

# ASM Ink

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## We dedicate this issue of ASM, Ink to Myron Beckenstein

It is with great admiration and appreciation for over 20 years of service as the ASM Ink Newsletter Editor and with great sadness that I accepted Myron's resignation from this position. Myron took over as editor from Lois Nutwell in 2002, his first issue of ASM Ink was published [June 2002, Volume 28 Number 6](#). Myron continued serving in this position through the [April 2023 issue, Volume 50 Number 4](#).

Myron is a longtime member who has served in many positions over the years. In 2004 he became the fourth CAT Graduate from the newly instituted training program. He continues to serve on our Marye



*Myron in Gray Shirt hard at work*

Award Committee and on the Elections Committee. You will often find Myron at the Field Session and at various events.

His vast knowledge of archeology and longtime perspective on ASM is a treasure. His sense of humor, love of learning, and persistence gives him a special place in my heart. Please join me in thanking Myron for his many years of service as our ASM Ink editor! Valerie L. Hall, President ASM, Inc.

It is with gratitude and privilege that we honor Myron Beckenstein. Myron has been a tireless editor for twenty years. He has held multiple positions in the ASM and in his professional life as well. One

Washington Post article even features a game that simulated Russian policies and politics. For more information on the game, check out the following link. [A Roll of the Dice, A Flip of a Card](#)



*Myron in Red Shirt Screening*



## ASM Ink

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*Myron's First Newsletter as Editor*

## Introductions



*Stephanie Soder (Bottom) Barwick's Ordinary site from last year's ASM field session (Top Julia Berg, ASM volunteer and CAT Candidate).*

The Maryland Historical Trust has recently welcomed **Stephanie Soder** as the new Research Archaeologist. Steph has come back to MHT (some may recognize her as the 2019 Summer Intern) after working briefly in the private sector, then with the Delaware State Historic Preservation Office and as a Historic Preservation Planner for Harford County. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice with a minor in Anthropology, and a Master of Arts degree in Maritime Studies (Archaeology). Steph is primarily responsible for maintaining the Maryland Archaeological Synthesis Database, monitoring MHT Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grants, and assisting with archaeological research projects. When she's not poking around archaeological sites, she enjoys chasing around her two greyhounds, reading, and baking. You'll be sure to see her at the ASM Field Session, so make sure to say hi!



*Kim Malinowski with Fairy House Courtesy of Bryan C. Smith*

**Kim Malinowski** has stepped in as the editor of ASM Ink. Kim is a professional writer with several books both out and forthcoming. She earned her B.A. in English and minored in history and creative writing. She earned her M.F.A. in Creative Writing from American University. She studied with The Writers Studio. She is a disability activist through her writing and social media outreach. She has aphasia and after five years of illiteracy she relearned to read

and write. Because of this, her grammar is that of a poet—with many m-dashes and a lot of love. She has been volunteering at the Crownsville Lab since it reopened in March 2022. She is a C.A.T. Candidate and has participated in digs and surveys throughout Maryland and D.C. She focuses on serious topics of war and mental health but also retells well known stories slant and has been nominated for the Puschcart Prize, Best of Net, and the Rhysling Award.



*Bonus Pic: The Real Kim Courtesy of Bryan C. Smith*

## Upcoming events

**May 19-29:** Annual ASM field session. Chapel Branch West Site.

**October 14:** Annual Meeting in Frederick, hosted by the Monocacy Chapter

**October 26-29:** ESAF Annual Meeting in Ocean City Maryland

# Volunteer Opportunities

The following volunteer opportunities are open to CAT participants and other ASM members:

**ASM Volunteer Lab**, most Tuesdays: The lab in Crownsville. Contact Zachary Singer at [Zachary.Singer@maryland.gov](mailto:Zachary.Singer@maryland.gov)

**The Smithsonian Environmental Research Center** seeks participants in its Citizen-Scientist Program in archeology and other environmental research programs in Edgewater. Field and lab work are conducted Wednesdays and on occasional Saturdays. Contact Jim Gibb at [jamesgibb@verizon.net](mailto:jamesgibb@verizon.net)

