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## Preparations for the 2006 Annual Meeting

By Mark Parillo

The program for the 73rd Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History, 18-21 May 2006 at Kansas State University, promises to be an exciting one, built around the theme of the construction, reconstruction, and consumption of military history. Our featured speakers will be Douglas Porch, General Richard Myers, and Roger Spiller.

Douglas Porch has been the Mark Clark Chair of History at The Citadel and Professor of Strategy at the Naval War College, and he is presently chair of the Department of National Security Affairs at the Naval Postgraduate School. He has lectured widely, including talks delivered to the U.S. Army War College, the U.S. Marine Corps University, and the NATO Defense College in Rome, Italy. His scholarship has centered on French military and imperial history, including his noted history of the French Foreign Legion, while his most recent book is on the Mediterranean theater in World War II.

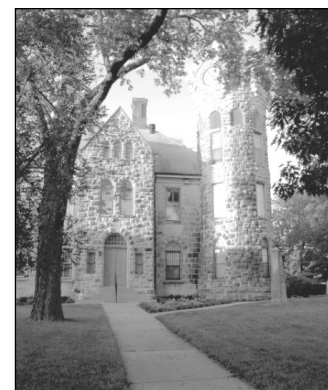
U.S. Air Force General Richard Myers is the recently retired chair of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff. He will be returning to his alma mater, Kansas State University, to reflect on the role military history has played in his professional life.

The SMH's own Roger Spiller, George C. Marshall Professor Emeritus of Military History at the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, will take time off from bicycling across Kansas to speak about his recent experiences in the creative application of military history. These include his work on an extensive documentary about World War II and the publication under the Harvard University Press banner of his *An Instinct for War: Scenes from the Battlefields of History*, an imaginative probing of the nature of military history.

Some of the sessions that will be presented are:

- "Telling War Stories: Veterans, Policies, and the Military Past"
- "Glimpses into Two 'Old Corps': Britain's Royal Marines and the U.S. Marine Corps, 1872-1935"
- "Naval History and the Ocean Environment: A Neglected Aspect?"
- "Reassessment of Some World War I Leaders"
- "Aspects of Air Power in the North West Europe Campaign, 1944-45"
- "Diplomatic and Military History: Insularities, Intersections, and Introspections"

Conference participants will have the opportunity to explore two historical and scholarly sites, Fort Riley and the Eisenhower Center. On Friday, participants can travel out to Fort Riley for a tour and reception. Highlights of the tour will be visits to the U.S. Cavalry Association Museum & Archives and the Fort Riley Regimental & Constabulary Museum as well as the chance to take part in the storied cavalry "punch bowl" ceremony.



Regimental Museum,  
Fort Riley

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Also, don't miss the opportunity to operate a Bradley personnel carrier or Abrams tank at the Close Combat Tactical Training simulators-see and feel what it's like to take part in a modern armored battle in the cramped quarters of an AFV. Conference participants wishing to visit Fort Riley must carry a photo ID to enter the base.

On Saturday, the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Museum and Library will host the day's events. Participants will be shuttled to historic Abilene in the morning for scholarly sessions, a tour of the museum, and a chance to visit the Eisenhower home and explore the library's vast archival holdings.

Conference participants can fly into Manhattan, Kansas, or drive in from Kansas City by commercial shuttle service, special conference shuttle, or rental car. Participants will find costs for meals and lodgings to be quite reasonable. Participants can register and pay for the conference online. For further information, consult the conference website at <http://www.kstate.edu/history/institute/smh%20conference.html>.

### **To reach Manhattan, Kansas**

#### **Airports Serving Manhattan:**

Kansas City International Airport (KCI) is the nearest major airport. It is located 130 miles east of Manhattan. Conference participants may reach Manhattan from KCI by commercial shuttle bus service, a special conference shuttle service, or by rental car.

The KCI Roadrunner is a commercial shuttle service with vans leaving KCI approximately every two hours. Reservations can be made by telephone (1-800-826-8294) or online at <http://www.kciroadrunner.com/>. The cost is \$49 one-way or \$89 round trip. The trip takes about two and a half hours.

A special conference shuttle will be provided by Kansas State University. The schedule will be dependent on demand. Reservations must be made by 15 April. Call (785) 532-3786 for reservations. The cost is \$30 one-way or \$50 round trip.

There are several car rental services available at KCI. Driving time from KCI is approximately two hours and ten minutes. (See directions below.)

Manhattan, KS is also served by the Manhattan Regional Airport, located four miles west of Manhattan on Kansas Hwy 18. US Airways Express provides several flights daily to and from Kansas City International Airport. Hertz and Enterprise provide car rental services from Manhattan Regional Airport.

#### **Driving Directions to Manhattan:**

##### *Directions to Manhattan coming from the West:*

Take I-70 East towards Salina/Hays. Get off at exit 303, and head north on Kansas Hwy 18. Kansas Hwy 18 (also known as Ft. Riley Blvd) runs along the southern side of Manhattan.

##### *Directions to Manhattan coming from the East:*

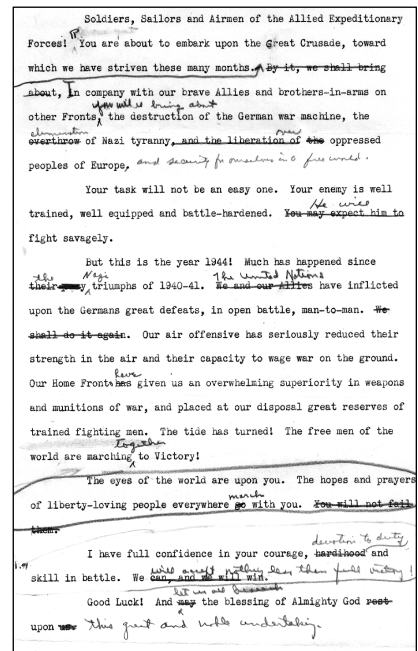
Take I-70 West towards Topeka/Kansas City. (From KCI, take I-29 West one mile to I-435 West, from where it is 20 miles to I-70.) Get off at exit 313, and head north on Kansas Hwy 177. Once reaching Manhattan either continue straight, which will put you at Manhattan's mall, or exit onto Kansas Hwy 18 (also known as Ft. Riley Blvd.).

##### *Directions to Manhattan coming from the North:*

Go south on US Hwy 77. Hwy 77 will intersect US Hwy 24 about 8 miles north of Manhattan. Take US Hwy 24 East to Manhattan. You can either continue on Hwy 24, which runs along the eastern side of Manhattan (also known as Tuttle Creek Blvd.), or you can enter Manhattan on the western side by turning onto Kansas Hwy 113 (also known as Seth Child Road).

#### **Lodgings in Manhattan**

The Holiday Inn Manhattan and the Ramada Plaza Hotel have rooms under contract for the Society for Military History Conference the nights of May 18, 19 and 20. When reserving a room with either of these two hotels, please remember to tell them that you are with the conference so you will get the SMH Conference room rate.



*Eisenhower's Order of the Day for June 6, 1944*

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Participants should note that both of these hotels will soon be changing management. Reservations made under the old management will be honored, but conference participants should note that the hotels will have different names in May.

