

The 31st

Conference on New York State History

June 3–5 • 2010



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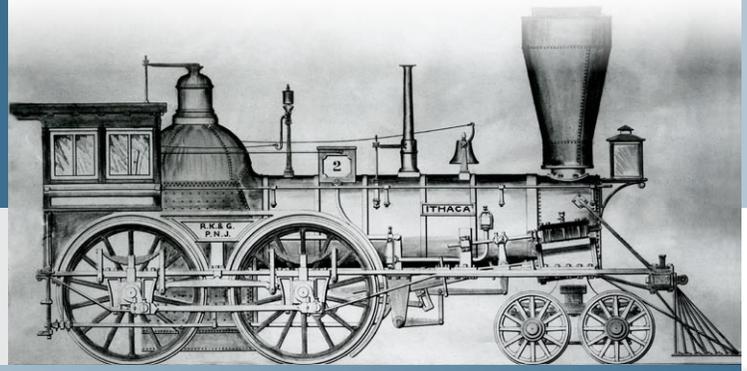
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Thursday June 3

8:30 - 5:00 Registration
Emerson Lounge, Student Union



9:00–3:30 • Full-day Workshop

Advance Registration Required



Engaging Students with Community History

Sponsored by
Upstate History Alliance

Stephanie Lehner
Coordinator



The engagement of students in their community's history is vital to the preservation of that story for future generations. Participants in this workshop will hear from educators at two county historical societies to learn about ways to engage students in the history of their communities in meaningful ways from local collections and local stories to oral history.

This workshop has been developed by the **Upstate History Alliance**, a non-profit service organization that works with museums and historical societies in New York State, and is supported by the Documentary Heritage Program, a statewide program of the New York State Archives, which strives to identify historical records and make them available to the public.

Participants will include:

Mari Shopsis
Rensselaer County
Historical Society

Paul Miller
The History Center
in Tompkins County

Kerry Lippincott
Chemung County Historical Society

Ellen McHale
New York Folklore Society

Anastasia Pratt
Clinton County Historian

2010 Program Committee

Amie Alden, Livingston County Historian

Blake Bell, Pelham Town Historian

James Folts, New York State Archives

Carol Kammen, Tompkins County Historian

Lisa Keller, SUNY Purchase

Garet Livermore, NYSHA

Michael Miscione, Manhattan Borough Historian

Edythe Ann Quinn, Hartwick College

Eric Roth, Huguenot Historical Society

Kajsa Sabatke, NYSHA

Nicholas Westbrook, Independent Scholar

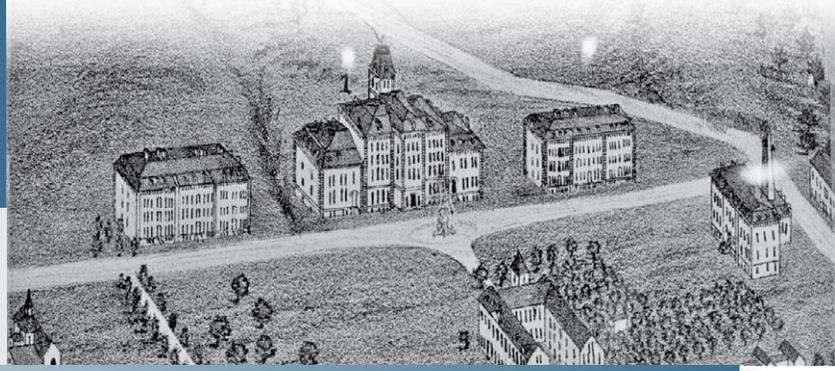
Marilyn Weigold, Pace University

Field Horne, conference chair

Edward Knoblauch, conference deputy chair



Thursday June 3



3:45–5:30 • Thursday Afternoon Sessions

Open to registrants of the Community History workshop and of the conference itself.

101 Documents

Emerson Suite A

- ◆ COLONIAL PATENTS REDISCOVERED AND RESTORED
Leslie Gross
North Hempstead Town Clerk
- Joan G. Kent**
North Hempstead Town Historian
- ◆ BUILDING AN ONLINE INDEX TO
CIVIL WAR NEWSPAPERS
David Moore
Schenectady County Community College
- ◆ RECONCILING TRANSCRIPTIONS
OF A 1656 WESTCHESTER LIST
Rebecca I. M. Walch
Independent Scholar

Comment:

