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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Frederica Dimmick*



A month or so ago, I was in a happy cloud of feeling that the MAS may have reached a new time of stability in its finances, and I planned to list for you the grants we have received and the generous gifts that were bestowed on us by members like you, and by outsiders who sense that we are worth supporting. While my understanding is now more realistic and I see that our financial stability is still lacking, but in view, I more than ever wish to tell you about the grants and personal monetary gifts that allow us to function; and about you, the individuals who make us go.

We have received fine grants due to the work of the Development Committee chaired by Past President Tonya Lary. We were truly excited to receive \$14,000 from The Lobl Charitable Trust and \$4,000 from the Makepeace Neighborhood Fund. We also received a matching grant of \$10,000 from the Massachusetts Humanities Foundation for developing an educational workshop program under the leadership of our Education Coordinator, Mary Concannon. Additionally, the Pratt Free School of Middleborough, through the generosity of MAS Trustee William Taylor, has given \$1,000 toward the rehabilitation and expansion of the MAS Library at the Robbins Museum. We have also received \$1,000 toward the Library Expansion from the Estate of former Trustee Thomas Lux. Our Annual Appeal and our Membership Drive have brought in numerous generous donations for general use. Please see the accompanying list of donors for the 2008-2009 year. In addition, a challenge donation on the part of Curtiss Hoffman, Bulletin Editor, encouraged many Trustees to contribute an even more generous amount toward the Library project.

Despite this largesse, all of these gifts total less than what our budget demands of us! Even so, our work of fulfilling the mission of the Society to the dissemination of information to the children and adults of Southeastern Massachusetts about the Native peoples of the area has continued without a break.

Three thriving Society chapters – Central Massachusetts, Massasoit, and Northeast – offer exciting speakers' programs and chapter activities

To explain "How This Can Be So" I would like to focus on some of the work of our volunteers, who represent the best of Volunteerism. Because we are not blessed with adequate funding, we must rely on a good number of volunteers to contribute their time, energy, hard work, patience and positive attitude to keep our heads above water. This Summer, this hard work showed itself in the actual construction of a new room within the Museum that will allow the Library to expand. The volunteer committee that brought this about consisted of John Rempelakis, Fred Robinson, David DeMello, Dan Lorraine, Bill Taylor, David Dimmick, Don Gammons and Gene Winter. John's father, architect Emmanuel Rempelakis, donated his services in drawing up plans and blueprints for the project and assisted in the actual construction. Their building work over the summer months inspired volunteer Librarian Kathryn Fairbanks to redesign the use of space in the existing old Library with the newly prepared Library space that should be open for use this Fall.

In April, Trustees Diane Pereira and Dave DeMello served as co-chairs in preparing the Spring Meeting program in New Bedford, MA. Weekly, the Wednesday volunteer group, consisting of Officers and Trustees Curtiss Hoffman, Ted Ballard, Dave DeMello, Bill Taylor, Gene Winter and Fred Robinson, work together at the Museum in preparing and mailing the *Newsletter*, *Bulletin*, Annual Appeal letters, as well as preparing Society governance and membership mailings. Safety Officer and MAS Vice-President Fred Robinson spends much time in minding Museum safety issues, and in setting up the security of its collections.. Monthly, Society Clerk Susan Jacobucci takes meeting notes, preparing minutes of Board and Executive Committee actions. Many hours of assistance are given to putting on educational programs for school children and adults by the Thursday volunteer Docents Clint Sowle, Arleen Pimenta, and others under the direction of Mary Concannon. Trustee Kevin Quackenbush takes education programs in archaeology to schools outside of the local area. In an ongoing manner, Society Treasurer Dan Lorraine pays bills, prepares budgets and reports on our finances; and the growth of MAS on the website ([www.massarchaeology.org](http://www.massarchaeology.org)) and in technology increases under the Board's Technology Committee, managed by volunteer Tom Lary. We continue to make good progress on many levels.



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## LIBRARY REPORT

### *Kathy Fairbanks*

The big news: the walls are UP for the 15-foot extension of the library space. It has a good locking door.

