the leadership of Donald Peck. The lab in Crownsville will be open Tuesdays from 9:30 until 4. For additional information contact Louise Akerson rakerson@comcast.net or Charlie Hall hall@dhcd.state.md.us.

Winslow Site artifacts lab work: The washing has to get done before anything else, so they can't promise there will be any cataloguing, but the more people who come in to wash the faster they will get to it. The archeology lab is in the basement of Hurst Hall at American University. For directions or questions, contact Kelsey Woodman at AUArchLab@hotmail.com

Ongoing: The Northern Chesapeake Chapter is offering field and lab work. Call Bill McIntyre at 410-939-0768 or williamlmac@comcast.net

The Lost Towns Project of Anne Arundel County, Call 410-222-7441.

Mount Calvert lab work. Call 301-627-1286.

Linda Durbin, voice of the Trust, dies

Linda Durbin, an administrative assistant at the Maryland Historical Trust and well-known to many ASM members, died October 7, several days after suffering a brain aneurysm at work. She had been with the Office of Archeology for 13 years.

As she took the inquiries and calls from the public and ASM members for upcoming events, she was "the voice" of Maryland archeology for many people.

"She never failed to help every single person who called or emailed. She considered all of the archeologists out there, both amateur and professional, to be part of her family. We are very sad at the moment and will miss her so much, both as our colleague and friend," said State Archeologist Richard Hughes.

"She was a major player in making sure Archeology Month and all of the various public events sponsored by ASM and MHT went off without a hitch," he added.

Born in Baltimore in 1946, she graduated from Glen Burnie High School. In 1988 she and her family moved to Stevensville on the Eastern Shore. She is survived by her husband of 38 years, Glenn, two children and a grandson.

Louise Akerson wins 2003 Marye Award

The 2003 William B. Marye Award was presented at ASM's Fall Meeting to Louise Akerson, "a significant contributor to the advancement of archeology in Maryland," in the words of the award committee.

"Louise has been at the forefront of efforts in Maryland to educate the general public about the importance of archeology and our past. She has pushed to make the Archeological Society of Maryland an organization that carries out its responsibilities in a professional manner," it said, citing "her good nature, rock-solid dependability and tireless efforts in this regard, combined with her contributions in urban archeological research."

Louise, a native of Massachusetts, is a former nurse and a graduate of the University of Maryland - Baltimore County. She worked on several projects with the Highway Archeology program of the Maryland Geological Survey and then was archeological curator at the Baltimore Center for Urban Archeology.

She has held numerous leadership positions in archeological organizations and is past president of three: ASM, the Council for Maryland Archeology and the Middle Atlantic Archeological Conference. She currently represents archeological interests on two state panels and serves as ASM's grants administrator, a job in which she "plays a critical role in the coordination and procurement of funding for key events" on the state's and ASM's archeological calendars. She also was active in creating the UPAG chapter.

For an interview with Louise, see Page 6.

Annetta Schott is first CAT graduate

Annetta Schott of the Archeological Society of the Northern Chesapeake has become the first CAT program member to complete the course and obtain certification. The official presentation was made at the Fall Meeting by outgoing program director Jim Gibb.

"She has really gone out, even before the CAT program existed, to learn what she could about archeology," Gibb said in making the presentation.

"This is the first of the beginning of a great program," Annetta said in accepting it.

A native of Perry Hall who moved to Harford County after getting married, Annetta had a lifelong interest in archeology that found on outlet when she joined ASNC four years ago and began participating in the chapter's active program list.

"ASNC knows Annetta's dedication and archeological work as she has participated in most of our projects," Norma B-Wagner wrote in the chapter newsletter.

"I hit the ground running with the Northern Chesapeake Chapter and haven't stopped, and I don't intend to stop," Annetta said recently. She plans to go into archeology full time.

At present, there are 47 people in the program. New participants are encouraged and the directors are eager for input from current members about what they like and don't like about the program.

