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**PRESS RELEASE**  
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### **3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL PREBLE COUNTY ARCHAEOLOGY DAY**

Sunday, July 24, 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Archaeology Day hosted by the Preble County Historical Society: from 1-5 pm at the Preble County Historical Center, 7693 Swartsel Road, Eaton, (1 mile NW of Gratis, 6 miles SE of Eaton accessible off St. Rt. 122. Admission is FREE!

One of the many highlights of the day will feature the Miami Valley Flute Circle & Southern Singers Native American flute music, along with drumming and dancing.

Potter Kosia Oshiro will show pit-fired pottery: hand crafted functional use pottery, fired in a pit on the grounds at the Historical Center. Pots will be placed in the fire pit early in the morning and will be uncovered about 4:30pm in the afternoon. What a delight it is to see how the clay transforms into beautiful works of art!

The day's programming will include fossil and archaeological specimen identification from 1:30-5pm by Archaeologists Bill Pickard from the Ohio Historical Society and Lynn Simonelli from Boonshoft Museum of Discovery.

Children's activities to include games, puzzles, traditional Indian culture games, word games, and a scavenger hunt will take place from 2-4pm. Flint knappers will be on site demonstrating their skills.

Beginning at 2pm, Paleoethnobotanist *Karen Leone* presents, "Pre-Historic Gardens & Findings". Following at 3pm will be Sunwatch Archaeologist *Andy Sawyer*, presenting "The History of Sunwatch", archaeological findings and interpretations.

The society's lunch stand will be open serving delicious menu fare, homemade pie, ice cream, and drinks. The Center's buildings will be open for touring, hiking trails will be open along with the opportunity to take a wagon ride to the newly created wetland area. Come join us for an afternoon of learning more about our early settlers of the area at the Preble County Historical Center on Sunday, July 24 from 1 – 5 pm. For more information search our web site:

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