

# Minnesota Archaeological Society

## NEWSLETTER SPRING 2010



April

### **2010 Elden Johnson Lecturer E. Leigh Syms Kicks Off Archaeology Week Friday, May 7, at UMN Carlson Center**

The Council for Minnesota Archaeology, in conjunction with the University of Minnesota Anthropology Department and the Minnesota Archaeological Society proudly present invited Elden Johnson Distinguished Lecturer Dr. E. Leigh Syms, Associate Curator of Archaeology at the Manitoba Museum, who will speak on *Dramatic Developments among Ancient Pre-Fur Trade Plains and Woodland Peoples and Their Domesticated Food Consumption*. For a complete list of Archaeology Week events, see pages 4-7 of the newsletter.

### **2010 MAS Annual Meeting Speaker**

*Kat Hayes, University of Minnesota*

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.

# Lithic Materials Workshop

Friday February 19 and

Saturday February 20, 2010

Fort Snelling History Center, St. Paul, Minnesota

*Hosted/Sponsored by  
Archaeology Department of the  
Minnesota Historical Society (MHS)  
Minnesota Archaeological Society  
and Minnesota Office of the  
State Archaeologist (OSA)*

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

24-Apr-10	Sat	Screaming Chicken Knapp-in	Spring Valley WI	
2-May-10	Sun	Bloomington, MN	Pond-Dakota Mission Park	Bloomington P&R
8-May-10	Sat	Archaeology Fair	Richfield	Ft. Snelling MN Historical Society
9-May-10	Sun	Archaeology Fair	Richfield	Ft. Snelling MN Historical Society
15-May-10	Sun	The Amazing Rock	Moose Lake	Depot Museum Moose Lake Area HS
3-Jun-10	Sat	Trail Day	Red Wing	Welsh Station Goodhue County P&R
26-Jun-10	Sat	Pine City Knapp-in	NWC Fur Post, Pine City, MN	
7-Jul-10	Sat	Trail Day	Red Wing	Welsh Station Goodhue County P&R
4-Aug-10	Sat	Trail Day	Red Wing	Welsh Station Goodhue County P&R
18-Sep-10	Sat	Bloomington Heritage Days	Bloomington, MN	Bloomington HS
25-Sep-10	Sat	Archaeology Day	Onamia	Kathio St. Park MN State Park System

# 2009 Journal News

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](mailto:anmorrow@q.com) or 612 922 7006.  
 Standard: \$25.00  
 Household: \$30.00  
 Senior: \$15.00

**The Minnesota Archaeologist 2009**  
 Memoriam: Chuck Revak  
*David H. Peterson* .....

Not Just for Canada Anymore: Recent Discoveries of Knife Lake Siltstone Quarries and Workshop Sites on Knife Lake in the Superior National Forest, Lake County, Minnesota  
*William J. Clayton and Heather M. Hoffman* .....

Knife Lake Siltstone from Northern Minnesota  
*Dan Wendt and Anthony D. Romano* .....

Experimental Application of Hammer and Bar Flint Knapping to Knife Lake Siltstone from Northern Minnesota  
*Dan Wendt and Anthony D. Romano* .....

A Proposed Revised Lithic Nomenclature for Northeastern Minnesota  
*Brian N. Klawiter and Stephen L. Mulholland* .....

The Lithic Resources of Northeastern Minnesota  
*Stephen L. Mulholland and Brian N. Klawiter* .....

The Alton #7 Site (FS # 09-09-07-273), Superior National Forest, Cook County, Minnesota: Assessing the Effects of Anthroturbation on an Initial Woodland Site in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness  
*Lee R. Johnson* .....

Copper Types of Northeastern Minnesota  
*Mary Pulford* .....

Ancient Copper Crosses Borders: The Old Copper Culture Migrates out of Minnesota into Northwestern Ontario  
*Oliver Anttila* .....

A Study of the Manufacture of Copper Spearheads in the Old Copper Complex  
*Giovanna Fregni* .....

Ceramic Types of Northeastern Minnesota  
*Jennifer R. Hamilton* .....

Thunder in the Wilderness: The Trade Guns of Northern Minnesota, 1675-1876  
*Larry Luukkonen* .....

The Fur Trade Axe: A Preliminary Report of Iron Trade Axes Found in Northern Minnesota and Northwestern Ontario  
*David Peterson* .....