Elaine Engst, Cornell University Archives

102 Social Change

Emerson Suite B

- ◆ WOMEN TAKE THE TOWN: THE FIGHT FOR
FEMALE SUFFRAGE IN NEW YORK CITY
Louise Berkinow
Independent Scholar
- ◆ RACE, GENDER, AND SUFFRAGE RIGHTS
IN NEW YORK STATE, 1821–46
Laura E. Free
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
- ◆ “I THOUGHT THEY WERE WORTHY”: BLACK
MEMBERS IN NEW YORK’S DUTCH CHURCH
Andrea Mosterman
Boston University

Comment:

Judith Wellman, SUNY Oswego (emerita)

103 Writers

Emerson Suite C

- ◆ MARTIN GLYNN AND THE IRISH EDITORIALS
Margaret Lasch Carroll
Albany College of Pharmacy
and Health Sciences
- ◆ A ROOM OF HIS OWN: SAMUEL CLEMENS,
ELMIRA, AND QUARRY FARM
Michael J. Kiskis
Elmira College
- ◆ “AMERICAN CITIZEN”: THE RADICAL LIVES
OF JAMES CHEETHAM
Steven Carl Smith
University of Missouri

Comment:

Michael Niman, Buffalo State College

6:00 • Dinner On Your Own

8:30 • Evening Program Emerson Lounge

8:30 • Silent Films Made in Ithaca

—Presenter—

Terry Harbin

Tompkins County Public Library



9:00–10:30 • Friday Early Morning Sessions

201 Law and Justice

Emerson Suite A

- ◆ **LAW AND ORDER IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC: THE LEDGERS OF JUSTICE SIMEON BUTTON**
Walter Auclair
Pittstown Historical Society
- ◆ **LASTING QUESTIONS ABOUT NEW YORK'S LAST HANGING EXECUTION**
Thomas C. McCarthy
New York Correction History Society
- ◆ **DIVORCE IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC: ISAAC GOUVERNEUR VS. ELIZABETH GOUVERNEUR**
Michelle Duross
SUNY Albany

Comment:

Robb K. Haberman, Fordham University

202 Panel: Matilda Joslyn Gage and the Underground Railroad: A Gendered Defiance

Emerson Suite B

- ◆ **THE ANTI-SLAVERY MOVEMENT IN CENTRAL NEW YORK**
Sue Boland
SUNY Albany
- ◆ **CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE IN FAYETTEVILLE**
Susan Goodier
SUNY Institute of Technology
- ◆ **CLASS, RACE, AND GENDER ISSUES IN THE JERRY RESCUE; INTERSECTIONS BETWEEN HAUDENOSAUNEE, AFRICAN AMERICANS AND ABOLITIONISTS**
Vanessa Johnson
Mosi Village Enterprises

Comment:

Sally Roesch Wagner, Matilda Joslyn Gage Center

203 Forum: On Doing History in New York State

Emerson Suite C

- ◆ **MODERATOR:**
 - **Carol Kammen**
Tompkins County Historian
 - **Peter Eisenstadt**
Independent Scholar
 - **Field Horne**
Conference on New York State History
 - **Robert Weible**
State Historian

10:45–12:00 • Friday Late Morning Sessions

301 Public Policy Innovations

Emerson Suite A

- ◆ **"PUBLIC HEALTH IS PURCHASABLE": HEALTH AND WELFARE POLICY UNDER GOV. AL SMITH**
Robert Chiles
University of Maryland
- ◆ **THE TEMPORARY RELIEF ADMINISTRATION IN ONONDAGA COUNTY**
Grant Johnson
Cornell University

Comment:

Laurie Kozakiewicz, SUNY Albany

302 Transportation in Western New York

Emerson Suite B

- ◆ **TRANSPORTATION COSTS AND SOCIAL CHANGE IN WESTERN NEW YORK, 1800–2010**
Thomas Rasmussen
Gainesville State College
- ◆ **MOHAWK AIRLINES**
Paul I. Roxin
Independent Scholar

Comment:

Scott Anderson, SUNY Cortland

303 Forum: Sources You Can Use: Overlooked County Level Records

Emerson Suite C

- ◆ **MODERATOR**
 - **Amie Alden**
Livingston County Historian
 - **Suzanne Etherington**
New York State Archives
 - **James Folts**
New York State Archives
 - **Michelle Henry**
Chautauqua County Historian



12:00–1:30 • Lunch Historical Memory and the Woodstock Legacy

—Speaker—

Geoff Storm

Independent Scholar

Friday June 4



1:30–2:45 • Friday Early Afternoon Sessions

401 Niagara Frontier

Emerson Suite A

- ◆ **A JEWISH HOMETLAND IN NEW YORK STATE**
Edward Adamczyk
Kenmore Village Historian
- ◆ **DEFUSING MARTIAL DEMOCRACY: WESTERN NEW YORK AND CANADA'S 1837 REBELLION**
Daniel P. Glenn
Delta State University