**Charles County for Lab and Field Work** welcomes volunteers. Contact Esther Read at [ReadE@charlescountymd.gov](mailto:ReadE@charlescountymd.gov) For more information, contact Carol Cowherd at [ccasm2010@gmail.com](mailto:ccasm2010@gmail.com)

**The Anne Arundel County Archeology Lab** in Edgewater, in conjunction with The Lost Towns Project, accepts volunteers for lab work. No experience needed. Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. The lab is generally open 2-3 weekdays each week from 9:00-3:00. Volunteers must sign up in advance. There are occasional opportunities for fieldwork as well. For more information, the current lab or field schedule, or to sign up, email Drew Webster at [volunteers@losttownsproject.org](mailto:volunteers@losttownsproject.org)  
**UPAG/Howard County Recs and Parks** invites volunteers interested in processing collections and conducting historical research to contact Kelly Palich at [Kpalich@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:Kpalich@howardcountymd.gov) or 410-313-0423.

**Montgomery County for Lab and Field Work** welcomes volunteers. Contact Heather Bouslog at 301-563-7530 or [Heather.Bouslog@montgomeryparks.org](mailto:Heather.Bouslog@montgomeryparks.org)

**Mount Calvert for Lab and Field Work** call 301-627-1286.

**Jefferson Patterson Park** invites volunteers to take part in its activities, including archeology, historical research, and conservation. Contact 410-586-8554.

## Monocacy Chapter

A volunteer is needed in one of 2 critical areas of most immediate importance (please send me an email if interested) [monocacyarcheology@gmail.com](mailto:monocacyarcheology@gmail.com)

1. A chapter secretary/treasurer - a fluid position that is organizational/administrative in nature. Estimated approx 2-hours a week = processing chapter memberships, minor simple spreadsheet recordkeeping and maintaining chapter records.
2. Someone adept at Facebook page creation and willing to run and manage the chapter's Facebook page. It must be started from scratch; this is largely a self-managing volunteer position - you can make it what you want, as long as you get relevant chapter and ASM news posted to it.

**The Archaeological Institute of America** provides an online listing of fieldwork opportunities worldwide. Click on <https://www.archaeological.org/fieldwork> to get started.

## 2023 Tyler Bastian Field Session in Maryland Archeology

The 2023 Tyler Bastian Field Session location will be familiar to those who participated in last year's dig. It is in Caroline County right next to the Barwick's Ordinary site of 2022. The object of our research has shifted; instead of looking mainly for historic artifacts, we will be seeking pre-contact.

During the 2022 Barwick session, a shovel test pit survey documented a presumed living surface yielding 3,000 to 1,000-year-old artifacts intact below the plow zone. This year's field session will investigate this buried living surface to document the American Indian occupations and hopefully reveal intact cultural features including house patterns, hearths, and storage pits.

### Field Session Schedule

The 2023 Tyler Bastian Field Session in Maryland Archeology will be held at the Chapel Branch West Site, near Denton, Maryland, from May 19-29, 2023.

Registration information is at:

[http://marylandarcheology.org/Field\\_Session/2023FieldSessionRegistration.html](http://marylandarcheology.org/Field_Session/2023FieldSessionRegistration.html)

### Special Events:

#### **NEW - Kids Day at the Field Session**

Saturday, May 27, 2023 from 9am - 12pm

Kids 6 and up welcome

**Must have an adult chaperone present the entire time.**

Limited to first 10 participants

This will be a special session with extra activities specifically for children.

(Kids 12 and over, with a chaperone, are always welcome to attend the field session)

**For Kid's Day:** [esarcheology@gmail.com](mailto:esarcheology@gmail.com)" [esarcheology@gmail.com](mailto:esarcheology@gmail.com)

### **Spencer O. Geasey Memorial Lecture at the 2023 Tyler Bastian Field Session**

**Tuesday: May 23, 2023, 6:00 pm**

Speaker: Francis Gray, Chair of the Piscataway Conoy Tribe

Location:

Wharves of Choptank Visitor Center

3 Crouse Park Lane, Denton, MD 21629

**Saturday May 27, 2023**

ASM Board Meeting: **11:00 am**

Feast – All are Welcome!: **4:00 pm**

**Lunchtime lectures (12:00 - 12:30, on site):**

**Monday, May 22:** *Interpreting Indigenous Ceramics* –Ceramicist and ASM Native American Liaison, Lynne Bulhack, will provide a hands-on discussion on identifying and interpreting Pre-Contact ceramics.



