Kat Hayes has been an assistant professor in the department of Anthropology at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities since 2008. She did her graduate work in Anthropology at the University of California Berkeley, focusing on colonial period interactions between Native Americans and enslaved Africans at a site in New York. She worked as a project archaeologist for an academic CRM unit in Massachusetts for a number of years. Since arriving in Minnesota, she has sought to initiate a local field program on colonial and later period sites, with the twin goals of providing accessible field and lab research opportunities to undergraduates, and fostering community-engaged programs of research and scholarship.

On April 23 she will present the background, research goals, and first season’s findings from the Little Round Hill site in Wadena County, Minnesota. Documented in the William Warren volume on Ojibway history as a late 18th century fur-trade winter encampment, the site purportedly was used as a single-season base camp shared by French independent traders, and Ojibway hunter/trappers and their families. The location was noted to be within contested hunting territory, and subject to a Dakota attack during its occupation. A prior survey by Doug Birk in 1992 suggested good potential for further site recovery. In order to more fully investigate the possible “borderlands” fur-trade site, a University of Minnesota field school completed more site testing, and began open excavations of several possible dwelling locations.
The Lithic Material Workshop, held Feb. 19 and 20 at Historic Fort Snelling, was well attended with over 100 people signing in over the two days. Participants came from across the states of Minnesota, Iowa, and Wisconsin. Attendees were able to view eight displays set up by various state, federal, and private entities. The talks were stimulating and informative. The Minnesota Historical Society’s lithic comparative collection was out on display and the lithic exchange participants filled the available space. Flintknapper and MAS President Rod Johnson was on hand to answer people’s questions about this traditional skill. The sponsors and host would like to thank everyone who attended and helped make this such a successful event. The Iowa Office of the State Archaeologist has offered to host a similar event in 2012, so watch for additional information in the future.

Upcoming Flintknapping Demonstrations by Rod Johnson

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The 2009 Minnesota Archaeologist (Vol. 67) will be coming out this summer. In a special issue, Editor Kent Bakken has collaborated with Duluth archaeologists Sue and Stephen Mulholland to collect an extensive cross-section of northland regional research, including reports from the recent lithic workshop discoveries at Knife Lake in Northern Minnesota, data on Lake Superior shipwrecks and discoveries in Alaska. The preliminary Table of Contents at the right describes a wide arc in the prehistory and history of our area.

Is your membership current? The label says it all. On-line? Check with Anna at anmorrow@q.com or 612 922 7006. Standard: $25.00 Household: $30.00 Senior: $15.00

Sustaining Members will receive the official Minnesota Archaeology Society coffee mug; Benefactors will be seated as honored guests at the yearly Annual Meeting.
Join us once again this year for the Annual Dinner Meeting of the Minnesota Archaeological Society. As in past years, we will be meeting in Sorin Hall on the campus of Hamline University. Cost of attendance is $18 per person, which should be sent with the reservation form below to

Anna Morrow
Minnesota Archaeological Society
Fort Snelling History Center
St. Paul MN 55111

This year is also an election year so that the meeting will include a vote on candidates for the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The current Board will forward candidates as it has in the past, but we encourage all members to nominate and would be happy to include additional names in each category. The slate as of this time is to be presented at the meeting for election will be: Rod Johnson for President, Pat Emerson for Vice President, and Paul Mielke for Treasurer. No one has yet agreed to stand for Secretary. If you would like to nominate someone who has spent time on the Board now or in the past, please indicate your selection on your registration form or by contacting current Secretary Deb Pommer, pomme001@umn.edu.

Finally, our speaker for the evening will be Professor Kit Hayes of the University of Minnesota. Dr. Hayes will be explaining preliminary results from the Little Round Hill site in Wadena County, Minnesota. Please see the feature article on the front page of this newsletter for more information.

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MENU
Roast Pork Loin w/raspberry glaze.
Wild rice
Spring mixed salad with sun-dried tomato dressing.
Grilled squash and zucchini
Cut fresh fruit and Lemon cheese cake
Rolls with butter.

