



2013 NASOH Conference in Thunder Bay



The shipwreck of the freighter Norman is one of nearly 200 shipwrecks in and around Thunder Bay on Lake Huron

The 2013 NASOH Conference held in Alpena, Michigan 15-18 May drew seventy participants from around the country. The theme of *Maritime Borderlands and Cultural Landscapes* generated 42 papers presented over the course of three days. A trip on the *Lady Michigan* glass bottom boat carried participants to view shipwrecks of Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary, and Maritime Landscape tour of the area took conference goers to several lighthouses and ports. Of course the awards dinner (see book awardee list in the newsletter) and several receptions allowed ample time for NASOH members to catch up, and permitted students and non-members to network and find out more about the organization. The NASOH Council Meeting and Business Meeting were also integrated into the schedule. Financially, the conference was a success (in the black), even with a lower than average attendance. Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary was delighted to host the event and to showcase our facilities and resources here in Northeast Michigan. If you were not able to join us in Alpena in 2013, you still have the opportunity to visit the Freshwater Seas in 2014, as the Conference will be held in Erie, Pennsylvania this coming year. See page 10 for additional information.



Chad Smith Travel Grant Awardees

Keynote Speakers Jeff Gray and Dr. John Jensen



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FROM THE QUARTERDECK

Sadly, this summer has brought us the passing of two long-time active members of NASOH, Larry Allin and Ted Sloan. Larry was a founding member and Ted joined NASOH shortly after. Each of them was a positive influence on many of us in our early years of maritime history studies. Their published and archival works will continue to help students and professionals alike, but we will miss their personal presence at our conferences and elsewhere. Please read their obituaries in this issue to find more about them.

Those of you who made it to the conference in Alpena this May realized Cathy Green and her NOAA crew are great hosts. From an attendees' view everything seemed to be well-organized and flowed smoothly. The program included many high quality presentations, as is usually the situation when the submissions outnumber the program slots and the program committee members worked hard to decide which fit best.

As always, I enjoyed professional and personal conversation with other attendees during the conference breaks, receptions, banquet, cruises, and tours. This year's gatherings at NOAA, the Alpena Yacht Club, Alpena Events Complex, the glass-bottomed boat, and others were especially rewarding.

Next year's conference on 14-18 May 2014 promises to be another great, though different gathering. We will be meeting with CNRS (hopefully) and CAMM at the Erie Maritime Museum and Walter Rybka plans to take us for a cruise on U.S. Brig Niagara. The Erie conference will be a good time to again meet with old friends and colleagues to discuss similar interests.

Of special note in April 2014 is a conference at All Souls College, Oxford, UK "in Honour of Professor John B. Hattendorf." I hope some of us can find our way to Oxford to participate in this very special honor for John. I also am looking forward to other conferences next year, especially the 10th Maritime Heritage Conference in September 2014 at Norfolk, Virginia. You will see more details under Call For Papers in this issue of the NASOH Newsletter.

Cheers, Warren

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NEWSLETTER EDITOR NEEDED

The NASOH Newsletter is in need of a new editor. Amy Mitchell-Cook, our current editor, has set a high standard for the past 6 years, but now must take the reins of her department at the University of West Florida and will not have time to continue publishing the Newsletter. The job includes, three times a year, gathering information, though Jim Bradford has been doing much of that for the editors for years and will continue to do so; putting it together in a standard format with easy software (Amy has been using MS Word); and sending it out mostly by email list. Some copies still must be printed. The only pay is the often-voiced appreciation of NASOH members.

For the time being, Cathy Green has offered to be editor but if anyone is interested in volunteering to be the new editor, please contact me at: riess@maine.edu or 207-563-8177 (office) or 207-677-2534 (home). I am hoping that some of you will volunteer so that I can discuss the choices with our publications chair to appoint the person who seems the best fit.

JOHN LYMAN BOOK AWARDS

U.S. Naval History: **David Rigby**, *Allied Master Strategists: The Combined Chiefs of Staff in World War II* (Naval Institute Press).

Honorable Mention: **Robert Schenk**, *America's Black Sea Fleet: The U.S. Navy Amidst War and Revolution, 1919-1923* (Naval Institute Press).