David DeMello, Bill Taylor, Fred Robinson and Gene Winter next will be attending to lighting, heating, and to painting the walls. After that will come manhandling the best-looking of our donated bookshelves and file cabinets into the positions we've tried out on the floor plan with to-scale paper "footprints". Then we will position the librarian's desk, a large table for the bound volumes of the MAS *Bulletin* and, for the readers, chairs at a worktable, backed by a comfortable couch. The map cases now will be conveniently side-by-side in the restricted stacks section of the present Library.

I have to say that, whether with their hands on the hammers, or their heads together over plans and problems, that crew of ours comes in and works as if they were getting \$250 an hour!

Among recent researches: A query on the Agawam Path (from Plymouth to Wareham) relative to Great South Pond; a request for info on the Sippican Indians of Mattapoissett; data on Chief Masconomo for a high school student in Ipswich for the town's 375<sup>th</sup> anniversary; a Rhode Island resident hoping to trace the Native paths in that state, as Doc Robbins did for Massachusetts; a Ph.D. researching the public image of Metacom down to the present day; and an historian trying to locate writings by Thoreau about his visit to Betty's Neck.

Our current project is to round up our oldest volumes as possible candidates for professional conservation.

## DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

### *Tonya Largy*

The Development Committee is composed of nine MAS Trustees and members. Meetings are held monthly to explore sources of funding for the Robbins and for our Educational programs. We are pleased to report that this year we have received three generous grants. The Massachusetts Humanities Foundation awarded MAS \$10,000 for a Teach Ameri-

can History Grant which is being administered by Mary Concannon, who organized a series of teacher workshops held during the Summer months at the Robbins. A. D. Makepeace, based in Wareham, Massachusetts, and the Lobl Trust gave us grants of \$4,000 and \$14,000, respectively, to continue curriculum development. MAS especially appreciates this support, given the present fiscal climate. We are exploring grant possibilities with the EMC Corporation of Hopkinton, MA in two areas: K through 12 science education and digitizing our collections.

The Committee continues to explore new funding sources and programs to bring more people into the Robbins Museum. We welcome donations from our members as well as suggestions for funding sources. We especially welcome new members to join in the work of the committee!

## LIBRARY EXPANSION COMMITTEE

*Fred Robinson, Jr.*

Hello All! The Library expansion project is progressing nicely. The framing and the inside sheet rock walls are up, the door is in place and the electrician will soon start wiring.

A heartfelt Thank You to the following volunteers, who gave up two Saturdays in July to complete all of the framing and hanging approximately 60% of the sheet rock: Bill Taylor, David DeMello, David Dimmick, Dan Lorraine, John Rempelakis, and Gene Winter. An additional, special Thank You to Emmanuel Rempelakis for drawing up the plans for the project, giving us six sets of blueprints and cutting quite a few yards of red tape to get us a building permit. He also gave up those Saturdays to supervise the project.

At present we will gratefully accept any member's "Time and/or Talent" to help complete this worthwhile project. We especially need help with taping and skim coating the walls, and painting. So, put on your MAS Member Hats, and "book your spot" in MAS history!

## EDUCATION COMMITTEE

*Mary Concannon*

### *New Grants Support Programming for Regional Educators*

Spring brought great news, as the Society received two grants designed to fund new educational initiatives here at the Museum.

### *Mass. Humanities Foundation ~ An Innovative Collaboration*

In April, **Mass. Humanities Foundation (MHF)** awarded the Society a \$10,000 grant to support the *We, the Peoples* Program. Designed as a pilot program, *We, the Peoples* offers an innovative, interactive professional development opportunity open to educators in southeastern Massachusetts.

Through participation in a series of nine workshops (May through December 2009), teams of educators teaching

elementary, middle, and high school students are engaging in a series of lectures and open-ended question-and-answer sessions as they frame their understanding of the essential question, "How can primary source documents inform us about how cultures view each other?"

Each workshop offers new insights into the experiences of Native Peoples from early European exploration through the years following the American Revolution. Participants began their work by strolling through the Museum and taking pictures of artifacts. This theme of "encountering the past" and understanding the lenses they use to teach and learn about past cultures and events resonates throughout their work.

