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Midland, Ontario, Canada

Editor
Roger Moeller
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The 82nd meeting of the Executive Board was held in the Huronia room of the Best Western Highland Inn and Conference Center in Midland, Ontario, Canada on Friday, October 16, 2015.

President Kurt Carr called the meeting to order at 1:14 pm and immediately asked if we had a quorum. It was decided that we did not have a quorum and that we would have to conduct a conclusion to this business via email at a later date.

OFFICERS PRESENT: President Kurt Carr, President-Elect Dean Knight, Recording Secretary Dick Doyle, Treasurer Timothy Abel, Business Manager, Web Master, and Bulletin Editor Roger Moeller.

OFFICERS ABSENT: Immediate Past President Amanda Valko, Corresponding Secretary Martha Potter Otto, and AENA Editor Art Spiess.

STATE SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Faye Stocum for Delaware, Stephen Israel for Maryland, Dick Doyle for Maine, Alan Smith for Massachusetts, and Timothy Abel for New York.


ADDITIONAL MEMBERS PRESENT: Past President William Johnson and Mark McConaughy

RECORDING SECRETARY’S MINUTES: The 2014 minutes were reviewed and several errors were pointed out to Secretary Doyle. He will revise and resubmit via email.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY’S REPORT: President Carr summarized in Otto’s absence. The updated directory of ESAF state society members is completed and has been circulated.

TREASURE’S Report: Abel reported that our beginning balance was $59,919.18 on 1/1/15. Our income, to date, is $14,661.06 and our expenses, to date, are $20,073.41. Our balance as of 10/1/15 is $54,249.95 leaving a difference of negative $256.88. Abel noted that all major bills have been paid and we can expect an additional + $2,000.00 income. Stocum noted that she had information on credit card expenses. Abel further noted that we were down 40% in memberships due to the location of this meeting but all member State societies are paid up. Roger indicated that he would move $9,000.00 from savings to our checking account.

There was discussion regarding potential money saving steps that could be taken such as going all digital with our publications. There was also discussion why various meetings had lost money recently, and it was noted that the 2014 meeting in Maryland realized $1,400.00 in income.

AENA EDITOR’S REPORT: President Carr summarized the report in the absence of Spiess. The current volume of AENA was printed in August and mailed to the membership in September. 540 copies were printed at Penmor Lithographers of Lewiston, Maine with a total printing cost of $7,637.39.

We currently have five articles submitted for the 2016 AENA, and we do not anticipate any trouble filling the remaining half of AENA.

The JSTOR Publication License Agreement for AENA was concluded in September 2009. The agreement includes a “three year moving wall,” meaning that 2011 content was released in early 2015. JSTOR makes a revenue-sharing payment to ESAF each year, and this year ESAF received $3,611.51.

BULLETIN EDITOR’S REPORT: Moeller reported that the digital bulletin is current and easy to maintain, and it is the most frequently downloaded item on our website.

WEB MASTER’S REPORT: Moeller reported that Googling is the most popular means of accessing the ESAF website. The sites history shows that there is no bookmarking, hardly anybody gets there from links, and traffic is about twenty pages a day. There were no book sales for the site. A big problem that we experience is the site being blocked by various servers due to other activities of our host. Roger has repeatedly contacted A+ to see what
could be done about this but they are quite unresponsive. Roger recommends that we dump them, as he does not have these issues with the other websites that he manages. Abel informed us that we pay $11.95 per month for the A+ service. President Carr agrees that we should make a change as well. Roger will investigate.

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT: Moeller reported that most of the financial aspects were covered by the treasures report. We have 245 members, and there are 322 members that have not paid yet. We printed 540 copies of AENA and mailed out just under half. Roger is storing the remaining volumes. There was discussion revolving around the cost to mail out AENA; $16.00 each to Canada, $20.00 + each for Europe, and $3.20 each for domestic mailings. It was noted that we have 25 Canadian members, and Abel reported that we have spent $1,700.00 on postage this year.

THE BRENNAN AND RONALD A. THOMAS AWARDS: President Carr summarized the report in the absence of Spiess. There were no applications for the Brennan award in 2015 to date.

ESAF did receive one application for the Ronald A Thomas Publication Award this year. From Archaeological and Historical Services, Inc. of Storrs, CT., whose principal investigator is Mary Harper. The proposal is to rewrite, for AENA, a Phase III data recovery report on a Terminal Archaic component encountered during work at the Marshfield Airport in Massachusetts. Ms. Brianna Rae will be doing the rewrite, with some input from Brian Jones, who was involved in the excavation. The Ronald A. Thomas Award Committee (ad hoc) that considered the application was Arthur Spiess, Dick Doyle, and Amanda Valko. All three agreed that the content is worthy of AENA publication, and the graphics are excellent. The Ronald A. Thomas Award Committee recommends ESAF Board approval of a $1,000.00 award to Archaeological and Historical Services. President Carr concluded that with one nomination, and with no reason to reject the award, it should be approved. However, we will have to wait to vote on this by email.

STUDENT PAPER COMMITTEE REPORT: Carr reported for the Committee that the single application by Danial Harrison, whose paper is titled, “The Crane, the Turtle, the Snake, and the Twilight of Wampum Diplomacy: Tarhe, Mishikinawka and Anthony Wayne at Greenville, 1795”. To expedite things arrangements have been made to have Mr. Harrison present the paper to the Committee here in the Huronia Room tomorrow at 11:40am, and then present him with the award of a $200.00 check at the banquet ceremonies.

OLD BUSINESS

CURRENT MEETING: It was reported that ESAF had a very low attendance at this meeting with only eighteen people pre-registered, the general consensus blaming the difficulties of having the meeting in Canada, and crossing international borders, for the low attendance.

 NOMINATION OF OFFICERS: There was no action on this item and it will have to be dealt with via email.

 LIST OF DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF STSTE SOCIETY REPS: Knight reported that there had been no action on this item to date but he would endeavor to complete it for the next meeting.

 BY-LAWS REVISIONS COMMITTEE: Revisions are still in progress and will include adding student membership, electronic voting and emergency Executive Board meetings.

 ALICE E NOECKER BEQUEST: Moeller reported that the estate had finally been settled and that ESAF received a check for $3,854.39. Roger also noted the he had been in touch with the estate regarding archived pictures that Alice had taken at many ESAF meetings. The collection of photos and papers is extremely large and diverse. The Michigan folks have been granted first dibs and it will take a fair amount of time to sort through.

 NEW BUSINESS

 2016 MEETING HOST: President Carr reported that he had looked at six different places and received five detailed quotes all in the PA, NJ area. There was discussion ranging from the cost of coffee to the cost of the rooms. Carr recommended that we go with the Sheridan venue, which is in the Langhorne area, in Bucks County, PA right off Route 95, to which all agreed. The meeting will be the last weekend in October, the 28th through to the 30th.
Knight commented that we were in a panic last year for a meeting place and that we need to have plans for at least two years out.

**2017 MEETING:** Stocum suggested that the northern Maryland area was a possibility. Carr said that Pennsylvania could host again, and Abel said that the Thousand Islands area of New York was a possibility as well.

Knight moved to adjourn at 2:27pm and all agreed.

Respectfully Submitted

Richard A Doyle
EASTERN STATES ARCHEOLOGICAL FEDERATION (ESAF)  
GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

The 82nd General Business meeting was held in the Huronia room of the Best Western Highland Inn and Conference Center in Midland, Ontario, Canada on Friday, October 16, 2015 at 5:00 pm.

Changes to last year’s Minutes were discussed, as well as, how will the business of ESAF be conducted without a quorum. It was decided that we could conduct this business via email. President Carr requested the revised 2014 minutes and the 2015 minutes as soon as possible to aid with this process.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY’S REPORT: President Carr summarized the report in Otto’s absence. The list of member societies has been updated and circulated.

TREASURE’S REPORT: President Carr summarized the report. ESAF had a beginning balance of $59,919.18, income of $14,661.06, expenses of $20,073.41, with an ending balance of $54,249.95. It was further noted that we had a drop in memberships due to the meeting location. Additional income from sales on JSTOR totaled $3,611.51

AENA EDITOR’S REPORT: President Carr summarized the report in Spiess’ absence. The current volume of AENA was printed in August and mailed to the membership in September.

We currently have five articles submitted for the 2016 AENA, and we do not anticipate any trouble filling the remaining half of AENA.

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BULLETIN EDITOR’S REPORT: Moeller reported that the digital bulletin is current and easy to maintain and it was the most frequently downloaded item on our website.

WEB MASTER’S REPORT: Moeller reported that due to Google app issues, their servers are involved in spamming with some servers blocking our website. Our host, A+, has been non responsive in our efforts to correct the situation. Moeller suggests that we change hosts.

BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT: Moeller reports that ESAF received $3,854.39 from the estate of Allice E Noecker of Michigan. Her estate still has a huge amount of pictures that need to be sorted, some of which are of ESAF events, but the Michigan folks have first dibs, and the project is ongoing.

THE BRENNA AND RONALD A. THOMAS AWARDS: President Carr summarized the report in Spiess’ absence. There were no applications for the Brennan award in 2015.

ESAF did receive one application for the Ronald A Thomas Publication Award this year. It was from Archaeological and Historical Services, Inc. of Storrs, CT., whose principal investigator is Mary Harper. The proposal is to rewrite for AENA a Phase III data recovery report on a Terminal Archaic component encountered during work at the Marshfield Airport in Massachusetts. Ms. Brianna Rae will be doing the rewrite, with some input from Brian Jones, who was involved in the excavation. The Ronald A. Thomas Award Committee recommends ESAF Board approval of a $1,000.00 award to Archaeological and Historical Services.

STUDENT PAPER COMMITTEE REPORT: Carr reported for the Committee that the single application by Danial Harrison whose paper is titled, “The Crane, the Turtle, the Snake, and the Twilight of Wampum Diplomacy: Tarhe, Mishkinawka and Anthony Wayne at Greenville, 1795”. To expedite things arrangements have been made to have Mr. Harrison present the paper to the Committee here in the Huronia room tomorrow at 11:40 and then present him with the award of a $200.00 check at the banquet ceremonies. Stocum brought up the fact that the Student Award will need to be funded with additional monies as we will be down to $200.00 after this award.

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS: There was no action on this item, and it will have to be dealt with via email.

LIST OF DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF STATE SOCIETY REPS: Knight reported that there had been no action on this item to date, but he would endeavor to complete it for the next meeting.
BY-LAWS REVISIONS COMMITTEE: Revisions are still in progress and will include adding student membership, electronic voting and emergency Executive Board meetings.

NEW BUSINESS

2016 MEETING HOST: President Carr reported that the 2016 ESAF meeting would be held at the Sheridan Bucks County Hotel, Langhorne, PA on October 28th through the 30th. It might be a joint meeting with Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

Al Smith reported that he and Ernie Wiegand had discussed the possibility of having a future meeting at a facility near Foxwoods in south western Connecticut.

Knight moved to adjourn at 5:37pm and all agreed.

Respectfully Submitted

Richard Doyle
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The difference between the Balance and Cash on Hand of $(342.38) represents unrealized capital gain/loss in the Wells Fargo investment account.
The Archeological Society of Maryland, Inc. (ASM) was established in 1964. ASM has a current membership of 285 individuals and institutions. ASM currently has nine active chapters throughout the state. The officers for the 2014-2016 were elected at the 2014 fall meeting. They are: Claude Bowen, president; Valerie Hall, vice-president; Jim Gibb, Treasurer; Barbara Israel, Secretary; Jo Boodon, Membership Secretary; Lynn Bulhacker, Elaine Hall, Valerie Hall, Tom Forhan, Annetta Schott, Belinda Urquiza, Bill Wilson, and Jamie Wilder at-large trustees. Rounding out the Board of Trustees committees are Jim Gibb and Esther Read, Publication Committee for the Maryland Archeology Journal, Myron Beckenstein (Newsletter editor) and State Terrestrial Archeologist, Charlie Hall. ASM sponsored or participated in many archeology related activities that ran throughout 2015. The included: 24th Annual Workshop in Archeology – March 28; 49th Spring Symposium on Archeology – April 25; Maryland Archeology Month-April 2015; 44th Annual Tyler Bastian Field Session in Maryland Archeology: at the Biggs Ford Site, May 22 – June 1: and the 51st ASM Annual Meeting is scheduled for October 24, 2015.


The 49th Spring Symposium on Archeology was held at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center in Edgewater. Maryland Presentations included Kiley Gilbert, Sarah Grady and Jim Gibb from SERC who spoke on “Shaw’s Folly and Sparrow’s Rest sites,” Sarah Grady spoke on the ceramic assemblage, Bailey Berry who spoke on “Shell Button Making in Central Delaware,” Lisa Kraus from the Maryland State Highways Administration who spoke on Jason Shellenhamer and Public Archaeology in Baltimore City,” Esther Read from UMBC spoke on her excavations at the Maryland Jewish Museum in Baltimore, 1845 ritual bath.” Jonathan Seuster and Alice-Joy Williams from HCCC spoke on “Establishing Social Memory: The Crownsville Hospital Research Project.” Carol Ebright taught a CAT Workshop on “Native American Overview in Maryland.” In another concurrent session, Laura Cripps from HCCC lead an open discussion on “The Value of Archaeology Education: A Case Study.”

The 2015 theme for Maryland Archeology Month was “Out of the Ordinary: Tavern Archeology in Maryland”-Poster. The booklet for the April celebration featured articles on exploring a number of Maryland’s Tavern stories. 2015 was the fourth year for ASM’s Silent Auction at the Winter Workshop, Spring Symposium and Annual Meeting for raising funds for the Society’s Analysis Fund.
The 2015, 43rd ASM Annual Tyler Bastian Field Session was held at the Biggs Ford Site in Frederick County, from May 23 to June 2, lead by Richard Dent. The Biggs Ford site is a multi-component Native American Village Site and occupied by peoples of the Montgomery Complex and the Keyser Complex in the Middle and Late Woodland Periods were investigated. ASM sponsored a second 2015 field session at the 17th Century Shaw’s Folly for a second season and a deeply buried Late Woodland Site will be investigated at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center, in Edgewater, in Anne Arundel County, from October 9 to October 20, lead by Jim Gibb. The 51 ASM Annual Meeting will be held on October 24, 2015 at the Oregon Ridge Nature Center auditorium in Cockeysville. The 2015 William B. Marype Award recipient will be announced at the ASM Annual Meeting. Individual ASM Chapters offered a wide array of field opportunities and lectures throughout the year at various locations throughout the state, on topics ranging from workshops on Prehistoric Overview, Archeology Ethics and Preservation Law.

ASM is continuing to work closely with American Indian tribes, bands, and organizations within the State. The Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs has instituted a standing committee on archaeology with members of the native community seriously interested in continuing the dialogue and reapproachment with the archaeological community. Several American Indian members of this committee have joined ASM. One has enrolled in ASM’s Certified Archaeological Technician program and has participated in important excavations at American Indian sites.

ASM is continuing the experiment that it started in earnest last year of creating college/university and high school chapters. At this writing a college and a high school chapter have been instituted and their members actively participate in the larger life of ASM, including attending Board meetings. ASM and the Archaeological Society of Delaware have agreed in principle to begin discussions in 2015 concerning the possible creation of a joint chapter (persons joining would be members of both organizations) focused on maritime archaeology. Further, these discussions are expected to also include the possibility of offering voluntary joint memberships in both state-wide organizations to all members.

ASM takes great pride in its member, PhD. candidate at American University. ‘Becca Peixotto who played an important on-site role in the excavation of the recent Hominid discovery in South Africa under Dr. Lee Berger. ‘Becca is prominently featured on the NOVA program about the discovery and excavation on PBS and was interviewed on the Diane Rehm show on National Public Radio. She served as ASM’s Laboratory Supervisor for two sessions at the Biggs Ford site field school.

ASM has three excellent outreach venues: ASM Ink, our monthly newsletter, Maryland Archeology, our semi-annual journal, and the ASM Web page located at www.marylandarcheology.org. Our website averages 1350 visits per month. Several ASM Chapters also have websites listing events for their local areas.

MASSACHUSETTS ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY
ALAN F. SMITH

Since 1939 the Massachusetts Archaeological Society (MAS) has continued as a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving and studying the archaeological heritage of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. MAS and the Robbins Museum of Archaeology foster public understanding of archaeology and Native American culture through educational programs, publications, and scientific research.

The Robbins Museum saw an increase in visitation over the past year despite the present economic climate. One of the major television stations ran an excellent program on the museum which probably helped contribute to the increase in attendance. The Robbins Museum needs to replace its windows, insulation, and siding. We are in the process of installing an appropriate historic reconstruction with the help of Community Preservation Act grants.

This past year the MAS Newsletter transitioned to a digital format. The MAS Bulletin continues to be published in its usual printed volume. The Spring Bulletin contained articles titled “Testing the Stockpiling and Field Stone

The 2015 Spring Meeting of MAS was held on April 11 in the Barbara Luedtke Lecture Hall at the Robbins Museum of Archaeology, Middleborough, Massachusetts.