Comment:

Thomas A. Chambers, Niagara University

402 New York City Neighborhoods

Emerson Suite B

- ◆ **KNICKERBOCKER VILLAGE AND THE FOURTH WARD**
David Belle
Lower East Side History Project
- ◆ **IRISH MIGRATIONS: BEDFORD-STUYVESANT**
Elizabeth Call
New York University

Comment:

Peter Eisenstadt, Independent Scholar

403 Forum: Publishing New York State History

Emerson Suite C

- ◆ **MODERATOR**
 - **Michael J. McGandy**
Cornell University Press
 - **Debbie Allen**
Black Dome Press
 - **Dani McGrath**
The History Press
 - **James Peltz**
Excelsior Editions, SUNY Press
 - **Mark Stash**
Life in the Finger Lakes
 - **Wendell Tripp**
New York History (*emeritus*)

3:00–4:15 • Friday Mid-Afternoon Sessions

501 Education

Emerson Suite A

- ◆ **A REVOLUTION IN PUBLIC SCHOOL DESIGN: CHARLES B.J. SNYDER'S LEGACY**
Jean Arrington
Borough of Manhattan
Community College, SUNY
- ◆ **CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY'S CONTRIBUTION TO VICTORIAN EDUCATION REFORM**
Pam Brown
Panama Village Historian
- ◆ **Michelle Henry**
Chautauqua County Historian

Comment:

Thomas J. Mauhs-Pugh, Green Mountain College

502 Women

Emerson Suite B

- ◆ **THE SCIENTIFIC FEMALE FARMER: FARM WOMEN IN NORTHEASTERN ANTEBELLUM AGRICULTURAL JOURNALS**
Kelli Huggins
Siena College
- ◆ **GOOD TASTE AND NIMBLE FINGERS: MILLINERS IN VICTORIAN NEW YORK**
Nadine L. Stewart
Fashion Institute of Technology

Comment:

Suzanne Etherington, New York State Archives

503 Forum: Historical Societies in the Twenty-First Century

Emerson Suite C

- ◆ **MODERATOR**
 - **Catherine Gilbert**
Upstate History Alliance
 - **Anne Ackerson**
Museum Association of New York
 - **Cynthia Conides**
Buffalo and Erie County
Historical Society
 - **Katherine Hite**
Westchester County Historical Society

4:30–5:45 • Friday Late Afternoon Sessions

601 Colonial Frontiers

Emerson Suite A

- ◆ **THE SPATIAL RECONNAISSANCE OF IROQUOIA, 1600–1775: WHO KNEW WHAT, AND WHEN?**
Jon Parmenter
Cornell University
- ◆ **THE INTERCOLONIAL TRADE, NEW NETHERLAND AND NEW ENGLAND, 1624–64**
Kim Todd
Cornell University

Comment:

James Folts, New York State Archives

602 Industry

Emerson Suite B

- ◆ **THE WOOD CHEMICAL INDUSTRY IN THE NORTHEAST**
Hugh O. Canham
SUNY ESF (*emeritus*)
- ◆ **THE ONEIDA STORY: FROM UTOPIAN EXPERIMENT TO CORPORATE MODEL**
Giles Wayland-Smith
Oneida Community Mansion House

Comment:

James Darlington, SUNY Cortland

603 Forum: Digital Research

Emerson Suite C

- ◆ **MODERATOR**
 - **Larry Naukam**
Rochester Public Library
 - **Suzanne Etherington**
New York State Archives
 - **Matthew Hogan**
South Central Regional Library Council
 - **Lauren Maehrlein**
New York Genealogical
and Biographical Society
 - **Danielle Mericle**
Cornell University Library

6:00 • Friday Dinner

Carpool to dinner at the North Pavilion, Taughannock Falls State Park, catered by Syracuse's famous Dinosaur Barbecue

8:30 • Friday Lecture

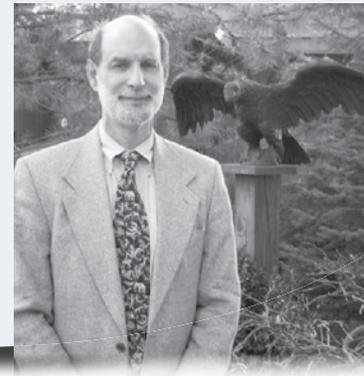
—Wendell Tripp Lecture—

Emerson Suite B • 8:30 PM

Michael Kammen

Cornell University

“HOW HISTORICAL ENTERPRISE IN NEW YORK STATE BECAME FRACTURED (AND SOMETIMES DYSFUNCTIONAL) IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY”