Ehrlich denies Indian status to Piscataways

From the Washington Post, September 27, 2003

Gov. Robert L. Ehrlich Jr. has rejected a Piscataway Indian group's petition for state recognition, halting its bid to become Maryland's first officially recognized tribe.

Ehrlich said this week that the Piscataway Conoy Tribe had not proved that its members are direct descendants of Native Americans living in Maryland before 1790.

The group has been trying for years to get recognition from state lawmakers. Recognition can help a tribe gain access to federal benefits such as education, housing and health care assistance.

Ehrlich wrote that group members could not make the connection with Piscataway Indians living in the region before 1790.

The Fall Meeting in pictures



Louise Akerson gets the William. B. Marye Award from Tyler Bastian (left) and Annetta Schott is presented her CAT certificate, the program's first, by Jim Gibb.





Laura Galke talks about artifact analysis and computer cataloging at the MAC Lab (left). Howard Wellman explains how conservation is carried out.





A decorated coffin lid from New England now being preserved in the MAC Lab inside (left), while participants enjoy some of the nice weather outside during lunch.

Isabel taps Maryland, slams Jamestown

Reports reaching the Maryland Historical Trust along with field assessments by the Office of Archeology staff indicate that the damage caused by Hurricane Isabel Sept. 18 was less than expected although some sites were affected. Damage appears limited largely to shoreline areas where there was erosion and stripping of topsoil by over-washing.

On St. Clement's Island, site of the first landing in Maryland by English settlers on March 25, 1634, the south end of the island lost between 10 and 20 feet of shoreline, and this occurred behind existing stone rip rap shoreline protection. It did not appear that any archeological resources were affected.

State Archeologist Richard Hughes noted: "From observations of both bay and river shoreline areas, it is clear that multiple factors had an effect on whether or not severe erosion occurred. The apparent factors include wind direction (which of course changed as the storm tracked to the northwest), whether or not the tide was high when the wind was pushing the water toward shore, slope of the bank, amount and type of shoreline protection installed. Large – around three feet and larger –- rocks in stone rip rap bulkheads survived much better than rip raps with smaller stones. The smaller stones –- some weighing well over 100 pounds –- were actually tossed or rolled inland in many cases and tended to collapse down the bank, being water sorted almost like pebbles in a fast moving river.

Wetlands with well-established marsh grasses and plants appeared to have done an excellent job of protecting shoreline areas, presumably by dissipating the wave energy and the roots holding the soil together, he reported.

If archeological sites were in areas that suffered erosion, they clearly were affected, although very few reports have been received of damaged sites.

Perhaps something positive as a result of the hurricane is the report and discovery by Office of Archeology staff of a number of previously unidentified archeological sites which were revealed by erosion. The Office will be recording new sites and anticipates salvaging some of the exposed features that will disappear as normal erosion continues.

Jefferson Patterson Park sustained minor damage - a tree fell on a reconstructed Indian house - as did Historic St. Mary's, where the wind twisted some of the ghost-frame houses.

As ASM members go out and about, the Office would appreciate it if they reported any Isabel-related new or damaged archeological sites or artifacts they find.

Isabel caused \$150 million in damage to more than 30 Park Service sites in several Eastern states. At Jamestown, Virginia, the damage was estimated at \$11 million. The Jamestown collection is estimated to contain nearly 900,000 items of archeological artifacts, photographs, papers and other items. Restoration work is expected to take three years. The material has been moved to Fort Lee near Petersburg for restoration.

Karen Rehm, chief historian for Colonial National Historical Park, said the collection's caretakers had relied on their experiences during previous hurricanes to secure the basement storage room housing the items. Despite their efforts, the storage area filled with 5 feet of brackish water.

Historians including Henry M. Miller, research director at Maryland's Historic St. Mary's City, and Ivor Noel Hume, who served for decades as Colonial Williamsburg's chief archeologist, say the park could have done more to prepare and protect the artifacts, which date to the early 1600s.

