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"To excavate is to open a book written in the language that the centuries have spoken into the earth."

— Spyridon Marinatos

In this edition, we too break into the earth and peer at what the past has left us and what we are leaving. We have the Mayre Award Winner details, the re-cap of the ASM Annual Meeting, including the business portion, a peek into Marshy Point's latest activities, a book review, a bit of a sojourn at the Cresaps Fort site as a teaser for future archeology in Western Maryland, the first look at ESAF, and more!

Happy Native American History Month!

Check all your organizations for special events! Lost Towns has special events!

William B. Marye Award

The William B. Marye Award is to honor that person(s) who have made outstanding contributions to Maryland Archeology. The Award is named for a gentleman and widely published savant of Maryland genealogy, historical geography, ethnohistory, and archeology.

The award was presented at the ASM's Annual Meeting in Frederick on October 14th, 2023, by Maureen Kavanagh. Dr. Susan Langley was recognized as the William B. Marye Award recipient. She was not present at the meeting to receive her award but received it soon after.

She responded with the following note to ASM President Valerie L. Hall.



Dr. Susan Langley accepting the award

"I want to express to the Archaeological Society of Maryland, the William B. Marye Award selection committee, and the nominators, my profound gratitude and thanks for honoring me through this important award. I was absolutely awed when I received Maureen's email as I could never have anticipated such recognition and such a kind nomination.

I do apologize that I was not able to attend the meeting as I had a long-standing appointment to lead a kayak tour of the shipwrecks in Curtis Bay. Unfortunately, the club chose not to cancel the event, due to the inclement weather, until the last possible moment in the early afternoon.

This award holds even more significance as it came on the heels of one of those frustrating weeks that leaves one pondering whether any headway is being made at all. It is gratifying to learn that one's efforts have been noted and appreciated.

It is with a great deal of pride that I shall hang this award in my office today.

Thank you all very much, Susan

2023 Annual Meeting of the Archeological Society of Maryland, Inc.



Jeremy Lazelle welcoming members

The 2023 Annual Meeting of ASM, Inc., was hosted by the Monocacy Chapter on Saturday October 14th, 2023, at the Frederick Community College (FCC) Mosaic/Student Center. The purpose of the Annual Meeting is to conduct business including but not limited to reports from Officers, Chapter reports, ratification of Bylaw changes, and presentation of the William B. Marye Award.

Jeremy Lazelle hosted and struggled on the ASM's behalf to create a wonderful atmosphere and experience.

Business Meeting Agenda

Approve Minutes
Financial Report
Membership Report
Vote to Ratify Updated Bylaws
Grants
ESAF
President's Comments
Chapter Reports
Mayre Award

The Grand Schedule! The schedule is included to help breakdown the meeting and help navigate the order that the Ink breaks down the business meeting and the speakers' topics.





ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF MARYLAND

*The event is free for students

9AM	Opening, Registration, Refreshments	
9:30 - 10:30	ASM Annual Business meeting	
10:30 - 11	Overview of Frederick County early pre-history	Dr. Zachary Singer / Maryland Historic Trust
11 - 11:30	Preliminary Results from the 2023 ASM Annual Field Session: Chapel Branch West Site, Denton, MD	Dr. Julie Markin / Washington College
11:30 - 12	Updates to the Frederick County Historic Preservation Ordinance: Open for Public Comment.	Beau Lockard / Frederick County Government
12 - 1:30	Lunch (food trucks on site or on your own)	
1:30 - 2	Acquisitions, Updates and Frederick County's Rosenstock Site (Woodland Village)	Megan Reeve / The Archeological Conservancy (Eastern Region)
2 - 2:30	Research and updates: Smithsonian channel production and opening of the Museum of the Ironworker	Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Inc.
2:30 - 3	Frederic M. Stiner Memorial Address: Historic and Contemporary Piscataway Perspectives on Archaeology	Chairman Francis Gray / Piscataway Conoy Tribe

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ASM Treasurer's Report 2023 October 1, 2022 - October 9, 2023 ASM Budget

