

SUFFOLK COUNTY ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

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S.C.A.A. Annual Membership Meeting

Thursday, June 5

7:30 PM - Business Meeting

8:30 PM - Film and Panel of Archaeologists

All Welcome!

Northport Historical Society Museum
Main Street, Northport (opp. Firehouse)

S.C.A.A. Activities: The Board has been moving in many directions in past months, and we welcome the participation of members in any area you choose to work. Particularly, we ask that you contact your county legislator and let him know of your concern for prehistoric and historic site preservation.

Agencies which have been contacted by S.C.A.A. are all appropriate agencies of county government, the State Commissioner and Counsel of Environmental Conservation, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Federal and State Departments of Transportation, Brookhaven Town Supervisor and Planning Board Chairman, the County Council on Environmental Quality, and the various historical, preservation, and environmental groups in the County. Contact has been made, but it will take a sustained effort by all of us to educate county and state government to its responsibilities in this area. A long-overdue effort is now being made on behalf of wetlands, farmlands, and park lands before it is too late -- and now archaeological sites should be protected also.

Some action has occurred: County Executive Klein says he supports our concerns for preservation and for a county natural history museum; two County Parks Department officials attended the L.I. Archaeology course at SUNY, Stony Brook; Ed Johanneman is now a Summer employee of the Parks Dept. working at the newly-acquired Montauk park land site of the last of the Montauk Indians, the old site of Easthampton Village, and other irreplaceable segments of L.I. history. Let Parks Commissioner John Chester know of your support for increased archaeological activity by his department. The ideal situation would be a Parks Department supported on-going excavation for college kids, high school, and junior high school kids, as well as interested adults.

S.C.A.A. has also written proposals for photographic equipment to better record excavations, materials, projects, etc., and for a BOCES II State Education Dept. Minigrant to develop a prototype Museum-in-a-Box on L.I. Indians/Archaeology. S.C.A.A. brochures have been mailed to members by several historical societies, and displayed by many societies and museums.

Contact has been made with the N.Y. Archaeological Council, and we hope to have Executive Director Thomas King, stationed at the U. of Buffalo, down for a conference this year.

Want to 'Dig'?

Local:

Ron Wyatt, Garvies Point Museum, Glen Cove; location in central Suffolk; no cost; 5 days/wk., fewer days may be worked; contact Ron for application form and interview.

Ed Johannemann (727-3527) may be conducting a dig in the Montauk area this Summer for the County Parks Dept. Contact him for details.

Sherene Baugher, Anthropology Dept., Wagner College, Staten Island, N.Y. is conducting an historical dig at Richmondtown Restoration on Staten Island starting May 26 for 6 weeks. Fee for college credit.

National:

Listing of U.S. digs by S.A.A.: Dr. Richard Adams, 4242 Piedras Dr. E, Suite 250, U. of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, Tex. 78228 (free).

Northeastern Arch. Research Foundation - Housatonic Valley Field School; credit through own college; contact Philip Salkin, Dept. of Anth., U. of Wisconsin, 1180 Observatory Dr., Madison, Wis. 53706.

Smithsonian Institution - River Basin Surveys, 1835 P St., Lincoln, Nebraska.

Upper Ohio Valley Arch. Survey - Dr. Don Drago, Curator, Section of Man, Carnegie Museum, Pittsburg, Pa.

National Park Service - Archaeological Salvage Program, Washington, D.C. 20242.

Archaeol. Inst. of America, 260 W. Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10013 - 1975 Fieldwork Opportunities Bulletin (U.S. and abroad) - \$1.00

Archaeology in Illinois - Mississippian Villages and Burial Mounds -- Robert Shelton, Miss. Valley Archaeol. Research Foundation, 2216 W. 112th St., Chicago, Ill. 60643

Flowerdew Hundred - 17th-19th century Colonial sites - National Park Service, College of William and Mary, Southside Historic Sites, Inc. -- L.B. Gregory, Spring Grove, Va. (804-866-3197)

Camping trip to Midwest burial mound sites (low cost); excavation experience at mound site; for details contact Prof. John Strong, Southampton College (283-4000).

