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2016 Annual Meeting Update

Greetings from the 2016 Program Committee! While we move towards the October 1 deadline for panel and paper proposals, we'd like to remind you to act now to book your hotel room at the Ottawa Marriott. The committee recently went to review accommodations and had a look upstairs at the Summit banquet space, where we were reminded of the room's clear views of many downtown attractions and landmarks. We have also been working with local partners to make sure that there is a rich itinerary of off-site events so that delegates to the 2016 Society for Military History meeting will see the best that Ottawa has to offer. Here are some of the destinations with which we are working:

Parliament Hill and the Memorial Chamber

This historic complex is the seat of Canada's federal government. Construction began in 1859 on the former site of a militia barracks overlooking the Ottawa River, and was completed in 1876. Next year marks the 100th anniversary of the February 1916 fire which destroyed the main building, at first speculated to be an act of wartime sabotage but actually caused by a lit cigar in a waste paper basket.

The reconstruction of the Centre Block coincided with the end of the First World War, and its central spire, the Peace Tower, houses one of Canada's most intimately powerful memorials to its war dead: the Memorial Chamber. The floor of the Chamber is made of stone from battlefields in France and Belgium, and is ringed by the Altars of Remembrance, which contain ornate books listing the names, ranks, regiments, and date of death for all of Canada's war dead since the War of 1812. The Chamber's central Altar, a gift to Canada from the United Kingdom, contains the Book of Remembrance from the First World War. The Memorial Chamber and the rest of Parliament are just a short walk from the Marriott hotel.



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Canada Aviation and Space Museum

The Canada Aviation and Space Museum is Canada's national museum of aviation and space and houses the most extensive collection of aircraft and iconic space exploration artefacts in the country. The Museum is located on an active airport with vintage aircraft and helicopter rides during the summer and simulator rides all year long. It is cited as one of the top ten aviation and space

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museums in the world according to a recent CNN survey. It plays host to thousands of visitors each year, delivering fascinating and memorable experiences that will last a lifetime.

The Diefenbunker: Canada's Cold War Museum

A little farther afield, and four storeys underground, delegates to the SMH can visit the Diefenbunker: Canada's Cold War Museum. The Museum occupies a decommissioned nuclear blast bunker that served as an army signals station and, in the event of nuclear war, government relocation site that was in service from 1961 until 1994. The bunker's peculiar name is a play on the name of John G. Diefenbaker, who was Canada's prime minister while the facility was under construction. Though the site was an official secret, an enterprising Toronto journalist hired an aircraft to fly over the construction, and broke the news to the country, proclaiming "This is the Diefenbunker!" The prime minister, for his part, never set foot in the bunker, which outlasted its military usefulness when the Cold War fortunately came to a close without a nuclear exchange. Today it is a testament, in concrete and steel, to ingenuity and innovation to counter the threat of nuclear war. The Diefenbunker is about a 30-minute drive from downtown Ottawa.



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NOTES...from your President

by Jeffrey Grey

I first joined the Society for Military History early in 1991 when I was a fairly recently-minted PhD in my first tenured academic position. I started attending the annual meeting in 1993 and have only missed a couple of meetings since. SMH is my tribe, its meeting is my annual renewal of membership within its ranks and the professional and personal friendships I have forged amongst my fellows are amongst the most important and satisfying relationship in my life.

In a quarter century a lot has changed. Even a decade ago I would not have thought it possible that the President might be drawn from outside the United States, but as the membership has broadened and diversified and the advances in digital and communications technology have continued to develop at an almost exponential rate that which once seemed out of the question has now become all too easily sustainable. We now draw members from around the world, our membership has grown considerably among female and younger scholars (we can always do with more of both), and as such the public faces of the Society need to reflect the range and diversity within its ranks.

It is an enormous honour, a privilege and (if I'm honest) a real thrill to find myself in this position. In my two-year term I aim to build upon the solid foundations bequeathed to me by those who have held the office before me. I hope that my term will be characterised by transparency and openness both to ideas

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and to the membership itself. I look forward to working further with the trustees and the office holders on the Council, without whom a President can achieve little. I intend to pass the Society and its affairs on to my successor, our current Vice-President Professor Jennifer Keene, in at least as strong and healthy a position as it currently enjoys.

Please feel free to drop me an email about any matter bearing on the Society's affairs.

NOTES...from the Executive Director

Robert H. Berlin

Plan now to attend the Society's 83rd annual meeting April 14-17, 2016 in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada at the Ottawa Marriott Hotel hosted by the Canadian War Museum and the Canadian Museum of History. The Ottawa Marriott hotel is located near the Canadian War Museum, where the opening reception will be held. The link to make hotel reservations is on the SMH website. The rate is \$169 Canadian (as of mid-June \$137 US dollars) plus tax and includes continental breakfast and in room wireless.

