

# 2019 West Virginia Archeological Society Annual Meeting Announcement October 12-13, 2019



Grave Creek Mound (46MR1) site is located at the Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex in Moundsville, West Virginia.

On September 10, 1803, Meriwether Lewis visited Grave Creek Mound, and said:

“This remarkable mound of earth stands on the east bank of the Ohio 12 miles below Wheeling and about 700 paces from the river, as the land is not cleared the mound is not visible from the river—this mound gives name to two small creeks called little and big grave creek which passing about a half a mile on each side of it & fall into Ohio about a mile distant from each other the small creek is above, the mound stands on the most elevated ground of a large bottom containing about 4000 acres of land”



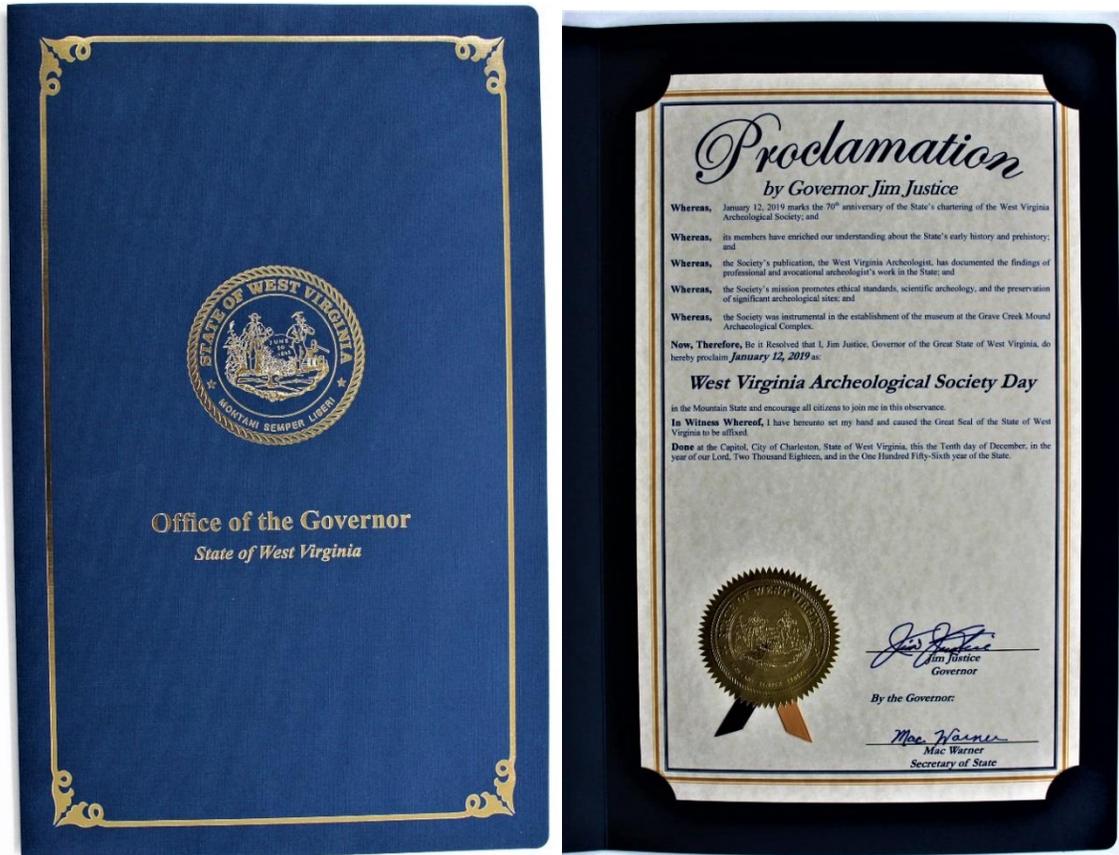
Oglebay's Wilson Lodge is a rustic building that is located on the outskirts of Wheeling several miles north of Moundsville, West Virginia.

### **Welcoming Remarks**

Greetings to members of the West Virginia Archeological Society (WVAS), the Council for West Virginia Archaeology (CWVA), and the professional archeologists who work in West Virginia and surrounding States. This year's annual meeting is hosted by the WVAS Upper Ohio Valley Chapter and will be held on Saturday October 12<sup>th</sup> at Oglebay's Wilson Lodge located at 465 Lodge Drive, Wheeling, West Virginia 26003, and Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at the Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex (GCMAC) 801 Jefferson Avenue, Moundsville, West Virginia 26041. This announcement includes a link showing you how to get to these venues, the itinerary for the two-day meeting, information on room reservations at Wilson Lodge and local motels, registration, the Saturday banquet presentation by Dr. Jerry Anderson at Oglebay's Wilson Lodge and the complimentary Sunday lunch at Delf Norona Museum for registered WVAS members. On Sunday, the GCMAC staff will conduct three "first come, first serve" tours of the curation area in the Delf Norona Museum. Also included in the announcement is a Call for Papers that will be delivered at Oglebay's Wilson Lodge on Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm and at GCMAC Sunday morning between 8:30 and 10 am.

