



Old Stone Fort Archaeological Society

February 2014

The Old Stone Fort Archaeological Society will meet **Thursday, February 13th at 6:00 pm** at the Old Stone Fort Museum in Manchester, Tennessee. The purpose of this Society is to learn more about prehistoric Native American cultures and the early historic period of Tennessee. Our meetings are scheduled for the second Thursday of each month and are **Free** and open to the public. Our program this month:

Mark Norton

who will present

Archaeological Update

This month's program will highlight some of the recent archaeological research taking place in Tennessee. Included in this presentation is a new display at the Old Stone Fort created by Stephen Yerka and Dr. Sarah Sherwood on their investigations of the entrance complex to this hilltop enclosure. Dr. Sherwood's expertise in geology and geomorphology along with Stephen's work in remote sensing has greatly improved our understanding of this monument of Native American prehistory.

Dr. Jay Franklin of East Tennessee State University has been conducting archaeological investigations on the Cumberland Plateau for many years. One of his current projects will be included in this presentation that provides excellent information on the Native American habitation of the upper plateau.

Thanks to Will Bacon for his presentation on Triboluminescence of Quartz and Native American Shamanism at the January meeting. I encourage all to bring artifacts, fossils, or other interesting items from the past to the meeting.

See you Thursday, Mark



Dr. Sherwood and Stephen Yerka investigating the Entrance Complex at Old Stone Fort



East Tennessee State University Students testing a prehistoric Native American site on the Cumberland Plateau



Dendroarchaeology at Wynnewood State Historic Site, Castalian Springs, Tennessee

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Old Stone Fort State Park – 931-723-5073

<http://state.tn.us/environment/parks/OldStoneFort/>

Tennessee Archaeology Network & Online Journal

<http://frank.mtsu.edu/~kesmith/TNARCH/index.html>

Moundville Knap-In and Ancient Arts – March 7-9, 2014

<http://moundville.ua.edu/programs-events/moundville-knap-in/>

Black History Month and Archaeology at Monticello

<http://www.monticello.org/site/blog-and-community/posts/celebrating-black-history-month-archaeology-family-workshop>

East Tennessee State University Natural History Museum

<http://www.etsu.edu/naturalhistorymuseum/default.aspx>

Mound Bottom Mound Complex Tour – February 9th

<http://tnstateparks.com/about/events>

Laboratory of Tree-Ring Science – University of Tennessee

<http://ltrs.utk.edu/projects.htm>

Middle Tennessee State University

Mineral, Gem and Fossil Museum

http://www.mtgms.org/mtsu/mtsu_museum.htm



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