The very appropriate meeting theme is "Crossing Borders, Crossing Boundaries" and stresses that borders and boundaries: geographic, political, or conceptual are important to the study of military history. The Call for Papers has been issued and can be found on the SMH website and on the back cover of the April 2015 issue of *The Journal of Military History*. The Program Committee is chaired by Andrew Burtch at the Canadian War Museum and includes Serge Durlinger, University of Ottawa; Nikolas Gardner, Royal Military College; Stephen Harris, Department of National Defence Directorate of History and Heritage; Ricardo A. Herrera, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College; Teresa Iacobelli, Queen's University; Lisa Munday, University of St. Thomas; Lon Strauss, Appalachian State University and Kara Vuic, Texas Christian University. Francine Lapointe, Canadian Museum of History and Andrew Burtch are the meeting coordinators. Non-Canadian citizens require a passport!!

At the Society's annual council meeting in Montgomery, AL on April 9, 2015 the council passed a motion **"that once acceptance is received from the 2016 Program Committee, those who do not attend or provide a paper may be banned from presenting at the SMH annual meeting for two years."** This new rule was necessitated by people who ask to present a paper, are accepted, do not attend, and neglect to provide a paper or reasonable excuse; being "too busy" is not acceptable! Several lacked the courtesy to inform the Society that they were not attending the meeting or providing a paper; they simply did not show up! In 2014 sixteen people who were listed on the program did not attend or provide either a paper or a legitimate excuse, there were five in 2015. Our new policy is meant to encourage meeting paper presenters to honor their commitment. Obviously there are legitimate reasons for not being able to attend, even for not producing a paper, however just not communicating and not showing up is inexcusable and is unfair to those whose papers and panels were not accepted by the program committee.

With Council approval on behalf of SMH I signed an agreement for hosting *The Journal of Military History* with The Virginia Military Institute and George C. Marshall Foundation for another 7 years effective December 2014. This agreement assures continued editing, production and publication of our outstanding *Journal*. The agreement was reviewed by our Prescott, AZ attorney. Negotiations are proceeding with EBSCO to renew the agreement for *JMH* digital publication.

At their meeting the Council accepted the report of the Constitution Committee. Trustee Bill Allison was appointed SMH Parliamentarian, replacing outgoing trustee and head of the Constitutional Committee, Jim Willbanks. Allison and I will work to adopt the efforts of the Constitutional Committee and the recommendations of our DC attorney to comply with new DC legal requirements and prepare a revised constitution for review by the officers and trustees and then a membership vote.

The Council heard an initial proposal from Derek Frisby for Middle Tennessee State University to host the SMH 2018 meeting in Nashville, TN. He was tasked to continue planning and to develop a formal proposal. The Army Historical Foundation is tentatively inter-

ested in hosting the SMH 2020 meeting in Arlington, VA with Matt Seelinger the coordinator. SMH is looking for a host for the 2019 meeting. The 2017 meeting is March 30-April 2, 2017 at the Hyatt Regency Jacksonville-Riverfront in Jacksonville, Florida hosted by the Institute on World War II and the Human Experience, Department of History, Florida State University. The Coordinator is Kurt Piehler. Derek, Matt and Kurt have all coordinated prior SMH meetings!

The Council approved increasing dues for sustaining members from \$100 to \$120 per year effective September 15, 2015. By so doing this maintains sustaining dues at double regular dues. I encourage all who can afford to do so to become sustaining members. This shows your support and makes possible the publications and efforts of the Society to fulfill its mission of promoting the study of military history.

Our 82nd annual meeting April 9-12, 2015 hosted by The Air University Foundation at the Renaissance Montgomery Hotel was an outstanding success. Over 500 registered. They were treated to a superb program, excellent food (the break food grits were amazing), fine accommodations in an outstanding well run hotel in a great location, fine exhibits and the customary combination of academic and social activities. Our thanks go to John G. Terino, meeting coordinator; Melvin Dealie, Paul Springer, Ryan Wadle, and Jacqueline E. Whitt for their dedicated hard work on behalf of SMH and first rate organizational skills!

The Society for Military History issued a statement supporting the American Historical Association and other scholarly organizations opposing proposals pending in the Wisconsin state legislature that threaten to undermine several longstanding features of the state's current higher education system: shared governance, tenure, and academic freedom. The statement is on the SMH website. All voting officers and trustees support the statement. While the statement expresses concerns about the University of Wisconsin System, the statement reflects the Society's awareness of threats to academic freedom internationally and shows that the Society is part of the academic historical community.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Call for Papers

The 59th Annual Missouri Valley History Conference will be held March 3-5, 2016 in Omaha, Nebraska. The theme for 2016 is "Sacred Sites, Holy Places." The Society for Military History sponsors a full slate of sessions at the MVHC and also will again be sponsoring a social "huddle" for Society for Military History participants. SMH panels can be related to the theme, but proposals for all types of military history papers are accepted. Individual proposals are welcome and session proposals are encouraged. 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 proposal for each paper, and short c.v.'s for all participants. Deadline for proposals is November 1st, 2015. Send proposals, c.v.'s and inquiries to: George Eaton, 2707 E 28th Ct Davenport, IA 52803 or by email at smhatm-vhc@gmail.com.