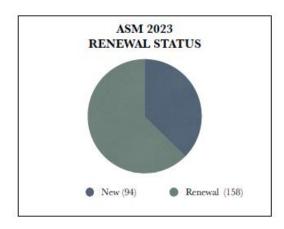
Account	Aug 2021	Sep 2022	Oct 2023
General Fund & PayPal (combined total)	\$ 47,359.50	\$ 45,749.90	\$53,144.73
Maryland Archeology Month Reserves	\$ 2,539.80	\$ 2,759.70	\$3,035.82
Analysis Fund*	\$ 1,967.69	\$ 2,549.40	\$2,974.62
CAT Fund	\$ 6,842.65	\$ 7,277.72	\$7,871.83
Dawson Fund	\$ 18,198.56	\$ 18,202.51	\$18,206.45
Total assets	\$ 74,893.89	\$ 74,305.13	\$81,868.88

Notes:

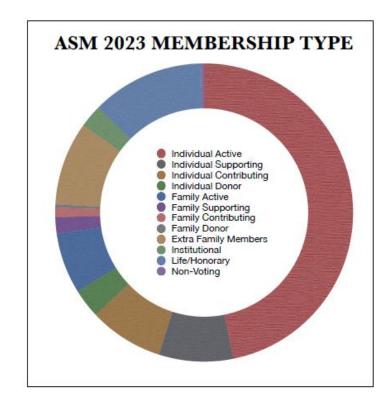
*In August 2021 and September 2022, the analysis fund was held within the general fund. We have since moved it to have its own account. For ease of comparison, the total of the analysis fund was separated out in this report.

- This report combines the general fund and PayPal for simplicity
- Maryland Archeology Month reserve dollars sit in PayPal and ASM's bank account

Income	\$	28,897.07	Expenses	\$(21,333.32)
Member Dues	\$	6,670.90	Archeology Month	\$	(3,693.88)
CAT Membership	\$	438.08	Surveys and Reports	\$(11,500.00)
Individual Donations	\$	845.72	Analysis	\$	(329.00)
Archeology Month	\$	4,929.25	Hospitality, Awards, &	۲	(2.021.45)
Meetings/ events	\$	5,570.37	Honoraria	Þ	(2,031.45)
Grants	\$	8,000.00	Insurance	\$	(1,022.00)
T-shirt and sales	\$	2,437.00	Field Session Costs	\$	(1,389.74)
Interest	\$	5.75	T-shirts	\$	(846.71)
			Maryland Sales Tax	\$	(52.50)
			Misc. (Web domain,		
Income vs expense =	\$7	7,563.75	Book for review, EIN for	\$	(468.04)
			Eastern Shore Chapter)		



Membership Type		Total	Percentage		
	Active	134	47.1%		
	Supporting	23	8.0%		
Individual	Contributing	23	8.0%		
	Donor	9	3.1%		
_	Active	19	6.6%		
Family	Supporting	5	1.7%		
ramny	Contributing	3	1.0%		
	Donor	1	0.3%		
Extra Family Members	·	26	9.1%		
Institutional	3	7	2.4%		
Life/Honorary	8	35	12.2%		
Non-Voting		1	0.3%		
Total		286	100%		



Ratification of Updated Bylaws Brief Explanation of Changes to ASM, Inc. Bylaws Amended December 3, 2022

Article II, first bullet: removes insensitive language.

Article III, Section 3. - Family - broadens definition of family to include all family units.

Article IV, Section 3. - strengthens recommendation to encourage new chapters to require members to join the Society.

Article IV, Section 5. - modernizes Academic Club privileges

Article V, Section 1. - clarifies the longstanding in-practice role of MHT staff on the Board

Article V, Section 3. - allows notification of quarterly business meetings to occur over email and clarifies details of Special Meetings of the Board of Trustees.

Article V, Section 4. - clarifies voting board members right to cast 1 vote

Article VII, Section 4. - clarification that the scheduling of Special Meetings of the Society can occur over email.