Underwater Archaeology Field School - L.I.'s first, based at the wreck of the "Culloden" in Easthampton waters; lecture by Prof. Niki Stavrolakes of U. of Mass. Dept. of Classics and Director of the Aegean Institute; field work supervised by Dr. Henry Moeller of Dowling College and Montauk Ocean Sciences Lab. Scuba certification required; call Moeller at 283-1527 or 668-5800.

International:

Calendar of Excavations, Council for British Archaeology, 4 St. Andrew's Place, Regents Park, London NW1 4LB, England - \$1.00

Calendar of Excavations in Britain - B. Wailes, Dept. of Anth., U. of Pennsylvania, Univ. Museum, 33rd & Spruce Sts., Philadelphia, Pa. 19104 - 40¢.

Archaeology Abroad Service, 31-34 Gordon Square, London WC1H 0PY, England - \$2.40 for excavations in countries other than Britain.

Five Roman Sites in London - short-term volunteers welcome, Brian Hopley, Guildhall Museum, 55 Basinghall St., London EC1.

Israel: Ministry of Education and Culture, Dept. of Antiquities and Museums, P.O.B. 586, Jerusalem, Israel (free list).

Archaeol. excavation at Tel Dan, Israel - volunteers needed; two sessions, 2 cry session; Dean Paul Steinberg, Hebrew Union College, 40 W. 68th St., N.Y., N.Y.

York (Eng.) Archaeol. Trust - David Patmore, 20 Stonegate, York, England. Credit through U. of Pennsylvania and Michigan.

British Archaeology, excavation and seminar Merton College, Oxford -- Assn. for Cultural Exchange, 539 W. 112th St., New York, N.Y. 10025.

Encounters In Thinking: A Compendium of Curricula for Process Education is published by the Creative Education Foundation, 1300 Elmwood Ave., Buffalo, N.Y. 14222. Process education is defined as "those adaptive behaviors which underlie all creative activity and which the learner engages in to acquire, organize, and utilize information and experience for effective problem solving and productive living."

Two anthropologically-oriented curricula thought to have potential in process education were listed, (1) Man: A Course of Study, developed by Jerome Bruner, Peter Dow, Asen Balikci, Irven DeVore and other scholars and distributed by Curriculum Development Associates, 1211 Connecticut Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20036, and (2) MATCH Project (Materials and Activities for Teachers and Children), developed by Frederick Kresse of the Boston Children's Museum and its staff on The City, A House of Ancient Greece, and Japanese Family, and distributed by American Science and Engineering, 20 Overland St., Boston, Mass. 02215.

We would like to hear from any teachers or schools who have used either of these new approaches to social studies and anthropology. Please call 878-4070.

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A new twist to the usual archaeological recording techniques -- cassette recorders instead of field log and cameras to supplement the usual stratigraphic profiles and mapping -- was tested by Jim Shea, Ben Werner, Jr. and Mickey Cusano last Spring in Setauket, searching for the lost village of "South Setauket" at a site destined for the bulldozer. Jim received a grant from the Regional Documentation and Exhibition Workshops sponsored by the N.Y. State Historical Assn., funded by the N.Y. State Council on the Arts in part. All participants were taught the oral and visual techniques prior to the beginning of the historic-era dig. Over 200 volunteers responded to the request for diggers, and about 35 were chosen for the training.

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"Social Studies Notes" is a brief introduction to Oral Field Research ... A Guide to Techniques prepared by the Education Dept., N.Y. State Historical Assn., Cooperstown, N.Y. for its Educational Materials and Services Program. A demonstration tape illustrates the techniques of collecting oral history outlined in the "Notes". Basic references used were:

A Guide for Field Workers in Folklore, Folklore Assoc., Hatboro, Pa., 1964, \$3 paper, from NYSHA -- by Kenneth Goldstein
Visual Anthropology: Photography as a Research Method, John Collier, \$2 paper, from NYSHA

Other useful references might be:

Creative History, Walter Nugent, \$4 from NYSHA
Local History - How to Gather It, Write It, and Publish It, Donald Parker, \$1 from NYSHA
Teaching History with Community Resources, Clifford Lord, \$2.50 from NYSHA.

Digs (cont'd.)

