

Western Region

Virginia Archaeology Month 2002



Daily Events

September 28–October 4 *Lynchburg*

Workshop: **PRIMITIVE TECHNOLOGY—choose one topic and see it through to completion—flintknapping, bow making, arrow making, pottery, basketry, fiber technology, or stone axe making.**

Sponsor: Cliffside Workshops
Location: 2 Fredonia Avenue
Time: 8 a.m.–4 p.m.
Contact: (434) 528-3444 Call for fee structure, schedule, and registration

Saturday, October 5 *Millboro*

Kid's Program: **DOUTHAT STATE PARK—ANCIENT CAVE ART: ARTS & CRAFTS FOR KIDS—children will decipher hieroglyphics and paint their own “ancient cave art”.**

DIG IN THE DIRT—children will dig for lost treasures at Douthat Beach. Activities led by the Park Interpreter.

Sponsor: Douthat State Park, Route 1
Location: Crafts at the Beach House
Dig at the Douthat State Park Beach
Time: Cave Art: 1–2 p.m.
Dig: 3–4 p.m.
Contact: (540) 862–8100

Saturday, October 5 *Lynchburg*

Open House: **ARCHAEOLOGY OPEN HOUSE AT POPLAR FOREST—tour of archaeology sites and on-site laboratory, hands-on activities for children.**

Sponsor: Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest
Location: P.O. Box 419, Forest
Time: 11 a.m.–3 p.m. Tours from 11:15 a.m., 12:15 p.m., 1:15 p.m., 2:15 p.m.
Contact: (434) 525-1806

BLUE RIDGE EVENTS Hillsville

Carroll County Public Library
101 Beaver Dam Road

Lecture: *Tuesday, October 15, 7 p.m.* Dr. C. Clifford Boyd, Jr. (Radford University) will present a slide show titled *15 Years of Skeletal Biology at Radford University*. The meeting will serve as a combined monthly meeting for both the Carroll County Historical Society and the Blue Ridge Area Chapter of the Archeological Society of Virginia. The public is invited. For further information call (276) 728-3334

After School Activity: *Friday, October 25, 4–5:30 p.m.* *Into the Past: A Brief Introduction to Archaeology*. This hands-on and interactive ‘discovery session’ will help youth learn about local archaeology. Results from recent local archaeology will be incorporated into the event. Grades K-5 and open to home schoolers. Contact June Pike, Children’s Librarian (276) 728-3334 ext. 3.

Peking Palace Restaurant
(I-77 Exit 14)

Lecture: *Tuesday, October 22, 6:30 p.m.* David E. Rotenizer will present a slide program entitled *Digging into the History of Hillsville: Archaeological Investigations 1998–2002*. This is a meeting of the Hillsville Lions Club. Contact Barbara Slater, President, for more information (276) 238-1707.

LOOK FOR MORE BLUE RIDGE ACTIVITIES AND
EXHIBITS IN THE
MONTH-LONG EVENTS SECTION

October 12 & 13 *Bristol*

Open House: **ARCHAEOLOGY OPEN HOUSE AT ROBERT PRESTON HOUSE, WALNUT GROVE—observe or take part in archaeological testing of the back yard areas of this circa 1800 house.**

Sponsor: Bristol Historical Association
Location: Off Lee Highway across from Goodpasture Motors. (Take Exit 7 on I-81 and go north on Lee Highway.)
Time: Saturday, October 12, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Sunday, October 13, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.
Contact: Call for directions:
Fraizer King (276) 466-3631
Jan Rainero (276) 669-2249

Month-Long Events

During October, Daily **Bastian**

Kid's Program: **NATIVE AMERICAN LIFEWAYS: Reconstructed Village and Interpretive Living History—visit an actual Late-Woodland Native American Village based on nearby archaeological investigations. Costumed interpreter on site. Museum setting offers a broad collection of artifacts.**

Sponsor: Blue Ridge Area Chapter, Archeological Society of Virginia
 Location: Wolf Creek Indian Village and Museum
 Time: Daily, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.
 Contact: (540) 688–3438