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Please reserve _____ places for the MAS Annual Dinner and Lecture 2010

Name(s):_______________________________________________________________

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I enclose $18.00 per person payable to MAS

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Minnesota Archaeological Society, Fort Snelling History Center, St. Paul MN 55111
The Archaeological Institute of America, Minnesota Society presents Dr. Donny George, former Director General of the Iraq Museum, on "The Discovery of the Nimrud Treasures," at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, April 10, Pillsbury Auditorium, Minneapolis Institute of Arts. Dr. George will also present "The Looting of the Iraq Museum" at 6:00 p.m., Friday, April 9, room 126 of the John Roach Center for the Arts, 2115 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, at the University of St. Thomas and will be preceded by a reception.
Hennepin County

Bloomington

An Archaeological Understanding of the Pond Dakota Mission Site (21HE0244)

Steven Blondo, of Blondo Consulting, LLC, will give a brief presentation followed by a site tour focusing on 25 years of archaeological investigations and the future of the site.

Date: Sunday, May 16, 2 - 4 pm
Sponsor: City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation
Location: Pond Dakota Mission Park, 401 East 104th Street
Contact: Mark Morrison at 952-563-8693
Note: A $2 donation is suggested for this event.

Fort Snelling State Park

Minnesota Archaeology Fair

The 6th 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. On Saturday only, there will be canoe rides, artifact identification, an artifact-sorting activity for kids, an after-lunch demonstrations of pottery-making and flintknapping.

Date: Saturday, May 8, 10 am - 5 pm and Sunday, May 9, 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

Maritime Heritage Minnesota staff will be presenting information about their current and future projects. There will be a hands-on activity learning how to do archaeological documentation on two model shipwrecks and a display about Nautical Archaeology and the Maritime History of Minnesota all part of the MN Archaeology Fair.

Date: Saturday, May 8, 10 am - 5 pm and Sunday, May 9, 11 am - 4 pm
Sponsor: Maritime Heritage Minnesota
Location: Thomas C. Savage Visitor Center, Fort Snelling State Park
Contact: Ann Memman at cryptboutmoi@aol.com or 651-489-0759
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.

Nicole County

St. Peter

Feisty Fungi and Shackleton’s Antarctic Cabins

Dr. Robert Blanchette has traveled all over the world, including Antarctica, to preserve wood structures and artifacts. He will speak of his worldwide travels and experiences.

Date: Saturday, May 8, 2 pm
Sponsor: Nicollet County Historical Society
Location: Treaty Site History Center, 169 Highway 22, at the north edge of St. Peter
Contact: Ben Leonard at 507-934-2160
Note: There is a fee for the event.

Olmsted County

Rochester

Ancient Olmsted Exhibition - Open House

Come and visit the Ancient Olmsted Exhibition at our history center. The centerpiece is the Schumann Cache, an early Paleo tool set that is regionally and nationally significant. Our interpretation includes descriptions of the earliest pioneers of Minnesota, the First Peoples, and the later settlers of our shared home.

Date: Friday, May 7, 7 pm
Sponsor: History Center of Olmsted County
Location: 1105 West Circle Drive SW
Contact: Tom Garcia, curator of collections, 507-282-9447
Note: The event is free and open to the public.

Dr. E. Leigh Syms
Associate Curator of Archaeology
The Manitoba Museum
Friday, May 7, 7 pm
Room 2-215, Carlson School of Management, UMN
University of Minnesota West Bank Campus
Southwest State University Library in Marshall Minnesota has been forced to cancel their decades old membership to MAS because of budget constraints and will therefore no longer have The Minnesota Archaeologist journal available for their students. Are there any alumni out there who would like to pick up that membership (Institutional = $40) so that Southwest can continue to have the full record of archaeological events in Minnesota? Would anyone consider donating their own journal after they have read it? If either scenario appeals to you, please contact MAS membership coordinator Anna Morrow, anmorrow@q.com or 612 922 7006.
Volunteer Opportunities

MAS members who would like to put in some hands-on time have several opportunities. To get more information about these current projects, please contact the individuals listed.

**Archaeology Lab Night**: Every Thursday evening, volunteers gather at the MHS Archaeology Lab, located at Fort Snelling History Center, to process and analyze artifacts excavated from archaeological sites around the state. No specific time commitment is required; you can tailor your participation to your schedule. For more information, please contact Volunteer Services at the Minnesota Historical Society: **651-297-2605** or volunteerservices@mnhs.org.

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