

# Recent Archaeological Finds at the Pilgrims' First Settlement: Burial Hill, Plymouth, MA.

Presented by: Friends of the Office of State Archaeology

Saturday, March 24, 2018 at 2:00pm

(Snow Date: Sunday, March 25, 2018)

1:00 pm FOSA Annual Meeting



Dr. Beranek (at left with trowel) bagging environmental sample from Burial Hill

**Farmington High School Auditorium**  
10 Monteith Drive, Farmington, CT

**Guest Speaker:**

**Dr. Christa M. Beranek**

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Center for Archaeological Research  
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*Today, Burial Hill in Plymouth, MA is the site of a 17<sup>th</sup> century cemetery established by the Pilgrims, and is the final resting place of several Mayflower passengers. Prior to its use as a burial site, the English colonists constructed a fort on top of Burial Hill in 1621, with a palisaded town stretching down the hill towards the harbor. Since 2015, archaeologists have been uncovering parts of this original settlement, providing interesting insights on the Pilgrim settlers as well as evidence of Native American Wampanoag use of Burial Hill before the colonists' arrival.*

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**Directions to Farmington High School**

**From I-84 East or West:**

- 1) Take Exit 39, proceed west on Route 4/Farmington Avenue for 3.9 miles, crossing Route 10 at about 1.5 miles.
- 2) Approximately 2.4 miles past Route 10, turn right on Monteith Drive.
- 3) Drive past Town Hall at right, to Farmington High School at top of hill. Follow signs to parking and auditorium.

**From Route 4 East**

Drive 1.25 miles east of Route 177, turn left on Monteith Drive.  
Follow step 3 directions above.

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General Admission - \$10.00

Non-Farmington Students with ID - \$5.00

FOSA, ASC, CSMNH, Farmington students & faculty admitted free with ID

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