### **Holiday Inn Manhattan**

The Holiday Inn Manhattan is located at 520 Richards, approximately 2.5 miles from Kansas State University. (Shuttle vans will take conference participants from the Holiday Inn to the conference sites on the KSU campus.) The Holiday Inn has a restaurant/lounge, a swimming pool and wireless Internet service. The SMH Conference room rate is \$69. Reservations for the conference must be made before May 1st. Reservations can be made through the hotel's local reservation desk, (785) 539-5311, or through their national reservation line, 800-HOLIDAY (800-465-4329).

### **Ramada Plaza Hotel**

The Ramada Plaza Hotel is located at 1641 Anderson Avenue, across the street from Kansas State University. (Most conference sites are 3 minutes' walk from the Ramada.) It has a restaurant/lounge, a swimming pool and wireless Internet service. The SMH Conference room rate is \$79. Reservations must be made before April 17th. Reservations can be made through the hotel's local reservation desk, (785) 539-7531, or through their national reservation line, (800-962-0014).

## **Notes From The Executive Director** **by Robert H. Berlin**

The Society for Military History 2006 annual meeting, featured in this issue, will bring you to the state of Kansas where our state motto is "Ad astra per aspera" meaning "To the stars through difficulties." The new state slogan is: "Kansas As Big As You Think." Just how big that is is open to debate (of which there has been much in the state). I urge you to come see for yourself and attend the annual meeting. I could tell you much about the state where I live, but all you probably want to know and more is at the Kansas Travel and Tourism web site <http://www.travelks.com/>

Mark Parillo and Michael Ramsay of Kansas State University are planning an exciting annual meeting 18-21 May in Manhattan, Kansas, with sessions at the University, Fort Riley, and the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Library at Abilene, where you can tour the home where Ike grew up and see a state-of-the-art museum. Mark your calendar and make plans to fly either to Manhattan Regional Airport or to Kansas City (MCI), if you are not driving. There will be special shuttle service from the Kansas City Airport to Manhattan, about two and a half hours away. The theme is "Reconstructions of Military History."

The Russell F. Weigley Graduate Student Travel Grant Awards honor one of the great American military historians of the twentieth century and support participation by promising graduate students in the Society's annual meeting. Information about the awards is in this issue. Graduate students who are presenting a paper at the annual meeting may apply by contacting Professor Dawson at [jgdawson@tamu.edu](mailto:jgdawson@tamu.edu).

The 2007 meeting will be held on April 19-22 in Frederick, Maryland, hosted at the Frederick Holiday Inn, Holidome & Conference Center by the Catoctin Center, based at Frederick Community College. Accommodations have also been reserved at the Holiday Inn Express in Frederick. The Army Heritage and Education Center and the U.S. Army Military History Institute at Carlisle, PA, are providing support for the meeting, and Conrad Crane, director of the Military History Institute, will serve as Program Chair.

The 2008 meeting will be April 17-20 in Ogden, Utah, hosted by Weber State University, with Bill Allison coordinating. The meeting will be held at the Ogden Eccles Conference Center with accommodations at the Marriott Hotel. SMH is currently seeking a sponsor for the 2009 meeting. If you are interested in submitting a proposal to host this conference, please contact SMH Vice President John Lynn at [johnlynn@uiuc.edu](mailto:johnlynn@uiuc.edu).

At the January 2006 meeting of the American Historical Association in Philadelphia, PA, at least 83 attendees came to an SMH-sponsored roundtable entitled "Military Historians in Time of War: Reflections on Current Roles, Responsibilities, and Experiences" in which Carol Reardon, Randy Papadopoulos, Brian Linn, Richard Kohn, Conrad Crane, and Mark Stoler participated. SMH also co-hosted with the George C. Marshall Foundation another highly successful George C. Marshall Lecture, given this year by Drew Gilpin Faust, who delivered "Accounting for Death: Reflections on the Evolution of the Casualty List." Special thanks to Larry Bland, who hosted an SMH exhibit to provide information about the organization and to recruit members.

## Notes From The Editor

Even though it is only January, the Society is already gearing up for its annual meeting, to be held this year at Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas on 18-21 May. As you can see by the cover story, our conference organizers have been hard at work and have a complete experience prepared for us. The panels look interesting, the field trips should be a lot of fun, and the camaraderie, as always, is not to be missed. Complete registration information is contained elsewhere in the newsletter, so start making your plans to join us in May.

Although it has been some months since Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma savaged the Gulf Coast, their impact continues to be felt. Many thanks to those SMH members who offered their assistance to others in need. One of the ongoing concerns has been the condition of artifacts and sites. Status reports can be found on the following web sites:

- National Park Service Digest, Daily Headlines  
<http://data2.itc.nps.gov/digest/>
- American Association of Museums  
<http://www.aam-us.org/aamlatest/news/HurricaneFirstReports.cfm>
- Heritage Preservation  
<http://www.heritagepreservation.org/>
- American Library Association  
[http://www.ala.org/al\\_onlineTemplate.cfm?Section=alonline&template=/ContentManagement/ContentDisplay.cfm&ContentID=103278](http://www.ala.org/al_onlineTemplate.cfm?Section=alonline&template=/ContentManagement/ContentDisplay.cfm&ContentID=103278)

On a happier note, the Society was well represented at the 2006 American Historical Association annual meeting in Philadelphia. Drew Gilpin Faust gave the George C. Marshall Lecture, and members Carol Reardon, Mark Stoler, Brian Linn, Richard Kohn, Randy Papadopoulos and Conrad Crane were featured in a panel discussion about military history and historians. *Inside Higher Ed's* web site has an interesting article about that panel at <http://insidehighered.com/news/2006/01/10/military>.

As always, please continue to send me information for upcoming issues of the newsletter. I can be reached by E-mail at [Kurt.Hackemer@usd.edu](mailto:Kurt.Hackemer@usd.edu) or by snail mail at:

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# NEWS & NOTES

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**H-War Military History Network** website <http://www2.h-net.msu.edu/~war> has a comprehensive list of historical conferences including deadlines for call for papers. H-War Resources include discussions, book reviews, and reading lists.

### Marshall Committee Formed

The annual George C. Marshall Lecture in Military History was established in 1999 as a joint project of the George C. Marshall Foundation of Lexington, Virginia, and the Society for Military History to honor the accomplishments of a distinguished scholar in military history or a related field; to demonstrate to members of the historical profession and the general public the relevance of military history and the contributions of its practitioners; and to provide a forum for the lecturer to reflect broadly on his or her experiences in the field. In order to regularize the Society's procedure for choosing distinguished individuals to deliver the annual George C. Marshall Lecture, Carol Reardon proposed the creation of a new committee, a proposal that was then adopted by the board. This committee is to be chaired by the vice-president of the SMH and include a representative of the Marshall Foundation plus three other members. As currently constituted the committee is composed of John Lynn (VP of the SMH), Larry Bland (representing the Marshall Foundation at VMI), Craig Symonds, Mark Grimsley, and Robert Bruce. This year the committee not only chose Geoffrey Parker from Ohio State University as the 2007 speaker, but also hammered out a system of nomination, discussion, and election to be followed in the future.