U.S. Maritime History: **W Jeffrey Bolster**, *The Mortal Sea: Fishing the Atlantic in the Age of Sail* (The Belknap Press of Harvard University Press).

Honorable Mention: **James P. Delgado**, *Misadventures of a Civil War Submarine: Iron, Guns and Pearls* (Texas A&M University Press).

Canadian Naval and Maritime History: **Nicholas Tracy**, *A Two-Edged Sword: The Navy as an Instrument of Canadian Foreign Policy* (McGill-Queen's University Press).

Honorable Mention: **Barry Gough**, *Juan de Fuca's Strait: Voyages in the Waterway of Forgotten Dreams* (Harbour Publishing).

Naval and Maritime Science and Technology: **Lissa K. Wadewitz**, *The Nature of Borders: Salmon, Boundaries, and Bandits on the Salish Sea* (University of Washington Press).

Naval and Maritime Biography and Autobiography

Honorable Mention: **Larry Berman**, *Zumwalt: The Life and Times of Admiral Elmo Russell "Bud" Zumwalt, Jr.* (HarperCollins Publishers).

Naval and Maritime Reference Works and Published Primary Sources: **Jonathan Kinghorn**, *The Atlantic Transport Line, 1881-1931* (McFarland & Company, Publishers).

Honorable Mention: **John D. Broadwater**, *USS Monitor: A Historic Ship Completes its Final Voyage* (Texas A&M University Press).

In Memorium

Edward (Ted) William Sloan III, the Charles H. Northam Professor of History, Emeritus at Trinity College, died at his home in Madison, Connecticut on 1 August 2012, after a long illness. Professor Sloan was born 19 October 1931 in Gates Mills, Ohio. He graduated from University School in Shaker Heights, Ohio in 1949 and received his Baccalaureate and Master's degrees from Yale University, where he was a member of the 1953 Whiffenpoofs, the a capella singing group. His long teaching career began during his military service, when he taught at the Army Transportation School at Fort Eustis, Virginia from 1954 to 1956. He was a financial and transportation analyst at First Boston in New York, before he returned to teaching and received his PhD in History from Harvard University.

He became a faculty member of Trinity College in 1963 where he served as chairman of the History department for many years and taught until he retired in 2003. His areas of expertise included United States history, maritime history, business history and the history of technology. He had a special interest in the impact of steam propulsion on the nineteenth-century maritime world. In addition to his work at Trinity, Sloan was an adjunct professor of Management with Rensselaer at Hartford. He also taught graduate students at the Mystic Seaport Munson Institute of American Maritime Studies and undergraduates at the Williams College in the Mystic program. He became a fellow of the Greenwich Maritime Institute of the University of Greenwich in 2000, and while holding this position he lectured at a number of English universities. The US Naval Institute Press published his book, *Benjamin Franklin Isherwood: Naval Engineer* in 1965, and in 2012 came out with a paperback edition. He co-authored *America and the Sea: A Maritime History*, published by Mystic Seaport and published many articles in the *International Journal of Maritime History* whose editorial board he served on for many years.

Sloan was active in the communities in which he lived. He served in New Haven on the Woman's Seamen's Friend Society of Connecticut. In Madison he was a member of the Madison Historical Society and served on the board and was Vice President of the Deacon John Grave Foundation. As a member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church he sang in its Chancel Choir, and he was a member of the Madison Winter Club and the Madison Beach Club. In Farmington, he was a member of the Farmington Library board. He was also a member of the Stowe Day Foundation in Hartford, and was a member of the Acorn Club to which he was elected to honorary membership in 2011.

