

THE NEW ENGLAND HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

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**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 16, 2010**

**UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND
BIDDEFORD, MAINE**

FALL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Registration and Continental Breakfast: BIDDEFORD Campus, University of New England. Please note that the conference will be on the BIDDEFORD campus, NOT the Portland campus.

8:00-8:30 REGISTRATION: UNE, Biddeford. Session rooms will be posted at Registration.

First Morning Session, 8:30-10:00:

8:30 Session 1: The Late 19th-Century United States

Chair/commentator: Bruce Cohen, Worcester State College

1. Harry Turner, Stevenson University, "Immortal Aldrich!"
2. Rhonda Chadwick, Simmons College, "Anthony Comstock – Defender of Youth"
3. Richard Canedo, The Lincoln School, "It's all in the Timing: Vaudeville and the Transformation of American Popular Music, 1880-1910."

8:30 Session 2: Cold War History

Chair/commentator: Paul Burlin, University of New England

1. Matthew J. Clarcq, Niagara Community College, "Searching for Balance: Cultural Protection, Military Necessity and the Cold War."
2. Michael Holm, Boston University, "Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.: A Journey from Neutrality to Cold War."
3. Robert Niebuhr, Wentworth Institute of Technology, "Power of Reform: Foreign Policy in the Balkans."

8:30 Session 3: African-American History

Chair/commentator: Eileen Eagan, University of Southern Maine

1. Katrina Anderson, University of Delaware, "19th c. Free African-American Women in New England."
2. Martin Whittemore, Memorial University of Newfoundland, "Supported by the Sea: Antebellum Portland's 'Households of Colour.'"
3. Margaret Sumner, Ohio State University, "From Maine to Monrovia: John Russwurm's Atlantic Vision, 1830s-1850s."

8:30 Session 4: Women in New England

Chair: Laura Prieto, Simmons College

Commentator: Tona Hangen, Worcester State College

1. Kristin Murphy, Columbia University, "Stubborn Children, Lewd Women, and Manslaughterers: A Profile of Inmates at the Massachusetts Reformatory Prison for Women, 1877-1933."
2. Jessica Hynes, Quinnipiac University, "Separate Spheres and the 1870s Tax Resistance of Julia and Abby Smith."
3. Jascin Finger, Nantucket Maria Mitchell House, "The Daring Daughters of Nantucket Island: How Island Women from the Seventeenth through the Nineteenth Centuries Lived a Life Contrary to Other American Women."

8:30 Session 5: Medieval Europe

Chair/commentator: Luci Fortunato, Bridgewater State College

1. Anure Guruge, independent scholar, "How Papal Conclaves Came to Be."
2. Thomas Jackson, Rivier College, "The Concept of a Crusade."
3. Julianne Cooper, Southern New Hampshire University, "Vampires and Saints: Corpses that Don't Rot."

8:30 Session 6: Modern Britain

Chair/commentator: Mary Conley, College of the Holy Cross

1. Eddie Guimont, University of Connecticut, "Two-Nation Toryism: The Conservative Use of Minorities in the Thatcher Era."
2. Eric Zuelow, University of New England, "'Back to the Local': The Evolution of Pub Nostalgia since 1880."
3. Jonathan Shipe, Lynchburg College, "Class, Love, and Consequences: Intersections of Class and Gender in British Divorce Proceedings, 1848-1858."

8:30 Session 7: Asia

Chair/commentator: TBA

1. Lei Duan, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, "Gentry and Educational Reform in Local Society: The Case of Wuxi in late Qing dynasty."
2. Josh Sooter, Northeastern University, "'Gone Mosleming': Perception, Exchange, and Confrontation between Missionaries and Chinese Muslims, 1910-50."
3. Miki and Madhavi Desai, independent scholars, "The Cultural Expression of the Bungalow in India: The Colonial Legacy and its Post-Colonial Manifestation."
4. Sean Lent, University of Southern Maine, "Futile Democracy: Fukuzawa Yukichi and the Movement for Westernization in 19th Century Japan."