Educators have been immersed in reading a wide range of documents that span both the historic and contemporary periods. Native prophecies; deeds, land transactions, and colonial records; Indian writing and Bible notations; present-day Native authors; and a case study of the Pequot War have served as themes to date, and participants have been charged with composing their own suite of reflections as a way both to share their insights with their peers and to assess their learning as the program progresses.

An undertaking of this magnitude necessarily relies upon great partnerships. And so, our sincerest thanks go out to and are extended in recognition of:

- \* The dynamic team of speakers and scholars who have served as mentors to our educators: Dr. Joyce Rain Anderson; Dr. Joyce Clements; Donna Mitchell; and Bruce Corliss;
- \* Our educational gurus, Deb Dempsey and Carolyn DeCristofano; as well as a fantastic team of educators, who represent school districts in Dartmouth, Freetown-Lakeville, Plymouth, and Middleborough;
- \* Our stalwart Docents continue to provide essential support: Arleen Pimenta has developed a close (and personal!) relationship with the MAS copier; John McLaughlin, has earned the nickname "Donation Docent;" while Clint Sowle's administrative skills have kept us organized and on-track;
- \* The prodigious library lent by Gene Winter has provided the core of reading materials and ideas;
- \* Finally, we express sincere appreciation to the local businesses which have donated food and much-needed supplies: Target, Subway, and Lindo's Pizza each "stepped out" to support the program and local teachers, complementing the delectable cuisine brought by staff.

### *A.D. Makepeace Neighborhood Fund Supports New Curriculum*

In addition to receiving MHF funding, the Society is grateful to the **A.D. Makepeace Neighborhood Fund** for a \$4,000 award to support the development of new programming. The *Clues in Content: Connecting Culture, Context, & Curriculum* has been mapped out as a suite of seven units, each of which can be used either as a "stand-alone" lesson or combined with other units to form a comprehensive module. The long-term plan is to have these "clues in content" serve as the core of the Museum's and the Society's educational programming.



To bring award goals to fruition, staff has begun outreach to both regional teachers who represent Makepeace's five core communities (Carver, Middleboro, Plymouth, Rochester, and Wareham) as well as potential partners who will assist in crafting the nuts and bolts of a selected curriculum. A series of seminars focusing on one unit within the wider program will be held between January and June 2010 at the Robbins Museum. Sessions will consist of several components, each designed so that educators benefit from activities and learning that will correspond to what students experience in the classroom. The suite of activities will include tours of the Museum and exhibits that tie in to PowerPoint lectures based on one of the six core lessons that will comprise the *Clues in Content* program. Accompanying hands-on activities will facilitate comprehension and tie content and context together.

Funding for this round was very competitive. At an award ceremony in April, Mike Hogan—representing the Makepeace Fund—noted that over 82 proposals were received; MAS was one of only 32 organizations to have had their proposals funded! This is the second grant we have received from the Neighborhood Fund, and we extend our most heartfelt thanks for their continued interest and support!

#### ***Out & About:***

New programming also incorporated presentations at a series of venues, both at the Museum and beyond. Over 65 third graders from the Burkland School in Middleborough participated in a hands-on lecture held at the school, complete with built-in student (and teacher) challenges! Artifact analysis and discussion followed, with students making use of a rope "time-line" to gain a sense of the resiliency and vibrancy of Middleborough's indigenous cultures, history and archaeology. The generous donation contributed by participating teachers and students is gratefully acknowledged!

This program was repeated at South Elementary in early June, as second graders in Mrs. Close's class got the opportunity to learn about Plymouth history and material culture in preparation for a field trip to Plimoth Plantation. Docent-in-training Ka'Leigh Woods served as in-class assistant to the MAS Education Coordinator, taking the lead in talking about the artifacts that students got to pass around and examine and distributing maps and other hand-outs to her classmates! Thanks to Mrs. Close for inviting us, and to Mr. Euart for last-minute technical salvation.