### SMH Awards Paper Prize

SMH awarded the first “The Society for Military History - Northern Great Plains History Conference Prize for the Best Graduate Student Paper” to Clayton Lusk (University of Houston) for his paper, “Confluence of Conflict: Houston and the Camp Logan Riot, 1917.” Lusk received a framed certificate and a check in recognition of his excellent work. Bruce Vandervort, editor of *The Journal of Military History*, and Robert Gough, NGPHC Organizing Committee Chair were present for the award. Bruce also made a superb opening presentation on Wednesday evening, “The Vanguard: *The Journal* (and the Society) of *Military History* and The Invigoration of Military History,” in which he reviewed the past, present, and likely future of military history - a fine “state of the field” presentation. Attendance was very good, with participants from as far away as Australia and as close as River Falls, WI. Both coasts were well represented.



Clayton Lusk receives his award from Great Plains Region Coordinator Joseph Fitzharris.  
Photo Credit: David Fitzpatrick

### Award Won

The Army Historical Foundation has presented its Trefry Award to Lewis Sorley for his book *Vietnam Chronicles: The Abrams Tapes, 1968-1972*, citing “exhaustive and skillful editing and transcribing of the tapes” which provide a “unique perspective on the art of command.”

### Book Published

SMH member David Homsher announces the publication of *American Battlegrounds of World War I Then and Now - A Battlefield Guide; Enter the Yanks: The Battle of Chateau-Thierry*. Whether you are an armchair traveler or prefer to walk the actual sites, Homsher acts as your guide within this book. Alongside the stories of the soldiers who were there are photographs from the era, descriptions of monuments, and directions. From Paris’ Charles de Gaulle Airport straight out to the battlefields, Homsher give meticulous directions on how to get to each site, what to expect, where to park, how far to walk. For more information, contact David at dch39456@sbcglobal.net, call (9-5 Pacific Time) (650) 347-6073, or visit [www.battlegroundpro.com](http://www.battlegroundpro.com).

### 2006 OAH Meeting Information

The program for the upcoming 2006 OAH/NCPH Annual Meeting (April 19 to April 22, 2006) is now available online at <http://www.oah.org/meetings/2006/>. The printed program will be mailed to OAH members by the end of January. Unlike past OAH conventions, this year’s meeting will run from Wednesday through Saturday. The Hilton Washington, just a few blocks from Dupont Circle, will serve as the headquarters hotel. The program theme, “Our America/Nuestra America,” will explore the many meanings of “America” for people living in North America and beyond. The program committee has designed a meeting which will engage attendees in debates about the place of the United States in the Western hemisphere and the world. Preregistration for the meeting is available online at <http://www.oah.org/meetings/2006/>. Hotel reservations for the Hilton Washington may also be made through the website. Travel Fellowships for up to fifty K-12 teachers are again available, thanks to the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. Apply at <http://www.oah.org/meetings/2006/travelgrants.html>.

### Military History: New Titles by Topic E-mail Alert Service:

You can now receive free E-mail announcements on new Military History publications from all branches of the armed forces. New Titles by Topic E-mail Alert Service, a new program from the U.S. Government Printing Office, offers timely notifications on the latest Military History titles as soon as they are available for purchase. Military History publications include valuable reading, posters, and CD-ROMs on these topics:

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- Civil War
- Revolutionary War
- World War I
- Persian Gulf War
- General History

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*New members to the Society will be automatically entered into the online directory database. If this is not acceptable, please contact the business office.*

# Russell F. Weigley Graduate Student Awards

Through the Russell F. Weigley Graduate Student Awards, the Society of Military History will be offering a limited number of graduate student travel grants for the 2006 annual meeting in Manhattan, KS on 18-21 May 2006. Six grants of \$500 each will be awarded for graduate students who are presenting papers at the meeting. Interested applicants should forward a letter of application, a letter of support from their directing professor attesting to need, and a copy of their proposal as submitted to the SMH program committee. Electronic applications (which are preferred) should be sent to Joseph G. Dawson at [jgdawson@tamu.edu](mailto:jgdawson@tamu.edu). If regular mail is necessary, send applications to: Prof. Joseph G. Dawson, Department of History/4236, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843-4236. The deadline for applications is March 3, 2006.

A Note About the Awards: The Russell F. Weigley Graduate Student Awards honor a great military historian in a meaningful way, and it is hoped that the program will expand to also support graduate student research in military history. SMH members are asked to please support the Weigley Awards by sending a check made out to The Society for Military History with a note that it is for The Russell F. Weigley Graduate Student Awards to the *JMH* office at *Journal of Military History*, George C. Marshall Library, Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, VA 24450. Large or small amounts will be accepted. Please contribute something so that we can show in a substantive way that Russ Weigley touched us.

## NCH Washington Update

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By Bruce Craig ([rbcraig@historycoalition.org](mailto:rbcraig@historycoalition.org)) of the National Coalition for History

*This is a compendium of items which might be of interest to members of the Society from several recent NCH Washington Update newsletters.*

**WHITE HOUSE ISSUES NEW FOIA EXECUTIVE ORDER:** On 14 December 2005 the Bush Administration issued a new Executive Order on the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (see <http://www.whitehouse.gov/news/releases/2005/12.20051214>).

According to a White House press statement, the order seeks to improve and heighten responsiveness to members of the public who are seeking information through the FOIA. With the release being so recent, open government advocates have not yet been able to fully assess the contents and impact of the new E.O. But according to Steven Aftergood of the Federation of American Scientists and publisher of the online publication "Secrecy News", the new EO is a "welcomed and unexpected statement" though it "changes little of substance in the processing of requests but does set some new guidelines for agencies that will enable them to do their work more efficiently."

According to Aftergood, the EO's refinements in administrative procedures do not grapple with root FOIA problems inherent at the agency level that hinder the expeditious processing of requests. But the new directive charges agency FOIA processors to "respond courteously and appropriately" to FOIA requesters (no penalties are spelled out, however, should a requester be treated rudely) and agencies are also mandated to create a FOIA Requester Service Center in an effort to streamline and centralize the processing of requests. Also, while many have already done so, agencies must now establish a high level position (Assistant Secretary or higher) titled, "Chief FOIA Officer"; this person being responsible for overseeing an agency's compliance with the law. The elevation of the FOIA officer position in title and status within an agency's bureaucracy may have the effect of giving greater importance to government openness.

While the impact of the new EO on the filing and processing of FOIA requests is minimal, according to Hill insiders, the changes requested by the Bush White House at the agency level may be an indication that the White House "is feeling some pressure to do something positive on the FOIA front" in light of the pending Cornyn/Leahy FOIA reform bill — a measure that has garnered considerable bi-partisan interest by some members of the Senate. Issuance of the EO is being viewed by government openness watchdogs as a "preemptive strike against real reform" — the White House's most recent effort to derail the reform bill. According to Meredith Fuchs, General Counsel of the National Security Archive, "Up until now this administration has strongly resisted transparency and accountability. We can only hope that this is a sign that it intends to start being more responsive to the public."

**NUMBER OF DOCTORATES ON THE RISE; HISTORY CONTINUES ITS DECLINE:** The total number of doctorates awarded by universities across the United States has increased in 2004, though the number of history PhDs awarded continues to decline slightly. The total number of doctorates awarded is the largest one-year increase since 1992, according to the annual Survey of Earned Doctorates.

