

FALL ARCHAEOLOGY ACTIVITIES!



Enjoy these activities presented by the Friends
of Pine Hawk, Acton's Own Archaeological Site

Fridays October 5, 12, 19 and 26, 10 a.m. to noon

OPEN HOUSE AT JOHN MILNER ASSOCIATES ARCHAEOLOGICAL LABORATORY

Meet archaeologists involved with investigating Massachusetts sites and learn how they identify artifacts. Bring odd items for identification. Groups (8+) should call in advance. Free. 978 486-0688. Located at 410 Great Rd., Littleton.

Wednesday, October 3, 7:30 p.m., Acton Memorial Library

A WINDOW INTO ACTON'S PAST

Timothy Binzen of UMass Archaeological Services and Acton Health Director Doug Halley will discuss the process, status and benefits of the archaeological reconnaissance survey currently underway in Acton. Learn the 'what, where and why' of public archaeology in Massachusetts as a whole and Acton in particular. Free. 978 264-9641

Wednesday, October 10, 4-5:30 p.m., Science Discovery Museum

DISCOVERING THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF PINE HAWK

Native Americans lived along the Assabet River in Acton more than 7,000 years ago! See replicas of artifacts uncovered by archaeologists at the Pine Hawk site.

Archaeologist Craig Chartier will demonstrate stone knapping as he creates tools and arrowheads. Try hands-on activities to learn about techniques that archaeologists use. Free with admission to the Museum. 978-264-4200

Thursday, October 18, 10 a.m., Children's Discovery Museum

PREHISTORIC ART FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

Come explore the colors prehistoric peoples used to create rock art. Paint your own prehistoric masterpiece inspired by ancient cave paintings. This program is suitable for children 2-6 years of age accompanied by a grownup. Free with admission to the Museum. 978-264-4200

Saturday, October 20, 10-11:30 a.m.

THE NASHOBA BROOK STONE CHAMBER WALK

Join Acton Land Steward Linda McElroy for this one-mile walk and learn about the restoration of the chamber and what was found there. Children and dogs are welcome, but the trail is not accessible to strollers or wheelchairs. Park and meet at the end of Wheeler Lane off Main St./Rte. 27. Rain date: October 21. Free. 978 264-9641

OVER, PLEASE

Wednesday October 24, 7:30 p.m., Acton Memorial Library

MYTHS AND LEGENDS OF NAGOG POND

Land near Nagog Pond is thought to be the site of the old Nashoba Christian Indian Village. The unusual hills, hollows, outcroppings, earthquakes, and local legends have led some historians and archeologists to wonder whether it was a Native American site before it was a Christian village. John Hanson Mitchell, noted author of *Ceremonial Time* and other books on the local landscape, will discuss his conclusions on the Native American history of this site. Free. 978 264-9641

For more information about Pine Hawk, visit

www.actonmemoriallibrary.org/pinehawk, www.ab.mec.edu/pinehawk and the Pine Hawk exhibit at Acton Town Hall.

Acton Memorial Library is located at 486 Main St. (Rte. 27) next to Town Hall. The parking lot and entrance are accessed from Woodbury Lane. 978 264-9641

The Children's and Science Discovery Museums are located at 177 Main St. (Rte. 27), Acton. 978-264-4200