Work has already begun on a new \$4.2 million storage facility above the flood plain.

Worth noting

- -- American Archaeology magazine, put out by the Archaeology Conservancy, has for its cover story in the Fall 2003 issue a look at Maryland's own Barton site. The site "has a little something from nearly every phase of prehistory," it quotes Bob Wall as saying.
- -- ASM has a new website designation, www.marylandarcheology.org Update your Favorites List. John Fiveash urges members to let him know if they have ideas for making the site better. Contact him at jsfiveash@comcast.net

Profiles in Maryland archeology

A visit with ... Louise Akerson

Louise Akerson, the winner of this year's William B. Marye Award, is a former president of ASM as well as of the Council for Maryland Archeology. She currently is a member of ASM's board of directors and handles grant applications.

Q: How did you get started in archeology?

A: I started taking courses at UMBC and just kind of gravitated toward the Ancient Studies Department and the courses that they were offering. I took a few courses and then my husband was assigned to



England. We lived in England for three years. While we were there I had a chance to visit many ancient sites, I went to Rome and Greece. So that really whet my appetite. And when I came back that's when I really got serious about getting an education. But a lot of people ask me this question and I think in retrospect archeology or the desire to know about other cultures or ancient cultures has been in me. I remember I was very young, I was probably 5 or 6, looking at a magazine picture of cavemen. I can still see this picture today, cavemen around the fire. It was a family and I wanted to know more about this ancient family. So I really think it was in me, but I didn't know that until I was an adult. When I was a child I didn't know anything about archeology, I didn't know what archeology was. Not until I started taking courses at UMBC did I really discover it.

Q: You had a degree by then?

A: No. I originally started out as a nurse. When I left high school I trained as a nurse, but then when my children came along I gave up nursing and became a homemaker and started taking courses here and there as the children were growing up. I

just kind of ended up in archeology.

Q: All your archeology has been in Maryland?

A: Yes. My training has been in classical archeology, as far as schooling is concerned, but my hands-on experience has been in Maryland.

Q: What interesting projects have you worked on?

A: The primary focus of my career was at the Baltimore Center for Urban Archeology, and two sites stand out in my mind. One of the first ones was Cheapside, in the Inner Harbor. That was an extremely interesting late 18^{th} century, early 19^{th} century site.

Q: What was it?

A: It was a dock. If you stand where the Gallery at Harborplace is now in the Inner Harbor, that used to be in water. This area was filled in with soil and wharves were built on the land, and so that's what we were uncovering. We did that excavation before they built The Gallery. It was overwhelming because there was so much material buried in this made land, organic material that had been buried and was in anaerobic condition so we had all kinds of leather, we had seeds, leaves, coconuts, all those kinds of things. And of course other artifacts - there were different shops and warehouses along the wharfs.

Q: What was the other major project?

A; The last one I was associated with at the BCUA was at Hopkins Hospital, the cemetery site. There were two cemeteries. There was an Episcopal site and then a pauper cemetery. That was also the early 1800s. That one was also overwhelming, very muddy conditions, cold. I am trying to remember how many burials there were – I think up in the 800s. But what had happened with that site was that they closed out the cemeteries. Historical evidence showed that relatives [from the Episcopal site] came and they reinterred the bodies that were there, removed them to other cemeteries. But we did find some burials that were intact and we think that the location of the burial site was lost to the relatives. The paupers' cemetery, that was just left there. Rowhouses were built on top of the cemetery and then by the mid part of the 20th century those row houses were all leveled and it was a parking lot for many years until Hopkins decided it wanted to build there, an oncology center. And so, surprise, surprise. We had to take care of this.

Q: Did you know there was a cemetery under there?

