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Greetings!

Here is the most recent news from the VAS. I hope it is of interest.

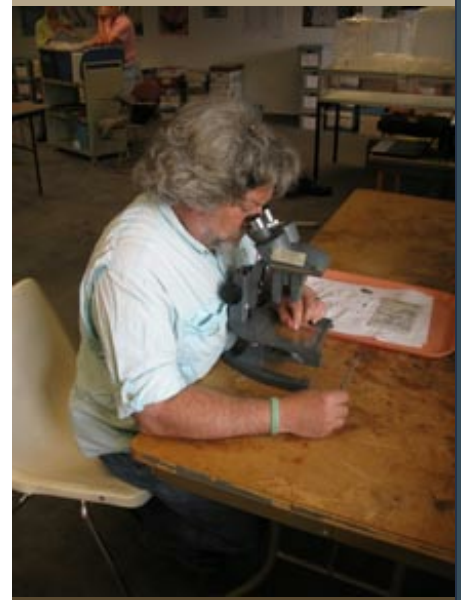
The Carignan-Salieres Forts of Vermont and Quebec

On August 29th the VAS will be hosting a bus tour of the french forts along the Lake Champlain/Richelieu River watershed as part of the Quadricentennial celebration of Samuel de Champlain's initial trip to the region.

The forts included will be Fort Ste. Anne on Isle la Motte, Forts Ste. Jean and Chambly in Quebec. Excavations will be taking place this summer at Fort Ste. Jean. Howard Coffin, well known historian, will be offering commentary and background as we travel the route.

Details are still being worked out. All admissions as well as a boxed lunch will be included. Please remember that proper identification will be needed as we travel to Canada.

Additional information will be provided in subsequent issues of this newsletter.



Lab Opportunities

The artifacts from the Severance Site, excavated last year, are now being analyzed at the Vermont Heritage Center in South Burlington.

We are looking for volunteers to help with the process of cleaning and cataloging.

If you are interested, please contact Amy Bradford (bchaos58@aol.com) to schedule a convenient time.

2009 Annual Meeting

This year's annual meeting will be held on September 12th at Mount

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Independence.

The day will begin with a short business meeting which will include election of officers and a recap of this summer's activities (see sidebar).

The main event will be a tour of the site by archaeologist and VAS Board Member Allen Hathaway. This will not be your ordinary tour but a detailed discussion of the archaeology, taking us to parts of the site seldom visited.

You will need to wear sturdy shoes and plan for a vigorous walk. We suggest you bring your own lunch and beverage for a picnic on the grounds following the hike.

Please keep the date open and look for additional information in this newsletter.



Summer Excavation Opportunity

The VAS and the Green Mountain National Forest are co-hosting an opportunity for volunteers to excavate in an unusual location.

We will be working at a prehistoric site overlooking a pond at 2000' elevation in the town of Mt Tabor. The site is located two miles up the Long Trail from the nearest parking lot, and consists of a disturbed-but-still-interesting stone tool workshop and probable habitation site associated with a surface quarry.

Volunteer opportunities will be available from mid-July into August.

If you are interested in participating and would like more information please contact Candace Lewis (Candace.Lewis@ccv.edu).

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