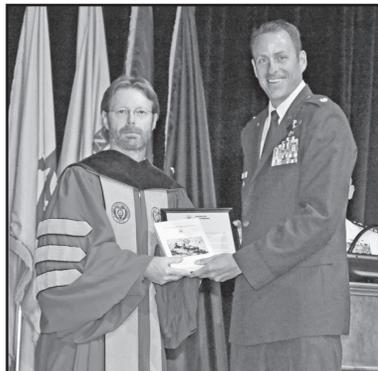
The Society for Military History and the First Division Museum Cantigny sponsors the Kevin J. Carroll award for the best graduate student paper in Military History. This prize is valued at \$800 dollars. In addition to the graduate student prize, the Society for Military History and the First Division Museum Cantigny sponsors the Colonel Robert R. McCormick Prize for the Best Undergraduate Paper in Military History, valued at \$400. For information on these prizes please send inquiries to George Eaton. For non-SMH sponsored panels, please contact the 2016 Program Chair Dr. Martina Saltamacchia, Department of History, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 6001 Dodge Street, Omaha, NE 68182-0213 or mvhc.coordinator@gmail.com. The website for the conference is at <http://www.unomaha.edu/mvhc/index.php>.

Please note that we are changing the venue and the schedule in 2016. The conference will now be at the Magnolia Hotel, but still in the Old Market area of Omaha. In order to

provide more opportunities for working scholars and students, we will now have a full day of sessions on Saturday. There will now be a less formal session on Thursday afternoon, perhaps a workshop, followed by the opening reception and the SMH Huddle. All SMH paper sessions will be Friday and Saturday. Please contact George Eaton if you have questions.

Award Received

At a recent graduation ceremony for the Joint Advanced Warfighting School in Norfolk, Virginia, longtime member and SMH Ambassador Dr. Bryon Greenwald presented Lt Col Joe Wenckus, USAF, with the 2015 Society for Military History – Joint Advanced Warfighting School Writing Award for the master’s thesis that makes the best use of or contribution to the study of military history. Lt Col Wenckus won the award for his thesis entitled, “Sino-American Relations in the 21st Century: Taking a Page from the Venezuelan Crisis of 1895.” The winner receives a congratulatory letter, the latest copy of the *Journal*, and a year’s membership in the Society. In case you did not know, JAWS is an 11-month war college curriculum designed to produce senior officers who can think critically and strategically and create campaign quality plans for 3- and 4-star combatant commands.



Call for Papers

“The Global Environmental History of World War II in the United States”

Dates: February 26-28, 2016

Location: Ohio State University

Conveners: Thomas Robertson, Richard Tucker,
Nicholas Breyfogle, and Peter Mansoor

The underlying environmental dimensions of industrialized warfare have not yet been systematically studied. Environmental historians have lately studied the American Civil War and the two World Wars globally. But the environmental impacts of the two global wars in the United States have hardly been considered in any systematic way.

This workshop will make a major contribution to our understanding of World War II in the United States, including the natural world as well as human societies. Though it will focus on the war years, it will also consider the broader context of the war’s precursors and legacies. It will bring together researchers from many disciplines and diverse subject matter, with the goal of generating an integrated understanding of the war’s impact on environments and natural resources around the world.

Themes may include:

- Ways the war changed the course of industrialization, including regional expansion in the Southeast and the West Coast
- Relations between private sector industry and the federal government
- Generation of pollution
- Energy systems for wartime production and military operations
- Transformation of agriculture
- Changes in land ownership and land use; expansion of military lands
- Impacts on national parks and wildlands and forests
- Mass consumption and the era of consumerism
- The uses of nature: damage to landscapes and water resources; exploitation of critical natural resources; food and agriculture; new uses of natural products, forests as refuge
- Short-term vs. long-term consequences; post-war recovery and reconstruction
- Perceptions of nature; the ways military strategy changed how we perceive nature;

- cultural constructions of the natural world
- Transportation systems
- Urban environments
- Scientific and technological developments
- Resource mobilization, economic policy, and planning
- Overseas commodity chains

Criteria for selection of participants will include thematic area of specialty, disciplinary diversity, a mixture of junior and senior scholars, and willingness to craft writing with the needs of the workshop and edited volume in mind.

Proposed titles and abstracts for papers (400-600 words) and a short (2-3pp maximum) CV should be submitted by email, no later than August 1, 2015, to Thomas Robertson tbr@wpi.edu and Richard Tucker rptucker@umich.edu. Discussions at the workshop will be based on pre-circulated papers (about 5,000 to 7,000 words) that have not already been published nor are currently under consideration for publication. They will be due by January 15, 2016.