8:30 Session 8: Confronting Modern Times in Vermont, 1900-1940

Chair: Dona Brown, University of Vermont

1. Stephen Hausmann, University of Vermont, "Inside the Vermont Commission on Country Life."
2. Philip Moore, University of Vermont "Burlington's Leaders Confront the Slums."
3. Brittany Neiles, University of Vermont, "Inside the Vermont Federal Writers' Project?"

Break for Book Exhibit & Refreshments: 10:00-10:30

Morning Session II: 10:30-12:00

10:30 Session 9: Massachusetts in the Colonial Period and the Early Republic

Commentator/Chair: Warren Riess, University of Maine

1. Robert Smith, Worcester State College, "Foreign Affairs and the Ratification of the Constitution in Massachusetts."
2. Linda K. Palmer, independent scholar, "Dissent Among the Puritans: William Vassall: Harbinger of Religious Liberty."
3. Jared Hardesty, Boston College, "An Ambiguous Institution: Slavery, Law, and the State in Colonial Massachusetts."

10:30 Session 10: Nineteenth-Century Women in the U.S.

Chair/commentator: Melanie Gustafson, University of Vermont

1. Mary-Lou Breitborde, Salem State College: "Discourse and Women's Public Culture in the Port Royal Experiment: Interpreting the Life and Work of Laura Towne."
2. Lisa Stepanski, Emmanuel College, "Mary Baker Eddy and Technology"
3. Jan Scholl, The Pennsylvania State University, "A Great Woman of the Twentieth Century: Martha Van Rensselaer."

10:30 Session 11: U.S. Labor

Chair/commentator: James P. Hanlan, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

1. Kit Smemo, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, "The Repression of the Minneapolis Teamsters and Labor's Civil War, 1941-1942."
2. Bruce Cohen, Worcester State College, "The Worcester Machinists' Strike of 1915."
3. Abraham Miller, Simmons College, "The Public Identity of the Lowell Mill Girl: Contested Identity in the *Lowell Offering* and the *Voice of Industry*."

10:30 Session 12: U.S. Foreign Policy at the Turn of the Century

Chair: Jennifer Tebbe-Grossmann, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences

Commentator: David Hecht, Bowdoin College

1. Jeff Roquen, LeHigh University, "A Lost Peace: Revisiting The Transatlantic Mediation Efforts of Early WWI, June - December 1914."
2. Darwin H. Stapleton, Rockefeller University, "Two Philanthropies, Their Plans, Panama! The Opening of the Panama Canal, Fears of Epidemics on the Pacific Rim of Asia, and the Rockefeller Response, 1913-1930."
3. Liza T. Powers, CyFair Community College, "The Role of Webb Cook Hayes in America's Imperialist Movement."

10:30 Session 13: Maine History

Chair/commentator: Libby Bischof, University of Southern Maine

1. Thomas McCord, "Sherman's March through Urban Renewal: A Planner's Challenge of Federal Rules for Small-Town Revival in Maine, 1966-1971."
2. Kay Retzlaff, University of Maine, "With no better comforts for a night's rest than a cold, damp wharf": The Potato Famine Irish in Belfast, Maine."
3. Michelle Steen-Adams and Mark Adams, University of New England, "Federal visions and programs for management of Maine coastal resources: An examination of the Works Progress Administration and the National Atmospheric and Oceanographic Administration."

10:30 Session 14: A Provincial Nation: Late Early Modern Bavaria

Chair/commentator: Martin Menke, Rivier College

1. James Bidwell, Anna Maria College, 'Revolution from Above: "Enlightened Bureaucrats and Bavarian Public Schools: The Wismayr Plan of 1804?"
2. Joanne Schneider, Rhode Island College, "Big Brother 1790s Style: The Freising Spiritual Council's Deliberations."

10:30 Session 15: The Superficial and the Substantive: Modern Trans-Atlantic Difference and Influences

Chair and commentator, Susan Vorderer, Merrimack College

1. Michael McGuire, Boston University/Emmanuel College, "Making Major Differences Minor: American NGOS, French Refugees, and Reconstructing the Ravages of War, 1917-1920."
2. Javier Marion, Emmanuel College, "The Cadiz Cortes: Trans-Atlantic Effects."
3. Melanie Murphy, Emmanuel College, "The Stone Raft: Jose Saramago's Reconfiguration of Iberian Identity."