The program lectures included:

**A Walk Through Time with the Boats Archaeological Site of Dighton, Massachusetts**  
Grace Bello

**Locus 10: A Terminal Archaic Lithic Workshop in Marshfield, MA**  
Brianna Rae

**Beech, Purple-Leaved: An Examination of a Historic, South Shore Landscape**  
Susan A. Jacobucci

**A Preliminary Analysis of Archaeobotanical Remains from the Waterman House Site (MA 19-PL-426), a 1640s Puritan Household in Plymouth Colony**  
William A. Farley

**Introducing the Northeast Lithic Resource Database**  
Joseph Bagley

**The Symbolism of Coarse-Crystalline Temper in Early Pottery: A Fabric Typology for New York State**  
Ammie M. Mitchell

**Revisiting Neponset: A Reanalysis of a Middle Paleoindian Site in Southeastern Massachusetts**  
Zachary Singer, Arthur Spiess and Frederick Carty

**Report from the Front: an Outpost in the “Older than Clovis” Debate**  
Bruce Rusch

The 2015 Fall Annual Meeting was held on October 24, 2015 at the Robbins Museum, Middleborough, Massachusetts with the business meeting in the morning and the speakers program in the afternoon. This was followed by a reception with discussion of the presentations.

The presentations included:

**Shell Middens: What They Reveal About Ancient Native Peoples in Massachusetts and the Discipline of Archaeology**  
Katie Kirakosian

**Reflections on the Flagg Swamp Rockshelter**  
Eric Johnson

**Exploring the Second Terrace at the Middleboro Little League Site**  
Curtiss Hoffman

**Hear the Cannons Roar! 20 Years of Metal Detecting at a Revolutionary War Battle Site**  
Dan Sivilich

**Conflict Archaeology & the Mapping of the Battle of Great Falls (May 19, 1676)**  
David J. Naumec

The membership in the Society stands at 367 paid members as of September 22, 2015. This represents an increase of 15 members from last year.

New Jersey
None received
NEW YORK STATE ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION
TIMOTHY ABEL

The New York State Archaeological Association held its 99th Annual Meeting May 1-3, 2015, hosted by the 1000 Islands and Finger Lakes Chapters at the Ramada Inn in Watertown, NY. Friday featured the New York Archaeological Council meetings and program. Saturday and Sunday paper sessions presented research from throughout New York state and beyond. The guest banquet speaker was Dr. Darrin Lowery, speaking about the Delmarva Adena.

The 100th Annual Meeting will be held April 15-17, 2016 at the Woodcliffe Hotel and Spa in Fairport, NY. Friday will be the New York Archaeological Council Annual Meeting, followed by panel discussion on Friday afternoon and presented papers Saturday and Sunday. Dr. John Hart will be the banquet speaker on Saturday evening. Planned tours include Ganondagan.

NYSAA, in conjunction with NYAC, have launched a joint website www.nysarchaeology.org. The site features annual meeting information as well as Archaeology Season information shared among both organizations. Each organization also has its own linked page with organizational histories, membership information, publications, officers, and awards information.

In 2015, NYSAA completed a major overhaul of its constitution and bylaws, along with state and federal recharters. It was an arduous process that needed to be accomplished following recent tax law changes.

NYSAA remained active in co-sponsoring NYS Archaeology Season, and sponsoring the Archaeological Sites Preservation Initiative, an effort to educate local municipal and town planning Boards about the vital role they play in archaeological site preservation. NYSAA maintains active representation on the Executive Boards of ESAF, the Robert E. Funk Foundation, and New York Archaeological Council.

New Hampshire
None received

OHIO ARCHAEOLOGICAL COUNCIL
MARTHA POTTER OTTO

The Ohio Archaeological Council continued in 2015, its 40th anniversary year, to serve as the primary voice of professional and avocational archaeology in Ohio. The group, numbering 165 members, organized two general meetings, in May and October, that focused on current research projects. Abstracts of the presentations are available as Current Research in Ohio Archaeology at the OAC’s website, www.ohioarchaeology.org. The Council funds various types of archaeological research through OAC Grants and the Patricia Essenpreis Memorial Grant. The former are for OAC members or their graduate students to undertake field work or lab projects or to obtain radiocarbon dates. The Patricia Essenpreis Memorial Grant supports research on the Ohio Hopewell or Fort Ancient cultures, topics that Pat pursued extensively before her untimely death in the early 1990s. The OAC has also established Field School Scholarships for students.

The Council, through its Governmental Affairs Committee, responds to proposed Federal, state, and local regulations that can affect archaeological resources and frequently comments on projects proposed by the Ohio Department of Transportation and the US Army Corps of Engineers. The Council as a whole has been working closely with the National Park Service and the Ohio History Connection (aka Ohio Historical Society) in promoting the nomination of Ohio’s Hopewell Ceremonial Earthworks to UNESCO as a World Heritage site.
Public education is the focus for Archaeology Month in October when OAC members throughout the state organize programs and activities tailored to their particular locale. Research data are also available to the public via the on-line refereed publication, Journal of Ohio Archaeology, available at the OAC’s website.

Finally, to commemorate the Council’s 40-year existence and the World Heritage nomination, the OAC is sponsoring Hopewell Research in the 21st Century: Ohio and Beyond, a conference occurring on May 13 and 14, 2016, in Chillicothe, Ohio. This will be the third Hopewell conference sponsored by the Council, the previous two having produced publications in 1979 and 1996. Further information and registration forms are available on the website.

**SOCIETY FOR PENNSYLVANIA ARCHAEOLOGY:**
**AMANDA VALKO**

The Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology held their 86th annual meeting on April 10-12, 2015 in Bethlehem, PA with Forks of the Delaware Chapter #14 and Hawk Mountain Chapter #31 as hosts.

The Archaeology Booth was part of the Pennsylvania Farm Show this year so the SPA was once again a sponsor and members assisted in manning the booth. Archaeology Month was held as usual in October this year. The poster design this year focused on Industrial Archaeology in Pennsylvania. Activities were scheduled throughout the state by various chapters and institutions.

The SPA still produces its two publications. The SPA Newsletter is published in March, September and December. Editor of the SPA newsletter is Judy Duritsa. The *Pennsylvania Archaeologist* is published twice a year in the spring and fall. Our editor Bill Tippins resigned after providing us with ten years of service. Our new editor is Dr. Bernard Means. Our web site at www.pennsylvaniaarchaeology.com is currently being maintained by our new webmaster Roger Moeller. The web address is still the same at [www.pennsylvaniaarchaeology.com](http://www.pennsylvaniaarchaeology.com). We are also now on Facebook which is maintained by Jonathan Libbon at [https://www.facebook.com/SocietyforPArchaeology](https://www.facebook.com/SocietyforPArchaeology)

Our 87th annual meeting will be hosted by the Ohio Valley Chapter #22 in West Middlesex, PA and will be held April 15-17, 2016.

Vermont
None received

Virginia
None received

**WEST VIRGINIA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY**
**DARLA SPENCER**

We have approximately 150 members with 11 chapters. As far as I know, none are active. Our annual meeting was in November in Charleston. Currently, we have no editor. We haven't published the *West Virginia Archeologist* since 2008. Sorry the report is rather dismal, but I'm afraid the WVAS is going the way of many organizations.
ABSTRACTS

Abel, Tim — St. Lawrence Iroquoians in Northern New York: An Update of Present Research

For over a century and a half, archaeologists have pondered the numerous Iroquoian settlements in Jefferson and St. Lawrence Counties, New York. A flurry of early excavations in the early 20th century led to little more than basic understandings about their identity and culture. Modern systematic excavations have been conducted at only a handful of the sites. Despite this, an inventory and seriation of the sites was only accomplished in the 1980s. Questions about subsistence and settlement have only begun to be explored. Site chronology is still poorly documented. Theories about their prehistoric origins and fate at the interface of history remain to be tested. This paper summarizes past and present research on these important research questions.

Birch, Jennifer — Towns, Nations, and Analogs of the Early State: Northern Iroquoian Geopolitics ca. 1450-1650

This paper reviews current knowledge about the formation of Iroquoian towns, nations, and confederacies in the fifteenth through seventeenth centuries A.D. During the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries A.D. processes of settlement aggregation, migration, and geopolitical realignment galvanized Iroquoian communities into formative nations as they met the social, political, and economic challenges of coalescence. The common classification of Iroquoian settlements as ‘villages’ is challenged, and an argument presented that settlements were large, focal nodes in the landscape, better conceptualized as towns. Towns were organized and managed by male and female representatives of clan segments who developed complex, consensual power structures which were articulated within Nations and the Wendat Confederacy. Finally, this paper draws upon alternatives to social evolution to argue that Iroquoian confederacies should be considered analogues of complex chiefdoms, and perhaps incomplete analogs of the early state.