**Friday, May 26:** *What's the Point?: Projectile Point Workshop* –State Terrestrial Archaeologist, Zac Singer, will provide a hands-on overview of Maryland projectile Points.

### CAT Field Session Activities (on site)

**Saturday, May 20** 1 PM: Legal and Ethics workshop

**Sunday May 21** 8 AM: Mapping workshop

### CAT Corner

Field Session Activities Listed on Field Session Schedule. Contact: Tom with any CAT questions at [mclaugh01@verizon.net](mailto:mclaugh01@verizon.net)

### News

#### Updated Technical Report on the Research at Historic St. Mary's City

Historic St. Mary's City Commission is delighted to announce the availability of a digital copy of the Salvage Archaeology Of A Dwelling On The John Hicks Leasehold, in St. Mary's City, Maryland, a 3rd and 4th decade of the 18th Century. Captain John Hicks was a ship captain, merchant, and planter. A rich assemblage of early 18th century artifacts, two brick chimney foundations, a filled in cellar, and many refuse pit features were found. This was the first archaeological investigation sponsored by Historic St. Mary's City, and the earliest comprehensive study of a plantation from this period in Maryland. Now available on the new HSMC web site.

The John Hicks Leasehold was excavated by Contract Archaeology, Inc. in 1969, for the Historic St. Mary's City Commission. High School student Silas Hurry and Archaeologist Stephen Israel were members of the field crew. <https://www.hsmcdigshistory.org/reports-studies>

**Since April is National Archeology Month, many events were hosted and there was an outpouring of outreach throughout the state.**





## Digging Local:

### The Biggs Ford Site

*Unearth Our Lost History & Prehistory*

**WEDNESDAY**

## April 19

6 - 9 p.m.

## The Cresthull Memorial Golden Trowel Awarded by Archeological Society of the Northern Chesapeake




*Dan Coates and Carol Donache with the Cresthull Memorial Golden Trowel Award*

In March, after a two-year hiatus, the Cresthull Memorial Golden Trowel Award was presented. The Award was presented to Carol Donache. As the Historical Society of Cecil County's librarian, Carol has provided archival research for a number of ASNC projects, and she participated in every day of excavation at the Crownstone Farm site, near Fair Hill.

CELEBRATE MARYLAND ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH

Harford Community College and the  
Archeological Society of Northern Chesapeake present:

# Archeology of Town Life on the Eve of the American Revolution



**FEATURING:**  
**James G. Gibb**  
 Smithsonian Environmental Research Center (SERC),  
 Smithsonian Environmental Archaeology Laboratory (SEAL)


**Friday, April 28 | Edgewood Hall, Rm 132**  
**Harford Community College**  
 Entrance 3 off Thomas Run Road | Parking available in Lot E

**6 PM | Anthropology Student Poster Display**  
**7 PM | Presentation**

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

For more information:  
 John Donahue | [jdonahue@harford.edu](mailto:jdonahue@harford.edu)

**» On the Eve of the American Revolution**, leaders gathered in each of the Colonies, debated the pros and cons of rebelling against King and Parliament, and planned resistance against British troops. Much of that gathering occurred in taverns in the larger towns. And the gatherings in some taverns proclaimed allegiance to the King, while those in others demanded Independence. Archeological excavations in such Chesapeake town sites as Londontown, Port Tobacco, and Joppa reveal what these towns were like and may begin to identify the allegiances of tavern patrons. This illustrated presentation explores what archeology tells us about town life on the Eve of the Revolution.