Article VIII, Section 2. - allows ballots to be returned via email, in addition to mail and in person at the Annual Meeting.

Article IX, Section 3. - updates name of Maryland Historical Trust

Article XII - Removes this section - this was for ratification of the original bylaws. Article XI provides the process for Amendments to the Bylaws.

All amendments passed by the Board of Trustees during the year shall be published in the newsletter and ratified by the majority vote of the voting membership quorum at the Annual Meeting

Grants

FY2022 MHT Non-Capital Grant (\$17,000) Barwick's Ordinary Field Session, 1732 volunteer hours

FY2023 MHT Non-Capital Grant (\$15,000) Chapel Branch Field Session, 2603 volunteer hours

2023 Preservation Maryland Heritage Fund (\$10,000) Field Session (May 2024) Ground Truthing Cresap's Fort

Analysis Fund Stephen Israel and Tom Devilbiss – Radiocarbon Dates - Bompard Site Lynne Bulhack - petrographic analysis of clay and sherds

Following the society's business meeting hour, presentations started:

Overview of Frederck County Pre-History-Dr. Zachary Singer

Dr. Zachary Singer of the Maryland Historic Trust gave an educational overview of early pre-

history local to Frederick County using projectile point analysis and explained associating known hearths with point types with radiocarbon dating. He also discussed the environment 13,000 years ago by using pollen analysis data that shows there were predominately pine and birch forests. In turn, the dominant type of tree indicates the climate that was amenable for those particular species to thrive. Dr. Singer showed the Maryland Fluted Point Survey and the Lois Brown Fluted Projectile Points in Maryland in digitized photographs and slides. In the future, he explained that there will perhaps be three types of categories for fluted points, and this will allow more dialogue between colleagues as well as cause an update to current typology.



Preliminary Results from the 2023 ASM Annual Field Session Chapel Hill Branch West Site, Denton, MD-Dr. Julie Markin

Dr. Julie Markin, of Washington College presented the preliminary results of the 2023 Tyler Bastian Field Session in Maryland Archeology held at the Chapel Branch West Site, near Denton, Maryland; a Native American occupation yielding artifacts of the Woodland period 3,000 to 1,000 years ago. During the field session 25 Shovel Test Pits (STPs) were dug. After the field school, there were a total of 97 STPs dug. There were 14 2m x 2m units excavated.

It was found that there is no plowzone. There is a single 3,000 years to present cultural layer. The stratigraphy is comprised of a river bottom of clay and gravel, a section of clay balls and gravel, and evidence of flooding. This flooding would have been possible during a 100-year flood level. A possible hearth was found filled with approximately 1,000 fish bones. Most of the bones were vertebrae. This level appears to date to the Late Woodland Period. There is an actual hearth, complete with fire cracked rock and many fish bones. Deer and other faunal remains are also present at the site. Late Woodland ceramics were found including Wolf Neck, Vinette 1, and Coulborne. Mockley ceramics were absent from the site. The site appears to be riverine and not estuarine. The site may have been a gateway for exchange or there may be other reasons discovered for the mix of ceramic types.

Barwick's Ordinary, the ASM Field Session site in 2022 had 18 2m x 2m units and 4 1m x 1m units excavated. It appears that there is a distinct tavern area that has mostly pig faunal remains. The Washington College Field School found 1 wooden plank in the tavern cellar to examine. There is also an outer building. It was a brick structure that women were perhaps present in. It might have been used for butter and laundry in later use.

Updated on the 2023 Frederick County Historic Preservation Ordinance-Beau Lockard

Beau Lockard, Archeologist/ Historic Preservation Planner with Frederick County, spoke about the just released 2023 Frederick County Historic Preservation Ordinance. The ordinance is written about in detail further into the *Ink*.

Display prepared by Katherine Duckworth

The permanent display of select Biggs Ford artifacts prepared by former FCC student Katherine Duckworth under direction of FCC's Dr. Lauren Lippiello, and local archeologist Hettie Ballweber was available to see during lunch.

