

North Fork Chapter 29

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North Fork Chapter 29

*Meets at 7 pm on the 3rd
Friday of each month
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and August
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**The Chapter Newsletter
is published in
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Chapter Notes and News

Welcome to the new year and our new lineup of programs and chapter activities.

Hopefully this year is a little drier and we can complete plans for some local field trips, work on the petroglyph sites, and possibly open a new excavation. More details will be available at the chapter meetings.

It's not too early to be planning for the 13th Annual Artifact show. With our additional marketing this year, we are hoping to double the attendance and attract more families with kids. Talk to your friends now who have collections, knap or like the atlatl, and have them join us as part of a great annual event. Stay tuned for more updates closer to the show.

We will be working this fall to assist the JCHC with a make-over of the archaeology section in the Living on the Land gallery with plans to reopen it in February 2020.

Both Dave Sorg and Chuck Williams have been nominated to the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology Board of Directors.

The June SPA bus trip looks like a great one and if you have never been on an SPA field trip - start making plans now to join a fun group and get behind the scenes to see and hear about some fascinating archaeology.

Due to a lack of chapters hosting the annual SPA meeting, a committee has been formed so the organization can be the host and make arrangements etc for the future. Several meeting locations will probably be utilized with the Dubois location we used last year being one. Nice and close for our members.

We are always looking for programs at the chapter meeting. Please let Ken know if you can do one or know of anyone we can invite. Historical interest topics are always welcome along with archaeology, paleontology or geology. The group doesn't bite or throw things, so don't be afraid to share your interest.

Don't forget your 2019 North Fork Chapter 29 Dues
Dues Support fees for non-chapter speakers and meeting room rental
Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology Dues
Pennsylvaniaarchaeology.com

2019 Chapter Meetings and Regional Events Schedule

Chapter Meeting
January 18, 7:00 pm
Show and Tell

Chapter Meeting
Friday, February 15, 7:00 pm
Dr. Joe Harmon
Holocaust History

Saturday, March 9
Military Collectables Show
Jefferson County Fairgrounds

Chapter Meeting
Friday, March 15, 7:00 pm
Dr. Susan Prezzanno
Clarion University's Archaeological Explorations of Western PA

SPA Annual Meeting - April 5 - 7
Park Inn in Uniontown
Hosted by - Mon-Yough Chapter 3

Chapter Meeting
Friday, April 29, 7:00 pm
John Sites
Homo erectus to Us

Chapter Meeting
Friday, May 17, 7:00 pm
Ken Burkett
Over the Hump

No Meeting June and July

Saturday, Aug. 3,
French Creek Artifact Show
St. Phillip Catholic Church Hall
401 S. Linesville, PA

Saturday, August 31
Antique Rifles and Indian
Artifact Show

Chapter Meeting Abstracts

Show and Tell

This meeting will be a 'Show and Tell' gathering where all are welcomed and encouraged to bring any items related to the field of archaeology, particularly as they might relate to our local area, but certainly not restricted to that. We encourage individuals to bring in artifacts, both prehistoric and historic, to display and talk informally about their own collections and to see other's collections and interests. The displays could include metal detector items as well.

Holocaust History

In July of 2018, Dr. Joe Harmon was one of 20 U.S. teachers invited to take part in a Holocaust history tour through Poland. The program was conducted by Yad Vashem of Israel. During the six-day journey, Dr. Harmon spent time in Warsaw, Lodz, and Krakow. He was able to visit the former sites of the Jewish ghettos in each city. He visited the site of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising and toured the Nazi extermination camps, mass graves of Jewish victims, and other Holocaust related sites. The tour concluded with a tour of Auschwitz concentration and extermination camps.

Homo erectus to Us

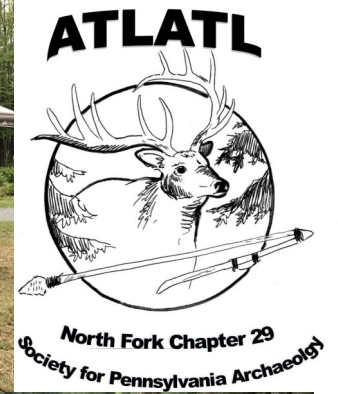
This program focuses on Early Man starting with how climate change has affected man from the beginning. It includes some discussion on evolution which Darwin had some concerns about and centers on the development of Homo erectus to Neanderthal to modern man. John will also bring examples of tools made as early as 1.7 million years ago to modern tools (Ice Age period).

Clarion University's Archaeological Explorations of Western Pa

Starting in 1997, the anthropology program at Clarion University of Pennsylvania began a summer program of archaeological field schools. These field excavations, primarily in partnership with the Heritage program of the Allegheny National Forest (ANF), has multiple purposes. They train students in archaeological field and laboratory techniques, help the ANF to assess their cultural resources, serve as outreach to residents interested in the past of their communities, partner college students as mentors to participating high school students, and help to recover the past. Recently, the mission of the archaeological program has expanded to include the creation of digital archives of the archaeological records at Clarion. This talk will highlight some of the important discoveries of the Clarion University anthropology program.

