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VAS Spring Meeting

Greetings!

The VAS Spring meeting will be held at the United Methodist Church in Springfield, Vermont on April 30, 2011.

This will be a joint meeting with the New Hampshire Archaeological Society.

Additional information and an agenda will be available soon. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend what is shaping up to be an interesting and informative session.



2011 Archaeology Field School June 27-July 8

Special Opportunity for students ages 16 through adult

Vermont Council on Native American Affairs

Search for the secrets of the past by participating in a real archaeological excavation! Join Strawberry Banke's Archaeology Department to excavate the grounds of the 1762 Chase House site to gather information about its former kitchen ell, barn and privy.

Students in the Archaeology Field School work alongside professional archaeologists, preservationists, curators, and historians, exploring the site with volunteers and students of all ages. Learn approved excavation techniques and be part of a team, unearthing information about four centuries of neighborhood life. This two-week, intensive experience includes fieldwork, lab work, object handling and identification, tours, activities, and instruction. The Archeological Field School is a valuable opportunity for career exploration as well as a fun outdoor learning experience!

The VCNAA recently submitted to the legislature their approval for recognition of both the Elnu Abenaki Tribe and the Nulhegan Band of the Coosuk Abenaki Nation.

Approval for recognition for the Koasek of the Koas was put off until the final report could be submitted to the committee. Additional information on the process can be found at

<http://vcnaa.vermont.gov>

REGISTRATION:

Pre-registration is required for all programs.

Registration will begin on Tuesday, February 1, 2011.

\$400 members/\$500 nonmembers

Direct questions to : Sheila Charles, Strawberry Banke Museum Archaeologist



NEW HAMPSHIRE SCRAP

2011 Summer Field School

Research at the Jefferson VI Paleoindian Site July 26 - August 5

The 2011 SCRAP summer field school in prehistoric archaeology will return to the Israel River Complex in Jefferson, NH. Reconnaissance there by SCRAP volunteers in July 2010 discovered a Paleoindian site in close proximity to the Jefferson IV and Jefferson V Paleoindian sites and the 2011 field school will build on this discovery.

The field school will focus on both detailed block excavation and expanded survey to explore the possibility of recording additional components. In addition, there will be a special emphasis on public outreach with tours and special presentations in the community.

Field school participants will be taught field recovery, documentation and artifact identification skills as well as basic field laboratory work. Students will also be taught basics of field mapping and related environmental recordation.

The field school is structured in three sessions, each two weeks long: June 26 to July 8, July 10 to July 22 and July 24 to August 5. Fieldwork will take place daily on weekdays from 8 AM to 4 PM, with occasional field trips to sites in the vicinity and evening lectures.

A field camp will be established in nearby Randolph, NH, where students may reside during the field school. Those electing to use the field camp will need to provide their own tents and camping gear. An indoor kitchen with all the necessary supplies will be available for preparation of meals. Accommodations are also available at nearby hotels and bed & breakfasts.

Academic credit at the undergraduate or graduate level is available through Plymouth State University, or individuals may participate as SCRAP volunteers.

All fieldwork and instruction will be directed by Dr. Richard Boisvert, New Hampshire State Archaeologist, assisted by Heather Rockwell and Abbie Young. The field school will conform to standards for archaeology set by the

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