Acquisitions and Updated on Frederick County's Rosenstock Site-Megan Reeve

Megan Reeve of the Archeological Conservancy's Eastern Region, spoke to the work, accomplishments, acquisitions, and Frederick's County's Rosenstock Site (18FR18), a significant late Woodland occupation under their ownership and management.

Research and Updates with Smithsonian and the Catoctin Furnace-Elizabeth Comer

Archaeologist, historian Elizabeth Comer reported on the Catoctin Furnace Historical Society's collaborative DNA research with 23 and Me Next Generation Sequencing, Harvard, the Smithsonian and iron worker descendants. The research links ancient DNA with direct descendants and has found 41,000 new relatives of 27 enslaved iron workers buried near the Maryland iron forge. For more information please visit: Catoctin Furnace Historical Society. Better yet, take a trip into the beautiful Thurmont countryside to 12610 Catoctin Furnace Rd., Thurmont, Md. 21788.

Frederic M. Stiner Memorial Address Keynote Presentation Historic and Contemporary Piscataway Perspectives on Archeology-Frances Gray

Frances Gray, Chair of The Piscataway Conoy Indian Tribe spoke of "inverting the narrative". He began with two examples of past archeological practices that grieved him. Both situations involved dehumanizing display and handling of Native American human remains. He went on to say that he sees practices, procedures and ethics changing. Native eyes, experiences and voices are being sought, challenging the colonial narrative. A new collaborative spirit is being nurtured between the archeological and Native communities. Do not use the link that the Google search provides because it has been pirated by a private person. 2017 Mini Grants are Awarded in Southern Maryland | Destination Southern Maryland (wordpress.com) You will scroll down and find it mentioned, but the link provided is broken and will be restored when corrected.

^{*}Many thanks to Lynne Bulhack for her details for the last half of the meeting.

Draft Historic Preservation Ordinance (Frederick County) Open for Public Comment

Frederick County is currently reviewing recommended edits to the Historic Preservation Ordinance, and it is open for public comment. Many of you heard Beau Lockard speak at the Annual Meeting on this very topic.

Updates include a new section, Section 1-23-11, Archaeological Resources, the "purpose is to identify, evaluate, and protect archaeological resources in Frederick County." In addition, Section 1-23-12 addresses Burial Sites. This would make archaeological review and cemetery protection part of the development review process throughout the County."

This is a big step that many other Maryland counties have not taken. I encourage each of you to take some time to review the information at the link below and to provide comments. Remember that a win in any county may make it easier for the next to move in the same direction. I am confident that Montgomery County is watching this very closely.

ASM is a voice for archeology in Maryland, this is an opportunity to make our voice heard.

https://frederickcountymd.gov/7981/Historic-Preservation

historic@frederickcountymd.gov

Beau Lockard is also available if you would like to reach out directly: clockard@frederickcountymd.gov

ASM President's Note:

Thank you to the Monocacy Chapter of the ASM for hosting the 2023 Annual Meeting at Frederick Community College. I enjoyed the entire day, I greatly enjoyed seeing many of my favorite people, learning about projects around the area, and hearing about Piscataway perspectives on archeology. The day will stay with me for a long time; it was a special one. I also want to specifically thank Stephen Israel for serving as the Eastern States Archeological Federation (ESAF) representative on the Board of Trustee and for his tireless work as Maryland co-hosted this year's ESAF Annual Meeting. He began working on this back in 2019 (or earlier) and handled the majority of the logistical elements. Thank you Stephen!

Over the last year it has been a privilege to get to know more of you better and get to work more closely with you. I am continually amazed at how incredible each of you are. I am looking forward to the next year, there is much still to be accomplished.

Valerie L. Hall

Upcoming Events

ASM Board Meeting: December 9 WebEx

Archaeology Dig Day: November 11, 9:30am-3:30pm (Smithsonian Environmental

Research Center)

Volunteer Opportunities

ASM Volunteers Needed:

Assistant Web Master: A person who would back up John Fiveash with our current WebSite. This position will likely be involved in a transition to a more easily customizable webpage. Experience with E-Commerce, database integration and Google Workspace would be helpful.