Over the past 40 years, the total number of doctorates awarded has increased by an annual average of 3.5%, although in recent years, the number has been flat or even on the decline. The increase of 3.4% in 2004 was the second consecutive year that more doctorates were awarded, primarily due to an influx of international students.

The report indicates that there were 42,155 new doctoral recipients in 2004. While there have been increases in all broad fields of study, 5,467 of the recipients received doctorates in the humanities, approximately 12.5% of the total number. Specifically, 975 were in the field of history, reflecting 17.8% of the humanities doctorates and 2.3% of the total doctorates awarded. Ten years ago, the number of history doctorates awarded was 2.4% of the total, indicating a minor decline in the number of history PhDs in the overall totals. Some thirty years ago, in 1974, the total number of history doctorates comprised 3.5% of the total number of doctorates awarded.

Additionally, the study found that 41.6% of history doctorate recipients were female, a number that reflects a 12.8% increase of female recipients over the past ten years. 402 of the 975 history doctorates were specifically in American history, reflecting 41.2% of the total.

The report is sponsored by several agencies, including the National Institutes of Health, the National Science Foundation, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the Departments of Agriculture and Education, and the National Endowment for the Humanities. The full text of the report "Doctorate Recipients From United States Universities: Summary Report 2004," is available in PDF format online at <http://www.norc.uchicago.edu/issues/sed-2004.pdf>.

**LIBRARY OF CONGRESS ADVANCES PLAN TO CREATE A WORLD DIGITAL LIBRARY:** The Library of Congress is launching a campaign to create the World Digital Library, an online collection of rare books, manuscripts, posters, and other materials that would be freely available for viewing to Internet users. Because the goal is to bring materials together online from the United State and Europe, the Islamic world, Africa, and Asia, this appears to be the most ambitious effort ever undertaken in the realm of digital access.

According to Librarian of Congress James H. Billington, "We are aiming for a cooperative undertaking in which each culture can articulate its own cultural identity within a shared global undertaking." He added that he envisions the initiative as a public-private partnership. Billington stated that already Google Inc. has become the first corporate contributor with a \$3 million donation toward the project. The money will be used to develop the details of the project and to pay for global outreach.

The Library of Congress will most likely be working closely with the United States Copyright Office in order to avoid any legal issues. Allan Adler, the vice president for legal and government affairs at the Association of American Publishers noted, "It is unlikely that publishers and authors and creators of other copyrighted works will have much to fear in this kind of project." The LC has assured possible critics that the materials digitized will only be works that are in the public domain and therefore not subject to copyright protection.

In addition to announcing the LC initiative, in a speech delivered to the newly established U.S. Commission for UNESCO, Billington proposed that since the United States has rejoined UNESCO, "The time may be right for our country's delegations to consider introducing to the world body a proposal for the cooperative building of a World Digital Library." In an attempt to disarm possible critics of his proposal Billington argues, "An American partnership in promoting such a project for UNESCO would show how we are helping other people recover distinctive elements of their cultures through a shared enterprise that may also help them discover more about the experience of our own and other free cultures." A Washington Post Op-Ed version of Billington's speech can be viewed at <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2005/11/21/AR2005112101234.html>.

**NEH TO ESTABLISH NEW GRANT APPLICATION PROCEDURE:** The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) is establishing a new application policy that will be in place in 2006 for all institutional applicants. The National Coalition for History has learned that the NEH will soon be announcing that the agency will be accepting all institutional grant applications exclusively via Grants.gov, the government-wide grants portal. Applicants will no longer have to send in multiple paper copies of applications.

The Grants.gov portal is designed to provide a simple, unified electronic storefront for interactions between grant applicants and the Federal agencies that manage grant funds. The grant community, including state, local and tribal governments, academia and research institutions, and not-for-profits, need only visit one website, Grants.gov, to access the annual grant funds available across the Federal government. Institutions can also sign up at the Grants.gov website to get automatic E-mail alerts about grant opportunities that are of interest to them.

Institutions applying for an NEH grant will need to submit their applications via Grants.gov. In order to submit applications via Grants.gov, institution must register with the website and create an institutional profile. Once registered, organizations can then apply for any government grant on the Grants.gov website. In most cases, a project director will not be the person who registers his or her institution with Grants.gov. Registration will need to be completed by an institution's grants administrator, sponsored research official, or authorizing official. If your organization has already registered, you may skip this step. If not, please use the NEH checklist (<http://www.neh.gov/grants/grantsgov/grantsgovchecklist.html>) to assist in guiding institutions through the registration process. NEH recommends that institutions complete registration at least two weeks before the application deadline, as it takes time for the registration to be processed. If you have problems registering with Grants.gov, call the Grants.gov help desk at 1-800-518-4726.

Once an organization is registered with Grants.gov, sending in an application is simplified. All NEH application guidelines for programs with deadlines in 2006 or beyond will contain complete, step-by-step instructions on how to apply via Grants.gov for that particular program. Guidelines are typically posted 90 days prior to an application deadline. However, the NEH encourages grant applicants to register with Grants.gov now, even if an institution will not be applying until a future date.

Important links and information:

Grants.Gov Registration Checklist: <http://www.neh.gov/grants/grantsgov/grantsgovchecklist.html>

Grants.gov help desk: 1-800-518-4726 or E-mail [support@grants.gov](mailto:support@grants.gov)

NEH Application Guidelines: <http://www.neh.gov/grants/>

Grants.Gov Main Site: <http://www.grants.gov/>

**MICROSOFT TO DIGITIZE 100,000 BOOKS:** The Microsoft Corporation's MSN Search division has reached an agreement with the British Library to scan 100,000 books from its vast collection and make them available for reading at no charge on the Internet. This agreement is the latest venture into a fiercely competitive battle among leading computer and Internet companies over digitizing books online.

Danielle Tiedt, who heads content for Microsoft's MSN Search unit thinks there is a market for consumers who are interested in reading selections from reference works, cookbooks, and books on travel. She emphasized that Microsoft would seek permission from publishers before scanning any books that are protected by copyright laws. With this move, she hopes that the company will avoid the legal problems that are currently being faced by Google, which is being sued by major publishing companies in an effort to stop unauthorized scanning. However, books which were published in the United States before 1923 are generally considered out-of-copyright and in the public domain.

In terms of generating a profit from this project, Microsoft intends to test business models that would include online advertising as well as the sharing of revenue with authors, publishers, and retailers from the sale of books. The scanning of the books from the British Library will cost approximately \$2.5 million.

**PASSING OF HISTORIAN GORDON CRAIG:** Gordon A. Craig, a respected professor at Stanford University and considered by many to be America's dean of German historians, died of a heart ailment on 30 October at the Sequoias nursing home in Portola Valley, California. He was 91 years old.

During his career, Craig wrote a dozen books on Germany and edited several more. He was also contributed regularly to the New York Review of Books. His work "*The Germans*," published in 1982, was nominated for the American Book Award in history. Gerry Graber, in reviewing the book for the *Los Angeles Times*, wrote that Craig's "special gift is to ask a question, select a theme from German history that is likely to supply the answer and lead the reader through labyrinthine erudition without producing a dry-as-dust result."