We plan to publish revised papers from the workshop as an edited volume. After the workshop, revised papers will be due by June 30, 2016, to be considered for inclusion in the edited volume.

The workshop is funded primarily by a grant from the Mershon Center for International Security Studies, and hosted at Ohio State University. Travel and local costs for participants will be covered. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact Thomas Robertson (Worcester Polytechnic Institute) or Richard Tucker (University of Michigan).

Call for Fellowship Applications

The National Humanities Center invites applications for academic-year or one-semester residencies. Fellowship applicants must have a PhD or equivalent scholarly credentials. Mid-career as well as senior scholars from all areas of the humanities are welcome; emerging scholars with a strong record of peer-reviewed work are also encouraged to apply. Located in the progressive Triangle region of North Carolina, the Center affords access to the rich cultural and intellectual communities supported by the area's research institutes and universities. Fellows have private studies; the library service delivers all research materials. Scholars from all parts of the globe are eligible; travel expenses in addition to a stipend are provided. The deadline for applications is October 15, 2015. For more information, follow this link: <http://nationalhumanitiescenter.org/fellowships/fellowships2016.html>.

North American Society for Oceanic History James C. Bradford Dissertation Fellowship, 2015

In the 2015, James C. Bradford Dissertation Fellowship Competition of the North American Society for Oceanic History, the judges have selected:

As Proxime Accessit:

Michael Verney, a Ph.D. candidate in the History Department at the University of New Hampshire, working on a thesis entitled "Our Field of Fame: Naval Exploration and Empire in the Early American Republic, 1815-1860."

As the Winner of the 2015 Fellowship:

Nicholas Prime, a Ph.D. candidate in the Department of War Studies, King's College, London, working on a thesis entitled: "The U.S. Naval War College and the Evolution of American Naval Strategy, 1945-1975."

Call for Writers

Strategies & Tactics Press is looking to augment our current pool of writers. Founded in 1967, *Strategy & Tactics* magazine is the longest continually published military history magazine. In addition to *Strategy & Tactics*, we also publish *World at War*, which specializes in the Second World War and *Modern War*, which specializes in Cold War/Current/Future

conflicts.

All of periods of military history are desired. For submissions we are looking for the analytical aspect of the certain battle/conflict, not necessarily just the story or personal aspect of the battle (i.e. we focus on the “how and why” questions).

For more information, please contact:

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SMH Member Wins Award

The Society of Civil War Historians and the Watson-Brown Foundation are pleased to announce that Shauna Devine, research fellow in the Department of the History of Medicine and assistant professor of history at the University of Western Ontario, is the recipient of the \$50,000 Tom Watson Brown Book Award for 2015. Devine received the award for her book, *Learning from the Wounded: The Civil War and the Rise of American Medical Science*, published by the *University of North Carolina Press* in 2014.

Drawing on the copious reports of Union army physicians and surgeons, *Learning from the Wounded* recounts how the war presented an unprecedented opportunity to study and report on new methods of treatment and gain fresh understandings of the nature of disease and human anatomy. In her introduction, Devine notes that the Civil War “created the context for the most significant medical experience of the nineteenth century in the United States and in the process set American medicine on a new course.” Watson Brown Award jurors praised the book as “breathhtaking in scope” and “ambitious, compelling, and original,” noting that it challenged many longstanding assumptions about the state of medicine during the Civil War while also making a major contribution to our understanding of the relationship between war and society.

The Watson Brown Book Award jury consisted of John Inscoe, Albert B. Saye Professor of History and University Professor at the University of Georgia; Judith Giesberg, Professor of History at Villanova University; James Huston, Regents Professor of History at Oklahoma State University; and Tad Brown, president of the Watson-Brown Foundation. Tad Brown will present the award to Devine at the Tom Watson Brown Book Award dinner, which will be held on Friday, November 13 at the annual meeting of the Southern Historical Association in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Call for Papers and Panels

“A Medical History of the Vietnam War”

On March 10-12, 2016, the Vietnam Center and Archive at Texas Tech University, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, and the Army Medical Department Center of History and Heritage will be co-sponsoring a conference on the medical history of the Vietnam War. This two-day conference will be hosted at the Doubletree Hotel, San Antonio, Texas.

Presentations on all facets of medicine and healthcare related to the Vietnam War are welcome to include historical understandings of military medicine as practiced by all participants and in all geographic regions, the repercussions of the war on the practice of medicine, medicine in various campaigns, medical care outside of Vietnam, effects on the home front, postwar medical issues, mental health issues, and related topics.

Conference organizers welcome both individual presentation proposals as well as pre-organized panel proposals that include two to three presentations. Conference sessions will follow the standard 90 minute format to include one hour for presentations and 30 minutes for questions and discussion. Presentations by veterans are especially encouraged as are presentations by graduate students. All of the conference organizers are partners with the Department of Defense’s Vietnam War Commemoration. In keeping with that partnership, there will be a dignified event to thank veterans for their service.