10:30 Session 16: "Imagining Women as Spies and Soldiers"

Chair: TBA

Commentator: TBA

1. Elizabeth DeWolfe, University of New England, " 'So Darned Clever in My Work': Agnes Parker, Girl Spy."
2. Cheryl C. Boots, Boston University, "Angels, Home-wreckers, Harlots, and Lesbians: Portrayals of Military Women in Hollywood Films from 1932 to 1999."
3. Jean Dunlavy, Boston University, "Still trespassing on womanhood: Women's published accounts of war and the military in the 1980s and 1990s."

12:15 - 1:15 LUNCHEON & BUSINESS MEETING -- The NEHA Book Award will be presented at lunch.

1:30 – 3:00: Afternoon Session, 1:30-3:00

Plenary Session, 1:30-3:00

"Teaching and Learning in the Digital Age"

Facilitator: John McClymer, Assumption College

1. Kate Freedman, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, "Teaching & Learning in the Digital University."
2. Stephanie Roper, Rivier College, "Teaching U.S. History Online."

Executive Committee Meeting to follow at 3:15



NEHA FALL MEETING PRE-REGISTRATION

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Please photocopy this registration form and distribute to colleagues and students whom you believe might be interested.

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THE ANNUAL FALL MEETING of the New England Historical Association will be held at the University of New England (207-283-0171), BIDDEFORD CAMPUS, on Saturday, October 16, 2010. The enclosed program was arranged by Vice President Martin Menke and local arrangements were planned by Professor Elizabeth DeWolfe and her colleagues at UNE. **NEHA ASKS THAT YOU KEEP IN MIND THAT FALL IS PRIME TOURIST SEASON ON THE MAINE SEACOAST. You should plan to MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

PRE-REGISTRATION for this conference is strongly recommended, although registration at the conference is possible, luncheon seating is limited. The pre-registration form enclosed herewith should be completed and mailed to the executive secretary by **Oct. 8**. Please do not mail pre-registration after Oct. 8 as it may not arrive on time and will cause confusion at Registration. Walk-In Registration will be available on the day of the conference. Please feel free to photocopy this form when inviting colleagues, graduate students and friends.

REGISTRATION is required for members and non-members who attend the conference, including each panelist. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. on the BIDDEFORD Campus. Note that UNE has two campuses in the area: Please DO NOT go to the Portland campus. Members are encouraged to bring copies of their recent publications as well as other relevant professional literature for display.

TRAVEL INFORMATION:

Take the Maine Turnpike (I-95) to **Exit 32** (Biddeford). After the tollbooth, turn left at the traffic light intersection onto Route 111 (Alfred Street). Staying in the right lane to the intersection of Route 1, take a left onto Route 1 from the right-hand lane, and then an immediate right as Rt. 111 branches off to the right. Then continue to the next traffic light. Turn right onto Route 9/208 (Pool Street). Follow Route 9/208 approximately 4 miles to the University of New England sign on your left.

OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS: We suggest the Hampton Inn, Biddeford (207-283-0171), where the UNE corporate rate of \$79 will be available for those requesting it and mentioning the UNE Historical Conference rate. Also: Comfort Suites (207-294-6464) and Holiday Inn, which offer higher market rates. **PLEASE REMEMBER** to book as early as possible. **THIS THE LAST OF THE BUSY SEACOAST TOURIST SEASON**, so please book rooms as early as possible.

LUNCHEON will be on the UNE campus. The NEHA Book Award will be presented at the luncheon. Members are asked to reserve luncheon in advance since this facilitates meal planning. Please indicate any special dietary restrictions on the reservation form. Luncheon tickets may be available on the day of the conference, but no special dietary requests can be honored at that time.

CALL FOR PAPERS – NEHA SPRING MEETING -- April, 2011

The Program Committee welcomes proposals for complete panels or individual papers. Send proposals, by Jan. 15, 2011, to: Prof. Martin Menke, Rivier College, History Department, 420 So. Main Street, Nashua, NH 03060. email: mmenke@rivier.edu