Craig was a native of Glasgow, Scotland. As a child, he moved to Canada and then the United States and received his bachelor's and master's degrees at Princeton University. He also studied at Oxford University as a Rhodes scholar. Shortly before World War II, he traveled widely in Germany and was troubled by what he considered abuses of culture and human rights. During the war, he worked for the State Department and served in the Marine Corps.

He taught briefly at Yale and then taught for 20 years at Princeton before he joined Sanford in 1961. He was the chair of the History Department from 1972 to 1975 and then again from 1978 to 1979 when he retired. He was president of the American Historical Association in 1981.

**YAHOO LAUNCHES DIGITAL BOOK PROJECT:** In an effort to bring millions of texts into digital form, Yahoo, Inc. has teamed up with the libraries at the University of California, the University of Toronto, and several archival and technology companies, to advance a new project to make volumes of books easily accessible online. Called the "Open Content Alliance," participating libraries in this project can have their books scanned by the Internet Archive for 10 cents a page, which project leaders state is well below the standard price for digital scanning.



Other participants in the Open Content Alliance include Adobe, the National Archives of England, O'Reilly Media, the European Archive, and the Hewlett-Packard Labs. The project is optimistic that additional libraries and partners can be attracted, as well as additional financial support.

Project organizers have stressed that under no circumstance will any copyrighted material be scanned into the digital library without having secured explicit permission from the copyright holders. In this way, the project hopes to avoid the controversy that surrounded Google's attempts to scan the entire libraries including books still under copyright protection.

In order to help jump-start the project, Yahoo will pay for the scanning of an 18,000-volume collection of American literature housed at the University of California. Additionally, Yahoo is working to develop new technologies for the search function in order to gain more efficient access to the content of the books. Yahoo has made it clear that they do not expect to see a profit from this project; however, they remain committed to this "philanthropic effort" to put more literary content on the Internet. Adobe and the Hewlett-Packard labs are assisting in the development of the software and providing additional services to the project.

The University of California system expects the cost of scanning the first couple of collections to be approximately \$500,000. The University of Toronto so far has scanned about 2,000 books for the collection and is expected to have 1,000 of them made available through a section of the Internet Archive. In the coming months, the first of the scanned books will become available for viewing online at <http://www.opencontentalliance.org/>, as well as through [www.yahoo.com](http://www.yahoo.com). More books will be added as they become available.

**AHA ISSUES NEW STATEMENT ON PEER REVIEW:** During its June 2005 meeting the Council of the American Historical Association (AHA) unanimously adopted a new statement on the role of peer review in conducting and funding historical research. The statement was developed in an effort to address complaints the AHA has received from members about political interference during the peer review phase at the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH). In issuing its statement, the AHA joins with other scholarly associations, which have recently passed similar resolutions affirming the centrality of peer review in scholarship and in the grant-making process..

The statement declares that the AHA strongly supports a peer review process that is "free of political interference"; that peer review panels "should be composed of competent, qualified, and unbiased reviewers that reflect a balance of perspectives"; and that grants should not be denied funding "because of political, religious, or other biases of political appointees in the funding agencies." The statement recognizes that "peer review is not a flawless process" and that "many biases can creep in" but the "awareness of the potential for bias has led to practices designed to prevent it so far as possible."

For the statement, tap into: [http://www.historians.org/press/2005\\_08\\_15\\_PeerReviewStatement.htm](http://www.historians.org/press/2005_08_15_PeerReviewStatement.htm).

## BITS AND BYTES

**Item #1 - Use of FOIA Exemptions on the Rise:** A new study by the Coalition of Journalists for Open Government that compared FOIA responses and denials in 2000 and 2004 has found that unclassified information was increasingly being withheld from FOIA requesters. Government agencies are making increased use of exemptions from the Freedom of Information Act to withhold information that would have been released in the past claims the new study. See "When Exemptions Become the Rule," Coalition of Journalists for Open Government, November 22, 2005 at: [http://www.cjog.net/documents/Exemptions\\_Study.pdf](http://www.cjog.net/documents/Exemptions_Study.pdf).

**Item #2 - FRUS Volume Release:** On 27 October 2005, the State Department released an electronic publication of "Foreign Relations of the United States, 1969-1976, Volume E-5, Documents on Africa, 1969-1972." This volume is the latest publication in the sub-series on Foreign Relations that documents the most important decisions and actions of the Nixon and Ford Administrations. This volume documents the foreign policy of the Nixon Administration toward Sub-Saharan Africa, 1969-1972, with the exception of Southern Africa, which will be included in a future volume. The largest chapter looks at the challenges faced by the State Department and the Administration during and after the Nigerian civil war. The second largest chapter looks at the Horn of Africa and relations with Ethiopia and the Somali Republic. In addition, there are chapters that examine Burundi and the massacres of civilians in late 1972 that were condoned by the government; the downward spiral of U.S. relations with Uganda; relations with Zaire and President Mobutu; and a general chapter that covers general African policy. There is also a preface, a list of names, abbreviations, sources, and an annotated document list. Volume E-5 is the third publication to be published in electronic format. It is available online free of charge at <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ho/frus/nixon/e5/>. For Additional information about the series, contact Edward Keefer, the General Editor of the FRUS series at (202) 663-1131 or at [history@state.gov](mailto:history@state.gov).

**Item #3 - NARA Announces Changes in Microfilm Policies:** The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has announced two major changes to their microfilm policies. First, microfilm is now available for ordering online. On 12 September 2005, NARA added their microfilm publications catalog to “Order Online!” which serves as a secure way to research and request reproductions and materials. For the first time, researchers can view the microfilm catalog online to obtain full descriptions of what is offered, review and download pamphlets and roll lists, find out if an item is for sale or for rent, and purchase items with a credit card. For more information, visit <http://www.archives.gov/research/order/orderonline.html>.

Secondly, NARA has announced that in order to keep up with costs, prices for microfilm will be raised. Effective 1 October 2005, the price of National Archives black-and-white microfilm will be \$65 per roll (\$68 per roll for foreign orders). Color microfilm will be \$82 per roll (\$85 for foreign orders). Microfiche prices will not be affected. NARA currently operates 19 regional records facilities across the United States, in addition to 11 Presidential libraries. Please visit [www.archives.gov](http://www.archives.gov) for more information.

**Item #4 - New FRUS Electronic Only Edition Issued:** The Department of State has released an electronic only edition in the Foreign Relations of the United States series. “FRUS, 1969-1976, Volume E-1, Documents on Global Issues, 1969-1972” is the latest in a sub series of the FRUS series that documents the most important decisions and actions of the foreign policy of the administrations of President’s Richard Nixon and Gerald Ford. Volume E-1 is the second such FRUS volume to be published in this new format and is available to all free of charge on the Internet. Approximately 25 percent of the volumes scheduled for publication for the 1969-1976 sub series, covering the Nixon and Nixon-Ford administrations, will be in this format.

