

# OCTOBER IS STATE ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH!



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

**Fridays Oct. 7, 14, 21 and 28, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 410 Great Rd., Littleton 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 (10+) should call in advance. 978 486-0688. Free.

**Tuesday, Oct. 4, 7:30 p.m., Acton Memorial Library, 486 Main St. Digging the Big Dig: Boston Archaeology from Island to Underground** This slide presentation by archaeologist Marty Dudek of John Milner Associates covers several of the major archaeological projects undertaken during the Big Dig, including an ancient campsite on Spectacle Island, colonial backyards and outhouses near Hay Market and a nineteenth century glass factory in South Boston. Free; sponsored by the Friends of the Acton Libraries. 978 264-9641

**Monday, Oct. 10, 10 a.m., Children's Discovery Museum, 177 Main St., Acton Dinosaurs from Acton!** Come celebrate Massachusetts Archaeology Month and find out more about our favorite prehistoric neighbors. Learn about where they lived and what they left behind. Free with admission to the Museum. 978 264-4200

**Tuesday, Oct. 18, 7:30 p.m., Acton Memorial Library, 486 Main St. Native American Life 3,000-5,000 years Ago: Reflections on Flagg Swamp Rockshelter, Marlborough** Dr. Shirley Blancke discusses how unusually well-preserved animal and plant remains at Flagg Swamp Rockshelter, upriver from the Pine Hawk site in Acton, make it one of the most important archaeological sites in this area. Dug 25 years ago, recent analysis has added focus to previous understanding and suggested the possibility of bear ritualism. Dr. Blancke is Associate Curator of Archaeology and Native American Studies at the Concord Museum. Free; sponsored by the Friends of the Acton Libraries. (978) 264-9641

**Wednesday, Oct. 19, 4-5:30 p.m., Science Discovery Museum, 177 Main St., Acton Discovering the Archaeology of Pine Hawk** Native Americans lived along the Assabet River more than 7,000 years ago. See replicas of the artifacts and stone tool flakes uncovered by archaeologists at the Pine Hawk site in Acton. Watch archaeologist Craig Chartier demonstrate the art and science of stone knapping as he creates tools and arrowheads. Try several hands-on activities to learn about techniques that archaeologists use to uncover and interpret important clues to the past. Free with admission to the Museum. 978-264-4200