- Aegean Institute Summer Program, Poros, Greece - Underwater archaeology, Greek drama, language, ceramics -- Prof. Niki Stavrolakes, Dept. of Classics, U. of Mass., Amherst, Mass. 01002.
- Tours of Scandinavian Archaeol. Sites, June-Aug., Office of Acad. Liaison, Sec. AE, 640 Cathcart St., Suite 307, Montreal, Que, Can. H3B 1M3.
- Field Work and Courses in Italy and Tunisia (Carthage) - Prof. A. Lengyel, N. Kentucky State College, Highland Heights, Ky. 41076.
- Field Work in Archaeol., St. Mary's U., Halifax, N.S., Canada B3H 3C3, attn: John Battye.
- Bock U. Archaeol. Practicum with the National Museum of Cypress on Cypress -- Prof. Noel Robertson, Chairman, Dept. of Classics, Bock U., St. Catharines, Ont., Can.

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Action Vacations:

- Educational Vacations, James Frelse, Gale Research, \$5 paper.
- Adventure Trip Guide, Adventure Guides Inc., 36 E. 57th St., New York, N.Y. 10022.
- World Traveler's Almanac, Rand McNally, \$6.95, 1974.
- "Adirondack Canoe Routes" and "Canoe Trips", FREE from N.Y. State Conservation Dept., State Campus, Albany, N.Y. 12226.
- Connecticut River Guide, \$4.50 from Conn. River Watershed Council, 125 Combs Rd., Easthampton, Mass. 01027.
- Exploring the Little Rivers of New Jersey, J. and M. Cawley, Rutgers U. Press, 30 College Ave., New Brunswick, N.J. 08903. \$2.95.
- Expedition Center, 1314 N.E. 45th, Seattle, Wash. 98105. (Africa, India)
- Education Expeditions International, 68 Leonard St., Belmont, Mass. 02178 (archaeology, paleontology, astronomy, geology, ethnography, etc. trips).
- Worldtrek, 136 E. 57th St., New York, N.Y. 10022.
- Mountain Travel, Inc., 1398 Solano Ave., Albany, Cal. 94706.
- Tag-A-Long Tours, P.O. Box 1206, Moab, Utah 84532 (water tours)
- Farm, Ranch & Countryside Guide, Farm and Ranch Vacations, 36 E. 57th St., New York, N.Y. 10022. \$3.50.
- Seminars on American Culture, June 29-July 5; July 6-July 12, Cooperstown, N.Y. 13326. N.Y. State Historical Assn.'s seminars (oral history, historic archaeology, literature, science, arts, etc. of the Revolution) and craft workshops (quilting, blacksmithing, pewter casting, stenciling, gravestone recording, rug hooking, etc.) plus lunch, \$85/week.

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Books About Long Island -- published by the L.I. Forum, Box 215, W. Islip, N.Y.:

- The Evolution of Long Island (geology), Gabriel.
- Indian Life on Long Island, Overton
- Documents and Letters Intended to Illustrate Revolutionary Incidents in Queens County (incl. Nassau), Onderdonk, 1846
- Revolutionary Incidents of Suffolk and Kings Counties, Onderdonk, 1849
- Howell's Early History of Southampton, Howell, 1887
- The Geography of Long Island, Coles (LP record)
- Ship Ashore (Maritime disasters off L.I.), Rattray
- Suffolk County, McDermott
- An Indian Tale of Old Long Island (juvenile, about L.I. Indian children), Lowey
- Treading Clams (folklore, verse), Bailey
- Early Long Island (Indians, whalers, folklore, rhymes), Bailey

Guide to Historic Preservation, Historical Agencies, and Museum Practices: A Selective Bibliography, Rath and O'Connell. \$12.50 from NYSHA.

Primer for Preservation: A Handbook for Historical Housekeeping. A compilation of articles from Antiques and New York History magazines. \$1.25 from NYSHA.

The Management of Small History Museums, Carl Guthe. \$1.25 from NYSHA.

Architectural Surveys, James Massey. 12-page bibliography on methods for conducting, recording, and publicizing surveys. \$1.00 from NYSHA.

Recording Historic Buildings, Harley McKee for the Historic American Buildings Survey. \$3.50 from NYSHA.

