

Symposium on the Early Colonial Archaeology of the Delaware Valley Region to be held at Delaware's New Castle Court House Museum on May 9, 2015

(DOVER, Del.—May 4, 2015)—On Saturday, May 9, 2015, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., the Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs, in partnership with the [Archaeological Society of Delaware](#), will present “The Early Colonial Delaware Valley—An Archaeological Symposium.” Now in its eighth year, the symposium is dedicated to building a regional-level dialog that can identify the uniqueness of the cultures that existed in the Delaware Valley during the early period of European colonization. A schedule of symposium activities is included below. Go to the following for [complete program descriptions](#).



New Castle Court House Museum

The symposium will take place at the [New Castle Court House Museum](#) located at 211 Delaware St. in New Castle, Del. Admission is free and open to the public. For additional information, contact Craig Lukezic at craig.lukezic@delaware.gov or call 302-736-7407.

Schedule of events

8:45 a.m. **Introduction**

Craig Lukezic, symposium coordinator and archaeologist,
Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs

9 a.m. New Archaeological Research for the Lost Corbit Tannery

John Bansch, volunteer coordinator of archaeology projects, Historic Odessa Foundation

9:45 a.m. Thomas Noxon: Building Appoquinimink Hundred

Bruce A. Bendler, adjunct professor of history, University of Delaware

10:30 a.m. Testing Taste in a Community of Faith: Some Implications of Colonial Quaker Aesthetics and Consumer Patterns

John P. McCarthy, cultural preservation specialist, Delaware State Parks

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Lunch

1 p.m. Discovery and Recovery of Eleven Colonial Burials from Avery's Rest, Sussex County, Delaware

Daniel R. Griffith, Archaeological Society of Delaware

1:45 p.m. Carter's Alley: A Case Study in the Evolution of Colonial Philadelphia

Meagan Ratini and Kevin C. Bradley, John Milner Associates, a Commonwealth Cultural Resources Group, Inc. company.

2:15 p.m. Service Learning Archaeology at Old Swedes Church

Presentations by students of the Department of Anthropology, University of Delaware

2:45 p.m. Digging at the Surface: Historic Graffiti, Inscription, and the Liminality of Text at Holy Trinity Church (Old Swedes) in Wilmington, Delaware, 1698-1870

Michael J. Emmons, Jr., research assistant, Center for Historic Architecture and Design, University of Delaware

3:30 p.m. The Origins of Indian Trade Silver: Lenape

Brooches from Southeastern Pennsylvania

Marshall Joseph Becker, professor of anthropology emeritus,
West Chester University

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