This particular volume documents the foreign policy of the Nixon administration towards global-sometimes called transnational-issues: terrorism, hijacking, and other attacks on civilian aviation; international narcotics control; international cooperation in space and on the environment; and oceans policy, especially the law of the sea. However, this volume does not cover the complete list of global issues faced by the first Nixon administration; issues such as energy, disarmament, refugees, and human rights-will be covered in other regional or topical FRUS volumes. The volume, including a preface, list of names, abbreviations, sources, and an annotated document list is available at the Office of the Historian website, <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ho/frus/nixon/e1>. For additional information, please contact Edward Keefer, General Editor of the Foreign Relations series, at (202) 663-1131; fax (202) 663-1289; or E-mail [history@state.gov](mailto:history@state.gov).

**Item #5 - Library of Congress Makes Confederate Maps Available Online:** A collection of Civil War era maps, many of which were used by Gen. Robert E. Lee and Gen. Thomas J. “Stonewall” Jackson, is now available from the Library of Congress (LC) online at <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/collections/maps/hotchkiss/>. The maps that are deposited in the LC’s Geography and Map Division collection were obtained from Mrs. R.E. Christian, the granddaughter of Maj. Jedediah Hotchkiss (1828-1899), who served as a topographic engineer in the Confederate Army. “The Hotchkiss Map Collection” contains cartographic items by Hotchkiss, who made detailed battle maps, primarily of the Shenandoah Valley. Some of these maps were used by Gens. Lee and Jackson for their combat planning and strategy. Several of them have annotations of various military officers, demonstrating their importance in the military campaigns. Most of the collection focuses on Virginia and West Virginia, but they also cover other states and even other countries around the world. In its entirety, the collection consists of 341 sketchbooks, manuscripts and annotated printed maps. This online presentation includes all the materials in the Hotchkiss Map Collection, some of which also appear in the complementary American Memory collection “Civil War Maps, 1861-1865” at [http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/collections/civil\\_war\\_maps/](http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/collections/civil_war_maps/).

**Item #6 - “Archives Made Easy” Launched:** The London School of Economics (LSE) has recently launched a new web resource for historians in the 21st century. The site, called “Archives Made Easy,” is an online guide to archives around the world. It serves the global research community by providing transparency of the costs and processes involved in an archive visit, essentially the kind of information researchers need to know beforehand in order to avoid costly mistakes and delays. Content of this site has come from the doctorate students of LSE’s International History department and their colleagues at various universities worldwide. Researchers of all levels are welcome to submit a review on any archive, or update an existing review. This new website can be viewed online at [www.archivesmadeeasy.org](http://www.archivesmadeeasy.org).

**Item #7 - Revised FOIA Guide:** The House Committee on Government Reform has published a new edition of its popular “Citizen’s Guide on Using the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act of 1974 to Request Government Records.” The Guide, first published in 1977, “is one of the most widely read congressional committee reports in history,” the new edition says. A copy of the updated Guide, House Report 109-226, 20 September 2005, is available at: <http://www.fas.org/sgp/foia/citizen.html>.

**Item #8 - LBJ Oral History Project Online:** The Scripps Library at the Miller Center of Public Affairs has made their “Lyndon B. Johnson Oral History” project available online. A collection of over 1,150 interview transcripts from the LBJ Presidential Library in Austin, Texas, may be viewed online in .pdf format at: [http://www.millercenter.virginia.edu/scripps/diglibrary/oral-history/ohp\\_display.php?project=1&check=0](http://www.millercenter.virginia.edu/scripps/diglibrary/oral-history/ohp_display.php?project=1&check=0). Each interview is fully searchable using the “binocular” button in Adobe Acrobat.

# 2006 SMH Conference

Kansas State University

18-21 May 2006

## Registration Form - Reply NLT April 17

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Institutional Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Fee Schedule:

#### Conference Registration

Indicate **\$115** for SMH member or **\$135** for non-member \_\_\_\_\_

Awards Luncheon (Friday) **\$16.00** \_\_\_\_\_

*Select one:*

- \_\_\_ Roast beef & cheddar sandwich
- \_\_\_ Chicken salad croissant sandwich
- \_\_\_ Grilled portobello & provolone sandwich

Saturday Lunch in Abilene **\$15.00** \_\_\_\_\_

Brookville world-famous fried chicken buffet

Society Dinner (Saturday) **\$30.00** \_\_\_\_\_

*Select one:*

- \_\_\_ Eggplant parmesan & penne pasta
- \_\_\_ Kansas City strip steak, medium well
- \_\_\_ Seared tuna steak

**Total enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make out checks to: **KSU Div. of Continuing Education** (or **KSU DCE**)

Mail completed registration form with check or money order to:

**Institute for Military History & 20th Century Studies**

**Kansas State University, Eisenhower Hall**

**Manhattan, KS 66506-1002**

## Calls and Announcements

**Korean War Conference:** The Center for the Study of the Korean War, located on the Graceland University Independence (Missouri) Campus, will be holding its 7th annual Conference on War and Media. This year's theme is War and Propaganda. It will be held at the Garden Hilton Hotel in Independence, Missouri on February 23-25, 2006. Contact should be made to Gregg Edwards, gedwards@graceland.edu or by calling (816) 833-0524, ext 4304. The fee is \$85.00 including the Friday evening banquet and speaker.

**Call for Papers:** Eighth Annual Conference on Illinois History, Springfield, Illinois, October, 12-13, 2006: Proposals for individual papers or panels on any aspect of Illinois' history, culture, politics, geography, literature, and archaeology are requested for the Conference on Illinois History. The Conference welcomes submissions from professional and avocational historians, graduate students, and those engaged in the study of Illinois history at libraries, historic sites, museums, and historical societies.

Each proposal should include a summary of the topic and a one-page resume of the participant. The summary should specify the major primary and secondary sources used in the research. Proposals should be for formal, footnoted papers. The deadline for proposals is March 10, 2006. Send proposals to:

Thomas F. Schwartz, State Historian  
Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library  
112 North Sixth Street  
Springfield, IL 62701  
Phone (217) 782-2118, Fax (217) 558-1574  
E-mail: tom\_schwartz@ihpa.state.il.us  
www.Illinois-History.gov/conference.htm

**Master's and Dissertation Fellowships in Marine Corps History:** To support scholarly research and writing among qualified graduate students preparing theses and dissertations in Marine Corps history, the Marine Corps History Division offers two Master's thesis fellowships and one dissertation fellowship each year. Funded by the Marine Corps Heritage Foundation, they are designed to support research in Marine Corps history and the more general area of U. S. military history. The Master's thesis fellowship carries a single \$3,500 stipend and the dissertation fellowship a single \$10,000 stipend. Applications may be obtained from: Coordinator, Grants and Fellowships, U. S. Marine

Corps, History Division, 3079 Moreell Avenue, Quantico, Virginia 22134. Or downloaded online from the Division's website, <http://www.history.usmc.mil>, under Grants/Internships. Applications and all supporting documents for the 2006 fellowships must be postmarked no later than 1 May 2006. Applicants are responsible for making sure that all required documentation is mailed by that date.

**Paper Competition:** Announcing the Inaugural Combined Arms Center Commanding General's Special Topics Writing Competition: "Countering Insurgency".