Lawrence Carroll Allin, 80, died peacefully at his home in Norman on Thursday, 13 June 2013, after an extended illness. He was born on 17 July 1932, in Independence, Missouri. In the following years, during the Great Depression and World War II, the family lived in many different western states before settling in California, though Missouri remained "home" for Larry. Drafted into the Navy, he served in the U.S.S. *Duncan* and the aircraft carrier U.S.S. *Kearsarge*. He graduated with a bachelor's degree from the University of the Pacific in 1954 and continued to serve in the naval reserves. Larry taught at elementary and junior high schools in California while he continued his studies, taking night school classes in history at California State College, Los Angeles. During the course of his professional life, Larry was awarded many fellowships and research awards, among them grants from the United States Naval War College, the Price Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Munson Institute of American Maritime History. He attended Syracuse University's Maxwell School on an Experienced Teacher Fellowship and attained a master's degree in Russian studies in 1968. Larry went on to the University of Maine and earned his doctorate in naval and maritime history in 1976. Teaching at the University of Maine from 1970 to 1979 and again from 1982 to 1988, he taught courses in maritime history as well as the history of Maine and military history. He conceived and directed the Maine Historical Data Base Project, which computerized 35,000-plus data entries on the history of Maine. In addition, he was a founding member of NASOH.

In 1989 he accepted the position of chief historian of the U.S. Air Force's 28th Air Division at Tinker AFB in Oklahoma where he supervised the writing of classified annual histories and numerous special studies. During Desert Shield and Desert Storm, he attended daily command staff meetings and made briefings on the medical problems of the war zone, the J-STARS system and SCUD missiles. He also wrote the "Fiftieth Anniversary History of Tinker Force Base." After retiring from Tinker AFB in 1995, Larry took an active interest in the Norman community and local politics. Retirement also meant he could enthusiastically pursue his historical interests: researching ships and shipbuilding, seafaring around the globe and naval warfare, adding to his considerable number of professional publications and presentations. He was an inspired and inspiring teacher, whether it was to elementary and junior high students or later to college freshmen, graduate students, young colleagues or the neighbor kids dropping by to visit. He loved what he taught and he loved whom he taught. He changed lives.

UNDERWATER NEWS



Diving off Poverty Island in northern Lake Michigan, a team led by Steve Libert, President of Great Lakes Exploration, raised a 20-foot beam, which they speculate comes for the *Griffon*, the ship of Rene Robert Cavalier de la Salle that disappeared with its crew of six in 1679. Operating with a permit from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, the divers included Michel L'Hour, director of the Department of Underwater Archaeological Research in the Ministry of Culture of France which has a claim to LaSalle's ship since the explorer sailed under the authority of the French government. The group is seeking funds to study the artifact which L'Hour believes could be the *Griffon's* bowsprit. The 45-ton bark, *Griffon*, the first European-designed and built vessel on the upper Great Lakes, was launched on the Niagara River near Cayuga Creek in August of 1679.

2013 Nautilus Expedition: This summer, work commenced on a shipwreck discovered last April dubbed "the Monterrey Wreck" (BOEM Site 15577), which lies offshore in an area adjacent to Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary. Scientists onboard the E/V *Nautilus* and ashore using real-time telepresence technology spent a week using the Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) *Hercules* to carefully document, map, video, and photograph the site, and recover a small number of artifacts for conservation and analysis. The 2013 Site 15577 project was made possible through sponsorship, grants and donations through the Meadows Center from foundations and private individuals to foster and further collaborative deepwater archaeology and science in the Gulf. Video of the expedition from the seafloor and more information about the 2013 expedition can be found at NautilusLive.org and ExplorationNow.org. Additional images of the shipwreck and its artifacts can be found at <http://oceanexplorer.noaa.gov/explorations/13monterrey/welcome.html>.

(Image from: Ocean Exploration Trust and Meadows Center for Water and the Environment - See more at: <http://www.nautiluslive.org/blog/2013/07/20/teamwork-1330-meters#sthash.4JJHNL1g.dpuf>)



In 2011, Shell Oil notified BOEM and BSEE, (agencies of the U.S. Department of Interior) that a side-scan sonar target resembling a shipwreck had been found in their lease area. The sonar image revealed a sharp hull-formed outline measuring approximately 25 meters (84 feet) long by 7.9 meters (26 feet) wide in 1,330 meters (4,363 feet) of water. In April 2012, *Okeanos Explorer* conducted the first reconnaissance of shipwreck site 15577 in the Gulf of Mexico. The remains of the relatively small vessel are outlined by the copper sheathing tacked to the lower hull put there to protect the bottom from marine bio-fouling. While wood close to the copper sheathing has survived, the entire upper portion of the wooden ship has been consumed, allowing durable artifacts, such as those made from ceramic, glass and metal, to drop to the bottom. From the distribution of artifacts, we get a sense of how the vessel was organized. For example, near the stern, where the ship's officers likely lived, are plates, bottles, glassware, firearms, medicine, and navigation instruments. The artifacts and vessel remains suggest the site dates to the first half of the nineteenth century making it one of the more significant shipwrecks discovered in the Gulf of Mexico. The site, well preserved and remarkably undisturbed, is from a critical period in history when new nations were forming at the end of Colonial era and the Gulf was opening to global trade.

