March Meeting Notes:

Old Business: Elaine reviewed the past meeting minutes. The February meeting was held at David & Ginny Burbine’s home in Pembroke.

New Business: The Massasoit Chapter members discussed a summer field trip to the Boston Harbor Islands.

Meeting Presentation: The March Meeting was an open meeting, due to a last minute cancelation from Craig Chartier, our scheduled lecturer/presenter.

Next Meeting: The Next meeting will be on April 19, 2012. Location: Dennis & Patty Martin’s House.

March Meeting Presenter: Patty Martin
Patty’s Presentation will be on “Native American Foods”
March Meeting Notes

The March Meeting Was an Open Meeting

Bernie Otto lead a discussion on the sixty six day voyage of the Mayflower. The Mayflower left England on September 6, 1620 and arrived at Cape Cod on November 11, 1620. The original destination for the Mayflower was the Hudson River area, present day New York.

Bernie described the daily life aboard the ship, the interaction with Captain Christopher Jones and the crew, it’s hardships and how the voyage was marked with disease and death.

Elaine Nudd read an article from the Smithsonian Magazine (March 2012) Titled “Truth and Beauty”

The article described the discovery of a 40,000 year old figurine that clearly represents a woman.

The figurine was found in the bottom of a vaulted cave in South-Western Germany. The figurine is called “40,000 Year Old Porn”

Some experts viewed such pieces as “Hunting Magic” (Hunting Magic is a term for practices of magic associated with hunting in hunter-gatherer cultures) both contemporary and prehistoric. There is an ongoing debate among archaeologist about the origins and purpose of art.

Shelia Lynch informed the Massasoit Chapter about the outcome of her lecture at the AIA meeting at the South Shore Natural Science Center in Norwell on March 10th.

The premise of the discussion was:

Champlain’s trip and mapping of the area around Plymouth. Shelia’s contention is that Champlain was mapping the Jones River not the EEL River.
April Meeting Presenter:  Patty Martin

Meeting Date and Time:
Thursday April 19th 2012

Meeting Topic:

“Native American Foods “

The first part of the meeting will take place outdoors around an open camp fire.

Food is the Presentation, so have a light dinner, as you will be eating at the meeting.

Patty will cover the “Three Sisters” Corn-Beans-Squash
And many more Native American Foods indigenous to The New England Region.

Please Dress Accordingly. Seating will be available.

After the presentation we will go inside for our monthly chapter business meeting, desert and coffee.
“The Search to Identify a 19th Century Wooden Sailing Ship Wrecked in the North River in Marshfield”

This lecture is an illustrated presentation of one man's search to find the identity of an archaic, maritime wreck, which has appeared and disappeared periodically over the past 65 years.

Paul F. McCarthy is an amateur maritime archaeologist with a penchant for local history.

He has resided along the Marshfield side of the North River for 40 years.

Mr. McCarthy's talk will include a power point presentation of photographs of the wreck as well as the pictorial results of his three years of research.

His goal has been to identify the skeleton of the largest wooden sailing ship ever to remain in the North River and give it its rightful place as part of the rich historical tapestry of our coastal communities.
Nantucket & Other Native Places

The Legacy of Elizabeth Alden Little
Nantucket and Other Native Places is a Memorial Volume honoring Elizabeth (Betty) Little who passed away in 2003.

Betty was President of the Massachusetts Archaeological Society from 1984-1986.

The Society is co-publisher with SUNY Press, Albany, New York.

This volume is a "Festschrift" (a book honoring a respected person) of chapters written by archaeologists who knew Betty and were influenced by her during her lifetime.

The papers cover research areas which were of special interest to Betty, which means that they will also be of interest to the archaeological community, especially in Southern New England.

Co-Authors
Elizabeth Chilton—Mary Lynne Rainey
With Dr. John Little
Massasoit Chapter Field Trips

There is a Wealth of Historic Knowledge and Many Historic Places to Visit in New England.

With Spring and Summer Just Around The Connor, Field Trips Would be a Great Way for the Massasoit Chapter to Explore New England.

Short Day Trips to Local Points of Interest.

Official Massasoit Chapter Field Trip Vehicle

Maybe a Massasoit Chapter Field Trip to Salem Massachusetts
The Massasoit Chapter Section on the Massachusetts Archaeological Society Web-Page.

**Check Out the New Chapter Web-Page Sections.**

Archaeology Month Event at the Duxbury Free Library

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