Brunger, Alan — Champlain’s Maps and Later French Mapping of the Peterborough Area

This presentation is part of the Trent Valley Archive’s ‘Champlain 400 Project’, the overall intention of which is to raise the awareness locally of the history and legacy of French society in the Peterborough area, commencing with the journeys and observations of Samuel de Champlain in 1615. Secondary sources form the main basis for the presentation although reference will be made to historical documents, chiefly maps. Much of the work done on the subject of early mapping of New France is by Dr. Conrad Heidenreich. His work provides the basis for my remarks in the most part. He has studied the Champlain surveys and compared them with modern knowledge. Champlain’s maps are small scale and embrace much of northeastern North America and early New France. The information on topographic and cultural features is necessarily restricted. Subsequent maps were published at varying scales although none at large scale.

Coleman, Caitlin, Alexis Dunlop and Claire van Nierop — Ontario Exhibitionists: Modern Approaches to Sharing Our Heritage

While museums provide spaces for the display of artifacts from their local communities, there are many other ways that Ontario’s archaeological heritage can be shared with the public. Cultural Resource Management (CRM) companies are at the forefront of finding innovative ways to share collections with a broader audience. Our unique role in the heritage sector allows for freedom to think outside traditional museum settings. At ASI, dissemination of knowledge is a core value and whenever possible, we aim to share our work with the world. We have developed displays for unconventional spaces; such as an exhibit geared towards children in an elementary school, a display outside of a hotel in downtown Toronto showing the history of the site, and a display about Toronto’s first hospital in the TIFF Bell Lightbox building. We have also shared our work through interactive activities; such as bus tours, bike tours, Doors Open events, and school talks. ASI has invested in a digital platform with a modern, interactive website, blog, and daily curated social media sites. Looking to the future, as CRM professionals, we want to stay at the forefront of new techniques for sharing our collections. We will examine some case studies of other successful heritage programming that has occurred outside Ontario, as inspiration for new avenues we can explore in public engagement.
Creese, John — Archaeology of the Wendat Diaspora

Between 1648 and 1652 the Wendat communities of southern Ontario dispersed from their traditional homelands. While a great deal of archaeological research has been directed toward understanding Wendat culture and lifeways prior to this event, very little attention has been given to the post-diaspora period. This paper will examine what is currently known about Wendat community relocations in the decades immediately following 1650, with a focus on archaeological evidence for Wendat settlements in the upper Great Lakes and among the Haudenosaunee. With this overview in mind, I will discuss the problems and prospects of developing an archaeology of the Wendat diaspora.

Davidson, Katherine — The Ossuary Tradition among the Wendat and the Haudenosaunee

With the growth of urban centres in Southern Ontario, many new pre-contact village sites are being uncovered and excavated - as many as 50 in the last two decades alone, or two to three sites annually. Given the essential role that ancestor veneration plays in First Nations culture, such discoveries almost inevitably involve handling the remains of individuals buried at these sites. Archaeologists have a duty to respect the deceased and the communities they come from, by identifying their nation of origin and facilitating their reinterment, whether through protecting the site of origin as a burial ground, or by relocating the individuals to a safe place designated by their community of origin. This study presents a contrast of the Ossuary Tradition among two different cultural groups, the Wendat and the Haudenosaunee. It will examine the historical and archaeological evidence of this burial practice, as well as discuss the impact these discoveries have had on First Nations groups, heritage affairs, and politics in recent years.

Elliott, Deirdre, Kaitlyn Malleau and Alicia Hawkins — In the Face of Adversity: Changing Wendat Foodways at the Ellery Site

Comparison of zooarchaeological remains from middens associated with two temporally separated occupations at the Wendat Ellery site shows variation in the nature and abundance of animals used. After comparing samples to rule out the possibility that differences arose from variation in burning or breakage, we conclude that there are real changes to the types of animals that Wendat people hunted and fished. There was a decrease in the relative amount of lake trout and whitefish over time as people turned to more local food sources, including perch, suckers, and rabbit. This trend may represent changes in the organization of labour in which some aspects of food procurement shifted from being the responsibility of large travelling parties to that of locally-oriented individuals or small groups. We suggest this is a response to the devastating effects of European-introduced diseases.

Engelbrecht, William and Bruce Jamieson — Stone versus Bone and Antler Tipped Arrows and the Movement of the St. Lawrence Iroquoians from their Homeland

The movement of the St. Lawrence Iroquoians away from their traditional homeland was likely due to multiple factors. One factor that has not been considered is the possible advantage that lithic technology gave to enemies of the St. Lawrence Iroquoians. One of the most striking differences between St. Lawrence Iroquoian assemblages and those of some other Iroquoian groups is the general absence of stone arrow points. Could even slightly higher mortality rates for St. Lawrence Iroquoians over decades as a consequence of this technological difference have led to the weakening and ultimate movement of these populations from their homeland? This paper considers the advantages and disadvantages of bone or antler versus stone tipped arrows.

Fecteau, Rudy — An Archaeobotanical Look at Simcoe County

From the time of Wintemberg in the 1940’s to the present, sites from Simcoe County have yielded botanical information about the environment as well as native and domesticated plants used for food and other utilitarian purposes. This paper proposes to illustrate and address information gleaned from various sites by different researchers during this time.

Ferris, Neal — Of Legacies Wendat and Heidenreich: Continuities of Becoming

One of the strongest influences Conrad Heidenreich has in shaping the understanding of the archaeology of the last 500 years in the Northeast is his insistence on questioning the conventional historical interpretations offered of the relationship and dynamic between Indigenous and European peoples from the first half of the 17th century. Using the same (and adding additional) historical records previously mined to support conventional
interpretations of economic and trade good acquisition leading to cultural ruin and loss, Conrad saw more nuanced social stratagems for sustaining Indigenous peoples and nations through that time. These stratagems represented a continuity of becoming for the Wendat of Huronia, as well as for the other Iroquoianspeaking peoples of the region, rather than a discontinuity of loss. I argue Conrad’s interpretations much more readily align with the material patterns archaeology has documented for well before, during and well after the events of the early 17th century.

**Fleming, Rae — Champlain, Laidlaw and the Simcoe-Balsam Portage in 1615**

The past really is a foreign country. An intriguing aspect of the journeys of Champlain through the local area is the precise route followed on both his outward and return journey. His journal is the main basis for reconstructing this route apart from his map. Various scholars have theorized about this and will receive a brief consideration. In 1615, Samuel de Champlain, 500 or so Hurons and a dozen or so arquebusiers are assumed to have followed an old Native trail from Lake Simcoe to Balsam Lake. They may very well have done so, but the evidence is scarce. Champlain’s journal offers an imprecise and brief description of the route, and his description of the first lake reached is equally vague. It was George Laidlaw in the early 20th century, who, without much evidence, brought certainty to the route, right down to the precise location where the Champlain party entered Balsam Lake. A recent book on the Scugog Carrying Place suggests a different route, equally plausible. As with most historical events, it is difficult to know what exactly happened in 1615.

**Fox, Bill — The Algonquins: Spectators or Mediators?**

A comprehensive survey of Late Woodland archaeological evidence from southeastern Ontario and adjacent Quebec is presented in an attempt to document the evolving relationship between Algonquian speaking groups and their Iroquoian neighbours to the east and west. Ethno-historic information is used to “anchor” this narrative until the diaspora of 1650 A.D.

**Garrad, Charles — Champlain’s Visit to the Petun or Tobacco Confederacy in 1616**

Of all Champlain’s expeditions and adventures his visit to the Petun or the Tobacco Confederacy in January 1616 might be considered to have been of little consequence. It failed to achieve any of its probable goals, but gave rise to very significant events later on in the decade. This paper explores probable routes and expansion of the fur trade and many other outcomes that resulted from the visit.

**Gates St-Pierre, Christian, Roland Tremblay and Michel Plourde — Middle and Late Woodland Iroquoians in the St. Lawrence River Valley: An Occupational Overview**

At the time of contact with the first European explorers, the territory occupied by the St. Lawrence Iroquoians extended from the mouth of Lake Ontario to the Cap Tourmente area near Quebec City, with a southward extension to the northern tip of Lake Champlain, as well as seasonal extensions into the estuary and Gulf of St. Lawrence to the east. Diverse settlement-subsistence patterns have been documented along the shores of this large territory that can be segmented into varying numbers of sociopolitical provinces. The occupational history of those territories by St. Lawrence Iroquoians seems to have been continuous since at least the Middle Woodland period, but it is characterised by a series of complex and changing relations with neighbouring peoples. This paper will present an overview of those aspects of the Iroquoian and Proto-Iroquoian occupation of the St. Lawrence River valley during the Middle and Late Woodland period.