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[harford.edu](http://harford.edu)

## The Spring Symposium

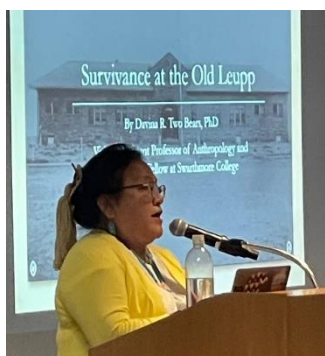
The 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Symposium on Archeology Presented by the Archeological Society of Maryland, Inc., led by Katharine Fernstrom, ASM Vice President, was held on Saturday, April 22, 2023. About 60 people attended. There was a tremendous variety of topics and interests that guided participants through new research and new ways to look at community outreach through archeology. There were seven presentations, and all provided new inspiration in addition to their data.

Dr. Elgin Klugh began the morning with his introduction to The Laurel Cemetery Project with “After the Dig: Community Engagement and Placemaking at the Site of the Laurel Cemetery.” The Laurel Cemetery was established in 1852 as an African American cemetery that gave dignity to all socioeconomic spectrums. There are an unknown number of burials, but during the Civil War, part of the cemetery became Laurel National Cemetery where veterans were interred. The property was later rezoned and a shopping center and parking lot displaced or paved over many of the remains. The project incorporated students from Coppin State University, University of Baltimore, and Community College of Baltimore County to use ground penetrating radar and have a limited excavation. The project has now gone into Phase 2, which is to educate the public and create a database for individuals documented as being buried at Laurel Cemetery. The Baltimore Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society is assisting in the project. Ultimately, the project wants to have stability and respect as well as preservation for the site and a database for descendants and researchers to find necessary data.

The second presentation was given by Dr. Tara L. Tetrault and Suzanne Johnson titled “New Archeological Discoveries at the Basil & Nancy Dorsey Farm Challenge Myths About Post-Emancipation African American Communities Like Sugarland, MD.” Suzanne Johnson, a descendant of the Sugarland Community, explained how her family had been involved in collectively raising each other up and that women were able to own property unlike the traditional narrative. She explained how the community residents gradually declined. Dr. Tetrault was able to show artifacts and the findings from the site. The findings in the house showed few artifacts from children but did show possible remains of women’s lives. A book and teaching module have been created and an eventual museum to house artifacts and educate the public is the ultimate goal.

The 2023 Richard E. Stearns Memorial Lecture was given by Alexandra Jones of Archeology in the Community (AITC). She explained how her organization is continually becoming more inclusive to reach all children and even adult participants to show that archeology can be represented and instructed by archeologists that have similar cultures, backgrounds, and differing abilities as the participants. The organization is not just active in the United States. A new outreach

service is pairing volunteer archeologists and communities in need of archeologists. These outreach programs are meant to inspire youth to go into the archeology field and to supplement the science component in their education.



*Dr. Davina Two Bears*

Dr. Davina Two Bears presented “Stories of Survivance at the Old Leupp Boarding School, an Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century Federal Indian Boarding School on the Navajo Reservation.” Dr. Two Bears explained how as a Diné archeologist she was able to use archival records and use oral interviews to explain both treatment and survival within the boarding school. She explained that Coyote stories, which are trickster stories, being able to see one of the sacred mountains, and



*Alexandra Jones of AITC*



being able to have family visitors was crucial to children's survival. She used her own family history and oral stories to explain life within the boarding school and how it survives in cultural memory.

Dr. Julia King then presented "Spatial Indigeneity: Uncovering the Indigenous Rappahannock Landscape" and described the varied methods used to uncover patterns in Indigenous communities in Virginia and how these same methods can be used in Maryland to uncover more information. These methods include GIS, oral history, contact and historical documents, and environmental data that consider varied factors including structures that align with the sun on the vernal equinox. Using all information available, these factors can uncover how indigenous life was in a more complete and realistic manner.