Proposal submission deadline is October 31, 2015. Please send a 250 word abstract and separate two-page CV/resume to steve.maxner@ttu.edu. If submitting a panel proposal, please include separate abstracts for each proposed presentation and CVs/resumes for each

speaker.

Prize Competition Announced

One of the world's leading publishers of military history is backing a series of unique prizes which celebrate First World War scholarship. Helion & Company – founded in 1996 by Duncan Rogers – has teamed up with the Western Front Association (WFA) to recognise and award the tremendous breadth and depth of quality research currently being undertaken on innumerable aspects of the First World War. There will be three annual awards, with entrants requested to submit a book proposal based on either a PhD thesis, MA dissertation or as a result of private research.

Helion and the WFA have assembled a distinguished panel to assess the entries - and the first year's results will be announced at a function to be held at London's Oriental Club in November 2015. All prize-winners will receive a publishing contract from Helion, a very respectable cash sum and bronze figurine. The prize pot for 2015 is a total of £6,000, which will make the awards a significant presence in the non-fiction/academic world.

After much deliberation amongst panel members, it was decided to name the awards in honour of historians, whose contribution to the available First World War historiography remains influential and enduring:

- The Edmonds Prize: for a proposal based on a PhD
- The Holmes Prize: for a proposal based on an MA
- The Terraine Prize: for a proposal based on private research

In addition, the panel may award (at their discretion) a number of distinctions for work deemed worthy of publication etc., but which did not win named prizes. These will carry lesser cash awards.

For further information on the awards and how to enter, please contact Helion & Company on 0121 705 3393 or at info@helion.co.uk. The entry form can be downloaded at: <http://www.helion.co.uk/FWWprizesentranceform.pdf>.

Call for Nominations

The 2015 Master Corporal Jan Stanislaw Jakobczak Memorial Book Award

The U.S. Military History Group is pleased to request nominations for its first book prize, named for Polish-born Jan Stanislaw Jakobczak (1914-2004), an Allied soldier of World War II. Arrested by the Soviets in 1939, Jakobczak spent three years in the Siberian Gulag before his release into General Wladyslaw Anders' Polish II Corps. After training in Iran and Palestine, Jakobczak and his compatriots fought alongside Allied forces in the Italian Campaign. He received a head wound during the recapture of the Benedictine monastery of Monte Cassino. After the war, Jakobczak emigrated first to London and later to Chicago, where he became a U.S. citizen. This book award memorializes his odyssey and that of other Allied soldier-refugees who made their homes in the United States.

The USMHG's 2015 Jakobczak Award will recognize the outstanding book on United States Military History covering any topic, methodology, service, or region within (or substantially involving) the period 1917 to 1945. The winning author(s) will receive a plaque and a monetary prize sponsored by the USMHG. The 2015 Jakobczak Award Selection Committee is composed of Drs. Peter Kindsvatter, Jörg Muth, and Geoffrey Rosanno, all authors of award-winning books.

Parameters and Deadlines:

Nominated books must have a publication date of 2014 or 2015 and must be in print no later than July 1, 2015. (However, next year's 2016 prize will include books published in 2015 until 1 July 2016.) Please note that neither page nor galley proofs will be accepted. Subsequent editions or paperback re-issues of previously published works are likewise ineligible. No books will be considered for more than one year and for more than one award.

The Award Selection Committee will consider works by individual or multiple authors making substantial contributions to U.S. military history. In addition, significant anthologies, memoirs, or reference materials are eligible. Again, the work must deal with U.S. military history between 1917 and 1945. If doubts arise, the committee will have the discretion

to accept or reject a submission.

The deadline for submitting books to the Award Selection Committee is 1 July 2015. To nominate a book, please send an email to Dr. David Ulbrich (djulbrich@usmhg.org), the committee's non-voting secretary, who will record the nomination, provide the necessary mailing addresses to authors or presses, and manage the related correspondence. Please keep in mind that the USMHG requires four copies—one for each member of the selection committee, plus Dr. Ulbrich. Books submitted will not be returned to their authors or presses.

Decisions:

The Award Selection Committee will make its selection by 1 December 2015. The winning author will be notified that same month. Then, the USMHG will announce the 2015 Jakobczak Award-winning book and author via social media. Finally, the award-winning book will be listed with the committee's one-page endorsement in the December issue of *U.S. Military History Review*. The committee's decision is final.

Pritzker Military Museum & Library Announces 2015 Literature Award Recipient

Pulitzer Prize-winning historian, best-selling author, and Brandeis University professor David Hackett Fischer is the recipient of the 2015 Pritzker Military Museum & Library Literature Award for Lifetime Achievement in Military Writing.

