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# Archaeological Society of New Jersey Field Day

March 15, 2008

10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Point Breeze, Bordentown, Burlington County

*Got Cabin Fever? Tired of Being Cooped Up All Winter?*

COME TO THE SOCIETY'S ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD DAY  
AT POINT BREEZE!

Dr. Rich Veit has secured permission for us to begin his summer excavation season at Point Breeze in Bordentown early, so we will use this opportunity to educate and train society members and friends in proper archaeological techniques and procedures.

The Archaeological Society of New Jersey will sponsor its first archaeological field day. Members of the Society are invited to participate in a supervised archaeological excavation at the Divine Word Estate/Point Breeze, once the home of Joseph Bonaparte. Joseph, the elder brother of Napoleon Bonaparte, and former King of Naples and Spain, lived in New Jersey from 1817 until 1839. The site sits on a high bluff overlooking the confluence of Crosswicks Creek and the Delaware River. Previous excavations at the site by Monmouth University have unearthed traces of Joseph's first house as well as earlier colonial and prehistoric deposits. A tour of the site and a brief introduction to archaeological surveying will also be provided. Tools will be provided. ***In order to participate, individuals must be current members of the Archaeological Society of New Jersey.*** Lunch will not be provided so please bring a bag lunch. To RSVP or to get more information e-mail Rich Veit (rveit@monmouth.edu). A brief board meeting will precede the excavation at 9:00 am.

We will meet at Point Breeze at Bordentown where we will be able to partake in a variety of training/field activities. These will include basic field techniques such as the use of a compass, level, plane-table alidade, and transit. There will also be people to show how to set up survey transects and test units. There will be plenty of activities for novices and experienced alike. We will need professional help to demonstrate and guide. We also need those who have access to survey equipment to bring it along so that everyone can work in small groups and get a good sample of what's available. We can also offer a limited amount of calibration services. Please call the Program Chair (David Mudge – 609-499-2654) to volunteer and to offer suggestions. In case of inclement weather, alternate indoor demonstrations are being planned.

**Directions:** Point Breeze/Bonaparte's Park/Divine Word Missionaries is located at 101 Park Street, Bordentown, New Jersey. From Route 206 South just north of Bordentown take Park Street/County Route 662 towards Bordentown (southwest) for about 1/4 of a mile. Point Breeze will be on the right (north) at 101 Park Street. Note we are working behind the tan brick buildings - you will need to drive to the back of the property and park by the gymnasium. The location of the Board Meeting will be clearly marked.