The Student Spotlight was presented by Jade Burch in "Unrecorded History: Anglo-Indigenous Exchange at St. Clement's Manor (1640-1673)." Ms. Burch discussed Robbie Etheridge's theory of "shatter zone" and the violence between colonizers and Indigenous peoples. Specifically, Burch used St. Clement's Manor as an example of the "shatter zone." Thomas Gerard oversaw a large portion of land granted to him by Cecil Calvert located in Indian Country. By looking at historical documents and physical artifacts such as worked glass projectile points, copper triangles, Burch described possible trade interaction and conflict interpretations.



*Jade Burch*

The 2023 Iris McGillivray Memorial Lecture was given by Dr. Dennis Curry in "Canavest: A 17<sup>th</sup> Century Piscataway Indian Refuge on the Maryland Frontier." Canavest, otherwise known as Heater's Island was the last permanent village of



*R. Dennis Curry*

the Piscataway (Conoy) Indians in Maryland. Dr. Curry discussed the changing landscape and cultures of the Canavest villagers including a smallpox outbreak that cause significant change to the dynamics between colonizers and the Canavest villagers. Their leader was unable to meet with colonial settlers after potentially dying in the epidemic. The villagers dispersed westward but left behind post-contact artifacts that had been incorporated into daily life. Material culture shifted and examples such as knapped glass bottles used to create projectile points along with copper triangles and the use of stone knives shifting to metal were displayed and the likely cultural significance was discussed. These cultural shifts showed key interactions along with colonial documentation describing interactions between colonists and the Canavest Piscataway.



# Eastern States Archeological Federation (ESAF)

**ESAF 90th Annual Meeting, October 26-29, 2023, Ocean City, Maryland**

[Annual Meeting | ESAF Eastern States Archaeological Federation \(esaf-archeology.org\)](#)

Location:

Holiday Inn Oceanfront, (410) 524-1600

6600 Ocean Highway, Ocean City, MD 21842

Hotel Rates

**ESAF Call for Papers:** For complete information follow [ESAF 2023 Call for Papers \(esaf-archeology.org\)](#) A sample of what is required is in the following image.



**Eastern States Archaeological Federation  
90th Annual Meeting  
October 26-29, 2023  
Ocean City, Maryland**



## Conference Details

### Location

Holiday Inn Oceanfront (410) 524-1600  
6600 Ocean Highway, Ocean City, MD 21842

### Room Rates

\$69.00 Wed & Thurs + tax per night.  
\$84.00 Fri & Sat + tax per night.

### Thursday Tour (9 AM TO 5 PM)



[Zwaanendael Museum](#)  
His Majesty's Sloop Debraak  
1798 Shipwreck exhibit.  
Admission \$10 per person.



[Nanticoke Indian Museum](#)  
Admission \$3 per person.

### Deadlines

Abstract Submissions, Registration Fees, and  
Membership Dues for Presenters Due:  
AUGUST 25, 2023

**Registration for Non-Presenters**  
OCTOBER 20, 2023

### Conference Fees (in US Dollars)

Registration: \$45  
Student Registration \$20

### Saturday Banquet

(Italian Buffet w/ vegetarian options):  
\$55 per person

### Banquet Speaker

Dr. Julia King

### Registration & Abstract Submission Forms:

[www.esaf-archaeology.org/annual-meeting.html](http://www.esaf-archaeology.org/annual-meeting.html)  
Register by Paypal or by check with mail-in  
registration form.

## **Call for Papers**

Abstracts (<150 words) are invited for papers and posters on topics related to the Archaeology of Eastern North America to be presented at the 90th Annual Meeting of the Eastern States Archaeological Federation.

Proposals for organized thematic sessions are welcome. Individual papers will be placed in general sessions. Posters will be centralized with a designated presentation session.

Primary authors must be members of ESAF. One paper per primary author. There is no limit on the number of co-authorships. Primary author and presenter must register for the meeting by August 25, 2023.

Student participation scholarships are available. Student authors may compete for The Student Paper Prize. See the ESAF website for rules and application.

### Format

The Annual Meeting will be a hybrid format allowing both in-person and remote presentation and attendance over Zoom. Remote presentations will be pre-recorded. See the ESAF website for format and submission. In-person papers will be presented live.