The Pritzker Literature Award—which includes a medallion, citation, and \$100,000 honorarium—recognizes and honors the contributions of a living author for a body of work dedicated to enriching the understanding of military history. Museum & Library Founder & Chair Jennifer N. Pritzker, a retired colonel in the Illinois National Guard, will formally present Fischer with the award at the organization's annual Liberty Gala on Nov. 7 at the Hilton Chicago, where he will be joined by past winners.

First presented to historian James McPherson in 2007, other past recipients—several of whom served as members of the award's 2015 screening committee—are Allan Millett, Gerhard Weinberg, Rick Atkinson, Carlo D'Este, Sir Max Hastings, Tim O'Brien, and Antony Beevor.

Author of 15 major publications on topics ranging from the American Revolution to the logic of historical thought, Fischer received the American Enterprise Institute's Irving Kristol Award in 2006 for his "pivotal role in reviving popular and academic interest in American history and its lessons for the present." Among his notable works are bestsellers and award-winners like *Washington's Crossing* (Oxford University Press, 2004), a National Book Award finalist and 2005 Pulitzer Prize winner for history; *Paul Revere's Ride* (Oxford, 1994), a 1996 Boston Globe Top 10 Book of the Year; *Champlain's Dream* (Simon & Schuster/Knopf Canada, 2008), an internationally acclaimed biography published in English and French; and *Albion's Seed: Four British Folkways in America* (Oxford, 1989), a groundbreaking study of the roots of essential American traits—a second volume of which is now in progress.

"Dr. Fischer has made extraordinary contributions to the field of military history...he is a master story teller and a brilliant teacher," said Pritzker Literature Award Screening Committee chairman John W. Rowe. "The committee members take great pride in recommending a deserving candidate for selection each year, and Dr. Fischer is an undeniably worthy choice."

The Pritzker Literature Award is sponsored by the Tawani Foundation. To learn more about the award or the selection process, or to watch 2014 Literature Award recipient Antony Beevor announce David Hackett Fischer as this year's winner, visit www.pritzkermilitary.org.

Awards Announced for Excellence in U.S. Army History Writing

At its Eighteenth Annual Members' Meeting, held 18 May 2015 at the Army Navy Country Club in Arlington, VA, the Army Historical Foundation recognized six books and three articles as outstanding achievements in writing on U.S. Army history published in 2014.

GEN William Hartzog, USA-Ret., announced the winners of the 2014 AHF Distinguished **Writing Awards.**

The winners:

Book Awards

Biography

Alvin York: A New Biography of the Hero of the Argonne, by Douglas V. Mastriano (Lexington: University Press of Kentucky)

Journals, Memoirs, and Letters

An Army Doctor on the Western Frontier: Journals and Letters of John Vance Lauderdale, 1864-1890, edited by Robert M. Utley (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press)

Operational/Battle History

The U.S. Military Intervention in Panama: Operation JUST CAUSE, December 1989-January 1990, by Lawrence A. Yates (Washington, DC: U.S. Army Center of Military History)

Institutional/Functional History

“Good Tuberculosis Men”: The Army Medical Department’s Struggle with Tuberculosis, by Carol L. Byerly (Fort Sam Houston, TX: Borden Institute)

Reference

Clifford J. Rogers, Ty Seidule, and Samuel J. Watson

The West Point History of the Civil War, by Clifford J. Rogers, Ty Seidule, and Samuel J. Watson (New York: Simon & Schuster)

Reprint

Richmond Redeemed: The Siege of Petersburg, the Battles of Chaffin’s Bluff and Poplar Spring Church, September 29-October 2, 1864, by Richard J. Sommers (El Dorado, CA: Savas Beatie)

Article Awards

Army Professional Journals

“The Evolution and Demise of the MASH, 1946-2006: Organizing to Perform Surgery as Medicine and the Military Change,” by Sanders Marble (*Army History*, Summer 2014)

Academic Journals and Magazines

“An Irregular Consideration of George Washington and the American Military Tradition,” by John W. Hall (*Journal of Military History*: July 2014)

Journals and Magazines

“*An American Fandango in Monterrey*,” by Noah Andre Trudeau (MHQ: Spring 2014)

The book award winners received a plaque honoring the book and a \$1,000 cash award. The winner in the Reprint category received a plaque but no cash award. The article award winners also received a plaque and a \$250 cash award.

The AHF Distinguished Writing Awards program was established in 1997 to recognize authors who make a significant contribution to the literature on U.S. Army history. Each year nominations are submitted to the Awards Committee by publishers and journal editors. A small group of finalists are selected and a final judging is made. The winners are announced at the annual AHF Members’ Meeting.

For more information on the Foundation and its activities, please view the AHF website at www.armyhistory.org.

Call for Chapters

Donald Stoker of the U.S. Naval War College's Program at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California, and Edward Westermann of Texas A&M University-San Antonio are editing a book on police advising and assistance for British publisher Helion & Company. They are looking for historical studies of police advisory missions, first-hand accounts of advisors, analytical "lessons learned" pieces, and any other interesting material that will help chart the history, development, and effects of police advising or policing-related aspects of Foreign Internal Defense (FID). We will also consider previously published material if the author or authors obtain permission to reprint these works. We are also looking for contributors who will deliver their work in a timely fashion.