The 2006 Combined Arms Center Commanding General's Special Topics Writing Competition is now open. This year's subject is "Countering Insurgency." Contestants are free to write on any topic related to counterinsurgency. Strategy and tactics, relevant case histories, pacification operations, current and future threats, anticipating and preempting insurgency, the role of cultural awareness, legal and ethical challenges, training to win, defining victory—the possibilities are many and varied. Winning papers will be carefully researched, analytically oriented arguments that show evidence of imaginative, even unconventional, thinking. Submissions should be 3,500 to 5,000 words long.

First prize is \$1,000 and featured publication in *Military Review*. Second prize is \$500 and publication. Third and fourth prizes are \$250 and special consideration for publication. All winners will receive a handsome certificate signed by Lieutenant General David H. Petraeus, Commanding General of the Combined Arms Center, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Essays should be submitted with an enrollment form not later than 1 April 2006 to *Military Review*, ATTN: CG's Competition, 294 Grant Avenue, Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027-1254, or via E-mail to [milrevweb@leavenworth.army.mil](mailto:milrevweb@leavenworth.army.mil) (Subject: Competition). For a copy of the enrollment form and additional information, visit *Military Review's* website at <http://usacac.army.mil/CAC/milreview/index.asp>.

**Announcement of the Amos Perlmutter Prize Competition:** The editors and publisher of *The Journal of Strategic Studies* are pleased to announce the first annual Amos Perlmutter Prize. The prize, named in memory of the founding editor of the journal, will recognize the best essay submitted for publication to

*The Journal of Strategic Studies* by a junior faculty member (Lecturer or Assistant Professor). The winning author will receive a prize of £250 or \$500, depending on the author's country of origin. To be considered for the prize, authors should submit manuscripts to the editors, Thomas G. Mahnken (tmahnken@jhu.edu) and Joseph A. Maiolo (joe.maiolo@kcl.ac.uk), between August 1, 2005 and June 30, 2006. All submissions should conform to the journal's scope and style. The winner will be notified by September 1, 2006 and the results will be announced in the pages of the journal.

**Call for Papers:** Civil War and the Homefront in the Mid-Atlantic Border Region. The Catocin Center for Regional Studies in Frederick, Maryland, invites proposals for a conference on the Civil War and the homefront in the Mid-Atlantic border region of central Maryland, south central Pennsylvania, northern Virginia, and northeastern West Virginia. The Catocin Center requests proposals covering the totality of the Civil War experience in this region, including military campaigns (Antietam, Gettysburg, Monocacy, and others), civilian life, the role of women, community studies, the African-American experience, civil liberties, and post-war remembrance. The conference will be held October 13-14, 2006, at Frederick Community College in Frederick, MD. Proposals should include a one-page abstract, short bio, contact info, and equipment and/or software needs. Deadline for proposals is May 1, 2006. Selected presentations will be published following the conference. Please respond to Dr. Barbara Powell, Catocin Center, FCC, 7932 Opossumtown Pike, Frederick, MD 21702. E-mail: bpowell@frederick.edu.

**Call for Papers:** The 2006 Northern Great Plains History Conference will be held 4-7 October in Sioux Falls, SD. SMH sponsors a full slate of sessions at the NGPHC and will host a luncheon and have other activities. Individual proposals and session proposals are welcome. For individuals, send a one-page proposal and short c.v. (only c.v. if volunteering to chair/comment). For sessions, send one-page session proposal, one-page proposals for each paper, and short c.v.s. for all participants. The SMH offers a monetary award for Best Graduate Student Paper in Military History presented at the NGPHC. Please include E-mail address. For more information, check <http://personal2.stthomas.edu/jcfitzharris/NGPHC/>.

Deadline for proposals is 31 March 2006. Send proposals and c.v. to: Joe Fitzharris, Department of History - Mail #4018 University of St. Thomas 2115 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105 Or send by E-mail to: jcfitzharris@stthomas.edu.

**Call for Papers:** The Combat Studies Institute will host a symposium entitled "Security Assistance: U.S. and International Historical Perspectives." This conference is designed to present and discuss historical perspectives on all aspects of Security Assistance. While much attention will be paid to the U.S. military's historical practice of security assistance operations and policies, the symposium seeks to include discussions of the role of other agencies of the U.S. Government in security assistance as well as the international experience with security assistance programs. The symposium will be held at the Frontier Conference Center, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, 8-10 August 2006, and will include a mixture of guest speakers, panel sessions, and general discussions.

The Combat Studies Institute invites presentation and panel proposals for this symposium. CSI plans to publish the proceedings of the symposium in an edited volume within four months after the adjournment of the conference.

Projected topics include:

*The American Experience*

- Training and Equipping of Indigenous Forces
- The Role of Advisors
- US and DoD Organization for Security Assistance
- Conventional vs. Special Purpose Forces in Security Assistance
- The Role of Security Assistance in Counterinsurgency
- Information, Psychological and Civil-Military Operations in Security Assistance Programs

*International Perspectives*

- Host Nations and U.S. Security Assistance
- Security Assistance: The Experiences of France, Soviet Union/Russia, China and other Nations
- Security Assistance in Latin America and Africa
- Cultural Aspects of Security Assistance

*Thematic Perspectives*

- Security Assistance During the Cold War
- U.S. Experiences in Korea, Vietnam, El Salvador and Others

- Security Assistance in the Middle East, Africa and Asia
- Observations from the GWOT and other Recent Security Assistance Operations

Please send short proposals (approximately 300 words) for individual papers or panels to CSIconference06@leavenworth.army.mil. Or contact

CSI symposium planners at (913) 684-2139 or Combat Studies Institute, Attn: CSI Symposium, 201 Sedgwick Avenue, Ft. Leavenworth, KS 66027.

The Combat Studies Institute will provide the following travel support for all speakers and panel participants: round trip air fare within the continental United States, lodging, and per diem.

The closing date for proposals is 21 April 2006.

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**Mar 2-4** The University of Nebraska at Omaha will host the 49th Missouri Valley History Conference (and its corresponding SMH sessions) at the Embassy Suites Hotel in downtown Omaha, Nebraska. Contact: Moshe Gershovich, Program Chair, Missouri Valley History Conference, Department of History (ASH 287E), University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, NE 68182. Tel.: (402) 554-3175, Fax -2794. E-mail: mgershovich@mail.unomaha.edu. Website: <http://www.unomaha.edu/mvhc/index.html>.

**Mar 22-25** The Intelligence Studies Section of the International Studies Association (ISA) invites paper and panel proposals for the next ISA annual convention, to be held at the Town & Country Resort and Conference Center in San Diego, California. Contact: Stephen Marrin, Woodrow Wilson Department of Politics, University of Virginia. E-mail: [spm8p@virginia.edu](mailto:spm8p@virginia.edu) or [spm8p@yahoo.com](mailto:spm8p@yahoo.com). Website: <http://www.people.virginia.edu/~spm8p/> or <http://iss.loyola.edu/call2006.html>.