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

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 on Wednesdays and on occasional Saturdays. Contact Jim Gibb at jamesggibb@verizon.net

Charles County for Lab and Field Work welcomes volunteers. Contact Esther Read at ReadE@charlescountymd.gov For more information, contact Carol Cowherd at 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

Howard County Recs and Parks invites volunteers interested in processing collections and conducting historical research to contact Kelly Palich at <u>Kpalich@howardcountymd.gov</u> 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

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

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

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

CAT Corner

The updated CAT Program Guide has been emailed to current CAT Candidates and is available for download from the CAT webpage. Please delete the old one. For more information the CAT Committee Chair can be reached at CAT@marylandarcheology.org

CAT Candidates have been out and about working for their hours in and out of the lab! Workshop dates will be announced when available.



Suzie and Krista at Cresap's Fort. Krista is a CAT Candidate.



Tracy and Matt screening at Cresap's Fort

Marshy Point Cleanup

Happy October! I just wanted to thank everyone who was able to make it to our cleaning day on September 9th as well as those who could join us for the Fall Festival this past Saturday on September 23rd. As I was not able to make the Fall Festival, my father was filling in at the Archaeology/History table. He enjoyed meeting many of you who are now on our email chain for upcoming events. If you have any questions or want to reach out in any way, please feel free to contact me. I will keep everyone posted as to upcoming events with archaeology for Marshy Point. Looking forward to digging with you all!

Dan Dean 443-340-7013 Research Chair Marshy Point Nature Center Council







On September 9[,] at Marshy Point, we had over 36 people (a handful of people showed up in the afternoon and didn't sign in).







Book Review

LOON: Memory, Meaning, and Reality in a Northern Dene Community Henry S. Sharp, Ph.D., Anthropologist University of Nebraska Press, 2001 Lincoln, Nebraska

Barbara Israel

I read this book because it was assigned to me in a Sociology of the American Indian class at the University of Maryland Baltimore County. I enjoyed it because I am a birder and a student of human behavior. The course was presented in August 2016.

One moonlit night Dr. Sharp and two local individuals saw a loon while sitting on the bank of Foxholm Lake in the Northwest Territory, Canada. Because the meat and skin are highly prized, one of the men shot at the loon. He shot at the loon thirty-one times and missed. The loon was then considered to be brazen in showing its spiritual power. It showed itself to be an actual spirit. Dr. Sharp spent twenty-three years as a participant observer among the Chipewyan Dene. These Dene for millennia lived their lives following the caribou. Their home range was the northern barrens of Saskatchewan and the Northwest Territory in Canada. This group of Dene moved into a mission town where they settled down but still continued to follow the Caribou. The hunt takes place in the fall of every year. As part of their ethics animals in the wild are considered to be people and as such, are given total respect. The caribou were said to offer themselves to the Dene to kill for their needs. Wolves were their neighbors and the only other predators hunting the caribou. Because the Dene saw the wolves as clean, the Dene and wolves scavenged each other's kill.

The men made the kill, and the women cured the meat, made clothes, moccasins, and other necessities from the caribou hides. The women cared for the children and cooked hot meals for the men. Women and children were dependent on the men and their dogs were looked upon as work animals needing to be fed. The dogs had no status and had no souls in the Dene world. The center of the Dene culture is power and knowledge. The people and the dogs don't have power. Wild animals have power and knowledge. The medicine man has power. Men gain power by doing deeds that others admire. Women's power comes from interacting with family and inlaws. Men are straightened out by social pressure. In the Dene world, one's problems don't get aired in public, but word gets around. Reputations are decided upon when everyone in town has heard and discussed an event. A final answer is created by consensus.