Saturday June 5

8:00 - 11:00 Registration • Emerson Lounge

8:30—10:15 • Saturday Early Morning Sessions

701 Immigrants

Emerson Suite A

- ◆ **THE STRANGE CAREER OF CASTLE GARDEN: THE AWKWARD TRANSITION FROM STATE TO FEDERAL IMMIGRATION REGULATION, 1855–82**
Brendan P. O'Malley
Graduate Center CUNY
- ◆ **THE SLOOPERS: NEW YORK'S PIONEER NORWEGIANS**
William G. Andrews
SUNY Brockport (emeritus)
- ◆ **OLD WORLD INFLUENCES ON THE FINNS OF SPENCER**
Barbara F. Lanning
Spencer Historical Society
- ◆ **Jean S. Alve**, Spencer Town Historian

Comment:

Jean Ballard Terepka, Archivist

702 New York City's Periphery

Emerson Suite B

- ◆ **THE UNBUILT BURKE AVENUE SUBWAY AND THE BATTLE OF THE NORTHEAST BRONX**
Joseph B. Raskin
Independent Scholar
- ◆ **“A NOBLE, SPACIOUS, AND ELEGANT RETREAT”: NEW YORK'S EARLY RESORTS.**
Geoffrey Rossano
Salisbury School
- ◆ **RAILS TO ROCKAWAY: STEAM RAILROAD TO SUBWAY LINE**
Andrew J. Sparberg
New York Transit Museum

Comment:

Natalie Naylor, Hofstra University (emerita)

703 Tompkins County Topics

Emerson Suite C

- ◆ **POLICING, PATRONAGE, AND DEVELOPMENT IN GILDED-AGE ITHACA**
Chris Smith, Cornell University
- ◆ **THE PREEMINENCE OF NEW YORK IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF MODERN VETERINARY MEDICINE**
Donald F. Smith
College of Veterinary Medicine,
Cornell University
- ◆ **VERNE MORTON, PHOTOGRAPHER: MAKING THE COMMONPLACE COMPELLING**
Rosemarie Tucker
Groton Town Historian
- ◆ **April Scheffler**, Groton Town Clerk

Comment:

John McGuire, Tompkins County Community College

10:30—12:15 • Saturday Late Morning Sessions

801 Veterans

Emerson Suite A

- ◆ **DOCUMENTING THE IMPACT OF THE VIETNAM WAR ON LIVINGSTON COUNTY**
Amie Alden
Livingston County Historian
- ◆ **WAR WOUNDS, MILITARY SURGERY, AND THE DISABLED REVOLUTIONARY WAR VETERAN**
James Alsop
McMaster University
- ◆ **“I.L.Y.”: THE WORLD WAR II LETTERS OF MYRA STRACHNER AND BERNIE STALLER**
Susan Ingalls Lewis
SUNY New Paltz

Comment:

Robert Arnold, New York State Archives (retired)

802 Material Culture

Emerson Suite B

- ◆ **HISTORIC PINE SASH: A NON-RENEWABLE RESOURCE**
Catherine M. Albert
Columbia University
- ◆ **AN INVESTIGATION OF DUTCH FURNISHING TEXTILES IN EARLY NEW YORK**
S. Rabbit Goody and Jill Maney
Independent Scholars
- ◆ **THE SIR WILLIAM JOHNSON ESTATE: HISTORIC BUILDINGS AS RESEARCH DOCUMENTS**
Deborah S. Gordon
Bureau of Historic Sites OPRHP

Comment:

Eric Roth, Huguenot Historical Society

803 The Historic Shrine

Emerson Suite C

- ◆ **ABSENT FROM THE LANDSCAPE: MONUMENT BUILDING AND THE LIMITS OF COMMEMORATION**
Thomas A. Chambers
Niagara University
- ◆ **GRANT'S TOMB THROUGH ORAL HISTORY METHODOLOGY**
Sarah Dziedzic
Columbia University
- ◆ **NORTH ELBA'S JOHN BROWN: HISTORY ENSHRINED, HISTORY BETRAYED**
Amy Godine
Independent Scholar

Comment:

Edward E. Baptist, Cornell University

Saturday June 5

12:15–1:30 • Lunch

—Performer— Colleen Cleveland

of Brant Lake, N.Y.; keeper of the Cleveland family ballad tradition

Twentieth Century War Ballads from the Cleveland Family

1:30–5:00 • Tour Options

The History Center

Brochures
will be available
at registration.