October 1-31 **Blacksburg**

Exhibit: **PLANTATION AND PALISADES: Archaeological Artifacts at Smithfield—view 18th-and 19th-century historic artifacts that have been recovered from the grounds of Smithfield (about 1770). Also included are artifacts and illustrations from the Shannon Site, a late-Woodland village that was excavated near Blacksburg.**

Sponsor: Blue Ridge Area Chapter, Archeological Society of Virginia
 Location: Historic Smithfield
 1000 Smithfield Plantation Road
 Time: Thursday–Sunday, 1–5 p.m.
 Fee: \$5 per adult, \$3 for students, \$1.50 for children under 12
 Contact: (540) 231–3947

October 1-31 **Galax**

Exhibit: **PREHISTORIC STONE TOOLS: Heritage Of The Twin Counties—view a wide range of Native American artifacts from Carroll and Grayson Counties and the City of Galax.**

Sponsor: Blue Ridge Area Chapter, Archeological Society of Virginia
 Location: Jeff Matthews Memorial Museum
 606 West Stuart Drive
 Time: Wednesday–Friday, 1–5 p.m.
 Saturday, 11 a.m.–4 p.m.
 Sunday, 1–4 p.m.
 Contact: (540) 236–7874

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October 1-31 **Hillsville**

Exhibit: **A HIDDEN HERITAGE: The Archaeology of Hillsville, Virginia—this exhibit covers work conducted in Hillsville between 1998 and 2002. The results of on-going archaeological investigations associated with the Downtown Hillsville Revitalization Project will be featured.**

Sponsor: Archaeological Monitoring Program / Hillsville Revitalization Project and the Blue Ridge Chapter of the ASV
 Location: Hillsville Town Hall, Main Street
 Time: Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.
 Contact: (276) 728–2128

October 1-31 **Hillsville**

Exhibit: **ARCHAEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS OF THE CARROLL COUNTY COURT HOUSE—this exhibit features investigations from 1998, 2000, and 2001.**

Sponsor: Blue Ridge Area Chapter of the Archeological Society of Virginia
 Location: Carroll County Historical Society Museum
 307 North Main Street
 Time: Tuesday–Friday, 10:30 a.m.–4 p.m.
 Contact: (276) 728–4113

October 1-31 **Hillsville**

Exhibit: **THE CARTER HYDRAULIC WATER RAM SYSTEM—this exhibit features a unique water system dating to about 1924 that was recently nominated to the National Register of Historic Places. The rams are located in the Carter Pines Community Park in Hillsville. Very few historic ram systems have survived.**

Sponsor: Carroll County Public Library
 Location: 101 Beaver Dam Road
 Time: Monday, 10 a.m.–8 p.m.
 Tuesday–Friday, 10 a.m.–6 p.m.
 Saturday, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.
 Contact: (276) 728–3334

October 1-31 **Independence**

Exhibit: **A LEGACY IN STONE: Grayson County's Native American Early Stone Tool Technology—exhibit that features a large collection of prehistoric Native American artifacts found in Grayson County and that have been donated to the museum.**

Sponsor: Blue Ridge Area Chapter, Archeological Society of Virginia
 Location: Historic 1908 Courthouse Foundation
 107 East Main Street
 Time: Monday–Saturday, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
 Contact: (540) 773–3711

September 1, 2002–January 19, 2003 *Martinsville*
 Exhibit: **TRAVELS IN THE INTERIOR OF NORTH AMERICA**—exhibition of prints from the Maximilian–Bodner expedition of 1832–1834.
 Sponsor: Exhibits USA, Joslyn Art Museum
 Location: Virginia Museum of Natural History
 1001 Douglas Avenue
 Time: Monday–Saturday, 10:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
 Sunday, 1:30–4:30 p.m.
 Contact: (276) 666–8600


October 1–31 *Newbern*
 Exhibit: **THREE ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXHIBITS AT THE WILDERNESS ROAD REGIONAL MUSEUM**—artifacts recovered from the log kitchen basement, the yard and the museum grounds will be on view during the month of October.
 Sponsor: Wilderness Road Regional Museum
 Location: 5240 Wilderness Road
 Time: Monday–Saturday, 10:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
 Sunday, 1:30–4:30 p.m.
 Contact: (540) 674–4835