**Mar 24-26** Society of Civil War Surgeons will hold its thirteenth national conference Chattanooga. The meeting will be held at the Chattanooga Choo-Choo Hotel and Conference Center. The program features thirteen speakers presenting talks on a variety of military topics and a tour of the Chattanooga and Chickamauga battlefields. For more information or registration materials, check the organization's website ([www.civilwarsurgeons.org](http://www.civilwarsurgeons.org)) or contact the organization through its E-mail address at [socwsurgeons@earthlink.net](mailto:socwsurgeons@earthlink.net).

**Mar 25-28** The National Air & Space Museum will host its 18th Annual Mutual Concerns of Air and

Space Museums Symposium at the Holiday Capitol Inn in Washington, DC. Contact: Jean DeStefano, Office of Special Events, Smithsonian Institution, PO Box 37012, National Air and Space Museum, Independence Avenue at Sixth Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20013-7012. Tel.: (202) 633-2388. Website: <http://www.nasm.si.edu>.

**April 1** Western Front Association East Coast Chapter Spring Seminar, Ft. Meade Museum, Maryland, Contact Paul Cora at [pbcora@earthlink.net](mailto:pbcora@earthlink.net).

**April 6-8** The Cold War Studies Centre (CWSC) of the London School of Economics and Political Science, the Center for Cold War Studies (CCWS) of the University of California Santa Barbara, and the Cold War Group (GWCW) of the George Washington University, in cooperation with the History Faculty at Cambridge University will co-host their 2006 International Graduate Student Conference on the Cold War at CWSC and the British National Archives at Kew, on the edge of London, England. Contact: Garret Martin and Louise Woodroffe, Cold War Studies Centre/International History Department, London School of Economics and Political Science, Houghton Street, London WC2A 2AE. E-mail: [cwh@lse.ac.uk](mailto:cwh@lse.ac.uk). Website: <http://www.lse.ac.uk/collect-ions/CWSC/>.

**April 19** The US Army Heritage and Education Center sponsors a public lecture series entitled "Perspectives in Military History; the lectures are presented monthly throughout the Army War College's academic year. This month's presentation, by Dr. Carol Reardon, is "Not Just B-52s: Naval Attack

Squadron 75 and the 1972 Linebacker Air Campaigns.” The Center is co-located with the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania. For more information on the series, contact: The Army Heritage and Education Center, 950 Soldiers Drive, Carlisle PA 17013-5021. Tel.: (717) 245-3971. E-mail: [usamhi@carlisle.army.mil](mailto:usamhi@carlisle.army.mil). Website: <http://www.carlisle.army.mil/usamhi/>.

**April 19-22** The annual meeting of the Organization of American Historians will be held in Washington, DC. This year’s theme is “Our America.” Contact: Organization of American Historians, P.O. Box 5457, Bloomington Indiana USA 47408-5457. Tel.: (812) 855-9851, Fax x9872. Website: <http://www.oah.org>.

**April 21-23** “Nathanael Greene and the American Revolution Symposium”, to be held in Camden, SC. Program includes speakers (such as John Buchanan, Dennis Conrad, Lawrence Baits and others), banquet and battlefield tour of Hobkirks Hill nearby. For more information, contact Historic Camden Revolutionary War Site, (803) 432-9841 or [hiscamden@camden.net](mailto:hiscamden@camden.net).

**May 5-7** The 9th Biennial Women in French conference, “French and Francophone Women and War,” will be held at Hinsley Hall in Leeds, England. Contact: Alison Fell, DELC, Lancaster University, Lancaster, LA1 4YN, United Kingdom. E-mail: [a.s.fell@lancaster.ac.uk](mailto:a.s.fell@lancaster.ac.uk). Website: <http://www.h-net.org/announce/show.cgi?ID=145442>.

**May 10-14** The Council on America’s Military Past (CAMP) will hold its 40th Annual Military History Conference at the Holiday Inn, Chattanooga Choo Choo, Chattanooga, TN. Contact: Herbert Hart. E-mail: [camphart1@aol.com](mailto:camphart1@aol.com). Phone: (703) 912-6124.

**May 18-21** Society for Military History Annual Meeting, Manhattan, Kansas. Sponsored by The Institute of Military History and 20th Century Studies and the Department of History, Kansas State University. The theme will be “Reconstructions of Military History.”

**May 19-21** Western Front Association Annual National Seminar, Community College of Aurora, Aurora, Colorado (outside Denver). Contact Carl Barna, 6570 Nile Circle, Avarada, Colorado 80007, E-mail: [kmbarna@msn.com](mailto:kmbarna@msn.com).

**June 28-30** The Centre for European Conflict and Identity History will host an international conference entitled “War and Sexuality in 20th Century Europe.” The event will be held on the campus of the University of Southern Denmark, located in Esbjerg, Denmark.

Contact: CONIH - Centre for European Conflict and Identity History, Niels Bohrs Vej 9, DK-6700 Esbjerg, Denmark. E-mail: [fj@adm.sdu.dk](mailto:fj@adm.sdu.dk). Website: <http://web-srv5.sdu.dk/conih/war.html>.

**July 17-19** The University of Bristol’s Group for War and Cultural Studies will host a conference entitled “War Without Limits: Spain, 1936-1939 and Beyond.” Its goal is to explore the international social, political, military and cultural history of this conflict from 1936 to the present. Contact: Dr Martin Hurcombe, Department of French, University of Bristol, 19 Woodland Road, Bristol BS8 1TE, United Kingdom. E-mail: [M.J.Hurcombe@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:M.J.Hurcombe@bristol.ac.uk). Website: <http://www.bris.ac.uk/arts/birtha/centres/warwithoutlimitsconference.html>.

**August 19** Western Front Association Florida-Gulf Coast Chapter Seminar, Hilton Garden Inn Tampa North, I -75, exit 266. Theme: The Great War on the Eastern Front. Contact Graydon “Jack” Tunstall, University of South Florida, E-mail [tunstall.cas.usf.edu](mailto:tunstall.cas.usf.edu) or register with Len Shurtleff, 6915 NW 49th Street, Gainesville, Florida 23653 E-mail: [lshurtleff@aol.com](mailto:lshurtleff@aol.com).

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**April 19-22** Society for Military History Annual Meeting will be held in Frederick, Maryland. Sponsored by the Catoctin Center for Regional Studies, headquartered at Frederick Community College. Other partners include the Army Heritage and Education Center (AHEC), the Army Heritage Foundation, and the U.S. Army Military History Institute (MHI) at Carlisle.

**May 20 - June 2** Western Front Association Biennial Battlefield Tour: The Meuse-Argonne, St. Mihiel, Verdun, Mons and the Retreat. Contact Paul Guthrie at [paulguthrie@qx.net](mailto:paulguthrie@qx.net).

**September 7-9** Western Front Association Annual National Seminar, The Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island. For more information contact RADM T. J. Johnson E-mail: [tjohnson59@aol.com](mailto:tjohnson59@aol.com).

**September 21-23** Western Front Association Annual National Seminar, The Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island. Contact RADM T. J. Johnson, USN retired at E-mail: [tjohnson59@aol.com](mailto:tjohnson59@aol.com).

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**April 17-20** Society for Military History Annual Meeting, Ogden, Utah. The Department of History, Weber State University will host the meeting at the Ogden Eccles Conference Center/Hampton Inn and Suites.

## 2006 Conference Registration Form & Hotel Information Enclosed!



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