**Gaudreau, Mariane and Louis Lesage — Ethnicity and Cultural Affiliation from Huron-Wendat and Anthropological Perspectives**

Since its inception, archaeologists have had a strong interest in identifying ethnic groups in the past. However, the archaeological cultures constructed by archaeologists do not always overlap with actual ethnic groups and the ethnicity attributed to those past cultures sometimes conflict with Indigenous conceptions of cultural affiliations. This paper identifies Huron-Wendat conceptions of ethnicity and cultural affiliation to better understand how they conceive of their shared ancestry with the St. Lawrence Iroquoians. We then contrast the community’s perspectives with those of archaeologists first by discussing how ethnicity has previously been theorized by the discipline since the mid-20th century, and then by offering a critical assessment of current archaeological perspectives on the Huron-Wendat and St. Lawrence Iroquoians relationship. Our contribution is part of an
attempt to reconcile oral history and archaeological interpretations and help to resolve long-standing issues relating to the identity of the St. Lawrence Iroquoians.

Glencross, Bonnie, Neil Peterson and Gary Warrick — The Beads of Ahatstari: Mediums of Wendat and French Cross-cultural Exchange

Beads originating from archaeological contexts constitute rich data sets. The focus of this presentation are the beads recovered during the 2014 Wilfrid Laurier University field school from Ahatstari (Allen Tract site, BeGx-76), an early 17th century Wendat village on Tay Point, Ontario. Eighty-two beads of glass, shell, bone and stone were recovered from 1 meter units sampled from seven midden locales, and identified using a modified version of the Kidd and Kidd (1970) system of classification. While still preliminary, we argue that the bead collection demonstrates high frequencies of blue and white forms and is representative of GBP2 (ca 1600-1615 C.E.). We entertain the possibility that interactions and trade between the Wendat occupants of Ahatstari, their Aboriginal neighbours and Europeans was intense, and that Ahatstari is the historically referenced Carhagouha, principle town of the northern Attignawantan and an important site for trade with the French.

Gros-Louis, Michel and Benoit Jacques — The Wendat Presence in Southern Ontario after the 1649 Dispersal

It has long been believed that after the 1649 dispersion, the Wendat no longer inhabited the region of Ontario. However, the censuses of 1736 and 1763 include Wendat people north of Lake Ontario. Study of toponyms reveals that villages which were situated in this area had Huron names. They were inhabited by Wendat who, hostile to missionaries, joined the Seneca, Cayuga and Oneida who already lived there, and, in addition, more Wendat who arrived after the dispersal. As a consequence, the Wendat became the majority. Towards 1688, the Seneca of the north shore of Lake Ontario returned to the southern shore in a desire to regroup so as to better face the French. Those Wendat who had not married with the Seneca did not follow those who returned to the south, and instead moved their villages to interior locations for better security. This paper will make use of linguistic and archaeological points of view to support the thesis that the Huron did not leave southern Ontario, and that they were still there during the founding of Toronto at the end of the eighteenth century.

Harrison, Dan — The Crane, the Turtle, the Snake, and the Twilight of Wampum Diplomacy: Tarhe, Mishikinawka and Anthony Wayne at Greenville, 1795

My discussion centers on an artifact in the collection of the Fort Meigs museum in Perrysburg, Ohio: a fragment of a wampum belt said to have been presented by the Miami Chief Mishikinawka (The Little Turtle) to General Anthony Wayne (known to the Miami as Black Snake) at the negotiations preceding the Treaty of Greenville in July, 1795. This crucial juncture in the proceedings has been depicted in a monumental painting (1945) in the Ohio Capitol’s rotunda. Through a textual analysis of the negotiations, and a survey of the use of wampum in the practice of diplomacy, I contend that the Fort Meigs belt was presented not by Mishikinawka, but by the Wyandot Chief Tarhe (The Crane). A survey of patterns used in the creation of wampum belts used in diplomatic negotiations over the preceding 150 years indicates that the motifs observed in the Fort Meigs belt are consistent with established Iroquois/Haudenosaunee and Eastern Algonkian motifs with which the Wyandot would have been familiar. The symbolism associated with these motifs permits its interpretation as a statement of the Wyandot Chief’s negotiating position, and the reconstruction of the complete belt as presented to Wayne. Finally, I argue that Mishikinawka is inaccurately represented in the 1945 painting, both in the design of the belt depicted and the meaning of the gesture, which was an act not of submission but defiance. Though the Treaty of Greenville was successfully concluded, thanks to the skillful use of wampum diplomacy by the negotiators, Wayne included, it closes a chapter in Native American relations with Europeans and Americans in which indigenous practices were both utilized and respected on both sides.

Hart, John, Jennifer Birch, Susan Dermarkar, Termeh Shafie and Ron Williamson — St. Lawrence Iroquoians and Pan-Iroquoian Social Network Analysis

How did Iroquoian populations in the St. Lawrence River Valley interact with other populations in the valley and elsewhere in northern Iroquoia? How did these interactions change over time? Does such information allow us to make inferences about the dispersal of the St Lawrence Iroquoian outside of the valley in the 16th century? Here we use graphing and statistical network analysis to investigate these questions with a large dataset of similarity values for decorations on pottery collars from over 200 sites dating to ca. A.D. 1350 through 1650 and
encompassing all of northern Iroquoia.

**Hawkins, Alicia, Suzanne Needs-Howarth, Michelle Courtemanche and Christian Gates St-Pierre — Screen Mesh Size and Fish Bone Recovery on Iroquoian Sites**

Recently, two of us presented research about the perch fisheries on the north shore of Lake Ontario that ended up telling us more about taphonomy than about perch per se. What we unintentionally (but not unexpectedly) demonstrated is that assemblages recovered on 6.4 mm mesh are likely biased towards larger fish. We know from our own work on these and other assemblages – and from the international literature on taphonomy – that fish bone data are likely also biased in terms of species representation. Here we build on this research, using inter- and intra-dataset comparisons of zooarchaeological assemblages from a number of Iroquoian village sites in Ontario and Quebec. Zooarchaeological and stable isotope evidence indicate that for at least some of the people living in this area, fish were a major component of the diet. The fact that many of our zooarchaeological datasets are systematically biased due to recovery methods is therefore a real concern.

**Heidenreich, Conrad — A Brief Assessment of Champlain**

Champlain was born in early August 1574 in Brouage, Saintonge (Charente-Maritime), France. He was baptized a Huguenot with the name Samuel Chapeleau. When we first hear of him in 1595 his name was Samuel de Champlain, a fourier in Henri IVs army, a Catholic and royalist, convinced of the superiority of French cultural institutions, particularly religion and government. It is likely that he was one of the many illegitimate children of Henri IV. Champlain was virtually unknown until after the mid-19th century, when Canada began to look for heroes and national role models. During that time he emerged as the ‘Father of New France’ and ‘Founder of Québec’. He would have rejected these descriptions of himself. Late in life he wrote that his two major contributions were his maps and that he “prepared the way for others to follow him.” His outstanding characteristics were that he was convinced of a great future for Canada and was honourable and loyal to his superiors. He worked within the broad framework set by them and gave advice on how best to achieve their ends regarding exploration, settlement, Native relations and economic development. In working these out he was willing to adapt to the Canadian natural environment and to a large degree Native customs. Those who have criticised his actions failed to understand the constraints under which he worked and failed to compare his actions to those in authority in the Protestant English and Dutch communities.

**Hunter, Douglas — Iroquet’s World**

This paper will explore the role of the Anishinaabe leader Iroquet in extending Champlain’s sphere of operations into the world beyond the Grand Sault at Montreal, and in particular in making the connection for Champlain with the Huron-Wendat. It will draw on Champlain’s own writings as well as our current understandings of the trading relationships between Europeans in the St. Lawrence Valley and indigenous peoples beyond those rapids prior to Champlain’s arrival. My intention is to have people read Champlain’s accounts from a perspective from other than his own and see his experiences from a perspective of Anishinaabe initiative.

**Hunter, Jamie — Champlain’s Truchements and the Development of the Early Fur Trade in Ontario**

This paper will describe Champlain’s problems controlling his monopoly of the fur trade after 1608 in the St. Lawrence Valley and the opportunity provided by many First Nations groups to exchange young men to formalize a trading alliance. These young men were sent into the interior to learn the language, culture and the economic opportunities offered by an expansion of the fur trade. Within ten years as the frontier moved further west these young men were employed by Champlain as Truchements. In this way these men became ambassadors, explorers, and coordinators with the Natives that were supposed to trade exclusively with Champlain’s companies at Montreal, Trois Rivières and Quebec City.