### Submit Thematic Session Proposals and

### Questions about Abstracts to

Stephen Israel, Program Chair  
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### For General Inquiries, Please Contact

Zac Singer, ESAF President  
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## Maryland Historical Trust

### Learning By Doing: MHT Archaeology Lab Volunteers Rehouse and Catalog the 1969 Reeves Collection

**Zachary Singer, PhD**  
**State Terrestrial Archaeologist**

Volunteers in the MHT Archaeology Lab including many ASM members and CAT Candidates recently completed a large project of rehousing and cataloging the collection of artifacts and faunal remains from the 1969 salvage excavations of the Reeves Site.

The Reeves Site (18WC15) is a stratified site with components from the Early Archaic period through the Late Woodland period, which is located on a floodplain of the Wicomico River in Wicomico County. The site was first identified during land clearance for a housing development in 1969. Since there was concern that the Reeves site would be destroyed by the housing development salvage excavations were undertaken by the Lower Delmarva Chapter, ASM beginning in 1969. The 1969 work included surface collection of artifacts and the excavation of approximately twenty 1.83 m<sup>2</sup> units, including “Jimmy’s Square”. The MHT site files include a basic catalog from the 1969 study that identifies items deriving from units, features, and the surface collection, in addition to items with no provenience, however there are basically no field



*Jasper chipping debris from Reeves. The presence of rounded cobble cortex on the chipping debris suggests that the jasper toolstone was collected from a cobble bed nearby the site.*

records for the 1969 investigation.

Beginning in July 2022, volunteers in the MHT Archaeology lab contributed over 740 hours meticulously cataloging, labeling, and upgrading the plastic curation bags for the 1969 Reeves collection. This project provided the opportunity for volunteers to examine thousands of Pre-Colonial artifacts including stone tools and chipping debris, ceramic sherds, and faunal remains. Through the cataloging effort, volunteers learned techniques for identifying ceramics based on their temper, surface treatment, and decoration. Volunteers also practiced identifying varieties of stones tools and debitage based on their shapes and the raw material toolstones used to make the stone tools based on their colors, textures, and



*Volunteers in the MHT Archaeology Lab*

inclusions. Volunteers also learned to identify faunal remains based on their morphology.

The rehousing and cataloging project has enhanced the 1969 Reeves Collection by providing a complete catalog and upgrading the artifact bags for long term storage. The recent MHT Lab work on the 1969 Reeves collection including the creation of a detailed catalog has also enhanced the collection's accessibility to researchers interested in Pre-Colonial archaeology on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. In particular, the collection of ceramics from the Reeves site is ripe for further research due to the quantity and quality of large sherds. Additional residue analyses of the visible encrustations on the ceramic sherds would also be fruitful.



*Shell tempered, fabric-impressed ceramics with geometric incised designs. These sherds are likely Townsend ceramics from the Late Woodland.*

For more information on the Reeves site, see the entry on the Maryland Archeological Synthesis Project:

<https://mht.maryland.gov/secure/Synthesis/SynthesisDetail.aspx?Class=18WC15>

## First Scouts BSA Workshop

At the end of April, Maryland Historical Trust archaeologists were assisted by ASM volunteers at their first Scouts BSA workshop. The workshop is a two-day event for scouts hoping to complete the Archaeology Merit Badge. At this first workshop day, scouts attended a lecture, presented on family heirlooms, toured the lab, and practiced their atlatl skills. The second day of the workshop will be held in early May, where scouts will put what they learned to the test by conducting survey work at Merkle Wildlife Sanctuary. Stay tuned!

## Chapter News

### Central Chapter

All meetings will be held on Zoom the third Tuesday of every second month. For more information and to be added to the Zoom list contact Katharine Fernstrom at [kwfappraising@gmail.com](mailto:kwfappraising@gmail.com)

### Charles County

Meet in person September through April at the Community Room of the LaPlata Police Department in LaPlata, MD on the third Thursday of the month. Our May meeting is our annual meeting and a potluck lunch. This year it will be Saturday May 13, and we will also have a blacksmith demonstration (at a member's house). Those planning to come will need to email [ccasm2010@gmail.com](mailto:ccasm2010@gmail.com) to get the address.

