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ANNUAL MEETING

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1974, VERGENNES, VERMONT

This year's Annual Meeting of the Vermont Archaeological Society will be hosted by the Vergennes chapter.

Meeting sessions, exhibits, and speakers will be at the Bixby Library, Main Street, Vergennes, Vermont.

PROGRAM OF THE SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING

- 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM REGISTRATION (\$1) AND EXHIBITS.
- 1:00 PM - Vergennes Chapter Report, Richard K. Adams, including a report on the Garrison House Salvage (circa 1750).
- 1:30 PM - Burlington Chapter Report, Edgar Bacon, including a report on the Ewing Site (Vt-Ch-5).
- 2:00 PM - Boucher Site Report (Vt- Fr-26), Louise Basa.
- 2:15 PM - Business Meeting
Report of Elections to the Board of Trustees.
Report of the Site Survey Committee, chairman, W. A. Haviland.
Secretary's Report.
Treasurer's Report.
Etc.
- 3:15 PM - FILM, "The Old Red Mill", produced by Yudis E. Bennett at the Chittenden Mill (built 1854) in Jericho. Introduction by Miss Blair Williams of the Jericho Historical Society. Miss Williams will answer questions on the film and will discuss the work of the Jericho Society.

- 4:00 PM - REPORT ON LEGISLATION, William Pinney, State Historical Preservation Officer, Division of Historic Sites, will offer a description of impending legislation for the creation of a state Archaeologist and the overall plan for historic preservation that this legislation will provide in Vermont.
- 5:30 PM - Cocktail Hour, cash bar at the Commodore.
- 6:30 PM - DINNER at the Commodore Restaurant. Menu and reservation blank attached to Newsletter. Reservations are a must.
- 8:00 PM - EVENING PROGRAM. "Peruvian Cultural History". Dr. Mark Cohen of the Plattsburg State College SUNY, will speak on his main research area, demographic and technological changes in prehistoric times in one Peruvian valley, with reference to general information on Peruvian cultural history. Dr. Cohen has also done archaeological work in Kenya, Georgia, and in Northeastern New York State and is closely tied to the Adirondack Archaeological Association.

EXHIBITS: The VAS wishes to extend an invitation to its entire membership to participate in the exhibitions planned for this years Annual Meeting. Any member or group desiring to exhibit artifacts, photographs, slides, or other materials is asked only to contact the area coordinator, Mr. Richard Adams, % The Commodore Restaurant, Vergennes, Vermont, in order to arrange for exhibit space.

The registration fee for the Annual Meeting is waived for those individuals who have arranged to exhibit!

Exhibits already arranged as of this publication include:

- a) a sampling from the Ross collection including Reagen site materials dating back to 10,000 BC courtesy of the Vergennes chapter.
- b) an exhibit of late woodland materials from Vt-Ch-5 in Chittenden County, courtesy of the Burlington chapter.
- c) a photo-essay of the Boucher site (Vt-Fr-26 Highgate, Vermont) with a slide show of salvage excavation procedures, features of the site, and selected artifact groupings. Displayed by Louise Basa.
- d) Materials from the Little Otter Creek area presented by Steven DeForge of Montpelier.

If you wish to exhibit, please contact Richard Adams before December fifth so that exhibit space may be made available.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING OCTOBER 28, 1974

Trustees attending: Adams, Aronson, Basa, Bacon, Muller,
Popecki, and Smith.

Members attending: Beliveau, Hall, Johnson, Procourt,
Sherman, Smith, Swanson.

President H.N. Muller called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

Trustee Louise Basa cited the failure of the Board to carry out the recommendations of the Task Force, presented to the Board last May. Mr. Muller agreed and cited the general failure of the Board to provide positive leadership for the Society. He suggested that as eight board positions were to occur by the time of the Annual Meeting that the recommendation be left to the new Board and that the new Board should not be encumbered by decisions of the present Board.

Discussion then centered upon the status of the bylaw revisions; the Board-appointed committee and the Task Force have made suggestions for revisions to be presented to the general membership. The problem of newsletter distribution and the legality of the combined secretary-editorship was cited. Jeffrey Aronson resigned as Editor and the Board appointed Reuben Sherman as his replacement in an attempt to distribute the duties of the combined post.

Nick Muller asked the Board to consider candidates for the nominating committee. The Board moved the following members form the nominating committee: Armand Beliveau, Williston, Chairman
Dennis Hall, Vergennes
Robert Johnson, Burlington
Ray Procourt, Burlington
Joseph Popecki, Burlington

After discussion, the Board voted to have the Annual Meeting in Vergennes on December 7, 1974. Louise Basa and Dick Adams will handle the arrangements for the meeting.

Ed Bacon spoke for the Burlington Chapter on its concerns about the status of the statewide organization. Mr. Bacon cited problems of dissemination of information on the activities of the Burlington Chapter and liason with appropriate state agencies. He further felt the Board had been negligent in its contacts with other state organizations and the ESAF, and continued to be too closely identified with the University of Vermont.