**Israel, Stephen S. and Wayne E. Clark — The Kirby Farm Site (18CR281) Carroll County, Maryland: A Middle and Late Woodland Hunting Quarter**

Members of the Central Chapter, of the Archeological Society of Maryland, excavated five test squares at the Kirby Farm Site in an unplowed wooded grove, and narrow floodplain setting on the banks of the Big Pipe Creek, in the Taneytown vicinity, Carroll County, Maryland, in July 2014. The floodplain site lies within an upland...
interior riverine setting located in the Middle Potomac Valley in the Monocacy River tributary drainage. The archaeological material culture from the site is interpreted in a regional ethnohistorical and archaeological framework. Few interior drainage sites in the Piedmont have produced unplowed components with ceramics. The site was occupied during the end of the Middle Woodland and the first half of the Late Woodland periods. Initial occupation was by families producing Hell Island ware of the Webb complex, dating to AD 700-1000. The Webb complex bands that settled in the region, adopted corn as a cultivated food source and were producing Shepard Cord-Marked ware of the Montgomery complex (AD 1000-1450). Interaction with Algonquian speaking groups in the Coastal Plain is evident by a single Rappahannock Incised vessel (AD 950-1300) of the Little Round Bay phase of the Townsend complex. Two Shenks Ferry Incised vessels rim fragments date to the Blue Rock phase of the Shenks Ferry complex (AD 1300-1400). The limited testing produced evidence useful for interpreting interior Piedmont drainage locations used for transient and seasonal hunting quarters of the Algonquian speaking Indians of the Chesapeake Bay drainage.

Jones, Elwood — The French Settlement and Legacy in the Peterborough Area

David Hackett Fischer’s Champlain’s Dream found focus in this region of lakes. Fischer noted that Champlain was tolerant of all cultures and he treated others as equals. By the middle of the 19th century, many Francophones had settled in the Peterborough area. The first wave of internal migration came up from Québec to work in logging the local forests during Peterborough’s lumber era. Eventually, French Canadian families moved to the growing town of Peterborough and the surrounding area where they found work tied to lumbering, farming, commerce and manufacturing. Their real estate ventures led to the emergence of French sectors in places such as Peterborough and Hastings. Their presence reinforced religious, political and cultural interaction, particularly over the first two generations. Some businesses were operated by successive generations of French Canadians. French identity remained strong even as English became the dominant language in their group. Efforts to stimulate French language education in the area have resulted in the recent emergence of École Secondaire Jamot to serve the central Ontario region.

Julig, Patrick and Gregory Beaton — Islands in the Sun: Human Uses of Georgian Bay Islands from Middle Woodland to Historic Times

As isolated geographic entities islands may often hold special meanings or fascination to humans groups throughout history. This research will examine human uses of islands in Georgian Bay, from Middle Woodland to Historic times. The Middle Woodland Killarney Bay complex used strategically located islands for mortuaries as well as habitation sites, and possibly as trading areas. Large islands such as Manitoulin have evidence of use throughout the Holocene by all cultural groups and many site types and purposes, including quarries of chert, quartzite, and possibly pipestone. Smaller islands often have evidence of cache pits and stone lined pits and related features, and were often used for collecting eggs as well as fishing. Islands were also used for sanctuaries and retreats, (such as the Huron retreating to Christian Island, St. Marie II), and many island had hermits living on them in historic times. Early explorers reported that many islands along the North Shore had corn grown on them, possibly being less subject to animal pests, and with milder climates and longer growing conditions. The hypothesis of early (Pre-contact) horticulture of squash, tobacco, and possibly maize on select islands and coastal habitats by Algonquian groups such as the Odawa, Amikwa and others around Georgian Bay will be evaluated.

Kapches, Mima — An Interesting and Long Career, The Legacy Of Conrad Heidenreich

This presentation is an introduction to the career of Professor Conrad E. Heidenreich. There will be emphasis on informing the audience of his academic history in relation to the Wendat, the French (in particular Champlain) and the geography of Simcoe County, Huronia.

Labelle, Kathryn — Daughters of Aataentsic: A Case Study in Community-Guided Research

My current manuscript project, “Daughters of Aataenstic”, explores the lives of seven Wendat women throughout colonial North America (1650-2006). It seeks to address historical questions concerning matricentric societal shifts, patriarchal policies and Indigenous feminism. Of particular note are the strategies implemented by these women to combat colonialism. This project is committed to a methodology rooted in community-guided research and outreach. It is the product of a collaborative process led by an advisory council of Lounghouse Women from the four modern Wendat communities (located in Ontario, Quebec, Oklahoma and Kansas). My presentation will
outline this process, highlighting the numerous positive results for both researchers and communities.

Latta, Marti — The Warminster Site, 1615

Three distinct ethnic groups have been identified at the Warminster Site, BdGv-1. One population is Huron-Wendat, similar in culture to other sites in eastern Huronia. A 17th century French presence is identified through personal, non-trade items. This research looks at the third group which previous researchers have overlooked and asks: who were these people and why were they at the Warminster Site in 1615?

MacDonald, Rob — Cultural Ecology and Land-use Trends of the Huron-Wendat and St. Lawrence Iroquoians

The development of any culture history narrative from the archaeological record must address the strategies whereby groups of related communities adapted to their natural and cultural environments. Since the processes of adaptation tend to be highly integrated, establishing baselines of independent variables, such as parameters of the natural environment, is an important first step. It is also important to distinguish between relatively static variables such as soils versus variables such as climate which may have been in flux over the period under investigation. Dependent variables, such as strategies to access key resources, can then be considered and an explanatory narrative developed. In this paper, we explore the cultural ecology of the Huron-Wendat and St. Lawrence Iroquoians as a basis for understanding the environmental opportunities and constraints which may have influenced settlement and land-use trends in the centuries leading up to European contact.

Macfie, Ramsay— Interpreting Anomalous Feature Clusters and Firecracked Rock at the Davidson Site in Southwestern Ontario

The Davidson Site (AhHk-54) in Southwestern Ontario continues to yield a wealth of information about the Late Archaic period in the Great Lakes Region. Excavations have shown the site to contain the well-preserved remains of pithouses and other structures, as well as vast numbers of pits of varying description, including storage and refuse features. This research focuses on the interpretation of two enigmatic clusters of overlapping pit-features, both of which have been tentatively dated to the Small Point Late Archaic of ca. 3200-2600 BP. Relatively shallow, basin-shaped profiles characterize the pits that form these clusters. Their contents are dominated by concentrations of fire-cracked rock (FCR) of material types that are not local to the immediate site environs. This presentation discusses the preliminary results of attempts to interpret these FCR through basic analyses of their spatial distribution, material sourcing and selectivity, attempts at refitting FCR, and their replication through experimentation with ethnographically recorded hot-rock cooking technology. Similar clusters of pit-features with high numbers of associated FCR have been recorded as a characteristic of Late Archaic sites in the Great Lakes region, and have been described variously as earth ovens, hearths, and roasting pits, as well as general refuse and storage features. While these descriptions can be useful in aiding site interpretations, their classifications often go untested, and the conspicuously present FCR remain virtually unrecognized as cultural material. The analyses presented here may serve to test the potential analytical value of fire-cracked rock in the Late Archaic in the Great Lakes Region.

Mather, Katelyn — Recent Archaeological Investigations into the Toronto Carrying Place Trail

The Toronto Carrying Place Trail was an important portage route, used to bypass the un-navigable Humber River and link what is now known as Lake Ontario to Lake Simcoe. This trail was an ancient highway used for hundreds, perhaps thousands of years, until John Graves Simcoe ordered the construction of a new military route – Yonge Street – when the trail was abandoned and ploughed over into extensive farmlands used to feed the burgeoning settlement of York (now the City of Toronto). This poster presentation will focus on the history of the trail, both before and after the arrival of Europeans into the region. I will also present the recent archaeological investigations into a nearly 200-hectare parcel of land in the City of Vaughan; a property that the Toronto Carrying Place Trail would likely have once crossed. The evidence of precontact activities in the study area in particular, will be examined.

