



Michigan Archaeological Society

# W. L. COFFINBERRY CHAPTER

December 2019 News



## December Meeting

Lynn Chapman will present:  
The Archaic Period of West  
Michigan

Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 p.m.  
Lake Michigan Hall  
Room 249  
GVSU



Examples of bifurcate projectile points from the Buerl Gurnesy collection. These easily identifiable points are one example of the many variations of projectiles produced during the Archaic period.

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The Archaic Period, spanning from roughly 10,000 to 2,500 B.P., covers a large period of prehistory but is virtually unknown in the Grand River valley. This presentation will draw on research in surrounding regions such as the Saginaw and St. Joseph River valleys to provide some picture of what the Archaic in the Grand River valley might have been like. Due to the absence of excavated sites the presentation will focus heavily on projectile point typologies, using, among other resources, information from past issues of the Coffinberry News Bulletin.



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