Minnesota's Lake Superior Shipwrecks: Recent Listings on the National Register of Historic Places  
*David Mather* .....

Research Report: Silver Fur Trade Artifacts from Northeastern Minnesota  
*Chuck Revak* .....

Minnesota Connections: Hamline University in Aniakchak Bay, Alaska  
*Brian Hoffman* .....

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*Sustaining Members will receive the official Minnesota Archaeology Society coffee mug; Benefactors will be seated as honored guests at the yearly Annual Meeting.*

## MAS 2010 Annual Meeting, Friday, April 23

### *MENU*

*Roast Pork Loin w/raspberry glaze.*

*Wild rice*

*Spring mixed salad with sun-dried  
tomato dressing.*

*Grilled squash and zucchini*

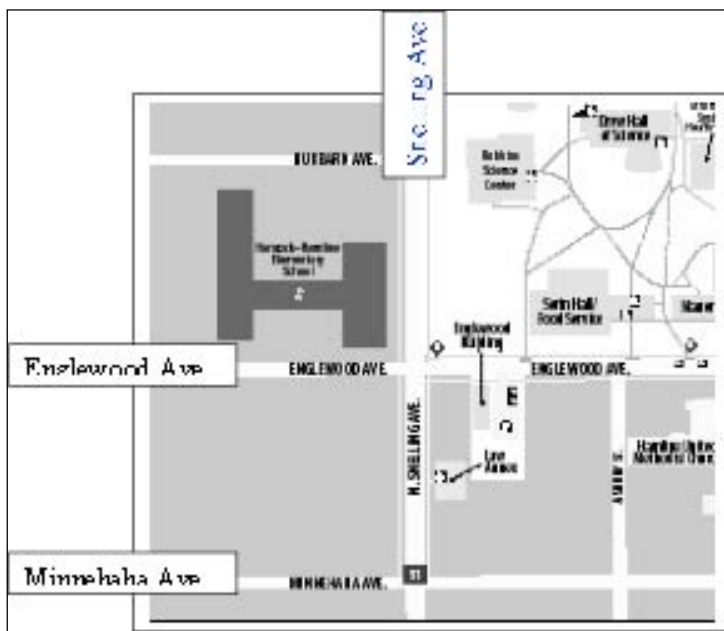
*Cut fresh fruit and Lemon cheese cake*

*Rolls with butter.*

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](mailto: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.

### Minnesota Archaeological Society Annual Meeting

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ places for the MAS Annual Dinner and Lecture 2010

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Minnesota Archaeology Week Calendar of Events

May 8 - 16, 2010



## BLUE EARTH COUNTY

Mankato

### Examining the Blue Earth County Historical Society's Archaeological Collection

Shelley Harrison will give you a hands on look at the Society's archaeological collection by handling, examining, comparing and discussing the museum's artifacts. Come on in and have a closer look.

Date: **Tuesday, May 11, 6 pm**  
Sponsor: Blue Earth County Historical Society  
Location: Blue Earth County Historical Society Heritage Center Museum, 415 Cherry Street  
Contact: Shelley Harrison at 507-345-5566  
Note: The event is free and open to the public.



## CARLTON COUNTY

Cloquet

### Carlton County Historical Society Open House to Celebrate Archaeology Week.

The Carlton County Historical Society will host a special open house to celebrate Minnesota Archaeology Week highlighting our facility and collections with free refreshments. Around noon the Duluth Archaeology Center will give a presentation on regional archaeology.

Date: **Wednesday, May 12, 11 am to 1 pm**  
Sponsor: Carlton County Historical Society  
Location: Carlton County Historical Society, 406 Cloquet  
Contact: Anne Dugan at 218-879-1938  
Note: The event is free and open to the public.

Moose Lake

### The Amazing Rock - The How-To of Stone Tools

Rodney Johnson, flintknapper and President of the Minnesota Archaeological Society, will be demonstrating the art of stone tool manufacturing. A brief presentation on archaeology will also be given around 1pm.

Date: **Saturday, May 15, 10 am to 4pm**  
Sponsor: Moose Lake Area Historical Society  
Location: The Fires of 1918 Depot Museum, 900 Folz Blvd.  
Contact: Natalie Frohrip at 218-485-4234  
Note: The event is free and open to the public.



