Greetings!

VAS Fall Meeting Recap

The VAS Annual meeting took place at the East Warren Schoolhouse in Warren, Vermont. For those of you unable to attend, a brief recap follows.

It was announced that Charles Knight had resigned as Treasurer and was not seeking a new term as Director due to pressures of work. Georgeana Little has been appointed Treasurer by the Board. Shirley Paustian, a long time Board Member and Past President was not allowed, by the bylaws, to seek another term on the Board. Brigitte Helzer thanked both for their service to the Society. Election of Board members followed. Brigitte Helzer and Neils Rinehart were reelected to three year terms and Brennan Gauthier was elected as a new Board member.

25 members attended. The presentations were eclectic and interesting.

David Tutchener recounted his work on CRM archaeology in Australia which covers multiple epochs. Australia has great linguistic and spiritual diversity. David summarized both his work on aboriginal sites and historic, European sites.
Geoffrey Mandel recapped several of the projects undertaken by UVM’s Consulting Archaeology Program this past year, both in the lab and in the field.

New data, recording, and mapping technologies in use by VTrans and others in Vermont were outlined and explained by Brennan Gauthier. VTrans is using LiDAR technology to map sites and 3-D printing to reconstruct artifacts.

David Starbuck presented the history of the most recent excavations at Fort William Henry in New York. As always, his presentation was enjoyable as well as informative.

Finally, David Lacy gave an overview of the Warren Falls project (VT-WA-180) and the mutually beneficial value of public archaeology. At the end of the day members were invited to visit and tour the site.

The Spring meeting is tentatively planned to be held at Crown Point, New York. Keep tuned for times and agenda.