Cornell University Campus

2010 • Conference Information

Getting There

◆ Automobile

See www.ithaca.edu/about/directions.php for driving directions. Ithaca is 3:00 from Buffalo, 3:15 from Albany, and 4:15 from New York City.

◆ Bus

Greyhound buses leave New York Port Authority nine times daily. Fare is \$65 each way.

◆ Air

Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport is served by flights from Philadelphia and Detroit. Syracuse is the nearest major airport, with more limited service to Elmira and Binghamton.

General City Information

See www.visitithaca.com for highlights.

Exhibition Hall

As usual, the exhibition hall on Friday will be packed with publishers, book dealers, and organizations eager to tell you about their products or services. If you are interested in being an exhibitor at the conference, please e-mail historyconference@nysha.org or check our website at www.nysha.org for a registration form.

In-service Credit

The New York State Historical Association is pleased to offer continuing education unit (C.E.U.) credits for teachers. If you are interested in receiving C.E.U., please inquire at the registration desk.

Scholarships

A limited number of scholarships are available to graduate and undergraduate students and officially-appointed municipal historians.

To apply, please request an application form at historyconference@nysha.org or by calling (888) 547-1450 ext. 453.

2010 • Campus Accommodations

Registration for Accommodations

Housing is available on the Ithaca College campus. Traditional style residence hall rooms (non-air conditioned with shared bath facilities) cost \$45 per room per night; Emerson Hall rooms (air-conditioned with private bath facilities) cost \$55 per room per night. Most of the rooms are doubles (the room costs are fixed) and you may choose to share with another person to save on the cost. Finding a roommate is the responsibility of the registrant; if you are sharing a room, please list the name of your roommate on the registration form (it is only necessary to register on one person's form). **Registration for college dorm rooms must be postmarked by May 17.** Registration for rooms at the college WILL NOT be available on-site.

Questions?

Registration questions should be directed to historyconference@nysha.org or 888-547-1450 ext. 453.



Cancellations and Refunds

In order to be eligible for a refund, you must send written notice of cancellation by mail or e-mail by the dates listed below. We will process refunds following the conference and mail them to the address given in your registration packet.

- Cancellation received before Monday, May 17, 2010—100% of registration fee, meals, and events purchased
- Cancellation received on or between May 17 and May 25, 2010—80% of registration fee and 50% of meals and events, purchased
- Cancellation received on or between May 25 and June 2, 2010—50% of registration fee and no refund for meals and events purchased
- Cancellation received Thursday, June 3, 2009 or after—No refund given

Off-campus Housing

The conference takes place concurrently with the Ithaca Festival, so rooms may be at a premium; reserve early. See www.visitithaca.com for information on lodging options.

Late Payments • On-site Registration

Please do not mail registrations to NYSHA after Tuesday, May 25. If you need to register after this date, please call directly. On-site registration will also be available all three days. A limited number of tickets for meals and events will be available for sale on-site at an additional cost. These will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis.



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**Save on Early
Registration by May 17**

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Affiliation _____

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NYSHA _____ APT _____

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A confirmation will be sent to you via e-mail. If e-mail is unavailable, please call for confirmation.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

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Monday, May 17 \$85 \$ _____
—(NYSHA/APT members \$60)

Postmarked after
Monday, May 17 \$105 \$ _____
—(NYSHA/APT members \$80)

Thursday
Full-day workshop (UHA) \$35 \$ _____
—(includes box lunch)

Friday lunch \$17 \$ _____

Friday dinner \$26 \$ _____

Saturday lunch \$17 \$ _____

Registration SUB-TOTAL \$ _____

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(non-air-conditioned with shared bath facilities)

Single Double
If double, name of roommate:

Thursday, 6/3/10 \$45 \$ _____

Friday, 6/4/10 \$45 \$ _____

Saturday, 6/5/10 \$45 \$ _____

Housing SUB-TOTAL \$ _____

EMERSON HALL

(air-conditioned with private bath facilities)

Single Double
If double, name of roommate:

Thursday, 6/3/10 \$55 \$ _____

Friday, 6/4/10 \$55 \$ _____

Saturday, 6/5/10 \$55 \$ _____

Housing SUB-TOTAL \$ _____

On-campus housing registration deadline is Monday, May 17.

Please read Registration and Lodging information on page 7.

Mail registration form to:
Conference on New York State History
c/o NYSHA
PO Box 800
Cooperstown, N.Y. 13326

Registration SUB-TOTAL \$ _____

Housing SUB-TOTAL \$ _____

TOTAL PAYMENT \$ _____

Method of Payment

Check enclosed (make checks payable to "NYSHA")
 Please Send Invoice Credit Card • Card Type _____

Account # _____

Exp. Date ____/____/____

Signature _____