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PROGRAMS FOR CHAPTER MEETINGS

We have on loan two slide and tape lectures each lasting about twenty minutes. The first explains the Floatation process, how to make the necessary equipment and how to process the samples taken. The second deals with Soils and stratification. They have been loaned to us by the Massachusetts Archaeological Society. Any Chapters interested in obtaining the programs please contact: W.F. Ehlers, 8 Jackson Ave., Middletown, New York 10940. Please allow time for mailing and we expect them promptly returned to give each Chapter a chance to see them. You will need a 35mm slide projector and a tape recorder that will take cassette tapes.

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UPPER SUSQUEHANNA - On the move.

Chapter secretary, Jackie Hesse, reports a busy summer. The Upper Susquehanna Chapter is in the process of acquiring the Palmer House at Otego, New York. The new museum will be called, "The Roland B. Hill Museum of Indian and Historical Artifacts." Contributions to this worthy cause can be made to: Mrs. Roberta Behnke, treasurer, Upper Susquehanna Chapter, R.S. #3, Oneonta, N.Y. 13820 or Mr. Buzz Hesse, Chairman of the Museum Fund Drive, R.S. #2, Unadilla, N.Y. 13849

The Chapter dig at Colliersville came to an unhappy ending with over half of the grid being destroyed by top soil removal. Members are now digging with Bob Funk's State forces and Buzz Hesse is working as field assistant with Dr. Funk. Five new members have joined the Chapter.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: MRS. JACKIE HESSE, SECRETARY, UPPER SUSQUEHANNA CHAPTER
R. S. #2, UNADILLA, NEW YORK 13849

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ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP LISTS BEING UP-DATED

Miss Linda Rawleigh of the Rochester Museum and Science Center has asked all Chapter secretary's for their current Chapter membership lists. Please cooperate with Miss Rawleigh and keep your lists up to date. This information is being used to inform the printer of the number of Bulletins to send to each Chapter.

Miss Rawleigh deserves our sincere appreciation for the many services she has performed for the Association. She has sent out all the publications; up dated all the membership lists, including the members at large lists; performed the duties of treasurer in the absence of last year's treasurer and worked with the Finance Committee auditing last year's Association records.

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The Finance committee has completed their review of the records and Income tax forms. The books have been forwarded to our new treasurer Mr. Volkert Veeder. Many thanks to the Finance Committee; Dr. Marion White, Chairman, Richard McCarthy, William Conwell; for all their hard work in the performance of their duties.

The State secretary reports that the Informational Handbook has been completed and will be sent out soon.

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MID YEAR EXECUTIVE MEETING PROPOSED

President Charles Pierce has expressed a desire to hold a mid-Year Executive Meeting. Tentative plans are being formulated for the week-end of October 21-22, at Binghamton. Binghamton being centrally located should attract most of the committee. The Executive committee is comprised of the five State officers, all committee chairmen and the President and two Trustees from each Chapter. The committee will be canvassed shortly to ascertain the number able to attend.

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A PLEA FOR NATHANIEL GREENE PAPERS

The Rhode Island Historical Society, with the support of the National Historical Publications Commission and the co-sponsorship of the Clemens Library at the University of Michigan, is engaged in collecting photocopies of all extant papers of the Revolutionary General, Nathaniel Greene (1742-1786). The assembling of photocopies of the original manuscripts is preliminary to a letterpress edition of selected papers to be published in several volumes during the next five years and an eventual micro-film edition of all manuscript material that will be excluded from the printed volumes.

It would be appreciated if anyone possessing letters to or from Greene or having knowledge of such letters in private hands (or in public repositories whose holdings are not listed in the National Union Catalog) would notify The Rhode Island Historical Society. Please address communications to: Richard K. Showman, Editor, Nathaniel Greene Papers, 52 Tower Street, Providence, Rhode Island, 02906

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ADIRONDACK ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

If details can be worked out the NYSAA may add one more Chapter to its ranks, The Adirondack Archaeological Association of Plattsburgh, New York. Henry Temple has been asked to work out the details with the group.

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MID HUDSON

The Mid Hudson Chapter held its spring meeting at the Chapter House on June 16. Mr. Alvin Kanzer spoke on the Huyler Rock Shelter.

MORGAN

The Lewis Henry Morgan Chapter will hold its Chapter dig and picnic on August 19-20. The dig will start at 9 am at the Cameron site and the picnic will be held at the Cameron farm at 4:30 on Sunday.

ORANGE COUNTY

The Orange County Historical Society will hold a series on the Historical Record of Orange County, at the Orange County Community College, Middletown, N.Y., on September 16, 1972. The O.C.S. will host one of the sessions. Dr. Elizabeth Sumont and Mr. Ralph Robinson will speak on the pre-history of the County.

The Annual Chapter Dinner and installation of officers will be held on November 4, at the Golf-Ski Center, Orange County Park.

The New Hampton Site has been closed due to vandalism. A new site on the Selavane River south of Fort Jervis has been opened. Steatite bowl fragments, Coxsackie flint chips from the lower levels and two chips of Flint Ridge Ohio material have been excavated.

The recent mastodon recovered near Sugarloaf, N.Y., has been examined by Dr. Whitaker and found to be the largest and second most complete ever examined by him.

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1973 NYSAA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Orange County Chapter will host the 1973 annual conference in April of 1973. Dr. Elizabeth Sumont, 29 High Ridge Road, Monroe, N.Y. 10950 is Program Chairman. Mr. Jack Littell, 22 Park Avenue, Warwick, N.Y. 10990 is Local arrangements Chairman. Final plans have not been completed as to headquarters, in fact two locations are being considered. Dr. Maurice Robbins, Massachusetts State Archeologist will be the Keynote speaker.

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Many Chapters have summer news to be printed. Please send to W. F. Ehlers, 3 Jackson Avenue, Middletown, N.Y. 10940