The theme for this year's meeting celebrates the preservation of Grave Creek Mound, which Adena people built to bury their honored dead between 250 and 125 B.C. This theme is also the focus of the just-released Fall 2019 issue of the *West Virginia Archeologist*. WVAS efforts to protect Grave Creek Mound date back to

its chartering by the State January 1,1949, 70 years ago. In recognition of this, Governor Jim Justice proclaimed January 1, 2019 “West Virginia Archeological Society Day.”



On behalf of the 2019 Annual Meeting Committee, we wish to thank the GCMAC staff; Cindy Johnson at Oglebay; Olivia with the Greater Moundsville Convention and Visitors Bureau; and Beta Analytics, Inc. and our other business sponsors. Our committee members include myself, Dr. Jerry Anderson, Ed Coster, Olivia Jones, Hank Lutton, Andrea Keller, and Dan Farnsworth. We hope you enjoy your time at Oglebay and Grave Creek Mound, the presentations, flintknapping demonstrations and tours, and continue to support West Virginia archeology in the future.

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## Accommodations

Oglebay's Wilson Lodge

465 Lodge Drive

Wheeling, West Virginia 26003

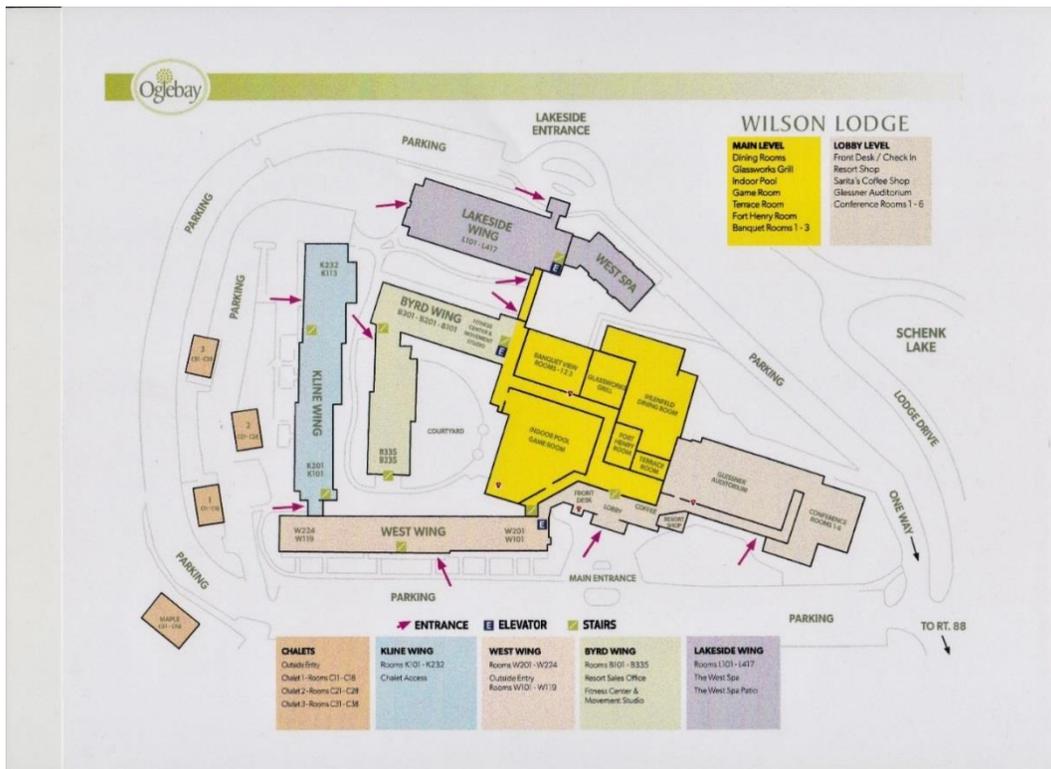
Video about Oglebay and Wilson Lodge: <https://oglebay.com/>

Room reservations: (304)243-4090 or [reservations@oglebay.com](mailto:reservations@oglebay.com)

Booking #39050



Above, Oglebay's Wilson Lodge. Below, Planview map showing its building and rooms.