A: Well, we were asked to do some background research. We knew there was a cemetery there and we recommended, highly recommended, and the Trust told us that we really needed to do some testing there to find out, and the testing did reveal evidence of burials on the site, then we went into full excavation. Those were probably the two most interesting and exciting sites that I worked on. Prior to that I did work in D.C. for a contract firm and they had done some work up in Connecticut and Rhode Island. I didn't excavate up there, I worked on the artifacts from that site and that was actually pretty interesting for me to compare with Cheapside because that was a waterfront site and these other two sites were waterfront as well. You just kind of build upon your experience, if you are lucky.

Q: How has archeology changed over your years in it?

A: Technologically the computer has helped a great deal in the analysis. When I first started out -- and I really started out late in life as far as I'm concerned; I graduated in '79 and actually started doing some archeology around that time -- computers were around, but we were not applying computer technology to analytical ways of thinking in archeology. Take cataloging of artifacts, for example. It was all hand-written. Now we have programs that you can use. Producing a catalog is still fairly painstaking, but it is much more efficient to use a computer. And though I haven't used a computer in other ways, archeologists have programs to help with other types of analysis.

Q: What do you think the future is for Maryland archeology?

A: I think that there are a lot of really excellent professional archeologists in Maryland who work for the state. I think that they are working hard to maintain a very high professional standard and would like to see a merging of information about sites in the state in the form of a series of publications. So I think we are going to see perhaps taking evidence from different sites of a particular time period and really looking at the evidence to bring it together. You will not just be looking at one individual site, you'll be looking at the information from all of the known sites of a particular culture, a particular time frame, and I think we will see new information come out as a result of this.

Q: Who's going to be doing this compilation?

A: I really don't think that the people who work for the state in the Office of Archeology or the folks down at Jeff Patterson Park are going to be able to do that, although they would like to do it. I think that when times are better as far as finances I think that there will be some successful grant applications for this kind of work.

Q: What advice do you have for someone who wants to become an archeologist, either professionally or avocationally?

A: It's got to be in your heart. You need to be sure you have your education, your background - I'm thinking for a professional archeologist, be sure you have your education. And you need the experience. Take advantage of all the experiences you can get. Go to the lab, find out when the lab is open. Excavate wherever you can go, get as much experience as you can. And then you need to be detail oriented. But to me, you have to be bitten by the bug, you just want to do it. It's got to be in your heart.



It's getting to be that time of year again. If you like to participate in the CAT program or want to keep getting the ASM newsletter, the Journal and other benefits, you will have to renew your membership. December 31 is the cutoff date, but why wait and get tangled in the holiday rush.

See insert.

. -- Photo by Karen Ackermann

Time to revisit Nolands Ferry collection

By Charlie Hall

State Terrestrial Archeologist

During the spring and summer of 1978 archeologists with the Maryland Geological Survey (MGS) and the Archeological Society of Maryland investigated the Nolands Ferry Site (18FR17) in Frederick County. Originally thought to be a Montgomery Focus site (part of the same prehistoric Late Woodland period complex as the Winslow Site), the material culture from the Nolands Ferry Site presented a more complex picture than anticipated.

Ceramics from the site include three Late Woodland types: Keyser, Page and Shepard wares. Lithic material is, conversely, reminiscent of the Winslow Site, with quartz dominating an assemblage that also includes metarhyolites, quartzite, chert and jasper. Small triangular projectile points are the most common lithic tool. Bone and minor numbers of historic artifacts also are present.

The collection was originally washed and catalogued by MGS archeologists years ago. It presently is curated at the MAC Lab at Jefferson Patterson Park in Calvert County.

The laboratory procedures and methods used, while state-of-the-art for 1978, do not meet the state's current guidelines. Most artifacts are not labeled. The thin plastic artifact bags are not labeled, are sealed with twist-ties rather than zip-locks and are not aerated. Tags included in the artifact bags are cut from the acidic brown paper bags used during field collection. The catalog, while complete and accurate, does not address lithic material type at all.