After discussion on these topics, the meeting adjourned.

DON'T FORGET: Reservation, dues remittance, and ballot forms
are attached. See the last two pages of the
Newsletter!!!!

TREASURER'S REPORT

Restricted funds - Highgate.....150.00
Restricted funds - Field School...199.75
Total restricted funds.....349.75
Vermont Archaeological funds.....267.41
Total Balance on hand.....617.16

signed E. Bacon
11/1/74

NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S REPORT

The following people have been chosen by the Nominating Committee as candidates for the Board of Trustees of the Vermont Archaeological Society for the term of three years. Eight of the eleven trustee position need to be filled this year. Nominees or write-in candidates receiving the greatest number of votes will be elected. The following information is included to aid you in your selection. Nominees are listed alphabetically. Your ballot form is the last page of this newsletter.

Richard K. Adams, Vergennes

Currently membership secretary for the VAS and a past vice-president of the Society. First president of the Vergennes Chapter of the VAS. Field work includes the MacIntoch House foundation, Garrison House, and securing and cataloguing the Ross material, now owned by the Vergennes chapter.

Edgar Bacon, Burlington

Currently treasurer of the VAS. Initiated the Burlington Chapter of the VAS and serves as their field director. Has attended many eastern states meetings as the VAS representative. Field work includes the Auclair, Ewing, Winooski, and Boucher sites.

Armand Beliveau, St. George

Currently works as an engineer at IBM. Is primarily interested in the educational aspects of Vermont archaeology and in community involvement.

Dennis Hall, Vergennes

Member of the Vergennes Chapter. Fieldwork includes the MacIntoch House foundation, Quarry Camp site, and the cataloguing of the Ross material. Interested in both historic and prehistoric archaeology.

William Haviland, Jericho.

Charter member of the VAS, VAS Site Survey Chairman and Consultant, Member of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. Author of the VAS monograph "Mounds in Vermont", which includes a description of the VAS salvage dig at Pine Island.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S REPORT * CONTINUED

Clark Hinsdale, Charlotte

Active in the VAS Task Force. Currently engaged in archaeological field work in Illinois. Interested in site survey. Currently a student at Middlebury college.

Barbara Lewis, Shelburne

Exhibit designer for historical museums including work with the Vermont Historical Society and the Park-McCollough House in Bennington. Trained in American studies in the Cooperstown NYS program.

Ronald Morgan, Milton

Graduate research assistant, Department of Animal Sciences, University of Vermont. Engaged in field work and collecting in the Milton area and has worked at the Boucher site excavation. Is interested in establishing a strong leadership for the VAS.

Ray Precourt, Shelburne

Active in the VAS Task Force. Fieldwork includes excavations at the Rivers Site, "Shaw's Place", in Essex Ctr., and the Boucher Site. Currently a student at UVM.

Joseph Popecki, Burlington

First VAS president and active with the VAS Newsletter from 1968 to 1971. Fieldwork at Pine Island salvage dig. Interested in organizational research and the establishment of a VAS repository. Currently Director of Libraries at St. Michael's College.

BALLOT FORM IS ATTACHED AS THE LAST PAGE OF THIS NEWSLETTER. IT IS DESIGNED AS A SELF MAILER AND REQUIRES ONLY YOUR VOTE AND A 10¢ STAMP. Due in by DECEMBER THIRD.

The next page following contains your dinner reservation form and a dues request. These are due by December third.

Please make checks payable to the Vermont Archaeological Society, Inc., Box 663, Burlington, Vt. Name and address verification is requested so that a revised mailing list for the Newsletter can be compiled.

DINNER RESERVATIONS:

VAS ANNUAL MEETING DINNER. 6:30 PM, December 7, 1974

at the Commodore Restaurant in Vergennes, Vermont.

Because of limited seating, reservations are necessary for the Dinner. Reservations must be received prior to December third. Please make checks payable to the Vermont Archaeological Society and mail with reservation to Box 663, Burlington, Vt.

MENU*****

- Roast beef Vegetable
- Baked Potato Beverage
- Ginger bread with Whipped Cream

Price: \$5.00 @ taxes and gratuities included.

Please make _____ reservation(s) in the name of _____

for the VAS dinner. I am enclosing \$_____.

DUES REQUEST:

Once again the Society is late in calling for fiscal '75 dues. If you have not already paid your 74-75 dues you may send them in with this form or you may pay them at the Annual Meeting according to the following schedual:

- Individual membership.....\$3.00
- Family membership.....\$5.00
- Sustaining membership.....\$10.00
- Life Membership.....\$100.00
- Institutional membership.....\$15.00
- Student membership. ..
- (limited to students under 18)...\$1.00

Name _____

Address _____

Type of membership _____ amount _____

Name _____

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Type of Membership _____ amount _____

Total for dues enclosed _____

Total for dinner reservations _____

Total enclosed _____