



Minnesota Archaeology Week Calendar of Events

September 12 - 20, 2015



ANOKA COUNTY

Coon Rapids

Dirt, Debitage and Sherds - Volunteer Archaeology, Stories from the Field

Dr. Lisa Becker of Anoka- Ramsey Community College and Robert Suchanek will discuss the opportunities for participating in volunteer archeology including their own field experiences while doing volunteer work.

Date: **Tuesday, September 15**, 7 pm
 Sponsor: Anoka-Ramsey Department of Anthropology
 Location: Anoka-Ramsey Community College, 11200 Mississippi Blvd. NW, Business & Nursing Building, Room 208
 Contact: Dr. Lis Becker at 763-433-1376 or lisa.becker@anokaramsey.edu
 Note: The event is free and open to the public

Linwood

Archaeology at Linwood Family Fun Day

Join archaeologist Jeremy Nienow and members of the Anoka County Historical Society staff as they explain the archaeology of the area with displays and activities.

Date: **Saturday, September 12**, 10 am - 2 pm
 Sponsor: Anoka County Historical Society
 Location: Senior Center/Town Hall at 22817 Typo Creek Dr. NE
 Contact: Vickie Wendel at Vickie@anokacountyhistory.org
 Note: The event is free and open to the public.



CLAY COUNTY

Glyndon

Hiking Tour of the Buffalo River Science Center Archaeology

Come and explore the Buffalo River Science Center. Archaeologists from Minnesota State University Moorhead (MSUM) will be available to introduce the public to the varied archeological resources within the Regional Science Center grounds.

Date: **Sunday, September 20**, 10 am - 12 pm
 Sponsor: MSUM Buffalo River Regional Science Center
 Location: MSUM Buffalo River Regional Science Center, adjacent to Buffalo River State Park
 Contact: George Holley at 701-212-7771 or holley@mnstate.edu
 Note: The event is free and open to the public



CLEARWATER COUNTY

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Archaeology in Clearwater County

Local historians and archaeologists Mark and Tamara Edevold will give an overview of the prehistoric and historic sites that have been studied in Clearwater County.

Date: **Sunday, September 20**, 1 pm
 Sponsor: Clearwater County Historical Society
 Location: Clearwater County History Center on Hwy. 2
 Contact: Tamara Edevold at 218-785-2000 or tedevold@me.com
 Note: The event is free and open to the public



COTTONWOOD COUNTY

Jeffers

Evening Tour of the Petroglyphs

Take off your shoes and explore the rockface at the site for newly discovered petroglyphs that until recently had been covered by lichen. Tom Sanders, site manager, will lead the tour.

Date: **Saturday, September 12**, 5 - 7 pm
 Sponsor: Jeffers Petroglyphs Historic Site
 Location: Jeffers Petroglyphs Historic Site is three miles east of U.S. Hwy. 71 on Cottonwood County Road 10, then one mile south on County Road 2
 Contact: Tom Sanders at 507-628-5591 or thomas.sanders@mnhs.org
 Note: The event is free and open to the public but there is an admission fee to enter the site.



FARIBAULT COUNTY

Winnebago

Minnesota Archaeology Week Museum Open House - 2015

The Winnebago Area Museum will celebrate Minnesota Archaeology Week by hosting an open house on Tuesday. This is your opportunity to learn more about Faribault County history and see archaeological displays about the past cultures of the County.

Date: **Tuesday, September 15**, 9 am - 2 pm
 Sponsor: Winnebago Area Museum
 Location: Winnebago Area Museum, 16 South Main Street
 Contact: Museum staff at 507-893-4660 or wmuseum@bevcomm.net
 Note: The event is free and open to the public but donations are appreciated. Refreshments will be served.



HENNEPIN COUNTY

Fort Snelling State Park

Minnesota Archaeology Fair

The 12th annual Minnesota Archaeology Fair will be a two-day event which will include a variety of poster and artifact displays, demonstrations and activities illustrating and explaining the archaeology of Minnesota. There will be artifact identification, an atlatl toss and demonstrations of pottery-making and flintknapping.

Date: **Saturday, September 12**, 10 am - 5 pm and
Sunday, September 13, 11 am - 4 pm
Sponsor: Minnesota Historical Society and the
Minnesota Archaeological Society
Location: Thomas C. Savage Visitor Center, Fort
Snelling State Park
Contact: Patricia Emerson at
patricia.emerson@mnhs.org or 612-725-2410
Note: The event is free and open to the public but a
Minnesota State Park permit (annual pass or
day pass) is needed to enter the State Park.

Maritime Heritage Minnesota: 1,000 Years of Minnesota's Maritime History and Nautical Archaeology

Maritime Heritage Minnesota (MHM) celebrates its 10th year of documenting, preserving, and conserving Minnesota's maritime history and nautical archaeology - ask questions of the only underwater archaeologists in Minnesota, enjoy our large visual exhibit, and watch videos of wrecks and other underwater sites in MHM's theater.

Date: **Saturday, September 12**, 10 am - 5 pm and
Sunday, September 13 11 am - 4 pm
Sponsor: Maritime Heritage Minnesota
Location: Thomas C. Savage Visitor Center, Fort
Snelling State Park
Contact: Ann Merriman at 651-261-2265 or
mhm@maritimeheritagemn.org
Note: The event is free and open to the public but a
Minnesota State Park permit (annual pass or
day pass) is needed to enter the State Park.

2015 Elden Johnson Distinguished Lecture

Historic Fort Snelling

From Pots to Rocks: 40 Years of Plains Archaeology

Craig M. Johnson, archaeologist at the Minnesota Department of Transportation, will present a pictorial-based program of his 40 years of experience doing Great Plains archaeology beginning with the 1971 excavations at the Big Slough site in Murray County, Minnesota and culminating with Plains Village archaeology along the Missouri River in North Dakota.