MUSEUM NEWS

The American Association for State and Local History (AASLH) has accorded Mystic Seaport, along with its collaborating organizations, a national award of merit. Five organizations, including Mystic Seaport, the New London County Historical Society, Stonington Historical Society, Lyman Allyn Art Museum, and Custom House Maritime Museum worked together to create THE ROCKET'S RED GLARE--CONNECTICUT AND THE WAR OF 1812. This tripartite project including a website, a book and an exhibit was awarded a 2013 Award of Merit, "the nation's most prestigious competition for recognition of achievement in state and local history" by AASLH.

BOOK PRIZES

The U.S. Commission on Military History announces the **2013 Brigadier General James L. Collins Jr. Book Prize** in Military History. The prize entails a \$1,000 award to the author of any nationality of the best book written in English on any field of military history published during 2012. The Book Prize Committee, chaired by Dr. Edward J. Marolda, will review the submitted books and select the winner to recommend to the USCMH Board of Trustees. Topics in all periods and all aspects of military history including naval and air warfare will be considered. Upon notification from the selection committee, the Collins Prize will be presented at the USCMH Annual General Meeting usually held in early November. For further information contact the Collins Prize Committee Chair at: edwardmarolda@yahoo.com or Edward.Marolda@navy.mil Books for consideration by the Collins Prize Committee must be submitted by **30 December 2013**, one copy each to:

- 1) USCMH Collins Prize, c/o Dr. Edward J. Marolda, 15570 Golf Club Drive, Dumfries. VA 22025
- 2) USCMH Collins Prize, c/o Dr. Jeffrey Clarke, 1011 North Van Dorn Street, Alexandria, VA 22304
- 3) USCMH Collins Prize, c/o Dr. Kelly DeVries, 1170 Crab Walk, Charleston, SC 29412

STEAMSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA ANNUAL AWARDS

The SSHSA announced the organization's 2013 awards at a banquet onboard the RMS *Queen Mary* in Long Beach, California, in May:

Ship of the Year: Passenger ferry MV *Coho* of the Black Ball Ferry Line) that sails between Port Angeles, Washington, and Victoria, British Columbia.

Museum Ship of the Year: USS *Iowa* of the Pacific Battleship Center in Los Angeles

Tug Boat of the Year: WWII tug *Angels Gate*, of the Los Angeles Maritime Museum.

H. Graham Wood Award for Distinguished Service to SSHSA: Presented posthumously to Mr. Frederick Woodworth of Redwood City, California.

J. Allen Award for Distinguished Editorial Service: Presented to William duBarry Thomas, for his significant contribution to *Steamboat Bill* and *PowerShips* in the quarterly column "Heard on the Fantail."

C. Bradford Mitchell Award: Presented to Martin Cox, photographer, author, and founder of the website Maritime Matters (www.maritimematters.com).



MEMBER NEWS

The Maine Maritime Museum recently announced that its **2013 Mariner's Award** will be presented on the evening of 21 August at the museum in Bath, Maine. The award recognizes the National Maritime Historical Society for its half century of contributions to maritime education, preservation and advocacy. NMHS Chairman and NASOH member **Ronald L. Oswald** will accept the award on behalf of the NMHS. The cocktail party will also include an address on the square-rigged *Kaiulani* (which was built in Bath in 1899 and which the NMHS was founded to preserve) by MMM Senior Curator **Nathan Lipfert** and a presentation by **Lincoln Paine** of the major themes from his forthcoming *The Sea and Civilization: A Maritime History of the World*.