A small block of discounted rooms has been reserved at Wilson Lodge for WVAS



members under Booking #39050. If you are a WVAS member, when you make your reservation be sure to mention to the booking agent that you wish to apply the WVAS tax exempt form on file at Wilson Lodge. The deadline for reserving the discounted rooms is September 11<sup>th</sup>. Reservations include complimentary breakfasts in the Wilson

Lodge's Ihlenfeld Dining Room on October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> from 7 to 9 am.

### **Link to Local Motel Accommodations**

The Greater Moundsville West Virginia Convention and Travel Bureau's link has information about local motel accommodations, driving directions, and tourist sites near the WVAS annual meeting locations at Oglebay's Wilson Lodge and the Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex. <https://www.visitmoundsville.com/>

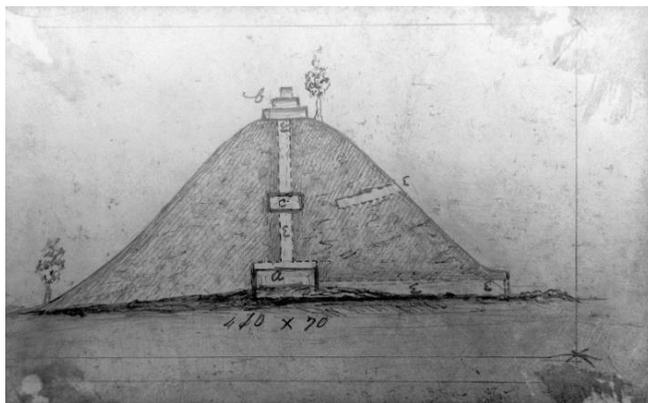
West Virginia Penitentiary in Moundsville, WV: <https://www.wvpentours.com>

Moundsville Historic Central Business District: <https://MoundsvilleUMAC.com>

and Facebook page [MOUNDSVILLE UMAC](#)

### **Link to Delf Norona Museum Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex**

GCMAC's link and telephone number <https://www.wvculture.org> and (304)843-4128, respectively.



Left, Cross-section of Grave Creek Mound showing a shaft that was dug down from the top to two burial chambers; right, Monument that currently sits on top of the mound atop the shaft, on right.

## **Registration**

The registration cost for the two-day meeting at Oglebay's Wilson Lodge Saturday October 12<sup>th</sup> and Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex (GCMAC) Sunday October 13<sup>th</sup> is \$10. Each person who registers for the meeting will receive a name tag attached to a lanyard provided compliments of Beta Analytics, Inc., a program, and packet from the Greater Moundsville West Virginia Convention and Visitor Bureau.

There are three ways for people to register for the meeting. The first is to register at the WVAS website [www.wvarch.org](http://www.wvarch.org) and pay \$10 using PayPal. The second, more reliable method is to mail a \$10 check made out to the West Virginia Archeological Society to: WVAS Attn: 2019 WVAS Annual Meeting, P.O. Box 3854, Charleston, WV 25338. The third way is to pay the \$10 registration fee by cash or check at the registration desk at either of the two meeting venues.

## **WVAS Membership**

Membership forms will also be available at the registration desk for people who wish to renew or join the WVAS. Please note that WVAS members who have registered for the meeting will receive a complimentary lunch at GCMAC's Delf Norona Museum at noon on Sunday October 13<sup>th</sup>. Meeting presenters will also be eligible for this lunch, since they are required to register for the meeting and be WVAS members.

West Virginia Archeological Society members in good standing will receive two hard copy volumes of the *West Virginia Archeologist* per year. Individuals or institutions who wish to join or renew their membership may mail a check payable to the West Virginia Archeological Society to: Secretary/Treasurer, West Virginia Archeological Society, P.O. Box 3854, Charleston, WV 25338. Individuals or institutions can also use PayPal to join or renew their membership at the official West Virginia Archeological Society website [www.wvarch.org](http://www.wvarch.org). The amount of the check should match the one of the following membership categories: Life \$200; Individual \$15; Family \$20; Institution \$20.

