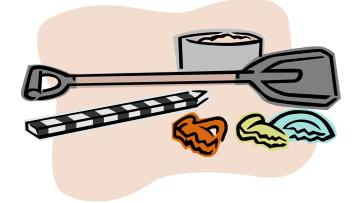
# Sunday, November 18, 1-3 p.m.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY** This annual effort will again take place on the Trail Through Time, a multicultural heritage trail in the conservation lands of North Acton. The focus will be on trail and mound maintenance around the Nashoba Brook Stone Chamber site. All ages welcome. For those interested, join us also for brunch at Legend's Cafe in West Acton at 11:30 a. m. To volunteer and for details, contact Linda McElroy at 978 429-8000 or Bob Ferrara at 978 263-8642 or <u>rferrara@mit.edu</u>.

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. 978-929-6655

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# FALL 2018 ARCHAEOLOGY PROGRAMS



Enjoy these activities presented by the Friends of Pine Hawk, the Acton area archaeological interest group

## Wednesday, October 3, 7 p. m.

**THE NEW ANTIQUARIAN** Smithsonian Institution National Museum of Natural History Research Associate Ted Timreck describes the reinterpretation of the old stone ruins of the Northeast. He discusses the working partnership that has formed between professional scientists, Native representatives, and avocational researchers around the identification and preservation of the stone monuments and ceremonial landscapes of Eastern, Native North America and how they have brought a new perspective to one of America's perplexing archeological mysteries. Acton Memorial Library; free.

## Thursday, October 4, 7 p. m.

LAND OF A THOUSAND CAIRNS Mother-son research team Mary and James Gage present a case study of three farms with ceremonial stone landscapes owned by three generations of one family in Hopkinton, Rhode Island, an area with one of the densest concentrations of cairns in the Northeast. Their in-depth research reveals how ceremonies and cairns fit into the purposes and objectives of the farms from pre-settlement days through the 1800s. Acton Memorial Library; free.

## Wednesday, October 10, 7 p. m.

**THE UPTON CAVE** Cathy Taylor, caretaker with the Narragansett Indian Tribal Historic Preservation Trust, describes an Algonquian 'hussanegk', a stone built chamber with a 14-foot tunnel leading into a dome shaped sphere. It is aligned with celestial events with cultural features on Pratt Hill including the Pleiades setting in May and the summer solstice sunset in late June. Upton, MA supported preservation of the cave and the seven-acre parcel that was later named Heritage Park. Acton Memorial Library; free.

#### Saturday, October 13, 2 p. m.

**TERROR TO THE WICKED** Author Tobey Pearl discusses her forthcoming nonfiction book that addresses how twelve 17<sup>th</sup> century colonial jurors – against the backdrop of the Pequot War – unexpectedly convicted four fellow settlers for the murder of a local Native American. Pearl traces the details of the killing, the investigation, the manhunt for the murderers, their capture, and their eventual trial to provide answers that take into account the geopolitical nuances of the time and the mindset of the jurors as reflected in their religious and secular ideas. Acton Memorial Library; free.

# Tuesday, October 16, 7 p.m.

**NASHOBA: LAND BETWEEN THE WATERS** New England historian and archaeologist Electa Tritsch develops videos for community access television that combine her historical and environmental interests. She will show and discuss her video *Nashoba*, which explores the land of the Nashoba Indians. The video was funded in part by grants from the Littleton and Concord Cultural Councils. Acton Memorial Library; free.

# Wednesday, October 17, 7 p. m. BOOK DISCUSSION: AN INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' HISTORY OF THE UNITED

**STATES** This book is a full-bore attack on what author Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz perceives as the glaring gaps in U.S. history about the continent's native peoples. She describes the U.S. as "a colonialist settler state, one that, like the colonialist European states, crushed and subjugated the original civilizations in the territories it now rules." The conventional national narrative, she writes, is a myth that's "wrong or deficient, not in its facts, dates, or details but rather in its essence." Copies of the book will be available for loan at the library in September. Acton Memorial Library; free.

#### Saturday, October 20, 10 a.m.

ADULT ARCHAEOLOGY WALK This year's walk will again be led by Linda McElroy, Trail Through Time site specialist. Visit the Nashoba Brook stone chamber, view its interesting interior, and learn about its history and that of its associated square foundation. Time permitting, we will visit the Industrial Era site of Acton's Pencil Factory. Meet at 10 a. m. at the parking lot at the end of Wheeler Lane off Route 27, North Acton. Wear hiking boots, bring bug spray and flashlight. About 1.5 to 2 hours, 1.5 miles round trip. Age 14 and up. This program will be cancelled in case of inclement weather or poor trail conditions. Call Acton Memorial Library (978-929-6655) for information or weather update; free.

### Wednesday, October 24, 7 p. m.

A TRIBAL GEOGRAPHY OF MARTHA'S VINEYARD Holly Herbster and Jane Miller of Public Archaeology Laboratory, the organization that conducted the original Pine Hawk dig in Acton, discuss the integrated volume of archaeological, historical, and cartographic information about the Aquinnah Wampanoag Tribe they have amassed to form a useable Geographical Information System. It is work that could be adapted to other communities and resources for related purposes. Acton Memorial Library; free.