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

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FROM THE PRESIDENT – ANN WOOD

Northern Virginia Chapter, we have a problem...

The hours we love to donate to discover and record threatened archaeological sites in Fairfax County face severe reduction in the county budget proposed for fiscal year 2011. The one remaining staff position devoted to this countywide site rescue work that draws so many volunteers would be **permanently eliminated**.

We will be sharing more information with you. We hope that together we can convince our county leaders not to tie the hands of its small but very cost-effective archaeology program. Often working a step ahead of the bulldozers, this volunteer-rich program accomplishes a great deal in uncovering and recording Fairfax County's rich historic and prehistoric past before it is lost forever.

...Bring a dish to share and kick off the holidays at our chapter Christmas party on Wednesday, December 9, from 6:30 pm on. We'll break for a short business meeting to elect our NVC officers for 2010. We have a great slate! I am delighted that John Kelsey has agreed to run for president. He has been productively involved in many chapter activities and graduated as a Certified Archaeological Technician in October. He will have a great supporting cast of officers continuing from this year: Will and Wilke Nelson, CK Gailey, Felicia Glapion, Maggie Johnson, and Patrick O'Neill.

It has been my great pleasure to serve as your president for the past two years. The chapter has good energy going for it in a lot of areas ... too many to enumerate here. There's always more to accomplish, and I plan to continue working with you all in many capacities. I cannot leave without special thanks to two people ... Diane Schug-O'Neill and CK Gailey ... who quietly shoulder key tasks and keep things humming.

See you at our party!

NVC CHRISTMAS PARTY



**Don't be a mean one,
Mr. Grinch!**

Come to the NVC's 2009 Christmas Party at the lab at the James Lee Center!
Starts at **6:30 pm** on **December 9th**.

Bring a yummy hot dish for sure,
and a small dessert if you wish,
so we won't wonder where you were,
and then we won't have to eat fish!

ATTENTION!

Bring your check book! I am going to bring five boxes of archaeology and history books to sell at the party (very cheap between \$1-\$3!!!!), with all proceeds going to Kittiewan Plantation. If you want to donate any to the cause, please bring them along! Patrick O'Neill

NVC SPONSORED 2009 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF VIRGINIA

By Patrick O'Neill

The 69th Annual Meeting in Fredericksburg over Columbus Day weekend was an exciting and fun weekend, with many great presentations, a wonderful field trip to Ferry Farm, where George Washington live as a young adult, and a superb banquet speaker in Kristen McMasters from the American Battlefield Protection Program! There were over 12 Certification Program graduates this year, and a hearty congratulation goes to them! AND, 133 people registered, making it one of the most successful Annual Meetings in many years!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



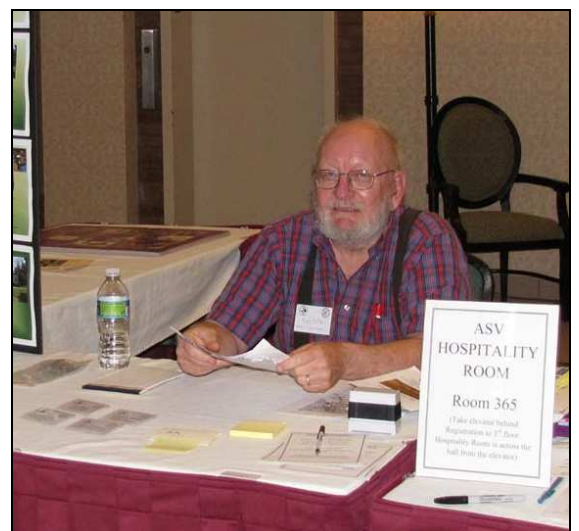
Certification Program graduates included NVC members Jackie Cuyler (2nd from left), John Kelsey (3rd from left), and Janet Martin (4th from right).



Chapter Presidents and me, including NVC President Ann Wood (3rd from left)



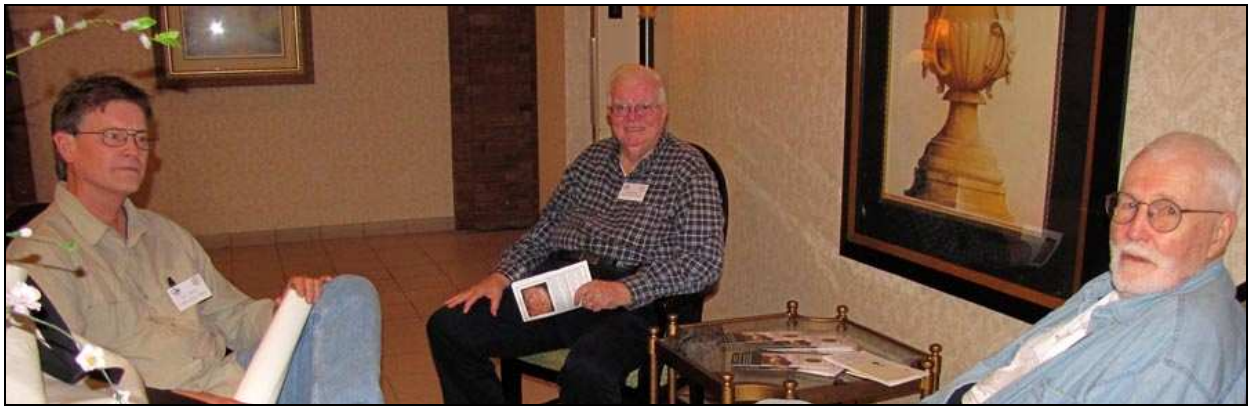
Jackie Cuyler, Ann Wood, and Janet Martin



Hal Fuller came, too!



What a spread they put on in the Hospitality Room!



Chris, Bill, and CD had fun!



The Beer30 group strikes again!

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the Archeological Society of Virginia.
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**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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