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NORTHERN VIRGINIA CHAPTER (NVC) OF THE
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Chapter Website – www.nvcasv.org



FROM THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT **PATRICK O'NEILL**

This month's presentation will be on Zoom. This month's presentation will NOT be recorded. Here is the link.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82351384037>

I hope everyone was able to see the talks during the ASV Annual Meeting. They are online at:

<https://www.virginiaarcheology.org/2021-annual-meeting/>

We will not be having an in-person Christmas Party. unless someone wants to host it themselves. I have scheduled a December presentation by Molly Kerr about transcribing ledger records in Alexandria (and she is looking for volunteer transcribers!!!!).

During the December meeting. I will ask for someone to make a motion to change to the chapter bylaws to allow the Treasurer to serve more than two 2-year terms. The 2-term limit was added in the 1990s. The ASV has no such limits, and the NVC should also not have such limits. Let me know your thoughts.

Elections will also be conducted during the December meeting. The following slate of officers is proposed:

President	-	Patrick O'Neill
Vice-President	-	Yvonne French
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ZOOM PRESENTATION!! **Nov 10, 2021, 7pm**

A Conversation with Delvin L. Schmunk

~ Member of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians



Chippewa Challenge Coin

Aaniin, (Greetings in Ojibwe) Ogimaa Anang indizhinikaaz makwa indodem (my name is Chief Star and I'm from the Bear Clan). I'm a proud member of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, was born on the reservation, grew up just off the 'rez' and consider myself fortunate to grow up in two different cultures (Native and Non-Native). Early on we're taught our inner flame is our soul and is what makes us who we are. Even

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though life's events and other people sometimes make our flames flicker, we have each other and the Seven Teachings of Wisdom, Love, Respect, Bravery, Honesty, Humility, and Truth to keep the flame burning bright within us. Over time and throughout my travels and interactions with other cultures, I realize these teachings are universal and can help bring out the best in others. I also believe that science and spirituality are synonymous.

Please join in for a conversation with Delvin L. Schmunk, Member of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians. Hear about the Seven Teachings of the Ojibwe people, growing up in two different cultures (Native and Non-Native), and experience working as a government professional with over 25 years' experience in civilian and military organizations, working at multiple levels of international, federal, tribal, state, and county agencies. He has a BA (Double Major) in Indian [Native American] Studies and Geography; and a Master of Science degree in Space Studies with a focus on Remote Sensing and Global Climate Change and retired from the military in 2017. He and his family live in Springfield, Va.

Here are several links that Delvin wanted to share with the chapter that you could watch before the talk on Wednesday.

1) [Red Lake Nation - Home of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians](https://www.redlakenation.org/) my nation's homepage.
<https://www.redlakenation.org/>

2) [National Native American Veterans Memorial | National Museum of the American Indian \(si.edu\)](https://americanindian.si.edu/visit/washington/nnavm) as the Dedication Ceremony and Veterans Procession will occur November 11, 2022.
<https://americanindian.si.edu/visit/washington/nnavm>

3) [ANC Blog \(arlingtoncemetery.mil\)](https://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil) as November, 11 2021 marks the centennial of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and link to story on 'Chief Plenty Coups', the last traditional chief of the Apsáalooke (Crow) tribe of the Great Plains, as he was among the distinguished dignitaries at the burial of the Datum Point

World War I Unknown Soldier on November 11, 1921.

<https://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil/Blog/Post/11493/Chief-Plenty-Coups-and-the-American-Indian-Tribute-to-the-Unknown>

4) [Home - Fourdirectionsteachings.com](http://www.fourdirectionsteachings.com) where I found the idea for the 'Challenge Coin' and tie in to the Seven Teachings.

<http://www.fourdirectionsteachings.com/>

5) [A Conversation With Native Americans on Race | Op-Docs - Bing video](https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=youtube+native+american+perspective+on+race&qpvtyoutube+native+american+perspective+on+race&view=detail&mid=9C5290C8EB540B4723FD9C5290C8EB540B4723FD&&FORM=VRDGAR&ru=%2Fvideos%2Fsearch%3Fq%3Dyoutube%2Bnative%2Bamerican%2Bperspective%2Bon%2Brace%26qpvtyoutube%2Bnative%2Bamerican%2Bperspective%2Bon%2Brace%26FORM%3DVDRE) 6:23 runtime YouTube Video

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=youtube+native+american+perspective+on+race&qpvtyoutube+native+american+perspective+on+race&view=detail&mid=9C5290C8EB540B4723FD9C5290C8EB540B4723FD&&FORM=VRDGAR&ru=%2Fvideos%2Fsearch%3Fq%3Dyoutube%2Bnative%2Bamerican%2Bperspective%2Bon%2Brace%26qpvtyoutube%2Bnative%2Bamerican%2Bperspective%2Bon%2Brace%26FORM%3DVDRE>

6) [Thomas X - Rezolution ft. Brendan Strong - Bing video](https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=thomas+X+rezolution&&view=detail&mid=3EEFF98795DB08561EE93EEFF98795DB08561EE9&&FORM=VRDGAR&ru=%2Fvideos%2Fsearch%3Fq%3Dthomas%2520X%2520rezolution%26qs%3Dn%26form%3DQBVD MH%26sp%3D-1%26pq%3Dthomas%2520x%2520rezolution%26sc%3D1-19%26sk%3D%26cvid%3DEF8E56C8B5D1454EBB114860ADD3FE61) 4:23 runtime Youtube video. I like how it starts in our language and halfway through goes to English and the signs throughout are nice to see as well as the land and people I know as our homeland.

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=thomas+X+rezolution&&view=detail&mid=3EEFF98795DB08561EE93EEFF98795DB08561EE9&&FORM=VRDGAR&ru=%2Fvideos%2Fsearch%3Fq%3Dthomas%2520X%2520rezolution%26qs%3Dn%26form%3DQBVD MH%26sp%3D-1%26pq%3Dthomas%2520x%2520rezolution%26sc%3D1-19%26sk%3D%26cvid%3DEF8E56C8B5D1454EBB114860ADD3FE61>

7) The National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition

<https://boardingschoolhealing.org/>

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Chapter members can join our parent organization, the Archeological Society of Virginia at www.virginiaarcheology.org/

The Chapter meets at 7:00p.m. on the 2nd Wed. of each month either in person or on Zoom.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!!