Louise Akerson, Susan Buonocore and I are working to bring this important collection into conformance with current archeological curation standards. We invite you to join us each Tuesday in the archeological laboratory at the Maryland Historical Trust in Crownsville between 9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. where we will demonstrate and explain the necessary procedures. This is an excellent opportunity to see how collections are properly prepared for permanent curation. Volunteers will learn how to:

- -- distinguish prehistoric artifact classes and lithic material types.
- -- handle and label already washed artifacts.
- -- label tags and bag those artifacts for permanent storage in coroplast boxes.

For more information or to sign up to volunteer, contact Louise Akerson at 410-997-5006 or rakerson@comcast.net, or me at 410-514-7665 or hall@dhcd.state.md.us.

Public archeology at the PFI

By Liz Kay

Condensed from the Baltimore Sun, September 29, 2003

High on a hill above the Patapsco River, an antebellum girls school in Ellicott City is still teaching people lessons.

Since 1995, hundreds of youngsters have gotten their hands dirty learning about 19th-century life at archeology events held at the Patapsco Female Institute.

For high school teacher Lee Preston, the summer camps and one-day digs he runs do more than inform students about techniques used in archeology. They help breed an early appreciation for preservation and times past.

"To make history a little more meaningful, it's nice if you can find some artifacts associated with that particular time period and see if it verifies the written information," he said. "You might find something in the ground that might help tell the story."

The Patapsco Female Institute is a rare site for such study, partly because its mission, to teach young women, was unique for its time, said Jim Gibb, an archeologist who serves as a consultant for the project.

The school, which operated from 1837 to 1891, was led in its heyday by an innovative headmistress, Almira Hart Lincoln Phelps, who believed in instilling knowledge about science, mathematics and other topics in her young charges.

After the school declined, the building lived many other lives, including as a convalescent home for veterans, a theater and a hotel.

It fell into ruins, but in 1967, the county purchased the site and stabilized the ruins. Since digs began in 1985, researchers have found and cataloged many small shards of glass, brick and pottery at the site.

Preston says more than 35,000 artifacts have been discovered there, including slate pencils, combs, jewelry, pipes and many shards of china, brick, glass and corroded metal.

The items date mostly from the late 19th or early 20th century, he said.

But much of the institute's importance as an archeological site stems from its contributions to public archeology, Gibb said.

"Its real value is having kids participate in the work," Gibb said.

Now, Preston said, research is concentrated on determining the boundaries of a kitchen midden, a former dump on one side of the hill leading to the school.

"They would dump trash out here because they didn't have [curbside] pickup like we do," he explained to a group of children and parents standing in front of an open 2-meter square Saturday.

Daylong events such as Saturday's begin with a slide and artifact presentation to introduce guests to the prehistoric and historic periods of Howard County.

Then children get to try their hand at excavating, sifting and washing artifacts.

They also learn about documents and examine objects in the laboratory in the basement of Mount Ida, the historic park's visitor center.

It's important in these sessions to distinguish the archeological method from popular depictions of such researchers. "It's not like Indiana Jones," Jacquelyn Galke, executive director of the Friends of the Patapsco Female Institute, explained to the group Saturday.

Unlike in Tomb Raider, some of the most important digging occurs in places such as the Maryland Archives. But that's what attracts 16-year-old Kat Mann, a senior at River Hill High who assisted Preston during a recent visit to the site. "I definitely like the historical aspects, the social history," she said.

"It's interesting to see the dynamics," Kat said. "Just the language in the letters and what they talk about ... says a lot about how society is structured."

Preston, a River Hill High School teacher who also teaches an archeology course at Howard Community College, was recognized as teacher of the year by the Maryland Archeological Society this year. He serves as president of the Upper Patuxent Archeology Group as well as president of the Friends of the Patapsco Female Institute.

Chapter notes

Anne Arundel

The chapter meets on the third Wednesday of the month from 7:30-9 in the Chesapeake Room, Heritage Center, 2664 Riva Road, Annapolis. Contact Karen Ackermann at karenlta@juno.com

November 19: Richard Hughes will present Benjamin Banneker and the MHT.

