



# Southeast Chapter

Massachusetts Archaeological Society Museum

Luedtke Conference Center

17 Jackson Street, Middleboro 02346

The Southeast Chapter is excited to welcome you back to our monthly talks on archaeological and historical topics! Join us on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7pm.

The meetings, talks and entrance to the museum are free and open to the public. Donations are welcome.

**September 8, 2021: Join Craig Chartier with Is It Time to Re-Analyze Wampanucket?**

The Wampanucket Site in Middleborough was sporadically excavated from the 1930s through the 1960s and a comprehensive report was published by Maurice Robbins in 1980. It is time to re-analyze those excavations in light of more recent archaeological findings and techniques, as I feel that no one has really investigated the uniqueness of this site in New World archaeology. This presentation is a preliminary study of what he found when looking at the published findings again and is an appeal to take a fresh look at what was found, what the limitations of the site are, and to offer a fresh look at what it all may mean.

**October 13, 2021: Chapter Chair Gregory Lott and Firing Up Ancient Secrets**

Greg will speak about the experimental archaeology project of creating iron from Icelandic raw materials as the Vikings did nearly a thousand years ago.

**November 10, 2021: The Effects of Fire on Select Varieties of Toolstone from the Northeast with Dan Zoto**

This talk is focused on the effects of heat on a variety of lithic raw materials that were commonly used for stone tools in the Pre-Contact Northeast. The study includes background information on how artifacts can be effected by heat exposure and summarizes the results of a lithic burning experiment. Raw materials used in the experiment include Blue Hills rhyolite, Braintree hornfels, and cobble quartz from Massachusetts, as well as, Normanskill chert from New York.

**December 8, 2021: Chapter Holiday Potluck Supper**

Join us for a fun evening with friends and food! Please feel free to bring a dish or a talk to share with the chapter. Any members or guests are welcome to give a mini-talk about historical and/or archaeological topics of their choice. Please email Alyce ([alyceprisco@gmail.com](mailto:alyceprisco@gmail.com)) about signing up!