Miller, André — Settlements through Time: Archaeological Investigations at Opemican Park, 2014-2015

In 2014 GRAO Consultants en archéologie (GRAO) was mandated by the SÉPAQ to perform various archaeological studies in Opémican national park territory in anticipation of the upcoming implementation of the
infrastructure of the park. Pointe Opémican is currently occupied by several industrial and domestic buildings and remains of a post house for floating wood dating from the 19th and 20th centuries, the site was classified as a national heritage site by the Quebec government in 1983. Archaeological work in 2014 and 2015 were designed to identify areas of cultural heritage sites of archaeological potential and to conduct surveys. Besides buildings and historical remains visible on the surface, archaeological work in 2014 confirmed the existence of remains buried in more than one sector. These remains consist mainly of artifacts and ecofacts but also architectural elements, including stone foundations of a parts warehouse on parts built near the ‘Jodoin Inn’ at the end of the 19th century. More than 2,100 artifacts and ecofacts were collected, of which 320 lithic, ceramic and ecofacts prove that Native groups occupied the Pointe Opémican at two particular periods of prehistory, the Middle Woodland and Laurentian Archaic, and perhaps even continuously for thousands of years. Exotic lithic materials represented in the collection suggest that the occupants came from as far away as the Lowlands of Hudson Bay, the Great Lakes region and Mistassini in Quebec. CFGT-8 site of Pointe Opémican thus represents an important and highly significant site for the Temiscaming region and for all of western Quebec, and this in several respects. Making it exceptional is its location at the mouth of Lake Temiscaming, on the course of the Ottawa River, at the junction of the lowlands of the Canadian Shield and the Laurentian Plateau, as well as major watersheds Hudson’s Bay and the St. Lawrence. There is no doubt that Pointe Opémican was a strategic location for human settlement for thousands of years until it is used for the timber industry in the late 19th and early 20th century.

Neusius, Sarah W., Beverley A. Smith and Bonnie W. Styles — The Eastern Archaic Faunal Working Group: Database Preservation, Comparability and Integration for Archaic Period Faunal Data

Although it encompasses major portions of the pre-Columbian past, the Archaic period in the North American Eastern Woodlands remains relatively poorly understood when compared with more recent periods. The lighter footprint left by Archaic hunter-gatherers may be partially responsible, but archaeologists have increasingly noted the variability among these Archaic populations. One source of data is the surprisingly rich record of faunal remains resulting from archaeological attention to human-environment interactions as well as from modern recovery methods employed since the middle of twentieth century. The authors of this paper are part of a newly formed Eastern Archaic Faunal Working Group which has brought zooarchaeologists together with funding from the US National Science Foundation. Our group is seeking to preserve Archaic faunal databases from the interior portions of the Eastern Woodlands in tDAR (the Digital Archaeological Record), an international digital repository for archaeological databases and records of investigations. We are also exploring the comparability of the existing databases by modifying taphonomic and contextual protocols developed by a group of Southwestern zooarchaeologists in order to make them broadly applicable within the Eastern Woodlands. Ultimately we intend to use the tools available in tDAR to conduct integrative analyses at multiple scales that focus on how to interpret the use of aquatic resources such as fish, freshwater mussels, waterfowl, and aquatic mammals by Archaic hunter-gatherers. Although the Archaic use of aquatic resources has traditionally been linked to environmental conditions and changes or possibly to human demographic changes, recent arguments have suggested that cultural identity, social interaction, and ritual practices have more to do with variability in this use. Only analyses at local, sub-regional, and regional scales made possible by our creation of a collection of databases in tDAR can approach this kind of synthetic, macro question.

Pfeiffer, Susan — New Discoveries about the Lives of Wendat Ancestors

In contexts of new archaeological excavations and of repatriation of curated collections, descendant groups have allowed the retention of one tooth from each ancestor, so that small amounts of tooth root and crown material can be studied. Many researchers have been involved, using new methods of isotope study and ancient DNA. New radiocarbon dates have been generated, so that changes over time can be considered. This paper will provide a summary of new discoveries that have been made possible through study of the teeth. I will describe new, clear isotopic evidence documenting the ancestral Wendat reliance on maize production, and will outline the very diverse sources of protein that were exploited. New evidence also provides information on when mothers weaned their babies and what foods they used in that important transition. I will summarize what we know so far about the genetic relationships of people in the region prior to European arrival and will explain new approaches that get genetic information from dental plaque. The conference is an important opportunity for us to provide research updates, and to learn through discussion what questions the descendants wish to pose to the researchers.
Ramsden, Peter — Negotiating Identities: A Story of St. Lawrence Iroquoians and Huron-Wendat in the Upper Trent Valley

The Upper Trent River Valley saw two immigrations of Huron/Wendat people from near the north shore of Lake Ontario. The first, in the mid-15th century, was by a very small group from the lower reaches of the Trent River who may have been attracted in part by possibilities for trade with Algonquins in the adjacent Canadian Shield. The second immigration was by a larger group, from the Toronto-Pickering area, over a period of time beginning in the early 16th century. These immigrants brought with them ties to the St. Lawrence Iroquoians, and there is evidence of visits from St. Lawrence Valley people, and later, towards the end of the 16th century, of the adoption of St. Lawrence Iroquoian families into Huron/Wendat communities and households. This paper explores the evidence for the motives and mechanisms involved in these movements and adoptions.

Richard, Jean-François — Territorial Precedence in the Huron-Wendat Oral Tradition in the 18th and 19th Centuries

Have members of the Huron-Wendat Nation of the 18th and 19th centuries preserved the memory of “St. Lawrence Iroquoians” which were integrated into their communities over the two previous centuries? Given their own view of history, how did the Huron-Wendat of this historical period conceive of the seniority of their presence in the region of Quebec City? Based on anthropological research on oral tradition now going on at the Nionwentsio Office, this paper highlights the elements which have been discovered and which point to significant footprints of the “St. Lawrence Iroquoians” in ethnicity and ethno-history of the Huron-Wendat Nation.

Ritchie, Paul and John Sleath — Chance of Frost: the Implications of the Mini Ice Age for Maize Crop Development and the Ancestral Huron-Wendat Economy

This paper looks to analyse the effects of the mini Ice Age in relation to maize-based agriculture in southern Ontario. Temperature reconstructions during the mini Ice Age have proposed temperature differences ranging from -0.45°C to -2°C. The effects of this forecasted temperature difference will be evaluated for the risk of frost and shortening of the growing season throughout the territory of the ancestral Huron Wendat and the potential impacts on maize crop yields. Preliminary analysis of the distribution pattern of increasing frost risk is shown to correlate with the diachronic settlement patterns of the ancestral Huron-Wendat. Dietary isotope analysis from ancestral Huron-Wendat populations has indicated that maize comprised a significant percentage of the average diet. Maize is also understood to have been a primary exchange commodity of ancestral Huron-Wendat populations. Early frost damage may affect as much as a 40% crop loss, depending on severity. Therefore, any impact to the yield of maize crop production would have significant ramifications to both the subsistence and exchange economies of the ancestral Huron-Wendat. The factor of climate is also therefore tantamount to the discussion of the push- and pullfactors associated with the northward migration of ancestral Huron-Wendat populations as well as coalescence.

Ross, William — The Interlakes Composite: A Revisitation

This paper deals with the initial human settlement of Northwestern Ontario and adjoining northern Minnesota and Eastern Manitoba. It will re-examine the Interlakes Composite as originally described by this author using new and more recent data from the geomorphological, environmental and archaeological fields. In addition, old data will be re-examined and in some cases reinterpreted.

Schillaci, Michael, Craig Kopris, Søren Wichmann and Genevieve Dewar — The Use of Linguistic Data in the Study of Northern Iroquoian Prehistory

The origin and history of Iroquoian-speaking peoples has received considerable attention by archaeologists interested in matching archaeological cultures with Iroquoian ethnolinguistic identity. Here, we employ a quantitative analysis of lexical data to generate a language tree describing the historical relationships among Iroquoian languages. We use an alternative to glottochronology to estimate the timing of linguistic divergences within the language tree. Our results suggest that the origin of the Huronian languages (Wendat & Wyandot) date to around AD 270. The timing of various language divergences seems to coincide with important events observed in the archaeological record, including the first evidence for the use of corn in New York and Ontario. The development of important Iroquoian cultural attributes such as the longhouse, matrilocal residence, and the
intensification of agriculture all coincide with a period which saw most of the internal language divergences within the Northern Iroquoian language family grouping.

Steckley, John — Putting Names to Spaces: Wendat Words in 17th Century Maps

There exist a good number of maps of 17th century New France that include names of nations and communities in the Wendat language. These names have the potential to provide crucial information about the nations and communities so named. During the 1980s and early 1990s, I wrote a series of 10 articles about such names (Steckley 1984a and b, 1985a and b, 1987a and b, 1990a, b, c and d). In this paper I will be taking data from those articles, and updating both the data and the analysis.

Steckley, John — St. Lawrence Iroquoians Among the Wendat: The Linguistic Evidence

Several different kinds of linguistic evidence demonstrate conclusively that there were St. Lawrence Iroquoians living with the Wendat in the 1620s. The primary source of data is the dictionary of words collected by Recollect Brother Gabriel Sagard. At least one of his informants was a St. Lawrence Iroquoian, most likely a young man named Amantacha. This is demonstrated by the linguistic forms that appear in the dictionary, and by the geographic orientation of the terms for the different nations referred to there. But there is in addition, more indirect information coming from some of the information gathered by the Jesuit missionaries who lived with the Wendat.

