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**Beneath Richmond's Pavement:
A Public Talk on Richmond's Archaeology**

The public is invited to join RVA Archaeology for an introduction to archaeology, with an emphasis on the special nature of cities. *Beneath Richmond's Pavement* will be presented by Taft Kiser, former researcher at the VCU Archaeology Research Center (VCU-ARC). During Taft's years at the VCU-ARC, from 1988 to 1998, the Center carried out hundreds of projects throughout Virginia. He will describe six excavations performed in the City of Richmond, including evidence of the British occupation of Rocketts Landing and dissected human bones found in a well at VCU. According to RVA Archaeology cofounder, Ellen Chapman, many important archaeological projects have studied Richmond in the last several decades, yet information on their discoveries is often not very accessible to citizens. She adds, "We are excited about this unusual and important opportunity for Richmonders to learn from and ask questions of a longtime Virginia archaeologist."

WHEN	Saturday, August 30, 2014
TIME	10 am: Business meeting to discuss organizational goals (for RVA Archaeology members & people interested in becoming members) 11:30 to 12:30 p.m. Public Talk
WHERE	Richmond Public Library (Main) 101 E. Franklin St., Richmond, VA 23219

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RVA Archaeology was established to advance the protection and interpretation of archaeological resources in Richmond through discovery, education, advocacy, research, and public engagement. For more information on RVA Archaeology go to www.richmondarchaeology.webs.com/.