MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Fall Meeting
Set for October 16

The fall meeting of the VAS is set for the afternoon of Saturday, October 16, 1982 at the Boy Scouts of America Green Mountain Council Headquarters. (This is on Route 2 and easily reached.) Major speakers will include Dr. Leonard Foote on the archaeology of western Mexico, Bill Haviland on Tikal, Guatemala, and Michael Moran on an Israeli dig.

Meeting registration will be from 1:00 to 1:30, and speakers will talk from 1:30 to 5:00. Wine and cheese and a catered buffet dinner will follow. Dinner will cost $8.00. More details and directions will be included in the next issue of the Newsletter. Mark your calendars now!

F,P&R Offers History Hike Guide

Vermont's Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation has developed a self-guided hike in the Little River State Park (in the Mr. Mansfield State Forest) that highlights remnants of Vermont's past. The Little River History Hike passes cemeteries, stone walls, cellar holes, sawmill sites and the remains of foundations to tell us about a settlement of over 50 families who lived in the area over 100 years ago.

A booklet is available free of charge that shows the easily walked and well-marked trails that mostly follow old town roads or logging roads, and shows the locations of the various historical sites. The hike takes 3-4 hours. Anyone visiting the Little River State Park should remember that any artifacts found on the trail are for the pleasure of all and should be left for the enjoyment of others. The park entrance is located off Route 2 in Waterbury. The self-guiding History Hike brochure is available at the park office. For more information, write Dept. of Forests, Parks and Recreation, Montpelier, VT 05602, 802-828-3375.

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This 10-page pamphlet explains the importance of underwater historic properties in Vermont's history. The background of underwater research is presented with a description of the recovery and preservation of the Philadelphia from Lake Champlain in 1935. Various methods used to obtain historical information from shipwreck properties are listed, including archival or documentary research, underwater survey, evaluation, and data recovery or excavation. The problems and approaches of conservation techniques are discussed. The final section details the underwater archaeology projects that have been completed in Vermont.

The Old Exeter Pottery Works, Everett C. Lamson,

Phoenix Project: An Emerging Past, edited by Rebecca Davison, Champlain Maritime Society, P.O. Box 745, Burlington, VT 05402.

This publication gives an account of the 1816 steamboat Phoenix, its tragic and fiery end, and the 1978 diving expedition which discovered the boat's wreckage in Lake Champlain. Two soft-cover versions of the Phoenix Project have been published. Copies of a limited 73-page work intended for serious scholars of maritime history and the diving community are available in libraries around the state, or may be borrowed from the Champlain Maritime Society upon request. A 23-page version written for general audiences, with illustrations and a scale drawing of the Phoenix, is also available upon joining the Society for annual dues of $10.00.

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The BOUCHER SITE carbon dating project has received a $3000 grant to proceed with C-14 dating. Louise Basa, Steve Nelson and Dee Brightstar have selected samples for dating by the radiocarbon dating laboratory at the Smithsonian Institution.

The Center for Northern Studies in Wolcott, Vermont will be offering a course on "Paleoenvironment and Prehistory of the Circumpolar North" during the fall term (September through December). For more information, call or write: Center for Northern Studies, Wolcott, Vermont 05680, 802-888-4331.

A third DUGOUT CANOE has been found in Shelburne Pond. Efforts are being made to document and preserve this latest find.

VAS members BILL BAYREUTHER, KEVIN CRISMAN and JAN WARREN, along with members of the Lake Champlain diving community, have been working on a survey of underwater historic properties of Lake Champlain. The results of their summer's work will be reported on in a future issue of the Newsletter.

MURIEL FARRINGTON will begin indexing past issues of the Newsletter. The first step in the indexing effort involves listing the articles in each issue on separate cards. Anyone wishing to help Muriel can write her c/o of the VAS, Box 663, Burlington, VT 05402.

An exhibit of artifacts from the EWING SITE, excavated by VAS members from 1974-1977, is on display in the Special Collections Department of the Bailey-Howe Library at the University of Vermont. The exhibit, prepared by Jan Warren and Steve Nelson for the spring meeting, will travel to the St. Michael's College Library in the fall.

At least two VAS members--PETER THOMAS and SANBORN PARTRIDGE--will be delegates to the Governor's Conference on the Future of Vermont's Heritage in November. Are there any other delegates who will speak for archaeological resources?

During the field season of 1980, the UVM contract archaeology program identified 15 prehistoric sites adjacent to the Missisquoi River that may be affected by expansion of the hydroelectric facility at Highgate Falls. The area has been nominated to the National Register of Historic Places as a prehistoric archaeological district. The UVM crew, under the direction of Peter Thomas, is spending this field season determining the vertical and horizontal boundaries and artifact content of three of the sites. An article in the next issue of the Newsletter will describe the results of the first field season, the National Register nomination, and the methods--heavy machinery is being used to help archaeology for a change--and results of the current work.

Looking forward to the fast-approaching time when funding for archaeological projects will be even harder to find than it has been, the VAS has made two fundraising efforts. A small membership drive has been conducted which so far has brought in at least ten new members. T-shirts sporting the name and logo of the society have been designed by Jan Warren and have been selling well. Join those who have already supported these fundraising activities: encourage friends to become members and buy a t-shirt. They make great gifts; one fan bought 12! T-shirts can be ordered for $6.00 plus $.45 postage from P. Doherty, Dept. of Anthropology, UVM, Burlington, VT 05402. (Men's sizes small, medium, large and extra-large, all cotton).

**Members Survey Shelburne Farms**

Despite rainy weather, Burlington-area VAS members spent two Sunday mornings in May surveying agricultural fields at Shelburne Farms in Shelburne, Vermont. Four prehistoric occupation/activity areas were identified by intensive surface collection. One site consists of a single triangular Woodland projectile point, and two others were identified solely on the basis of lithic flaking debris. The fourth site contains numerous projectile points, stone tools and vast quantities of flakes. Only a small sample of the artifacts were collected from this area; they include four Breverton points, suggesting that the site represents prehistoric activity from around 3000 B.C.

VAS volunteers will complete site forms for the State Archaeologist's inventory, and wash and catalog the artifacts recovered. The group originally intended to cover all the fields on the Farm, but crop cover grew faster than their surveying efforts. They would like to return one Sunday in late fall with a larger number of volunteers and finish the survey.

AULIS LIND, of the UVM Geography Dept., spoke at the Spring meeting on the uses of remote sensing in archaeological investigations. She showed aerial photos of Vietnam, tracing long abandoned canal systems.
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