Education staff and Docents also went beyond the classroom walls to present programs throughout the region. New Bedford was a popular stop this spring for MAS members: Education Department staff and Docents received a gracious invitation from Gloria Holubes to present a lecture as part of the renowned Wamsutta Club's Luncheon Series. The Ladies selected *A Look Back in Time: Native American History and Artifacts*, a PowerPoint presentation that traces the story of regional groups such as the Wampanoag and the Narragansett tribes over a 12,000-year period. This lecture—one in a series of lectures available for organizations, groups, and educators—focuses on Native culture (music, dance, lifeways) as well as the role which archaeology has played in under-

standing the past, using the collections at the Robbins Museum of Archaeology as a way to both visualize and contextualize content.

Museum staff had an opportunity to showcase the educational programming available to regional educators at the *Teaching American History (TAH) Summer Institute*. Erik Baumann, Program Director, graciously invited MAS staff to spend two afternoons with participating teachers, one as guest lecturer, one as "student." The Institute proved extremely productive: in addition to working with teachers who are part of the MHF grant in a new venue, staff participation in this event has also led to requests for programs that are part of the Makepeace units. This is exciting, because it enables us to synthesize educational goals from our newest grant initiatives while attracting new audiences as well.

#### ***A Noteworthy Request:***

If any of you have access to historic maps of the south coast region from Plymouth to Sippican you can share with me, I would greatly appreciate hearing from you! Maps will serve as a key component in presenting the *Living on the Landscape* lesson scheduled for October 1<sup>st</sup> here at the Museum!

#### ***Right Here At Home:***

Over the summer months, Brownie Troop 81122 of Plymouth's South Elementary School took part in an all-day program at the Museum. Activities for the day were designed to meet the *Listening To the Past Try-It!* Badge requirements, and the Brownies had to work hard to meet all criteria! Their tour included an atlatl demonstration and story-telling challenge led by John McLaughlin, after which the girls had to create their own story using traditional pictographs and symbols; a beading session led by Arleen Pimenta (who received great help from the Troop Leaders) that tied to what the girls learned about Native symbols; an artifact analysis co-led by Ka'Leigh Woods (shown above), granddaughter of MAS' Education Coordinator Mary Concannon; and an in-depth look at fishing gear and pottery led by Clint Sowle. There were plenty of prizes awarded, but the real accomplishment was attaining a patch that symbolizes the work and challenges the girls met throughout the day!





**Bead Work in Progress**



**Jewelry by ME!**

In June, we also hosted a Women's Group from the Methodist Church in Wayland. The ladies chose to focus their tour on *Native Women, Their Work & Their Lifestyle*. Naturally, a focal point for the day was the Museum's extensive collection of pottery. In addition to handouts documenting the stylistic motifs and technical changes in potting over time, the group was treated to a session in which they made their own pottery. Linda Mello, whose work as a Docent is supported by the Commonwealth's ServeNet Program, led this activity. Thanks, Linda; you are always around when we *really* need your expertise!

**Next Up:**

Not a group to rest on our laurels, the Education team has already booked a full Fall season of tours, professional development sessions, and lectures!

So: keep your eyes on the MAS web pages or contact me directly at [mtconcannon@yahoo.com](mailto:mtconcannon@yahoo.com) for our upcoming programs and events. There's sure to be something for your organization, your classroom, or your school district.

**MAS CHAPTER REPORTS**

**NORTHEAST CHAPTER**

*Suanna Selby Crowley*

Welcome back to Fall and the urge to dive back into archaeological learning! After the Summer hiatus, the MAS Northeast Chapter invites you to another great year of lectures by scholars and practitioners in all subfields of archaeology.

Our first bit of news is the recent election of Chapter Officers. A docket of incumbent candidates was re-elected at our last meeting in May. Returning for 2009-2010 are Chair Suanna Crowley, Vice Chair Dave McKenna, Treasurer/Program Chair Jules Gordon, Recording Secretary Eric Metzger, and Corresponding Secretary Dick Miller.

Following a year of work on our publicity and outreach, the MAS Northeast Chapter expects to continue its successes of last season through 2010. Several of our meetings boasted over 40 people in attendance! Hoping to further expand our audience, Chapter Officers are working with the staff of the Robert S. Peabody Museum in Andover, our meeting hosts, to

cultivate issues of topical interest to the students at Phillips Academy and other local schools. The Officers also plan to develop one or two family-friendly educational events outside our monthly lecture series for the 2010-2011 season. And, as always, we are committed to raising awareness of the MAS and the Robbins Museum on the North Shore.