## COTTONWOOD COUNTY

Jeffers

### Archaeology Discovery Day

Visitors can "Become Archaeologists" for the day by taking part in the process of projectile point identification at 2 pm, and a simulated dig at 3 pm. Chuck Broste, who is on staff at the site, will give flintknapping demonstrations between 1 and 5 pm.

Date: **Saturday, May 8, 1 - 5 pm**  
Sponsor: Minnesota Historical Society  
Location: Jeffers Petroglyphs Historic Site, three miles east of U.S. Hwy. 71 on Cottonwood County Road 10, then one mile south on County Road 2  
Contact: Pam Jensen at 507-628-5591  
Note: There is an admission fee to the site, the events are free.

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**Archaeology Roadshow: Identifying Artifacts Turned by the Plow**  
Participants are encouraged to bring items found on the farm that were turned by the plow, the hoe or the pocket gopher for archaeologist Thomas Sanders, to view and discuss. No monetary values will be given.

Date: **Thursday, May 13, 7 pm**  
Sponsor: Cottonwood County Historical Society  
Location: Cottonwood County Historical Society, 812 Fourth Avenue  
Contact: Linda Fransen at 507-831-1134  
Note: The event is free and open to the public.



## FARIBAULT COUNTY

Winnebago

**Minnesota Archaeology Week Museum Open House - 2010**  
An open house will be held at the new museum location at 16 South Main. This is your opportunity to see the archaeology displays in their new space.

Date: **Tuesday, May 11, 9 am - 12 pm**  
Sponsor: Winnebago Area Museum  
Location: Winnebago Area Museum, 16 Main Street  
Contact: Museum staff at 507-893-4660  
Note: The event is free and open to the public.



## GOODHUE COUNTY

Red Wing

### Beyond Mississippian: Recent Advances in Red Wing Archaeological Research

Dr. Ronald Schirmer, Professor at Minnesota State University Mankato, will discuss newly developing ideas about the pre- and post-Mississippian cultures in the Red Wing area, including relationships between Red Wing and points north on the Mississippi and St. Croix Rivers. New radiocarbon data on the Barrton village, and possibly other village sites will be presented. Information about this summers field school will also be available.

Date: **Thursday, May 13, 7 pm**  
Sponsor: The Anderson Center for Interdisciplinary Studies  
Location: The Anderson Center upstairs gallery, just west of Red Wing, on Highway 61  
Contact: Dr. Ronald Schirmer at 507-389-6612  
Note: The event is free and open to the public.

## Ken (K.C.A.) Dawson Archaeologist

It is with great regret that the Society notes the passing of member Ken (K.C.A.) Dawson of Thunder Bay, Canada, husband to Mary Jean Robinson, who passed away July 24, 2009. As an archaeologist, he knew the importance of the ongoing search for historic and prehistoric information and its relevance to the present and the future. He kept up his library and continued to write until a month before he passed away. The Canadian Archaeological Association met in Thunder Bay early in 2009 and an entire session was named in his honor. Several of his publications, including the *Prehistory of Northern Ontario*, are presently going into reprint. Excellent tributes to his life and legacy, including a list of his publications, can be found at the websites of the Ontario Archaeological Society, the Canadian Archaeological Association, and Lakehead University.

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 104<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup> 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 atlatl toss and 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](mailto: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 Merriman at [egyptboatmod@aim.com](mailto:egyptboatmod@aim.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.

### Minneapolis

#### 2010 Elden Johnson Distinguished Lecture

Leigh Syms, Associate Curator of Archaeology at The Manitoba Museum, will present an overview of Canadian plains component ceramics and then a discussion of the First Nations cultivation of corn, pushing back the dates of its earliest use.

Date: **Friday, May 7, 7 pm**  
Sponsor: Council for Minnesota Archaeology, University of Minnesota Anthropology Department and the Minnesota Archaeological Society  
Location: Carlson Building (tentative), University of Minnesota  
Note: The event is free and open to the public. There will be a public reception prior to the event beginning at 6:30 pm with refreshments. The information about the exact location of the event was preliminary as the calendar went to press. Check out the OSA web site for the Minnesota Archaeology Week Calendar of Events for a final location before attending the event.