December: No meeting.

January 21: Charlie Hall will speak about rock shelters in Tennessee.

February 18: Susan Langley will speak on historical textiles.

March 17: Elizabeth Ragan will present "Celtic: More Than Just a Basketball Game."

Central

Phone Stephen Israel at 410-945-5514 evenings, 410-962-0685 day, or ssisrael@abs.net, for information.

Mid-Potomac

Contact james.sorensen@mncppc-mc.org or heather.bouslog@mncppc-mc.org or call them, 301-948-5053.

Midshore

The Mid Shore Group meets at 7:30 on the fourth Friday of the month at the SunTrust Bank on Goldsboro Street in Easton. However, the April meeting is held at the Talbot County Historical Society Auditorium.

Monocacy

Meets the Wednesday closest to the 15th of each month at the Walkersville Middle School. Contact Joy Hurst at 301-663-6706 or email hurst_joy @hotmail.com. Website: www.digfrederick.org

Northern Chesapeake

Meetings are the second Thursday of the month. Contact Dan Coates at dancoates@comcast.net

November 13: Paul Nevin will speak on the Petroglyphs at Safe Harbor. At the Maritime Museum. 7.

December 11: Covered dish dinner at Harford Glen. Stephen Potter of the National Park Service will speak.

January 8, 2004: Steve Bilicki of the MHT on Susquehanna Underwater Survey. Maritime Museum. 7.

February 12: Don Robinson on "History of Delta." At the Harford Historical Society House. 7.

March 11: TBA

April 3: Symposium: "Where have the Archeologists Gone?" Harford Glen.

May 23: Annual picnic. Broad Creek.

Southern

Meetings the second Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the MAC Lab meeting room. Call 410-586-8584 or katesilas@chesapeake.net for information.

Upper Patuxent

Programs are the second Monday of each month at 7:30 at Mt. Ida, near the court house in Ellicott City. Most are preceded by dinner at 6 at the Tiber River Café in Ellicott City. Contact Lee Preston at 443-745-1202 or maurice_preston@clc.hcpss.org

November 10: UPAG Member's Present: Short Subjects. Members share slides/powerpoints of recent trips etc. Alison Pooley (England), Joe/Marilyn Lauffer (SW U.S.), Lee Preston (Jamestown Revisited). Contact Lee if you'd like to present.

December 8: ,Archaeology in Howard County: What We Know and What We Wish We Knew, by Charlie Hall, state terrestrial archeologist.

January 12: Norway and Sweden: Culture and Archeology, Charles and Helen Koontz.

February 9: Ireland, Joe and Marilyn Lauffer.

March 8: Pot Luck Dinner at 6:30. After 7:30 business meeting, a talk on Algeria and Morrocco, Cherry Koontz.

April 12: Native American Tools and Technology: The Americas to Howard County, Lee Preston.

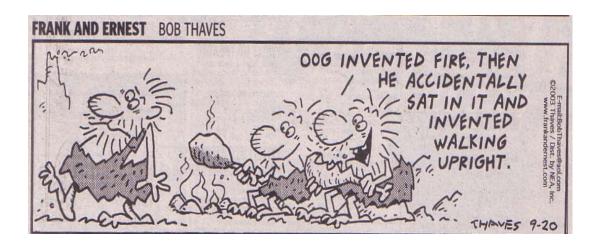
Western Maryland

Programs are the fourth Friday of the month, at 7:30 pm in the LaVale Library, unless noted. Contact Ed Hanna, 301-777-1380. Chapter email- wmdasm@yahoo.com Website - www.geocities.com/wmdasm

November 28: Braddock Road Update, by Bob Bantz. Bonus: Hands-on program: Cordage Making the Aboriginal Way.

December: Holiday break - No meeting

January 23: Annual Social and "Show and Tell"--You are the program.



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