Date: **Friday, September 18**, 7 pm
Sponsor: Council for Minnesota Archaeology
Location: Historic Fort Snelling Visitor Center, 200 Tower
Avenue
Contact: Craig M. Johnson at 651-366-3614 or
craig.johnson@state.mn.us
Note: The event is free and open to the public and a
post-lecture discussion with refreshments will
follow.



MORRISON COUNTY

Camp Ripley

Archaeology Day at Camp Ripley

The Camp Ripley Cultural Resources program will be hosting an archaeology day event in conjunction with the Camp Ripley Open House. There will be exhibits on local archaeology as well as demonstrations of flint knapping and other skills.

Date: **Sunday, September 20**, 10 am to 2 pm
Sponsor: MNARNG Environmental Office
Location: 1500 Highway 115, near the Camp Ripley
Museum
Contact: Patrick Neumann at 320-616-2719 or
patrick.t.neumann2.nfg@mail.mil
Note: The event is free and open to the public



STEARNS COUNTY

St. Cloud

Archaeology ID

Have you found an arrowhead, piece of pottery or a bone in your backyard or field? Bring your finds to the museum and archaeologists will do their best to identify what you have. Limited to up to 2 pieces per individual.

Date: **Sunday, September 20**, noon to 3 pm
Sponsor: Stearns History Museum in collaboration with
St. Cloud State University Cultural Resources
Management program.
Location: Stearns History Museum, 235 - 33rd Ave. S.
Contact: Nicole Bach at 320-253-8424 or
nbach@stearns-museum.org
Note: There is a \$7 admission fee for the museum.
Stearns History Museum members get free
admission.



WINONA COUNTY

Whitewater State Park

Whitewater Valley Archaeology Festival

Learn about the amazing history of the Whitewater Valley. A variety of inter-active programs for all ages will introduce visitors to the human history of this scenic and historic valley.

Date: **Saturday, September 12**, 10 am to 4 pm
Sponsor: MnDNR Whitewater State Park
Location: Whitewater State Park
Contact: Sara Holger at 507-932-3007 extension 226 or sara.holger@state.mn.us
Note: The event is free and open to the public but a Minnesota State Park permit (annual pass or day pass) is needed to enter the State Park.



YELLOW MEDICINE COUNTY

Granite Falls

YMCHS Museum Annual Meeting and Tour of Yellow Medicine County Bison Kill Site

Visit the Yellow Medicine County Historical Society (YMCHS) Museum where some of the oldest rock in North American can be found. Then take part in a tour of the Yellow Medicine County Bison Kill site with Jan Peterson as speaker.

Date: **Saturday, September 19**, 10:30 am to 1 pm
Sponsor: Yellow Medicine County Historical Society
Location: YMCHS Museum, 98 Highway 67E
Contact: Teather Lacy at 320-564-4479 or ymchs@co.ym.mn.gov
Note: The event is free and open to the public.

Wood Lake Battle Field

Wood Lake Battlefield Archaeology Open Field Day

Informal field presentations will show how battlefield archaeology, using systematic archaeological techniques and forensic analysis, can inform our understanding of the Wood Lake Battle. Speakers will include, Dr. Douglas Scott, Sigird Arnott and Scott Brosowske. There will also be stations at the site providing information about this particular battle and its place in history.

Date: **Saturday, September 12**, 1 to 5 pm
Sponsor: Wood Lake Battlefield Preservation Association
Location: Wood Lake Battlefield Memorial Park, from Granite Falls Take Highway 67 east (past the Upper Sioux State Park and Yellow Medicine River) to Rock Valle Lutheran Church. Turn west (right) on County Road 18. The Monument is on the left about ½ mile from the church.
Contact: Sigrid Arnott at 612-229-3815 or sigridarnott@gmail.com
Note: The event is free and open to the public. In case of rain meet at the Upper Sioux Agency State Park Interpretive Center.



BEFORE & AFTER ARCHAEOLOGY WEEK



MILLE LACS COUNTY

Mille Lacs Kathio State Park

Archaeology Day

Experience demonstrations of flint knapping, canoe making and primitive bow making. Displays include artifacts, books and archaeology projects of the Minnesota Historical Society, St. Cloud State University, Office of the State Archaeologist, U.S. Forest Service, Maritime Heritage Minnesota, and the National Park Service. Try spear throwing, archery and kids activities. See an archaeological dig in progress of a house burned in the 1600s. Voyageur canoe tours will offer views and discussion of the Ogechie Lake wild rice heritage.

Date: **Saturday, September 26**, 10 am - 4 pm
Sponsor: Minnesota State Parks & Trails, the Minnesota Archaeological Society and St. Cloud State University
Location: Mille Lacs Kathio State Park
Contact: Park Staff at 320-532-3523 or 320-532-3269
Note: The event is free and open to the public but a Minnesota State Park permit (annual pass or day pass) is needed to enter the State Park.



SCOTT COUNTY

Shakopee

Artifact Identification at the Scott County Historical Society

This event will allow members of the public to bring in prehistoric and historic objects to be identified by a qualified archaeologist. Objects will be identified to the best ability of the archaeologist. No value of objects will be given. It will be requested that objects identified may be photographed and locations of recovery identified on topographic or county maps. Information on the loan and donation processes for interested public members will be provided.

Date: **Saturday, September 26**, 1 to 3 pm
Sponsor: Scott County Historical Society
Location: Stans Museum, 235 Fuller Street South
Contact: Stephanie Herrick at sherrick@scottcountyhistory.org
Note: The event is free and open to the public.

