



The Datum Point

Newsletter of the
NORTHERN VIRGINIA CHAPTER OF THE
ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF VIRGINIA

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From the President – Patrick O’Neill

It’s cold, but even now, there are opportunities to volunteer IN THE LAB! The NVC may also get involved with Chapmans Mill, the old stone shell on Route 66 past Gainesville! It has been my humble privilege to serve as your President these past three years! This chapter is the best!!!!!! Thank you!

December 12th, 2007 Chapter Meeting

END OF THE YEAR PARTY WILL BE AT THE LAB

Start Time: 6:45pm

Please bring a dish to share – the Chapter will provide drinks. If we’re lucky Mr. CD Cox will bring some of those famous pies!

Elections

December is also our annual Chapter elections. No one is elected without their permission – don’t let them keep you away from enjoying the company and fellowship of your fellow diggers.

Open offices:

President (one candidate)

Duties:

- Chair monthly meetings
- Represent the Chapter at state level meetings

Vice President

- Administer the Chapter scholarships
- Stand in for the President at monthly meetings

Treasurer – (one candidate)

- Maintain the Chapter books
- Report to the ASV once a year
- Write Chapter checks
- Assist with membership dues notices

Corresponding Secretary

- Pick up printed *Datum Points* from printer
- Get *Datum Points* labeled, stamped, & into mail
- Assist with membership dues notices (those red circles on the labels)

Recording Secretary

- Take notes of Chapter meetings

Editor – (one candidate)

- Write the *Datum Point*
- Solicit input for the *Datum Point*

If you’re interested in participating in these offices, please contact Patrick O’Neill (outgoing President).

Patrick has voluntarily served 3 years in a row, but will be taking on the entire ASV soon – so we need someone to step up here at the local level. All offices are set for only 1-year terms, but many have volunteered to remain in offices longer.

ARPA Violators Sentenced

Submitted by Carol Nash

On March 11, 2007, three men were apprehended after metal-detecting and digging up relics on the Spotsylvania Battlefield in Virginia. Over 460 holes were found and documented on and around park earthworks where the men had been seen digging, making the incident one of the most destructive ARPA violations in NPS Northeast Region history.

All three men appeared in court and either pled or was found guilty and sentenced. In June, Vincent Williams, 37, pled guilty and was ordered to pay \$1,400 in restitution. In September, Fenton Terembes, Jr., 28, was sentenced to twenty-four months in jail, followed by a year of supervised probation, and ordered to pay \$28,600 in restitution following his guilty plea to a felony ARPA charge. In November, Jeremy Burroughs, 30, was sentenced to 18 months in jail, followed by three years of supervised probation, and ordered to pay \$28,600 in restitution. This was Burroughs’ second felony ARPA violation; his previous conviction was in 1998.

All three men forfeited their equipment and the seized artifacts. The park also recovered a CSA belt buckle valued at \$3,300 that had been removed from the park by Terembes earlier in the same week.

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NVC/ASV MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Phone (H): _____
(W): _____

ADDRESS: _____

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Individual (\$15) _____

Student (\$5) _____

Family (\$17) _____

New _____

Renewal _____

Return to:

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Falls Church, VA 22042

Chapter members are encouraged to join our parent organization, the Archeological Society of Virginia.

The Chapter meets at 7:30p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month at the James Lee Center at the above address.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!!

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