## **Meeting Schedule/Itinerary**

### **October 11: Oglebay's Wilson Lodge, Wheeling, WV**

Room tbd

Joint WVAS/CWVA Business Meeting, 7-9 pm

### **October 12: Oglebay's Wilson Lodge**

Terrace Room

Registration, 7-10 am

Book Sales tables set up, 7-8:30 am

WVAS President's Opening Remarks, 8:30-9:00 am

WVAS Secretary/Treasurer's Report, 9:00-9:30 am

Morning Presentations with breaks, 9:30-11:30 am

Lunch, 11:30 am-12:30 pm

Afternoon Presentations with breaks, 1-5 pm

Banquet Room

Annual Meeting Banquet, Social, 6-6:30 pm

Banquet, 6:30-7:30 pm

Banquet Speaker, Dr. Jerry Anderson, Archeological Research at the Memorial Bridge (46WD85) Site, beginning at ~ 7:30 pm

### **October 13: Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex, Moundsville, WV**

Auditorium

Registration, 7-8 am

Presentations, 8-10 am

Curation Facility

Three 20-minute Tours, 10-12 am

Grounds

Flintknapping Demonstration, 9-12 am

Conference Room

Lunch for Registered WVAS Members, 12-1:30 pm

### **Banquet on October 12th**

The WVAS annual meeting banquet will be held on Saturday October 12<sup>th</sup> in the Wilson Lodge Banquet Room beginning at 6:30 pm. The people who attend the banquet must be registered for the meeting, be WVAS members, and wear appropriate attire. The cost for banquet is \$35/person and must be paid by PayPal through the WVAS website (<https://www.wvarch.org>) or by mailing a check made out to the West Virginia Archeological Society to: West Virginia Archeological Society, P.O. Box 3854, Charleston, WV 25338, no later than October 4<sup>th</sup>. The banquet speaker, Dr. Jerrell (Jerry) Anderson, a long-time WVAS member, will present his findings on his archeological research at the Memorial Bridge (46WD85) site in Parkersburg, West Virginia. The banquet will have a cash bar for those who wish to purchase wine, beer and other beverages.

### **Book Room in Wilson Lodge on October 12th**

Tables for book sales will be available along the back wall of the Wilson Lodge room for presentations at no cost to people who have registered for the meeting. Tables will be available to book sellers on “first come, first served” basis. To preserve the decorum of the room, book sellers are asked not to make their sales during the presentations. The WVAS, however, is not responsible for the security of the book sellers’ products.

### **Tours of Delf Norona Museum on October 13<sup>th</sup>**

After the presentations are completed in the auditorium of the Delf Norona Museum on October 13<sup>th</sup>, the staff of the Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex will conduct three approximately 20-minute long tours of its archeological laboratory, library and curation area. Each tour will be limited to 10 persons on a “first come, first served” basis. The schedule for the tours is as follows: 10-10:20 am; 10:40-11:00 and 11:20-11:40 am.

### **Lunch on October 13th**

On October 13<sup>th</sup>, following the tours of the Delf Norona Museum, a free complimentary lunch will be provided at noon in the Delf Norona Museum for WVAS members who have registered for the annual meeting. Any food that is left over from the lunch will be donated to a soup kitchen for the poor in Wheeling, West Virginia.

## Flintknapping Demonstration on October 13th

On October 13<sup>th</sup>, beginning at ~ 9 am and continuing until lunch, Dr. Dan Farnsworth and other talented flintknappers will demonstrate the manufacture of Native American chipped stone tools just outside the Delf Norona Museum building. People who have registered for the meeting are encouraged to bring along their collections.

### Call for Papers

All presenters must email a 150 word or less abstract to the Papers Review Chair, Hank Lutton, [Hank.D.Lutton@wv.gov](mailto:Hank.D.Lutton@wv.gov) and WVAS President, Dave Fuerst, [dnfuerst@suddenlink.net](mailto:dnfuerst@suddenlink.net) no later than September 30th. Each abstract that is submitted must include a title, the name of its author, and if applicable, co-authors' names, affiliation, mailing and email addresses, and phone number. All presenters must also be registered for the meeting and be WVAS members in good standing. Presenters will be notified if their submission has been accepted on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Each presentation will be 20 minutes with a 5-minute question and answer period, and must use Power Point for its visuals. Presenters are encouraged to practice their presentations in advance of the meeting to ensure it adheres to these time restrictions. Each presenter must provide the moderator their Power Point file on a jump or flash drive well before the time of their presentation. The Papers Review Committee also recommends that presenters provide hard copies of their papers to the audience. Strong consideration will be given to publishing high-quality presentations in one of the two volumes of the 2020 *West Virginia Archeologist*.



Ralph Solecki, one of WVAS's founders, ca. 1948 (courtesy Dr. Robert Maslowski).

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