Michael J. Crawford, **William S. Dudley**, and **James C. Bradford** were members of the program committee of “**From Enemies to Allies: An International Conference on the War of 1812 and its Aftermath**,” that was held at the U.S. Naval Academy, 12-15 June, and each chaired a session as did **Christine F. Hughes**. Paper presenters included NASOH members **Faye Kert**, “The Privateering War of 1812”; **Christine F. Hughes**, “Absconders Beware!: Slave Flight to the British during the War of 1812”; **Kevin D. McCranie**, “‘You will hear their doing mischief ... Lord knows where’: Commodore Rodgers and the U.S. Frigate *President* versus the Royal Navy, 1813”; **William H. Thiessen**, “Cementing the Core Missions’: Revenue Cutter Operations in the War of 1812”; **Gene Allen Smith**, “The Slaves Gamble for Freedom: Choosing Sides during the War of 1812”; and **Michael J. Crawford**, “The Origins of War Plan Red in the Pre-Great Rapprochement Era.”

On 2 April 2013, the Naval Academy Class of 1957 held a luncheon during which it presented **Jim Bradford** with a chair containing the class crest and that of the Naval Academy in recognition of his holding the Class of 1957 Distinguished Chair in Naval Heritage, 2012-2013. NASOH members **John Schroeder** held the chair, 2010-2011, and **Craig Symonds** in 2011-2012. **Gene Smith** has been named to the chair for 2013-2014.



The winter 2012-2013 issue of *Sea History* includes articles by **Donald G. Shomette**, “Infernal Machines: Submarines and Torpedo Warfare in the War of 1812,” and **Deirdre O’Regan**, “Fair Winds, HMS *Bounty*.”

W. Jeffery Bolster published *The Mortal Sea: Fishing in the Age of Sail* (Belknap/Harvard University Press).

The July 2013 issue of *Military History* published an article by **Joseph Callo**, in the, What We Learned section, “From the Battle of Taranto” is a brief article about a little-known battle that influenced the course of naval (and United States) history. He also published an article in the May Issue of *Naval Institute Proceedings* on the subject of “A New Look at John Paul Jones.” In addition, Callo wrote a book review of, *War on the Waters: the Union and Confederate Navies, 1861-1865* by James McPherson for the *Weekly Standard*.

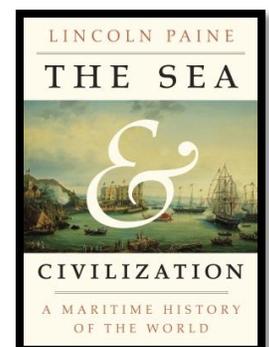
Colin Dewey will begin teaching in the fall as an assistant professor of English in the department of Culture and Communications at The California Maritime Academy (California State University, Maritime) in Vallejo.

William S. Dudley is co-author of the text of *The Naval War of 1812: “America’s Second War of Independence”* (Virginia Beach, Va.: The Donning Company), published in conjunction with an exhibit at the U.S. Naval Academy of items in the Naval Academy Museum.

Tim Lynch will be attending the MacMullen Naval History Symposium in Annapolis in September, serving as Discussant and Commentator for a panel on the “Maritime History of Slavery and Indigenous Persons” He will also join the faculty of the Munson Institute for American Maritime History, lecturing on various aspects of West Coast Maritime History.

Salvatore Mercogliano received the D.P. Russ Jr., and Walter S. Jones Sr., Alumni Award for Teaching Excellence from Campbell University. The previous year, he received the Professor of the Year award from the Student Government Association.

Lincoln Paine’s, *The Sea and Civilization: A Maritime History of the World* (Random House), traces the links between technology, waterborne transportation, the rise and decline of nations, and globalization from the peopling of Australia and the Western Hemisphere to the present.



MEMBER NEWS (con't)

Corbin Williamson completed an internship with the State Department researching instances of U.S. nuclear weapons deployments overseas in hopes of changing declassification policy regarding these deployments.

John Wolter and **David Ranzan** are currently copy-editing *With Commodore Perry to Japan: The Journal of William Speiden, Jr. (1852-1855)*, scheduled for publication by the *Naval Institute Press* on November 15, 2013. **David Ranzan's** latest edited volume, *Surviving Andersonville: One Prisoner's Recollections of the Civil War's Most Notorious Camp*, was released by McFarland and Company in May 2013.

