A colorful presentation by Russ McGlenn on literature that tells of ancient people killing dinosaurs. Featured will be dinosaur models and weapons used to slay dracans (dragons) the old English name for dinosaurs. When people studied Beowulf in high school, the traditional interpretation of the poem was that it was a fantasy about ancient Danish peoples and their fight with trolls. No one took it seriously. It was made into a movie a few years back that continued this myth. Bill Cooper, an English language scholar, has written a book called "After the Flood." He makes a good argument for Beowulf being a historical figure killing Dinosaurs as described in the poem. Russ will bring to life this incredible historical record using models, reenactments, and colorful Power Point slides. If you have a sword, dagger, shield, helmet and want to bring it to the meeting to display please do so (carefully) or want to come dressed in ancient battle gear. Two prizes will be given for the weapon that best fits Beowulf's dragon slayer sword or dagger and for the best costume.

Questions answered:
Grendel. What kind of dinosaur was he?
What ancient weapon finally slew Grendel's mother?
What was the fire breathing dragon that killed Beowulf?
What is a dragon harpoon?