Interested parties should email a one paragraph description of the proposed work, a one paragraph biographical sketch, and a CV or description of education and/or relevant military experience of no more than two pages in length to Donald Stoker at: djstoker@nps.edu and Edward Westermann at: ebwester@tamusa.tamus.edu. Please include the submission material in the body of the email with "Police Advising Volume" in the subject line.

Call for Chapters

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From the Archives: Citizen, Scholar, Editor, and Soldier: Harvey A. DeWeerd

By Paul A. Thomsen

In twenty-first century business, the *The Journal of Military History* has been called “the crown jewel” of the organization. For the first few issues, the *Journal*, originally entitled the *Journal of the American Military History Foundation (JAMHF)*, was sent to press by a “temporary editorial board” as the founders looked for someone with the proper skills to assume the helm of the organization. By 1938, they had Harvey Arthur DeWeerd.

According to American Military History Foundation’s (AMHF) 1933-1934 meeting records, many early discussions surrounded the importance of publishing a journal on military history. Some said it would be a grand showcase of the discipline and a valuable scholarly resource for the greater academy. Others believed it would be an ideal means for members living at great distances to remain connected to the organization. In an increasingly militarized world, the right talent could also turn their prospective publication into a lighthouse for the study of military history. Their designs took several years for monetary support, space, and some personnel from the United States Army to coalesce. In early 1937, the first issue of the *JAMHF* debuted under the stewardship of an ad hoc group of volunteers, which the founders called a “temporary editorial board” as the leadership looked for a permanent editor. They needed a single scholarly voice that straddled both civil-military worlds.

With a little searching, they found everything they needed in Harvey Arthur DeWeerd. Born in 1902 in Michigan, DeWeerd had recently completed a PhD at the University of Michigan in 1937 and taught at Michigan State, Wittenburg, and Denison Colleges. With his dissertation on “Production Lag in the American Ordnance Program, 1917-1918” now approved, DeWeerd took a sabbatical in late 1937 to continue his research at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, New Jersey. There an unnamed AMHF member offered DeWeerd the Editor’s position at their fledgling publication. His acceptance was considered vital enough that the AMHF Secretary sent a memo to the Board of Trustees indicating that “your approval will be understood if we do not receive word to the contrary by November 15, 1937.”

In little time, Harvey DeWeerd’s tenure as “Editor” showed marked improvement over the AMHF’s recent “temporary editorial board” approach to publishing. Almost overnight, the *Journal* took on a clean presentation with relevant academic content. Whereas most military journals catered to more Progressive specializations and School System subject matter, DeWeerd gradually shepherded the *Journal* away from the anecdotal, niche and antiquarian content of the first few issues. Instead of articles on American Revolutionary era buttons and the use of knives and clubs in trench warfare, DeWeerd ran features on “Spenser Wilkinson and the Defense of Britain,” “Monetary Problems of Military Occupation,” “Records Administration and the War,” and “The Japanese-American Combat Team.” With a subscription rate of \$3 a year in 1939, the *Journal* generated a growing annual income of \$1,360 and a steadily rising number of members for the organization. By World War II, the *Journal* regularly received the praise of professional officers as a national necessity for “a corps of technical historians, trained not only in the methodology of their craft but with some military background.” The *AMHF’s Journal* dreams had been achieved.

In March 1942, Harvey DeWeerd, a scholar and editor, also straddled civil-military relations in a personal way. Granted the rank of Captain in the U.S. Army, DeWeerd was assigned to the *Army Infantry Journal* to write policy material for soldiers. At the same time, he guided AMHF’s transition into the American Military Institute, and the *Journal’s* own corresponding transition to *Military Affairs*. Although forced to abandon his position as editor in mid-1945 due to a transfer to the Operations Division of the War Department and a later departure from the Washington area, Harvey DeWeerd continued to contribute to the study of military his-

tory for several more decades. After returning to civilian academic life in 1946, he authored several monographs, numerous book reviews and an edited compilation of General George C. Marshall's public speeches (published in 1945 with Marshall's appreciation). In 1953, he joined RAND as a senior staff member, studying theoretical military studies, nuclear weapons, SALT II, and the United States Air Force. Harvey Arthur DeWeerd died in 1979.

The legacy of Harvey DeWeerd's tenure as the first civilian editor of the *Journal* can be found in the publication's lengthy run and accessibility of each issue's content in the digital age. His surviving *Journal* documents can be found in the Society for Military History Records at Kansas State University. Harvey Deweerd's personal papers reside in the George C. Marshall Foundation at the Virginia Military Institute.