October 1–31 *Pulaski*
 Exhibit: **NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN EXHIBIT**—learn about the Native American heritage of Pulaski County. View artifacts from the area accompanied by text and illustrations.
 Sponsor: Blue Ridge Area Chapter, Archeological Society of Virginia
 Location: Old Pulaski County Courthouse
 52 West Main Street
 Time: Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.
 Contact: (540) 980–7705 or (540) 980–4640

October 1–31 *Radford*
 Exhibit: **DISCOVERIES AT RADFORD'S TRIGG SITE**—view an interesting collection of native American artifacts, recovered in the 1970s from Radford's Bisset Park. The Trigg Site was a Late-Woodland proto-historic period village.
 Sponsor: Blue Ridge Area Chapter, Archeological Society of Virginia
 Location: Glencoe Museum, 600 Unruh Drive
 Time: Thursday–Saturday, 11 a.m.–4 p.m.
 Contact: (540) 731–5031

October 1–31 *Saltville*
 Exhibit: **SALTVILLE'S PAST COMES ALIVE**—step back in time with artifacts from Saltville's historic salt industry, Civil War materials, and an extensive Woodland period collection of Native American artifacts. The collection includes a large number of Native American bead-work items.
 Sponsor: Blue Ridge Area Chapter, Archeological Society of Virginia
 Location: Museum of Middle Appalachia
 123 Palmer Avenue
 Time: Daily, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.
 Contact: (540) 946–3633

2002 ANNUAL MEETING
 Archeological Society of Virginia
 October 11-13, 2002



Ramada Inn
 3503 Holiday Lane
 Blacksburg, Virginia

Oct. 11 Council of Virginia Archaeologists Session.
 Membership Meeting. *Friday, 1 p.m.*
 COVA scholarly presentations on the archaeology of southwestern Virginia. *7 p.m.*

Oct. 12 ASV Session. Presentations on prehistoric and historic archaeology and ASV Chapter Presentations on local activities, *8 a.m.*
ASV Business Meeting, 11 a.m.
 Prehistoric and historic archaeology session, *1 p.m.*
Local Tours Yellow Sulfur Springs, Brush Mountain Millstone Quarry, Smithfield Plantation, Nellie's Cave Sink Hole, *2:30 p.m.*
ASV Annual Reception and Banquet 6 p.m.
 Featured Speaker: **Dr. Richard W. Jefferies**, Chair, Department of Anthropology University of Kentucky, will be presenting *Mississippian Societies in the Cumberland Gap Region of Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee*

Oct. 13 ASV Session. Prehistoric and Historic Archaeology. *Sunday, 8 a.m.*
ASV Executive Board Meeting, 12 noon

For registration information contact: Joey Moldenhauer (540) 387-3081

ASV Web site: www.archsocva.org

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Woodlawn

Exhibit: ***THE PAST IN STONE: Native American Stone Tool Technology of the Twin County Area***—an extensive collection of stone artifacts reflecting the entire range of Native American activity in the region.

Sponsor: Blue Ridge Area Chapter, Archeological Society of Virginia

Location: The Harmon Museum, Highway 58 West (between Hillsville and Galax)

Time: Monday–Saturday, 9 a.m.–6 p.m.

Contact: (540) 236-4884

October 1–31

Wytheville

Exhibit: ***DIG INTO THE PAST***—artifacts from a 1999 archaeological dig conducted on the Rock House grounds are on display. Visitors will see photographs of the excavation and artifacts belonging to the original owners of the house.

Kid's Program: **ARCHAEOLOGY DISCOVERY BOX**—available to area school groups. The box includes artifacts found in the area, as well as a Virginia Standards of Learning Lesson Plan.

Sponsor: The Rock House Museum

Location: 205 Tazewell Street

Time: Tuesday–Friday, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Saturday, 12 noon–4 p.m.

Contact: Debbie Moody (276) 223-3330