## Eastern Shore

Dates and events are on chapter's website [ASM Eastern Shore \(google.com\)](#) Facebook page Eastern Shore Maryland Archaeology and Instagram (@esmdarch). For more information, email [esarcheology@gmail.com](mailto:esarcheology@gmail.com) or [jamrkin2@washcooll.edu](mailto:jamrkin2@washcooll.edu)

## Mid-Potomac

The chapter meets the third Thursday of the month. In-person meetings begin at 7p.m. at Needwood Mansion for the business meeting followed by a presentation at 7:30. Pizza will be available before the in-person meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. for \$5 per person. Virtual meetings will be via Zoom with the business meeting also starting at 7 and the presentation at 7. For up-to-date information concerning meetings, please contact Don Housley at [donhou704@earthlink.net](mailto:donhou704@earthlink.net) or 301-424-8526 or check the chapter website: [www.asmmidpotomac.org](http://www.asmmidpotomac.org), or send an email to: [asmmidpotomac@gmail.com](mailto:asmmidpotomac@gmail.com)

**May 11:** (In-person) Ralph Buglass, chapter member and local historian, will talk on “The Chesapeake & Ohio Canal: History and Nature.” (Please note the change in date to the second Thursday of the month due to the start of the ASM Field Session.)

**Thursday, June 15:** Chapter picnic beginning at 6:00 p.m. at Needwood Mansion.

## Monocacy

Meetings are at 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday, at the C. Burr Artz Library, 110 East Patrick Street, Frederick. For more information call 301-378-0212. May 10th MAS meeting: penciled-in is Amanda Whitmore, Frederick County (Livable Frederick) Historic Preservation Planner. I have requested a standing-structure twist. Standing Structures are one of the most telling pieces of material culture from their shape, form, interior organization of space, location, and juxtaposition - are all clues that hold great relevance to (buried) archeology. Precise topic to be determined.

\*\* June 10th the chapter will need volunteers willing to spend the day at our Public Outreach table, history pavilion of the Frederick County Jubilee.  
This event will likely be in lieu of the monthly chapter meeting - Save the date!





## Northern Chesapeake

A business meeting at 7pm and is followed by the presentation at 7:30. Locations vary. Contact Dan Coates at 410- 808-2398 or [dancoates@comcast.net](mailto:dancoates@comcast.net)

## St. Mary's County

Meetings are at the Leonardtown Library in Leonard every second Tuesday night of the month at 6:30pm. For information contact Craig Lukezic at [crlukezic@gmail.com](mailto:crlukezic@gmail.com)

## Upper Patuxent

Contact Kelly Palich, at 410-313-0423.

## Western Maryland

Programs are the fourth Friday of the month, at 7:30 p.m. Unitarian Fellowship Hall, 211 S. Lee Street in Cumberland, unless noted. Contact Roy Brown, 301-724-7769. Chapter email: [wmdasm@yahoo.com](mailto:wmdasm@yahoo.com)  
Chapter website: <https://tinyurl.com/wmdasm>

Each year the Chapter sets up a display booth at Frostburg State University's Appalachian Festival. It has been an ideal venue for introducing the general public to the archaeology of our region.

In May, Chapter members will assist Dr. Stephen McBride at Ashby's Fort, another French & Indian war facility located across the Potomac River in West Virginia. We have been working with Dr. McBride over the past several years in defining the walls and bastions of the fort. This year the object of the excavations is to test the interior of the fort any possible indication of structures.

**The Archeological Society of Maryland Inc. is a statewide nonprofit organization devoted to the study and conservation of Maryland archeology.**

ASM members receive the monthly newsletter, ASM Ink, the biannual journal, MARYLAND ARCHEOLOGY, reduced admission to ASM events and a 10-percent discount on items sold by the Society.

Contact Membership Secreta Ethan Bean, 765-716-5282 or [beans32@comcast.net](mailto:beans32@comcast.net) for membership rates.

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