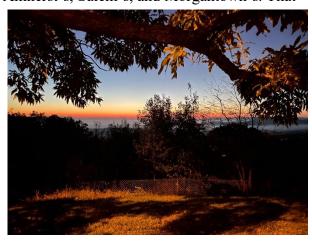
Dr. Sharp adopted the central premise of his book that reality has been socially constructed. The culture is considered to be coercive and obligatory. Time is very different from the Western World. They look at the past, present and project into the future how an event is to be played out. "Dr. Sharp creatively argued and evocatively written; his work presents a compelling picture of one people engaged in the human struggle to create meaning in their lives".

Goodminds.com/products/0803293216

Kim's Sojourn to Western Maryland: Cresap's Fort 18AG9

I was fortunate enough to participate in the Cresap's Fort Ground Truthing excavation. I went to West Virginia University and still visit several times a month. Clearly, I thought that I knew the area. I found myself commuting 3 hours both ways from Prince George's County but was on a dig at the perfect time of year. Over the course of the four days we were excavating, the leaves changed into splendor that surpassed the Massachusetts leaves I had just seen. I can vouch that at least this season, Western Maryland's foliage beat Amherst's, Salem's, and Morgantown's. That

is tough competition! The sunrise at Sidling Hill was magnificent and one just had to turn ninety degrees to see it. I am always in a rush, but I was willing to be late when I turned around on the third day and saw the sun blush. The last day we were in the field was foggy. I lamented that it would still be dark when I pulled into the rest area and overlook but I found the fog made the sunrise more dazzling. I found out that I did not know the area at all. Every moment I inhaled and felt that satisfaction of "oh, I saw/experienced that, now I can die…"



It was rapturous and when I struggled into my boots at our meetup point, I knew that I was more than an amateur, I was inexperienced. I was always greeted by Gary Grant. I rarely beat him to the site even though we could be a full forty-five minutes early. He and many others of the Western Maryland Chapter included me in their discussions and helped me to identify many artifacts I had never encountered. I have done my best to travel over Maryland and meet ASM members that don't find themselves near Laurel, Maryland often. Gary showed me the lay of the land and Suzie, a very active Western Maryland volunteer prodded me towards the current Western Maryland Chapter President Roy Brown. Roy explained that he was retiring from the position but quickly began the walk to the site. I followed him and Brent and found that if I listened and did not speak, I would learn about identifying birdsong and the history of the area. This included the lore around Cresap as well.

I was fortunate to work with many CAT Candidates and many long time ASM members. It was an honor to speak to volunteers that had been excavating for decades. It was humbling to realize how much I do not know both about archeology and Maryland in general. We excavated together and I learned new techniques to identify flakes and glass and even how to shovel and backfill. These skills will be invaluable.



Sheila posing with the first point she found.

I must give credit to MHT archeologists Dr. Mattew McKnight, Dr. Zachary Singer, Stephanie Soder, and even Troy Nowak for putting up with both my overenthusiasm and my many, many questions. I learned and relearned by observing and listening to conversations. I admit to telling people to be quiet so that I can eavesdrop. I have more than perfect hearing and I find that knowing what is being said about the unit I am digging is much more valuable than identifying a flake placed in my palm when any archeologist is hypothesizing. It also makes me a bit of a showoff when I repeat the conversation to anyone that was not listening. Not sorry.

I would be screening or trying to level the unit. My shovel never seemed to do anything but make another location I had to even out. Roy would come around, looking so proud that his volunteers were there, and that the dig was even happening. I was not working in his unit, so I saw him mostly with his camera, smiling contentedly. I realized that I shared his sentiment and that my face must look a bit like his but sweatier.



Kim screening

On the last day, on our walk back, I was told how to write this sojourn. I think that is the best



Roy!!!

gift. Roy answered my questions, glancing back at me both proud and a tad hesitant. He is retiring from his second tenure as President. A decade and more has gone by since he took over and Brent smiled and equated it to a hostage situation. Roy had not asked for a rescue yet. Roy just chuckled and nodded. He did not need rescued from archeology just the presidency.