Sutton, Amanda — An Analysis of Documentary Evidence for Wendat Interactions in the St. Lawrence Region, AD 1530-1800

The ethnohistoric record indubitably serves as a crucial supplement to the archaeological one, particularly in areas developed before sites could be properly recorded and those on which invasive techniques are not desirable. This is so for many sites in the St. Lawrence River Valley and Quebec City regions, where the Wendat have a deep-seated history of interaction and residence. Examination of European documents and journals dating back to the 16th century may offer affirmation to Wendat ties to the region through their relations with St. Lawrence Iroquoians. Moreover, the Jesuit Relations provide a wealth of insight to the relationships formed in colonial Quebec City between the Wendat and other indigenous groups, including the Abenaki, Algonkian, and Montagnais, that is critical to understanding the Nation’s history and ties to the place. This paper will examine documentary evidence in order to situate and contextualize those relationships within Wendat history.

Tang, Alyson — The Conservation Treatment of Iron Artefacts from the HMS General Hunter

In 2004, over 1600 artefacts recovered during the excavation of the HMS General Hunter wreck were sent to the Archaeological Conservation Lab at the Canadian Conservation Institute (CCI) in Ottawa for treatment. Approximately 1500 of the artefacts recovered were composed of iron, with the majority of these being iron fasteners of various sizes. During conservation treatment, it was discovered that some of the iron artefacts were contaminated with chlorides, an unexpected complication since the objects were recovered from a freshwater site and assumed to be free of chlorides. The presence of chlorides is extremely damaging to iron, and required conservators to alter their original treatment plan. This poster will outline the treatment process carried out to stabilize the iron objects and the rationale behind conservation treatment decisions made, to preserve these objects for future study and display. The wreck of the HMS General Hunter was discovered in 2001 along the shores of Lake Huron in Southampton, Ontario. Built in 1806, the British Naval Brig served as a Provincial Marine Transport Ship, until 1812, when it became part of the British Navy Squadron. Following its capture by the Americans during the ‘Battle of Lake Erie’ in 1813, the ship’s name was shortened to ‘Hunter’ and was used as a transport vessel by the U.S. Army. On August 19, 1816, the ship was travelling from Michilimackinac to Detroit, Michigan when a terrific Lake Huron storm forced the captain to run it ashore and wreck it.

Tremblay, Roland, Michel Plourde and Christian Gates St-Pierre — Old and New Hypotheses Regarding the Fate of the St. Lawrence Iroquoians

According to the current archaeological record and the available ethnohistorical data, the St. Lawrence Iroquoians apparently withdrew from the St. Lawrence River Valley at some time during the second half of the 16th century. This paper will briefly present the various explanations that have been offered to explain the dissolution of this sociopolitical entity, but it will address in more details the hypothetical dispersal routes that may have been
followed by the St. Lawrence Iroquoians towards their neighbours, with a particular focus on the eastern portion of the valley.

Walder, Heather — Unexpected Encounters: Interpreting Material Culture from the Hanson Site (47-DR-0185) Door County, Wisconsin

This case study presents results of compositional analyses applied to European made trade items from a mortuary context in the Door Peninsula of Wisconsin as part of a new effort by the Wisconsin Historical Society to clarify the age, demographics, and cultural affiliation of the ancestors. The funerary assemblage was comparable to diaspora sites associated with Huron, Petun, Odawa, and Neutral groups, such as Ossossane, Grimsby, and Lasanen. Non-destructive and minimally invasive magnification and characterization techniques were applied to distinctive objects such as glass beads and a metallic textile to better understand their origins and identify affiliated historic-era communities with access to similar material culture via trading relationships. Results of glass bead compositional analyses illustrate that the Hanson site individuals had access to beads that were not otherwise available in the area, lending support to a Wyandot diasporic interpretation of the site. A multi-ethnic refugee community also cannot be ruled out.

Walker, Caroline — The Champlain Effect

Huron tradition recognized ownership of trade routes by the nations that initiated them at Contact. The successes of the English and Dutch in establishing permanent settlements after 1608 convinced Champlain that the French must break the Algonquians’ monopoly on trade west into today’s Ontario. Champlain’s visit to the Hurons and Petuns (1615-1616) greatly increased trading activity into their territories, particularly trade in copper-based goods. The observed frequencies of copper and brass artefacts immediately after his visit, indicate that the increases in quantities of these goods are statistically significant.

Warrick, Gary — The Archaeological Verification of the Location of 17th-Century Huron-Wendat Sites

Conrad Heidenreich dedicated a great part of his academic career to the identification of the geographical location of Huron-Wendat village sites. Archaeological data can verify historical and geographical data on Huron-Wendat village locations. This paper will discuss the importance of knowing the actual location of Huron-Wendat villages occupied in the seventeenth century.

Warrick, Gary and Louis Lesage — Discussion of ‘The Huron-Wendat Nation and St. Lawrence Iroquoians’

Indigenous people have deep cultural roots in ancestral lands. The Huron-Wendat claim to have ancient ties to the St. Lawrence River Valley and to Iroquoian-speaking peoples who were living there when first encountered by Europeans in 1534. The papers in this session explore the relationship between Huron-Wendat and St. Lawrence Iroquoians using oral history, historical documents, archaeology, and linguistics. This session is unique in the history of Canadian archaeology and promises to examine archaeological notions of ethnicity and to reconstruct the geopolitical landscape of the 15th and 16th century in the lower Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River region.

Williams, Kevin, Trevor Jennings and Lisa Marie Anselmi — Public Outreach in Western New York: Ground Penetrating Radar as a Tool to Locate Historical Graves

Ground penetrating radar (GPR) is a very useful geophysical tool for the detection of subsurface layers and structures. The members of the Earth Sciences and Science Education department and the SUNY Buffalo State Archaeological Field School engaged in two GPR projects in June of 2014 upon request from local cemetery oversight boards. The first project aided parishioners of the Holy Mother of the Rosary Polish National Church at their cemetery in Cheektowaga in their exploration of seven ‘open’ sections. The second project aided the Oakwood Cemetery Association in Niagara Falls in their effort to explore the adjacent Town of Niagara Falls burial ground. Data from both of the projects yielded evidence of disturbances likely indicating the presence of burials. The results of the projects will be used to mark existing burials and to possibly define any areas of the cemeteries that may be open for future burials.

Williamson, Ron — East-West Interaction Among Fifteenth and Sixteenth Century St. Lawrence Iroquoian and North Shore of Lake Ontario Ancestral Wendat Communities

As early as the mid-fifteenth century, SLI material culture appeared on north shore of Lake Ontario HW
communities. At the mid-fifteenth century Parsons Site, for example, situated today in the city of Toronto, a possible SLI enclave was identified on the basis of a cluster of SLI ceramic vessels. Other material culture also signals interaction. The presence of discoidal beads made of steatite on some north shore communities and preliminary analyses of sources suggest a Jefferson County or more broadly eastern Ontario origin for the material. Marine shell and walrus ivory artifacts on fifteenth and fourteenth-century Wendat Sites in the Oshawa area also point to east-west exchange patterns along the north shore of Lake Ontario prior to European arrival in historic Wendake. The Oshawa cluster of sites seems to disappear by the late fifteenth century and may have been the long hypothesised north shore community to move to the upper Trent Valley in the early sixteenth century.

Yabe, Mitsuyoshi — Public Awareness of Prevailing Website and 3D Virtual Dimensionalization of Fort Frontenac on the Basis of Archaeological Documentations

Public awareness of the prevalence of the consequence for archaeological research meaningfully results in increasing the local residents’ love for a particular region and strengthening the preservation of historic sites. This research aims at virtually dimensionalizing Fort Frontenac in 3D technology on the basis of archaeological documentations and releasing the 3D restoration on a webpage. Residents and tourists visiting a city hall and an information center can enjoy the outcome of archaeological research by experientially visualizing the 2D fort as a 3D restoration on an iPad. Specifically, this paper is composed of four elements: 3D modeling, web design, iPad usage, and heritage visualization on the basis of the chronological restoration of Fort Frontenac in 1673, 1675, 1680, 1685, and 1688, changing the fort from plain to grand features in the name of His Majesty, the French King. The aim is to use computer graphics design to inform and create an interest in historical visualization by rebuilding Fort Frontenac using 3D modeling and interactive design. The final model was integrated into an interactive website to learn more about the fort’s historic importance. It is apparent that using computer graphics can save time and money when it comes to historical visualization. Visitors do not have to travel to the actual archaeological buildings and can simply use the Web and an iPad at home to learn about this information virtually. A sophisticated restoration of archaeological buildings will draw viewers into visualizations such as the historical world of Fort Frontenac. As a result, it allows the viewers to effectively understand the fort’s social system, habits, and historical events.
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