American Architecture, Edmund Gillons - 742 line cuts of structures from 1839 to early 20th century; all major periods and styles are included \$7 from NYSHA.

American Architecture Since 1780, Marcus Whiffen, 200 photos. \$8 from NYSHA.

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Northeastern Historical Archaeology, bulletin of the Council on Northeastern Historical Archaeology; twice yearly, \$5/yr; G. Haggerty, 12 Coolidge Ave., Glens Falls, N.Y. 12801.

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Colonial Williamsburg Occasional Papers in Archaeology, Vol. I - Five Artifact Studies (shoe buckles, bayonets, window glass, horseshoes in 18th century context), 1974, \$7.95.

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FREE Slide Program from Suffolk County Parks Dept. Call 567-1700 for application blank for slide shows for all age groups, from ½ hour to 1½ hours in length, on topics from hunting to secrets and wonders of nature, to edible and poisonous plants, to Suffolk ecology, etc.

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Archaeology in the 70's - Mitigating the Impact, a Symposium at the 38th Annual Meeting, Society for American Archaeol., in The Missouri Archaeologist, Vol. 35, Nos. 1-2, Jan-June 1973, \$1.50 from the Missouri Archaeol Society, P.O. Box 958, U. of Missouri, Columbia, Mo. 65201. Particularly useful are the sections "Approaches to Environmental Impact Statements" by M.P. Otto and "Current Problems in Northeastern Archaeology" by Marian White of SUNY, Buffalo.

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Archaeological Information and Training in the U.S. and Canada -- \$2.50 from the Archaeol. Institute of America, 260 W. Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10013.

Resources for Archaeology: Journals in the field currently available at the SUNY, Stony Brook Library to the general public as well as students: American Antiquity (S.A.A. journal); American Journal of Archaeology; Archaeologia; Archaeology; The Archaeological Journal; Archaeology Newsletter; Archaeology Reports; The Archaeological Yearbook; Archaeometry; Art and Archaeology; Archaeological Society of New Jersey Bulletin; Archaeological Society of Virginia Bulletin; Pennsylvania Archaeology; Journal of Northeastern Archaeology; World Archaeology. Subscriptions for those journals not available are being requested by the Anthropology Department.

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Bibliographies on Indians/Archaeology: "A Bibliography of the Iroquoian Literature", by Paul Weinman, Bull. No. 411, N.Y. State Museum and Science Service, Dec. 1969 contains extensive listings on Northeastern, Iroquoian, and Algonkian researches. "Books About Indians" is a brochure containing hundreds of books felt to be the best in print on the American Indian. It sells for \$1.00 from the Museum of the American Indian, Broadway at 155th St., New York, N.Y. 10032.

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Membership in the Museum of the American Indian (Heye Foundation) brings the quarterly "Indian Notes", discounts on publications and Museum Shop purchases, invitations to previews, free use of tape walking tours, advisory service on specimens. Fees are \$10 for students, \$15 regular, \$25 family, and up, and may be sent to the museum at Broadway and 155th St., New York, N.Y. 10032.

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Archaeological Publications: FREE: MASCA Newsletter, Applied Science Center for Archaeology, The University Museum, U. of Pennsylvania, 33rd & Spruce Sts., Philadelphia, Pa. 19174. \$2/year: Newsletter of Computer Archaeology, Dept. of Anthropology, Arizona State U., Tempe, Ariz. 85281.

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Latest Books on Archaeology:

Archaeological Researches in Retrospect, Gordon R. Willey, Winthrop Publishers, 1974. A unique approach to the problem of where archaeology as a discipline has been and where it is going. Willey organizes the reflections of 10 outstanding New and Old World archaeologists on one of their research problems of the past, the original motivations, the strategies employed, how results were perceived at the time, and how he would now do things differently with hindsight and the changes in archaeology.

A History of American Archaeology, Gordon Willey and Jeremy Sabloff, Freeman, 1974. The first book-length history of American archaeology by professional archaeologists, it is an intellectual history with an emphasis on concepts and a delineation of the four periods of American archaeology, the state of current archaeology and its development, profusely illustrated, with extensive bibliography.