

St George Historical Society Newsletter

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Shell Middens of Maine And the Middens in St George

Mar 30th 2023 - Zoom Program – 7:00pm

This program follows-the same theme as our January and February programs on the Indigenous People of Maine and focuses on the shell middens that they left behind. Shell middens have been referred to as the dump site for native Americans, but there is so much more to them.

There are over 2000 shell midden sites along the coast of Maine, and over 40 within the town of St George. You've probably seen some and weren't quite sure what they were! Join us to learn about them and their significance in the native American history of our area.

If you would like the link for the ZOOM meeting, please send an email request to stgeorgemainehistory@gmail.com. If you miss the ZOOM meeting, you can watch a recording later at www.stgeorgehistory.com.

The program being presented in April will be on April 27th and is titled “**Conquest of Maine**”. Steve Lindsay will be presenting the program. He says that the topic covers the history of the area from the first arrival of Europeans (circa early 1600s) to the mid-1700s. If you’ve missed any of our earlier programs, you can watch them [here](#) on our website.

For those who prefer meeting in person, we plan to do a hybrid version for the April meeting. It will be available on ZOOM plus we will have it on a large size TV monitor at the Old Library Museum. We only have room for about a dozen people at the Museum, so if you are interested in attending the program in person, please call us at 207-372-2231 and leave a message with your name and the number of people. Or send an email to stgeorgemainehistory@gmail.com . We will confirm the space.

Membership Dues

Membership dues cover the calendar year and are \$10 / individual and \$15 / household.

An application form for a new membership can be found at the end of this newsletter. Please send dues and application form (if new) to:



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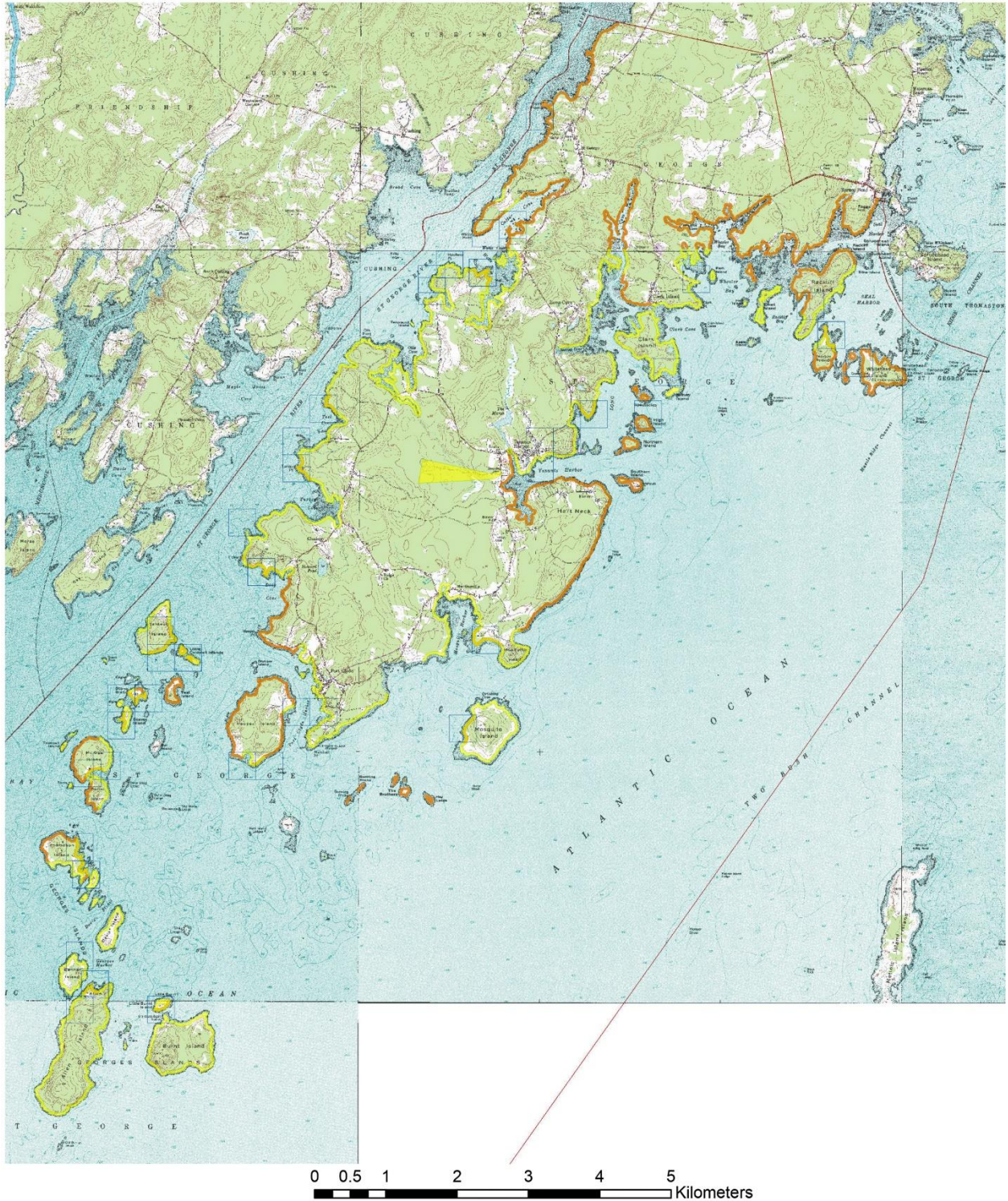
**Known Prehistoric Archaeological Sites* and
Areas Sensitive for
Prehistoric Archaeology* in**

Saint George

**information provided by
Maine Historic Preservation Commission
September 2011**

*dated material subject to future revision
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-  1/2 k square intersecting a known prehistoric archaeological site.
-  Areas sensitive for prehistoric archaeology



The previous page shows a map of “**Known Prehistoric Archaeological Sites and Areas Sensitive for Prehistoric Archaeology**” in the town of St George. Art Spies of the Maine Historic Preservation Commission said that these maps are used by Planning Boards and local governments in reviewing plans for development. The map does not identify sites, only the general location of them with ½ a kilometer, as it is a fine line between protection and education when it comes to these sensitive areas.

An article from a March 1952 issue of the Courier-Gazette announcing a St George High School play at the Odd Fellows Hall in Tenants Harbor. Such an event was a common occurrence.

“He Couldn’t Marry Five” at SGHS This Week



Players appearing in the St. George High play “He Couldn’t Marry Five” tonight and tomorrow night at the IOOF Hall in Tenant’s Harbor. Left to right, in a scene of the play, are: seated, Carolyn Inabinet, Patricia Dorrie, Harold Putansu, Patricia Hawkins and Hugo Lehtinen. Standing are: Carol Hawkins, Nancy Singer, Clara Peterson, Pauline Grover and Sarah Dennison. Untold complications arise when the five Barton girls fall in love with the son of their father’s employer. Mother Barton doesn’t help the situation, especially when she tries to plot the course of romance by reading the stars. Charmain Herd directs the Seniors in the play while the prompter is Elsie Mills. The school band will play at the show with Sonja Skodlund and Keith Monaghan featured soloists.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Membership runs for a calendar year – Jan 1st to Dec 31st

Name _____

Address _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Email address _____ Phone (optional) _____

Type of Membership: Individual / \$10 _____ Household / \$15 _____

Areas of interest _____