## McLEOD COUNTY

### Hutchinson

#### Spotlight on the Collection: Native American Arrowheads

Come and visit our museum and explore the collection of arrowheads and stone tools found locally in McLeod County. If you've found something yourself, bring it along and share it with us. The display will be up the entire month of May with a special program on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

Date: **Entire month of May**, during regular museum hours, with a special program **Saturday May 15, 2 - 3 pm**  
Sponsor: McLeod County Historical Museum  
Location: McLeod County Museum, 380 School Road. NW  
Contact: Lori Pickell-Stangel at 320-587-2109 or [asa@hutchtel.net](mailto:asa@hutchtel.net)  
Note: Free and open to the public.



## NICOLLET 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, Highway 169 and Highway 22, at the north edge of St. Peter  
Ben Leonard at 507-934-2160  
Contact: There is a fee for the event.  
Note:



## 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: **Saturday, May 8, 10 am to 5 pm**  
Sponsor: History Center of Olmsted County  
Location: History Center of Olmsted County, 1195 West Circle Drive SW  
Contact: Tom Garcia, curator of collections, 507-282-9447  
Note: The event is free and open to the public.



## ST. LOUIS COUNTY

### Duluth

#### The Old Copper Industry: The Origins of Prehistoric Metal Technology in Eastern North America

Dr. Thomas Pleger will present an overview of subsistence, social organization and trade of the Old Copper Industry in the Great Lakes Archaic, particularly the use of the nearly pure copper in the region for metal fabrication technologies.

Date: **Saturday, May 8, 1pm**  
Sponsor: UMD Anthropology and Northern Lakes Archaeological Society  
Location: Room 120, Solon Campus Center, UMD  
Contact: Susan Mulholland at 218-624-5489  
Note: The event is free and open to the public.



## SCOTT COUNTY

### Shakopee

#### How Archaeology Supports Historical Interpretation

Richard A. Williams, Program Coordinator for The Landing, will explain how archaeology is a useful tool in supporting site interpretation at sites like The Landing. Mr. Williams will provide examples showing how archaeology has affected our view of the past.

Date: **Saturday, May 15, 2 pm**  
Sponsor: The Landing, Three Rivers Park District  
Location: The Landing, 2187 Highway 101 East  
Contact: Richard A. Williams at 763-694-7786  
Note: The event is limited to 25, you may pre-register by contacting Richard or chance it by just stopping in at the west gate to the Murphy Inn Ruins prior to the program. There is a fee for the event.



## WISCONSIN

### Superior

#### The Civilian Conservation Corps in Minnesota: A Legacy of Hard Work and a Good Deal

Barbara Sommer will discuss the New Deal-era Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) in Minnesota and its continuing legacy today with photographs of CCC camps, enrollees, and work programs.

Date: **Monday, May 10, 7 pm**  
Sponsor: Northern Lakes Archaeological Society  
Location: Superior Public Library, 1530 Tower Avenue  
Contact: Susan Mulholland at 218-624-5489  
Note: The event is free and open to the public.

#### Fur Trade Axes of Madeline Island: 250 Years of History

David H. Peterson and Larry Furo will give a presentation on the

**Dr. E. Leigh Syms**  
**Associate Curator of Archaeology**  
**The Manitoba Museum**  
**Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 7pm**  
**Room 2-215, Carlson School of Management, UMN**  
**University of Minnesota West Bank Campus**

history of the fur trade on Madeline Island as represented by different styles of axes: French, British, and American examples will be shown. They are also interested in seeing older, metal axes you may have found or inherited.

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## BEFORE & AFTER ARCHAEOLOGY WEEK



### DAKOTA COUNTY

#### Hastings

##### Archaeology Day Camp at the LeDuc Historic Estate

Learn about archaeology and pioneer life in Hastings while helping the Dakota County Historical Society uncover the fascinating history of the LeDuc family. Spend two days working side-by-side with archaeologists and assist with a real excavation project. Archaeology campers will learn about artifact identification, stratigraphy, documentation, and how to set up an excavation square.