In terms of our upcoming monthly programs, the Northeast Chapter has a full lineup of lectures, beginning with Dr. Dianna Doucette of the Public Archaeology Lab in Rhode Island. Her talk, at 7:30 PM on September 15<sup>th</sup> at the Peabody Museum, will discuss excavations at the J.T. Berry site in North Reading, MA. It is a site that Ripley P. Bullen, former R.S. Peabody Museum archaeologist, originally studied in the 1940s.

To continue the year, we look forward to a number of exciting talks, including the ones listed below. We hope that you will join us for our monthly meetings in Andover. For more information, please contact Chair Suanna Crowley ([suanna@verizon.net](mailto:suanna@verizon.net)). Or, find us through the MAS website ([www.massarchaeology.org](http://www.massarchaeology.org)) and the Northeast Chapter webpage on Facebook!

**September 2009**

Dianna Doucette  
*Archaeological Investigations  
at the J.T. Berry Site*

**October 2009**

Ann Marie Mires  
*What Mean these Bones?  
Forensic Applications in Archaeology*

**November 2009**

Charlie Cockburn  
*The Battle of Haverhill, Massachusetts, 1708*

**December 2009**

Malinda Blustain  
*What I Did on My Vacation in Persia*

**January 2010**

Eric Metzger  
*49-PET-408: An Early Holocene Site in SE Alaska*

**February 2010**

*Neanderthal Genome Project*

**March 2010**

Robert Paynter  
*TBA*

**April 2010**

Javier Urchid  
*Splendidly Crafted Dart Throwers*

**May 2010**

Robert Goodby  
*Archaeology in the Monadnock Region*

## CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER

*Janet M. Bessette*

The Central Mass Chapter of the Massachusetts Archaeological Society continued its busy season of monthly lectures in 2009. January's speaker was Eric Metzger who spoke on "49-PET-408, an Early Holocene Site in Southeast Alaska". February's speaker was Danielle DaDiego, whose topic was "The Batchelder House: A 1750 to 1810 Historic Occupation at the Basin, New Meadows River, Casco Bay". March's speaker was Philip Graham, who spoke on "Household Archaeology and Archaeobotany during the 'Ubaid Period'". April's featured speaker was Tonya Largy, whose topic was "Lady Liberty: What Lies beneath Her Feet?". May's speaker was Craig Chartier, who spoke on "This Old Wetu: New Insights into Southeastern Massachusetts Native Houses". In June we hosted two speakers, Dawn Lassman and Will Maker, whose topic was "The 'Hampsters' Go to Gault: In Search of Pre-Clovis".

We will resume our busy schedule in October. We meet on the first Saturday of the month at 7:30 PM for a business meeting, followed by light refreshments, and an entertaining speaker. Our October speaker will be Al Smith, on Hawaiian petroglyph sites. The location is the Zion Lutheran Church at 41 Whitmarsh Avenue in Worcester MA. All are welcome to attend. I hope to see you there!

## MASSASOIT CHAPTER

*Judy Macioci*

The Massasoit Chapter continues to meet on the third Thursday of each month at members' homes. We currently have about 25 members. Each month we have a short lecture or a show-and-tell. This season's lectures included the following: a presentation of a member's coin collection; a dig site at a member's home; archaeological travels; and the history of the Gurnet. Our regular Christmas party was held at the home of Patty and Dennis Martin and our cookouts were held at the homes of Elaine Nudd, Eric Strom and Dave Burbine. The chapter is planning several field trips for the upcoming season.

## NEWS ITEMS

## EVENTS DURING MASSACHUSETTS ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH

October is Archaeology Month in Massachusetts! Check out the Massachusetts Historical Commission's website, <http://www.sec.state.ma.us/MHC/>, for the 2009 Archaeology Month Events Calendar. The Massachusetts Archaeological Society will sponsor a number of events during this month at the Robbins Museum, 17 Jackson Street, Middleborough, MA. (See the Annual Meeting announcement below for directions.) This year the following events are scheduled:

## EVENTS AT THE ROBBINS MUSEUM

Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>: Family Day at the Museum, 11 AM-2:30 PM. Mary Concannon, Education Coordinator at the Robbins Museum, plans hands-on crafts: talking sticks, canoes, pots and pottery; as well as traditional games—Scavenger Hunt and I Spy challenges—with prizes in store. Fun for the whole family! Family rate: \$8.00 per family (craft materials included). Maximum rate of \$12 for families with four or more children.

Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>: Annual Business Meeting at the Robbins Museum for MAS members, 10 AM-12 noon; Speakers Program for the public at the Middleborough Public Library (12:55-4:15 PM); reception to follow at the Museum (4:30-6:00 PM). Event fee: \$10.00 for all.

Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>: Archaeology Rocks program at the Robbins Museum, 10 AM-2 PM. Kevin Quackenbush, Chair of the Education Committee, will give a hands-on program with artifacts. Kids will examine Native American stone tools and projectile points of past cultures. Can you identify them? A fun event for students of all ages! Event fee: family rate of \$5.00.

Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>: *Underground in Massachusetts*, a lecture by Mary Concannon, Education Coordinator at the Robbins, at the Museum, 7-9 PM. Event fee: \$5.00 per person. Funds raised will be used for educational programs and planning.

Extra! Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>: Mary Concannon, Education Coordinator at the Robbins Museum, will present a lecture entitled *Clues to the American Past* in collaboration with the Lakeville Historical Commission. The presentation will be at the Great Pond Gallery Meeting Room of the Lakeville Public Library from 6:30-8:00 PM. Members and friends of MAS are encouraged to attend to show support for archaeological programming.

The Museum will be open during regular hours: Wednesdays (10 AM-4 PM), Thursdays (10 AM-2 PM), and Saturdays (10 AM-2 PM). Learn about Native cultures of Southern New England. Permanent exhibits: *A Walk Through Time; Wapanucket Site; Doyle Doll Collection; Jack Szelka Photograph Collection*, and more! Regular admission fee: \$5.00 adult, no charge Middleboro children, \$2 other children

## RELATED EVENTS

### *5<sup>TH</sup> Annual Archaeological Canoe Trip* *Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009*

As part of Massachusetts Archaeology Month, Dr. Curtiss Hoffman will lead a canoe/kayak tour of the Upper Taunton River on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The trip is co-sponsored by MAS and the Taunton River Watershed Association (TRWA). We will put in at 10:00 AM at the Summer Street bridge on the Bridgewater side of the river. This year, the water levels should be high enough to reach Camp Titicut. Along the way we will visit a number of archaeological sites: the Powerline

site, and Fort Hill among them. Estimated duration of the trip is 5 hours.

Cost of the trip is \$25 per adult (\$15 for TRWA and MAS members), and \$5 for each child under 12. Funds will benefit both organizations. Make checks out to MAS or TRWA. Children must be accompanied by an adult, and all participants must wear lifejackets or other floatation devices. Lunch may be reserved in advance at \$6.00 per person. All participants must register at [www.savethetaunton.org](http://www.savethetaunton.org). Those without internet access can call (508) 828-1101 and TRWA will send a form for mailing in. Canoe/kayak rental, if needed, is extra, and is available from Canoe Passage Outfitters at [www.canoepassage.com](http://www.canoepassage.com) or (508) 824-0462.

#### **Wayland Historic Commission**

*Stones & Bones* – Russell's Garden Center meeting room, 397 Boston Post Rd., Wayland, MA. October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2-4 PM. The public is invited to examine local artifacts and animal skeletons used in analyzing bones from archaeological sites, and to bring in artifacts or bones they have found.

#### **Zooarchaeology Lab, Harvard University**

*Public Open House* – October 12<sup>th</sup>, 1 to 4 PM, Peabody Museum, 11 Divinity Avenue, Cambridge, MA, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor. Take a behind the scenes look at collections of animal skeletons and learn how they are used in the analysis of animal bones from archaeological sites.

#### **Archaeology Month Event at Easton's Ames Free Library**

Discover archaeology and learn about our past that reaches back over 10,000 years in the area we now call Easton! Local artifacts, poster displays, and other items of interest will be included in this free exhibit created by Susan Jacobucci and Adrienne Edwards of the MAS. It runs through the month of October at the Ames Free Library, 15 Barrows Street, North Easton, Massachusetts. A variety of related materials will be made available for loan so one can continue in her or his exploration of archaeology beyond the historic walls of Easton's Ames Free Library.