Over the Hump : Portages and Pathways into Western PA

This program will review both geographical and artifact evidence relating to extensive prehistoric inter-regional travel and trade between the Susquehanna and Allegheny River basins by utilizing the east to west flowing tributaries of central western Pennsylvania.



The Chapter atlatl throw at last fall's Elk Expo was a major hit. Over the two day weekend, hundreds of attendees both big and small, wanted to try to bring down a mastodon. Thanks to everyone who worked non-stop all weekend.

We were immediately asked by the Expo event committee to bring back the event next year and hopefully we can expand the corner with some sales, flint-knapping and possibly a re-enactor. Please mark your calendars now for the weekend and make plans to come and help foster archaeology.

5TH ANNUAL MILITARY COLLECTIBLES SHOW

SATURDAY
MARCH 9, 2019
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

JEFFERSON COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS
RT. 28, 1/4 MILE NORTH OF
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BENEFITS THE JEFFERSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Military Collectibles Show

Join the Jefferson County History Center for their 4th annual Military Collectibles Show! It will be held on Saturday, March 9th, 9 am - 4 pm at the Jefferson County Fair Grounds. This indoor event of vendors and exhibitors features two buildings of military collectibles including weapons, uniforms, insignia medals, photographs, books and other items dating from the Civil War to the present.

The event will also feature door prizes and a drawing for a replica 1911 Springfield pistol. Admission is only \$7 for adults and free for children 16 and under. Food concession all day. Vendor Tables are still available. For more information, contact the Jefferson County History Center at (814) 849-0077 or visit their website at jchconline.org.

Stones N' Bones Exhibit

In case you missed the grand opening this new 3 gallery exhibit focuses on the Geology, Paleontology and Ice Age of Jefferson County and surrounding region. It will be open until December 2020.

Visitors to the geology gallery can explore local rocks and minerals and a rock lab provides hands on samples that can be used to discover their various properties. Younger visitors can don a lighted hard-hat and explore the coal mine or dress as a caveman or geologist explorer and take a snapshot at the selfie station.



The Paleontology gallery hosts a full size Dimetrodon skeleton, an Allosaurus skull and a large selection of plant and animal fossils from Pennsylvania's Permian, Carboniferous and Devonian periods. Of special note are a selection of fossils from the Red Hill site in North Bend, PA which record the time when sharks developed teeth and tetrapods first began leaving the water for land.

Our center piece of the Ice Age Gallery is a Woolly Mammoth skull with tusks. It is accompanied by a number of other now extinct species from Pennsylvania's past when early Paleo-Indian hunters first entered this region 14,000 years ago.



In the NEWS

Texas A&M University researchers have recently announced the discovery of what are believed to be the oldest weapons ever found in North America: ancient spear points that are 15,500 years old.



"There is no doubt these weapons were used for hunting game in the area at that time," said Michael Waters a professor with Texas A&M. "The discovery of numerous projectiles at the Debrah L Friedkin site north of Austin, Texas is significant because almost all pre-Clovis sites have stone tools, but spear points have yet to be found. These points were found under a layer containing Clovis and Folsom projectile points.





**90th Annual Meeting
Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology
April 5-7, 2019**

“Unveiling the Past: Current Contributions to Pennsylvania Archaeology”.

Hosted by the Mon-Yough Chapter 3 of the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology

Location: Park Inn, 700 W Main St, Uniontown, PA 15401

Accommodations: Identify yourself as being with the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology. Single and double room rate is \$79.00 plus tax. ****PLEASE NOTE** This rate is in effect only until March 8, 2019.** Make your reservations directly with the hotel at (724) 437-2816 for this discounted rate.

Program Chair: John Nass, Jr. (724) 437-4424, nass81@atlanticbb.net

Deadline for titles/abstracts is Friday, March 22nd.

Student Poster Session Chair: Tom Glover: tomnglover@comcast.net

Local Arrangements: Phil Shandorf (724) 724 963-3084 busterfire007@gmail.com

Book/Exhibit Room Chair: Donald Rados (724) 267-4806 don_rados@hotmail.com

Saturday Banquet: The banquet speaker will be Dr. Brian Redmond, Cleveland Museum of Natural History. **Topic Title:** *What Happened to the Whittlesey? and Other Tales of Northern Ohio Prehistory*

Auction: Items for the auction should be brought to the bookroom for display. We are asking that each chapter consider providing a special auction item to help support the Erb Permanent Fund.

Friday Afternoon PAC Symposium at 1:30 pm: *Bigger is Not Always Better: the value of small, open-air and rockshelter sites for regional subsistence and settlement interpretation.*

SPA Board of Directors Meeting: Friday evening at 6:00 pm. **Hospitality Room:** 800 PM -1200 AM.

