

# OCTOBER ARCHAEOLOGY PROGRAMS!



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

Thursdays October 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, 2-4 p.m.

## 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 15, 7:30 p.m.

## Native Americans after the Ice Age: On the Trail of the Local Paleo-Indian Past

Local knowledge of Paleo-Indians in this area is developing mainly because of the re-examination of old artifact collections. Dr. Shirley Blancke talks of discovering some signposts, and the challenges of following the trail. Acton Memorial Library; free.

## Paddle Dolls

Thursday, October 16, 10:00 a.m.

Ancient Egyptian paddle dolls are considered one of oldest examples of toys designed for children. They were fashioned out of thin flat boards and shaped with a head, arms, torso, and rounded end. Come design your own wooden paddle doll! What will yours look like? Children's Discovery Museum, free with admission.

## A Look into a Native American Toolbox

Saturday, October 18, 2:30 p.m.

Join Craig Chartier, archaeologist and educator from the Plymouth Archaeological Rediscovery Project for this program. It will introduce children to the technology of flint knapping (stone tool production) as represented at Acton's own Pine Hawk site. Participants will get the chance to see a demonstration by Craig and to participate in hands-on activities related to geology and stone tool making and use. Acton Memorial Library; free.

## Are There Arrowheads in My Backyard?

Wednesday, October 22, 7:30 p.m.

Acton Health Director Doug Halley will discuss the latest on Acton's Archaeological Reconnaissance Survey and what it means for property owners and development. This is a great opportunity to learn about Acton's archaeological landscape. Acton Memorial Library; free.

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## **A Walk Through Time**

**Saturday, October 25, 10 a.m.**

Join Trail Through Time Coalition leader Linda McElroy for this one-mile walk from the Wheeler Farm site to the restored Nashoba Brook Stone Chamber. Learn about enhancements at the Chamber site and work planned or in progress at the Wheeler Farm site, the currently active restoration site on the Trail Through Time. Children and dogs are welcome; the trail is not stroller- or wheelchair- friendly yet.

Park and meet at the end of Wheeler Lane off Main St./Rte. 27. Rain date: October 26. Free; call Acton Memorial Library (978 264-9641) for information.

## **Secrets of Archaeology**

**Wednesday, October 29, 4 p.m.**

In one hundred years, an archaeologist will know if you didn't wash your dishes! Join archaeologist Kimberley Connors-Hughes to explore the role of chemistry in studying the past! Predict which artifacts might survive burial in different kinds of soil, or check out 'dirty dishes' and learn how various foods leave chemical traces behind. Sponsored by the Camille & Henry Dreyfus Foundation. Science Discovery Museum; free with admission.

**For more information about Pine Hawk**, visit [www.actonmemoriallibrary.org/pinehawk](http://www.actonmemoriallibrary.org/pinehawk), [www.ab.mec.edu./pinehawk](http://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