#### **Alan Leveillee (PAL) tour of the Hale Reservation**

*A Walk Through Time* will be guided by Alan through the Hale Reservation in Westwood on Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 AM. It will follow a 2 mile trail to visit such sites as the Noanet Rhyolite Quarry and the Powissett Rockshelter. Alan will examine any artifacts brought by visitors and demonstrate tool making. Meet at Cat Rock. Call (781) 326-1770 to register.

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## **OTHER EVENTS**

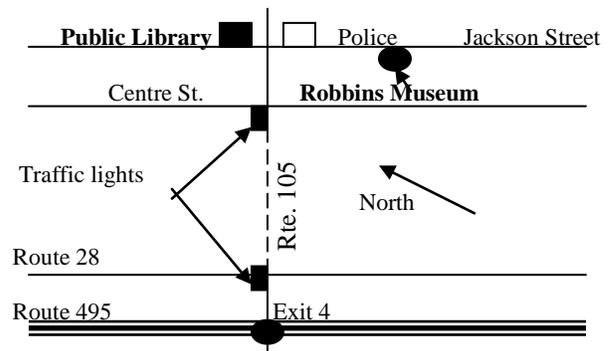
#### **Massachusetts Audubon's Daniel Webster Farm Day**

The MAS will be participating at Mass Audubon's Daniel Webster Farm Day on Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, from 10 AM to 4 PM. The Mass. Archaeological Society will have an assortment of books, including MAS publications and Robbins Museum Gift Shop items for sale, and information about upcoming Archaeology Month activities on hand. The event takes place at the Mass Audubon's Daniel Webster Wildlife Sanctuary at the end of Winslow Cemetery Road in Marshfield, MA. Farm Day includes music, hayrides, homemade food and sweets, exhibits, crafts and children's activities. Come support the MAS at this event!



#### **Massachusetts Archaeological Society 70th Annual Meeting, Oct. 17, 2009**

**Business Meeting:** 10-12, Robbins Museum  
**Speakers Program:** 12:55-4:15, Middleborough Public Library  
**Reception:** 4:30-6:00, Robbins Museum  
**Who:** Everyone is welcome to attend the Afternoon Program and Reception  
Registration is \$10 for all  
Contact Susan Jacobucci at [schlamel1@aol.com](mailto:schlamel1@aol.com) with any questions regarding this event.



From Route 1-495 (North or South): take Exit 4, Route 105. At the end of the ramp follow 105 East towards Middleborough Center. Proceed through two sets of traffic lights. After the second set of lights proceed one block and turn right onto Jackson Street, just before the Middleborough Police Station. The Robbins Museum is located on the right at 17 Jackson Street. Parking is available across the street from the Museum.

**Massachusetts Archaeological Society Annual Meeting, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009**  
**Afternoon Papers at the Middleborough Public Library**

**12:55 Welcome from Program Chair/President**

**1:00 Continuing the Trend: New Discoveries at the J.T. Berry Site in North Reading, Massachusetts**  
Dianna L. Doucette and Erin Flynn, PAL

**1:30 The 2009 Field Season at the Middleborough Little League Site**  
Curtiss Hoffman, Department of Anthropology, Bridgewater State College

**2:00 Archaeology and Public Planning: Digging without the Shovel**  
Mitchell Mulholland, UMASS Archaeological Services, Department of Anthropology, University of Massachusetts Amherst

**Break 2:30-2:45**

**2:45 GIS: The Analytical and Educational Tool of the Archaeologist's Tool Box**  
Adrienne Edwards, GIS Specialist, Town of Easton, Massachusetts.

**3:15 The Occasional Merchant: Foodways in the Household of Thomas Richardson, Jr., 1761-1784**  
Michelle Styger, Boston University.

**3:45 Pequot War, title to be announced**  
Kevin McBride, Director of Research at the Mashantucket Pequot Museum and Research Center and Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of Connecticut.

**Reception at the Robbins Museum, 4:30-6:00 PM**

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