With a wink or two—I'm told that we saw many scenic views together as we walked to the parking lot. Indeed, I did. There

were many long-time friendships and a true interest in history. I was given the list (too many to name) of sites worked on and archeologists and professors worked with. I admit that everyone in the Western Chapter was happy that work was being done there and they certainly welcomed me. I laughed when the dig was ending and there was a "you're that Kim!" I had thought I'd told everyone about the *Ink* but I don't think I ever said "I'm THAT Kim."

I want to thank Roy, Brent, Gary, John, Suzanne, Francis "aka Champ", Krista, Gemma, Ruth, Greg, Meredith, Sheila, Matthew, Tracy, and of course, the entire MHT team. I was able to see the trees at the perfect time, inspiring sunrises, and anytime I get to learn something new about dirt or minerals—I have a good time. My current obsession is white chert. It may be heat altered or it may be a natural product of the landscape. When I find out (as close to definitively as it gets), I'll give you Kim's fun fact of the day.

I think we should have a round of applause wherever we are for Roy and thank him for his service and passion. It was clear that he will continue to participate, and I will not forget his smile.



Volunteers at Cresap's Fort Excavation

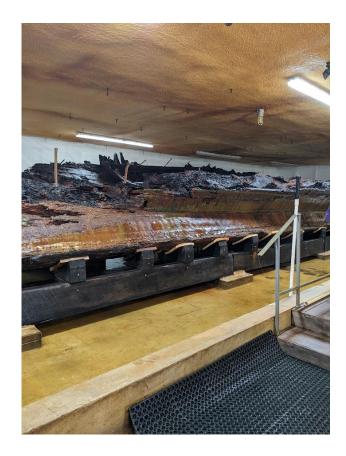
Eastern States Archeological Federation (ESAF)

Eastern States Archaeological Federation's 90^{th} Annual Meeting in Ocean City, Maryland, October 26-29, 2023

This is a teaser!

Thursday's field trip was to the Nanticoke Indian Museum. The photos, courtesy of Tracy Hayman, are of the remains of the DeBaark that sunk off the coast of Lewes Delaware.





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

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. Email ccasm2010@gmail.com for more information.

November 11, 9:30am-3:30pm (Smithsonian Environmental Research Center) <u>Environmental Archaeology Dig Day | Smithsonian Environmental Research Center (si.edu)</u>

November 16: Julia King, St Mary's College of Maryland

Eastern Shore

Dates and events are on chapter's website <u>ASM Eastern Shore (google.com)</u> Facebook page Eastern Shore Maryland Archaeology and Instagram (@esmdarch). For more information, email <u>esarcheology@gmail.com</u> or <u>jamrkin2@washcooll.edu</u>

Mid-Potomac

The chapter meets the third Thursday of the month from September through June. Inperson meetings begin at 7pm. 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 6:30pm for \$5 per person. If virtual meetings are necessary, they will be via Webex with the business meeting also starting at 7 p.m. and the presentation at 7:30. For up-to-date information concerning meetings, please contact Don Housley at donnourout-dearthlink.net or 301-424-8526 or check the chapter website: www.asmmidpotomac.org, or send an email to: asmmidpotomac@gmail.com

November 16, 2023: (in-person) Frank Sanford, chapter member, will speak on *The Search for the Jones Mill Site*.

Monocacy

For information contact: monocacyarcheology@gmail.com (mailbox monitored intermittently) or call Jeremy Lazelle at 301-471-8433.

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

Western Maryland

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

There will be no Chapter meetings in November and December due to the holidays. The January 27, 2024, Chapter meeting will be our annual SHOW & TELL gathering and the election of new officers.

Kim's Note:

If you have photos of digs, ESAF, other places of interest, please let me know. The same is true of experiences and books that you want others to know about. If you need help writing an article up, please contact me and we will do

it together. I look forward to hearing from everyone and please, please send suggestions about what you want to see and read about! See you in the dirt!



Kim on Halloween at the ASM Crownsville Lab

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