Date: **Thursday, July 8 and Friday, May 9, 8 am to 2:30 pm**  
Sponsor: Dakota County Historical Society  
Location: LeDuc Historic Estate, 1629 Vermillion Street  
Contact: Chad Roberts at [chad.roberts@co.dakota.mn.us](mailto:chad.roberts@co.dakota.mn.us) or 651-552-7548  
Note: The camp is for ages 13-18 and there is a fee for the camp



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### KANDIYOHI COUNTY

#### Spicer

##### Kandiyohi County Archaeology Day

Kandiyohi County Archaeology Day is being celebrated in conjunction with the Kandiyohi County Earth Day event. There will be displays of artifacts, demonstrations of how some of the artifacts were used and flintknapper Joel Osmund will be on hand to demonstrate his skills.

Date: **Saturday, April 17, 8 am - 1 pm**  
Sponsor: Kandiyohi Indian History Hunters Club  
Location: Prairie Woods Environmental Learning Center, 1.5 mile west of TH 71, on County Road 29  
Contact: Staff at 320.354.5894  
Note: The event is free and open to the public.



### LAKE COUNTY

#### Split Rock Lighthouse State Park

##### From Ancient Stumps to an Old Logging Camp

Dave Radford, Archaeologist, at the Minnesota Historical Society and Harley Hanson, Resource Specialist, at the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, will inform you about the logging history of the Split Rock River area and lead a tour of archaeological features of the Split Rock Lumber Company camp.

Date: **Friday, May 7, 2 - 4 pm**  
Sponsor: Split Rock Lighthouse State Park  
Location: Trail Center, Split Rock Lighthouse State Park  
Contact: Park staff at [splitrock.lighthouse@dnr.state.mn.us](mailto:splitrock.lighthouse@dnr.state.mn.us) or 218-226-6377  
Note: The event is free but a Minnesota State Park permit (annual pass or day pass) is required to enter the State Park.



### PINE COUNTY

#### Pine City

##### Arrowheads and Stone Tools: 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Pine City Knapp-in

Learn about the skilled art of making spear points and arrowheads and how modern flint knappers keep this ancient craft alive. This annual event attracts knappers from around the country who will demonstrate their skills, the same as those used thousands of years ago to create the tools used to hunt wild game. On Friday, an archaeologist will identify artifacts for visitors who bring in their collection materials.

Date: **Friday, June 25, 9 - 5 pm and Saturday, June 26, 9 am - 5 pm**  
Sponsor: North West Company Fur Post and the Minnesota Knapping Guild  
Location: North West Company Fur Post, 1.5 miles west of I-35, at Pine City exit 169  
Contact: Site Interpretive Center at 320-629-6356  
Note: The event is free, but there is an admission charge to the site.



### RICE COUNTY

#### Faribault

##### Meeting with Collectors - Artifact Identification

Dale Maul, Bolton & Menk Archaeologist and Bruce Koenen, Research Archaeologist at the Minnesota Office of the State Archaeologist, will be on hand at the museum to identify artifacts. If you've found something you would like to have identified bring it to the museum. There will also be a short presentation on Minnesota Archaeology beginning at 7 pm.

Date: **Thursday, May 6, 4 to 8 pm**  
Sponsor: Rice County Historical Society  
Location: Rice County Museum of History, 1814 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, at the east end of the county fairgrounds  
Museum staff at 507-332-2121  
Note: The event is free and open to the public.



### WISCONSIN

#### LaCrosse

##### MVAC Field Survey Opportunity

Volunteer to help survey LaCrosse area fields to find unreported archaeological sites. Connie Arzigan, Research Archaeologist at the Mississippi Valley Archaeology Center will lead the event.

Date: **Saturday, May 1 and Sunday, May 2, 8:30 am - 4 pm**  
Sponsor: Mississippi Valley Archaeology Center (MVAC)  
Location: LaCrosse Archaeology Center and Laboratories, 1725 State Street  
Contact: Jean Dowiasch at 608-785-8454  
Note: The event is free and open to the public, but advanced registration is required. Participants are invited to become MVAC members.

**Major Sponsors:** Council for Minnesota Archaeology; Minnesota Historical Society, Minnesota Indian Affairs Council, Office of the State Archaeologist, Superior National Forest, US Army Corps of Engineers-St. Paul District, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, US Fish and Wildlife Service and Minnesota Department of Administration.

For further information on the archaeology of Minnesota, links to other archaeology websites, or additional MAW 2010 information, please see OSA's website @ [www.osa.admin.state.mn.us](http://www.osa.admin.state.mn.us).



## A Sign of the Times?

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](mailto: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](mailto:volunteerservices@mnhs.org).



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