HIKING ARCHAEOLOGICAL RUINS
IN SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND

Presented by: Friends of the Office of State Archaeology, Inc.

Sunday, April 14, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.
2:00 p.m. FOSA Annual Meeting

Farmington High School Auditorium
10 Monteith Drive, Farmington, CT

Guest Speakers:

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All archaeological ruins in Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island have a cultural tale to tell, though most sites are on private lands not available to the public. However, the ruins in this presentation are associated with well-known hiking trails - and their origin or purpose is explained in the new book Hiking Ruins of Southern New England (FalconGuides, 2024) written by Bellantoni and Kipfer. This presentation offers an insider's look at places archaeologists have identified as part of the region's cultural development and are available for trail hikers to visit. The authors also emphasize etiquette at archaeological sites, and protective state and federal laws. Trails with ruins to be highlighted include the Lighthouse Village Site, Barkhamsted, CT; Dividend Brook and Archaeological District, Rocky Hill, CT; Farmington Canal Heritage Trail, Avon/Farmington, CT; Gay City State Park, Hebron, CT; Beckett Quarry, Beckett, MA; Keystone Arches Bridges Trails, Chester, MA; and Canonchet/Hoxie Preserve Trails, RI.

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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, Connecticut State Museum of Natural History, Farmington students & faculty admitted free with ID

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