CALL FOR PAPERS

'The Health and Welfare of Seafarers: Past, Present and Prospects' Maritime Historical Studies Centre, University of Hull, 30 January-1 February 2014. Proposals are welcomed for an upcoming conference on the health and welfare of seafarers. We are keen to adopt broad definitions of health and welfare, including, but not limited to, physical, emotional, social, financial and religious aspects. Contributions might consider experiences afloat and ashore, among all people who work at sea or who depend upon them. International and interdisciplinary proposals are particularly welcome, as are those from postgraduate researchers. Comparative contributions allowing seafarers and maritime communities to be placed in a broader context are also encouraged. The deadline for proposals (papers and posters) is **1 September 2013**. For additional information see <http://www2.hull.ac.uk/fass/maritime-history/news/call-for-papers.aspx>. Contact: Richard Gorski (r.c.gorski@hull.ac.uk), Philip Nicholas Senior Lecturer in Maritime History, Associate Editor, *International Journal of Maritime History*, Department of History, University of Hull, Hull HU6 7RX, +44 (0)1482 465183, <http://www2.hull.ac.uk/fass/history.aspx> or contact the Maritime Historical Studies Centre, Blaydes House, 6 High Street, Hull HU1 1HA +44 (0)1482 305111

"Strategy and the Sea: an International Conference in Honour of Professor John B. Hattendorf," 10-12 April 2014. All Souls College, Oxford. The conference will be held in Oxford to celebrate Professor John B. Hattendorf's leading contribution to naval history. The organizers seek to stimulate discussion between naval personnel and academics on the formulation and execution of strategy, the development of traditional and irregular naval tactics, and the influence of seapower in international relations. Additional topics might include finance, naval theory, logistics, social theory, shipbuilding, and the 'fiscal-naval state.' Speakers will give papers of 20 minutes on their research followed by 10 minutes of questions from the audience. Those wishing to present a paper should send a proposed title and abstract of no more than 300 words along with a 1-page c.v. to the conference organizers at: allsouls.navalhistory@gmail.com. The deadline is **1 September 2013**.

The Forum on European Expansion and Global Interaction [FEEGI] invites paper proposals for its tenth biennial conference to be held in New Orleans, LA, on 21-22 February 2014. FEEGI is interested in papers that explore early modern interactions from a variety of perspectives, across national and geographical categories, in an attempt to enhance our understanding of the global consequences of European expansion in the early modern world. Thus, we are interested in creative approaches from a variety of fields and disciplines to the study of the expansion of Europe and the world-wide response to that expansion. As our conference utilizes plenary sessions, we prefer individual paper proposals. In rare circumstances, panels may also be submitted for consideration; panels may also be re-organized to fit a larger program organized thematically in order to encourage comparative thinking outside the bounds of regionally- and chronologically-bounded histories. If you are interested in organizing a panel, please send an email to the address below first to check on whether it would be appropriate; papers should still be submitted individually. FEEGI hopes to provide some financial support to graduate students who are on the program. Please enter proposals for individual papers no later than Monday, **16 September 2013** on FEEGI'S website, <http://www.feegi.org/conferences.htm>. Proposers will be prompted to submit a paper title, 250-300 word abstract, and the name, affiliation, and contact information of the presenter, along with an abbreviated CV of no more than 500 words. Please send any questions, comments, or notification of trouble with online submissions to: Philip J Stern, Department of History, Duke University, feegi2014@gmail.com.

CALL FOR PAPERS (con't)

For the first time ever the **International Commission for Maritime History (ICMH)** will have a round-table on maritime history as part of the main program of the coming CISH Congress which will be held 2015 in Jinan (China) You can find the preliminary program for the whole Congress via: <http://www.cish.org/congres/appels-CfP.html> In addition, you can find the Call for Commentators for the Roundtable via: <http://www.cish.org/congres/RT5%20-Closing-Blue-Hole.pdf>. The format of the roundtable is as the following: There will be one main paper given by the organizer of the round-table to be followed by up to four comments. If you would like to be one of the commentators send a proposal to the CISH Secretary General Robert Frank : sgcish1@gmail.com as well as to Ingo Heidbrink, iheidbri@odu.edu. Proposals should be a maximum of 2 500 characters - 350 words and should be sent with a short biographical note by **30 November 2013**.