Registration Form:

Name _____ Phone: _____

Email address _____ Chapter/Institution: _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Registration: \$30.00 x _____ Student Registration: @\$20.00 x _____

After 3/22/19 \$35.00 x _____

Dinner Buffet: \$34.00 x _____ dinners Vegetarian dinners x _____

Total Enclosed _____

**Registration is available via PayPal at <http://pennsylvaniaarchaeology.com>,
or by check payable to: Mon-Yough Chapter 3 and mailed to:
Carl Maurer, SPA 45 Acheson Ave., Washington, PA 15301**



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR JUNE 13-16th

John Nass and Sarah Neusius are at work planning the annual SPA field trip. This year we plan to visit a number of museums in Washington DC, Maryland, and Virginia. The trip will start Thursday night June 13 when we will rendezvous at a hotel in Hagerstown, MD. From there we plan to head south by bus on Friday morning. Friday through Sunday we plan to visit exhibits, labs, and collections at the National Museum of the American Indian, which curates and exhibits extensive collections of Native American artifacts, the National Museum of Natural History, where the Anthropology Department conducts archaeologically relevant research globally, the Alexandria Archaeology Museum, which interprets the extensive archaeological research conducted by the city of Alexandria, and the Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum, which includes the Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory. More details on the itinerary and costs will be available by early February through chapters and on the website. We hope you plan to join us.

Eastern States Archeological Federation

86th Annual Meeting

October 31-November 3, 2019

Sponsored by the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology

The annual meeting will take place at the Sheraton Bucks County Hotel, 400 Oxford Valley Rd., Langhorne, PA. Phone: 215-269-3408. Identify yourself as attending the conference for a room rate of \$109. **Online registration will begin summer 2019.**

ESAF Call for Papers

Individuals are invited to submit abstracts for papers, posters, and workshops on any topic related to archaeology in the Eastern United States to be presented at the 85th Annual Eastern States Archaeological Federation (ESAF).

Thematic sessions, prehistoric and historic archaeology, northeastern US, and lithic sourcing, are especially welcomed. Students are encouraged to submit papers for the Student Paper Prize (see website for special instructions).

Guidelines:

1. Presenter(s) must be individual members of ESAF for 2019
2. Registration fees and membership dues for ALL presenters are due by September 1, 2019. Membership dues and conference registration may be paid by mail or via PayPal at www.esaf-archeology.org.
3. An individual can be the primary author on only one paper or poster but may be a co-author on other papers or posters. Workshop participants may also present papers.

Submission Information:

The deadline for the paper or poster title, abstract, and fees is August 1, 2019.

In addition to the title and abstract (150 words or fewer), provide name, affiliation, address, phone, and email address for each presenter.

Please include audio-visual requirements. Thematic session chairs should identify participants. Abstracts may be submitted to the Program Chair attached to an e-mail in .doc format.

ESAF Arrangements - Kurt Carr, kcarr@pa.gov

Send Session and Paper Proposals to: ESAF Program Chair Timothy Abel, tabel@twcny.rr.com

Updated information: esaf-archeology.org/annual-meeting.html

Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology Clothing Order Form

Wearables Order Form :

Style	Quantity	Price	Shipping Total
Men's T-shirt	_____	\$ 15.00	\$3.50 _____
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CALL FOR PAPERS

Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology 2019 Annual Meeting

The 90th Annual Meeting will be hosted by the Mon-Yough Chapter 3 at the Park Inn in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, April 5-7.

Call for Papers

The theme of the 90th annual meeting will be "Unveiling the Past: Current Contributions to Pennsylvania Archaeology".

There will be three open sessions, Saturday morning, Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. Students are encouraged and welcome to present. Papers are accepted on a first come first served basis. There will also be a Student Poster Session this year on Saturday, April 6.

Anyone wishing to participate should send abstracts of 150 words or less for papers to the Program Chair no later than Friday, March 22. Students wishing to present posters should email their title and abstract to Thomas Glover, Education Committee Chair, tomnglover@comcast.net, no later than Friday, March 22. Students please send a copy of your student identification card when you submit your abstracts for posters and paper. All presenters must be current members of the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology.

Program Chair: John Nass, Jr., 7500 National Pike, Uniontown, PA 15401
Phone: (724-437-4424); email: nass81@atlanticbb.net

The North Fork Chapter 29 is a recognized 501(c)3 organization formed in 2006. The chapter is a member organization of the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology which was organized in 1929 to: Promote the study of the prehistoric and historic archaeological resources of Pennsylvania and neighboring states; Encourage scientific research and discourage exploration which is unscientific or irresponsible in intent or practice; Promote the conservation of archaeological sites, artifacts, and information; Encourage the establishment and maintenance of sources of archaeological information such as museums, societies, and educational programs; Promote the dissemination of archaeological knowledge by means of publications and forums; Foster the exchange of information between the professional and the avocational archaeologists.

Application for 2017 - North Fork Chapter 29 Membership

Name: _____ Date: _____

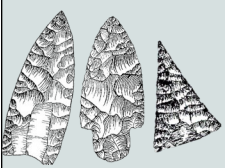
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone No. _____ Email address: _____

Are You a member of the SPA ? Yes _____ NO _____ DUES: Individual: \$10.00 _____ Family: \$12.00 _____
Student: \$6.00 _____ Life: \$100.00 _____

Mail to Cheryl Burkett
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Fairmount City, PA 16224

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