XX ULSTER-AMERICAN HERITAGE SYMPOSIUM 2014. The symposium's purpose is to encourage scholarly study and public awareness of the historical connections between Ulster and North America including what is commonly called the Scotch-Irish or Ulster-Scots heritage. The Symposium has as its general theme the process of transatlantic emigration and settlement, and links between England, Scotland, Ireland and North America. Its approach is interdisciplinary, encouraging dialogue between those working in different fields including history, language and literature, geography, archaeology, anthropology, folklife, religion, music, family history and museum studies. The Twentieth meeting of the Symposium in June 2014 will have two different programs, with different themes. and the second program will be hosted by the T.R.R. Cobb House and the University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia, 25-28 June. The special theme of the first program at Quinnipiac University, Hamden CT, 18-21 June will be: 'Hunger, Poverty and Migration: A Transatlantic Perspective.' The organizers of the conference are particularly keen to receive proposals relating to the following themes: famine and transatlantic subsistence migration in all historic periods including and in addition to the Great Famine (1845-52) famine and transatlantic subsistence migration from all provinces of Ireland including Ulster famine and transatlantic subsistence migration among all religious persuasions famine and transatlantic subsistence migration in the context of the continent of North America the commemoration and representation of hunger, poverty and migration. Deadline for proposals for individual papers or panels: **4 October 2013**. Papers from graduate students or new scholars are particularly welcome. Proposals, in a single electronic file, should include title and abstract (250 words) with cover letter indicating your name, postal and email addresses, phone number, institutional affiliation (if any), equipment needs and biographical paragraph. Please send electronically to Professor Christine Kinealy and Dr Gerard Moran: Christine.Kinealy@drew.edu and Gerard.Moran@nuim.ie. Part II: will occur at the T.R.R. Cobb House and University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia, 25-28 June 2014. The special theme of the program at Athens will be 'Contacts, Contests, and Contributions: Ulster-Americans in War and Society.' The aim will be to explore the transatlantic emigration, settlement and continued experience of people from the north of Ireland, and to present new research that challenges habitual ways of thinking about these emigrants, their roles in American life, and their legacies. We invite especially new scholarship in two areas: 1) Interactions with indigenous peoples (especially the Cherokee Nation) and other groups in North America such as German Americans and African Americans over the past four centuries; and 2) Participation in the American Civil War by emigrants from Ireland and their descendants, building on what has been written to date on the role of Ireland for the Union and to a lesser extent for the Confederacy. Added emphasis will be placed on encouraging new scholars from graduate programs across the country and beyond to become involved in furthering our knowledge of Ulster-American heritage.

Deadline for proposals for individual papers or panels: **2 December 2013**. Proposals should include title and abstract (250 words) with cover letter indicating your name, postal and email addresses, phone number, institutional affiliation (if any), equipment needs and biographical paragraph. Send electronically to: stthomas@trrcobbhouse.org Address inquiries to the Co-Chairs of the Program Committee: Michael Montgomery (ullans@yahoo.com) or Richard MacMaster (rmacmast@ufl.edu).

UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

The University of Exeter, “**Working Lives between the Deck and the Dock: Comparative Perspectives on Sailors as International Labourers (16th - 18th Centuries),**” **10-12 September.** The conference will examine the early modern maritime sector as an early example of an international labour market and it is conceived as an integral part of the project *Sailing into Modernity: comparative perspectives on the sixteenth- and seventeenth-century European economic transition*, funded by the European Research Council and led by Maria Fusaro with the assistance of Bernard Allaire, Richard Blakemore and Tijn Vanneste. More details on the project can be found at: <http://centres.exeter.ac.uk/cmhs/research/sailing%20into%20modernity%20index.html>

Five presenters and a keynote speaker have been selected for the **2013 Maritime History Conference of the Association for Great Lakes Maritime History Conference.** The conference will be held **13-14 September** at the Mission Point Resort on Mackinac Island, with an opening reception at the new Mackinac Island Art Museum. The keynote speaker for this year's conference is Peter Rindlisbacher, noted marine artist and the 2012 winner of the Joyce S. Hayward Award for Historic Interpretation. Among the scheduled presentations and speakers are: Naval Aspects of the 1814 Battle of Mackinac Island - Craig Wilson, a historian with the Mackinac State Historic Parks; Great Lakes Storm of 1913: The Six Lost Lorain Boats- Matthew Weisman of the Black River Historical Society; Preserving Maritime History in Michigan's Underwater Preserves - Ron Bloomfield of the Michigan Underwater Preserves Council and members of the Straits of Mackinac Underwater Preserve ; The Perils of a November Passage on Lake Superior - James Spurr of the Great Lakes Shipwreck Historical Society; and Shipwreck Exploration during Historically Low Lake Levels - Wayne Lusardi of the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary. The 2013 Maritime History Research Roundtable will feature a panel discussion on some of the unique resources associated with the Straits of Mackinac that are available to those looking to research Great Lakes maritime history of the early 17th thru early 19th centuries. Those resources include the results of the French Michilimackinac Project of the Mackinac State Historic Parks and the Association's Mackinac Custom House Records Digitization Project. The registration materials for the 2013 Maritime History Conference can be downloaded from the Association's web site, www.aglmh.net

2013 McMullen Naval History Symposium. 19-20 September 2013, will take place at the The History Department of the United States Naval Academy. Information on the 2013 McMullen Naval History Symposium can be found online at www.usna.edu/History/Symposium. The website will be updated on a regular basis. Specific inquiries should be directed to Dr. Lori Bogle and CDR Chris Rentfrow at navalhistorysymposium@gmail.com

The **Northeast and Atlantic Environmental History Forum** of the University of Maine, Orono **28 September 2013.** The Northeast and Atlantic Environmental History Forum will host its second one-day academic workshop to examine new approaches to the environmental history of the Northeastern United States and Atlantic Canada. The workshop will take place at the University of Maine in Orono. The aim of the workshop is to explore, from different critical perspectives, the environmental history of the Northeast, including New England, eastern Canada, New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. The workshop will focus on the social and cultural history of the region as shaped by human interaction with nature as well as a complex natural history of geological upheaval, climatic change, erosion, and renewal. For information, contact Brian Payne at brian.payne@bridgew.edu or go to: <http://www.nacehf.org>.



4th Mediterranean Maritime History Network Conference – Barcelona (Spain), 7, 8 & 9 May 2014
The principal aim of the Mediterranean Maritime History Network (MMHN) is to act as a clearinghouse for the exchange of information concerning research currently underway relating to the field of Mediterranean maritime history widely conceived. The conference will be hosted by the Museu Marítim de Barcelona. Housed in the Drassanes Reials de Barcelona, the former Royal Dockyards, whose origins date back to the Middle Ages, it is one of the most impressive and best-preserved buildings in the City of Barcelona which day by day reminds us of our maritime heritage. The conference will be supported by the University of Barcelona and other research institutions. For more information about the organization of the conference please contact Inma González or Dolors Bernal of the organizing committee agonzalezsin@diba.cat or bernallm@diba.cat. For additional information see: <http://www.um.edu.mt/events/mmhn>.

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NASOH Annual Conference, The Erie Maritime Museum, Home Port of the U.S. Brig *Niagara*, is honored to be the host of the NASOH Conference on **15-18 May 2014**. More information will be available in the fall newsletter and at www.nasoh.org. **SAVE THE DATE!!!!**

10th Maritime Heritage Conference, 17-21 Sept. 2014, Norfolk, Virginia, at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott Hotel in downtown Norfolk. Nauticus is the lead host. There will be a reception at the Mariners' Museum/Monitor Center and a possible reception by the USCG to celebrate its 100th anniversary. There are the War of 1812 and Civil War commemorations as well. The conference hotel will be the Norfolk Marriott Waterside Hotel downtown at a great rate. Further information and a CFP will be available in the near future.



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