AMERICAN MILITARY HISTORY FOUNDATION

MEMORANDUM TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Gentlemen:

The publication of the JOURNAL of this Foundation has thus far been supervised by a temporary editorial board. From the beginning we have been on the watch for a man to assume the permanent editorship who could measure up to the qualifications for the job.

These qualifications, as we see them, are many and varied. Such a man should have the necessary training (historical and military), ability (breadth of vision, catholicity of interest, imagination, and general editorial sense), and background (ability to command respect and gain us friends through his name and reputation. He must be devoted to the society and to the study of military history, he must possess great energy and initiative and practical administrative ability, and finally - the hardest thing of all, perhaps - the time.

We are able at this time to nominate for the post a man who appears to measure up to most, if not all, of these requirements: Dr. H. A. De Weerd of Denison University. Dr. De Weerd is a comparatively young man whose fondness for military history has been lifelong. His graduate work at the University of Michigan, in the seminars conducted by the late Professor C. H. Van Tyne on the American Revolution and among the material in the Clements Library, served to develop this interest. His doctoral thesis was on "Production Lag in the American Ordnance Program 1917 - 1918." He has contributed to such publications as the American Historical Review, Journal of Modern History, American Mercury, Current History, Infantry Journal, U. S. Naval Institute Proceedings, etc. He has been highly recommended by a number of leading historians and military men.

Major Codd, now nominally Editor of the JOURNAL, has considerably offered to relinquish this title and to serve, along with others of the present editorial board, under a permanent editor. It should be mentioned here that in the appointment of Dr. De Weerd we do not contemplate any change in the editorial policy of the magazine.

We offer then the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, That Dr. H. A. De Weerd be appointed to the office of Editor of the Foundation and that the entire publication of its JOURNAL be entrusted to his management.

We ask that you notify the Secretary at once if you disapprove of this Resolution. Your approval will be understood if we do not receive word to the contrary by November 15, 1937.

Fred P. Todd, Secretary,
For the Board of Editors.

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COMING SOON: *JMH* TRACKER

The *Journal of Military History* will launch its new online manuscript submission system, *JMH* Tracker, on July 15. A direct link to *JMH* Tracker will appear on the Submission Guidelines page of the SMH website: <http://www.smh-hq.org/jmh/submissions.html>. Authors who wish to submit manuscripts to be considered for publication by the *JMH* will be instructed to set up individual accounts and submit their manuscripts via this link. The *JMH* editorial staff will receive an automatic notification whenever a manuscript has been uploaded, and authors will be able to log onto their accounts to track the progress and status of their submissions.

JMH Tracker is hosted by Event Rebels, the company that has been hosting our membership system since 2012.



Society for Military History

The Society for Military History joins with the American Historical Association and other scholarly organizations opposing proposals pending in the Wisconsin state legislature that threaten to undermine several longstanding features of the state's current higher education system: shared governance, tenure, and academic freedom.

The University of Wisconsin has played a significant role in the growth of the academic study of military history and the leadership of the Society for Military History. Over the past eighty years, the University of Wisconsin has produced some of the most prolific and influential military historians of the past several generations. These include renowned Civil War historians (T. Harry Williams, Richard Current, and Joseph Glatthaar); prolific and influential authors (Stephen Ambrose); a former chief historian of the U.S. Air Force (Richard H. Kohn), the current editor of *The Journal of Military History* (Bruce Vandervort), the editor of *The Papers of George Catlett Marshall* (Mark Stoler), military records archivists (Timothy K. Nenner) and four past presidents of the Society for Military History. Among these was Edward M. (Mac) Coffman, who has influenced the field both as a scholar and educator of graduate students. Dozens of uniformed military personnel have received graduate degrees in History at the University of Wisconsin, including GEN Montgomery C. Meigs IV, who ultimately became Commander of U.S. Army Europe/Seventh Army.

The contributions of the University of Wisconsin to the field of military history came from an environment that allowed students to develop critical reasoning skills within seminars taught by eminent professors who were both teachers and scholars and had the freedom to explore complicated and controversial questions in their classrooms and scholarship without fearing for their job security.

The Society for Military History, founded in 1933, is devoted to stimulating and advancing the study of military history. Its membership (today more than 2700) has included many of the world's most prominent scholars, soldiers, and citizens interested in military history.

June 11, 2015

Sustaining and Contributing Members

At the Society's 2002 annual meeting in Madison, the decision was made to establish a sustaining membership level of \$100 as a means for those members who are financially able to demonstrate their increased support for the Society. It was also decided to recognize contributing members, those who contribute funds to the Society in excess of regular membership, either less or more than sustaining membership. It is with grateful appreciation that the Society acknowledges those members who have made additional contributions since the last time this list was published in 2013.

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Report on the 2015 Annual Meeting of the American Council of Learned Societies

May 7-9, 2015, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

by Gregory J. W. Urwin

ACLS Delegate, Society for Military History

The American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) is a private, nonprofit federation of seventy-three national scholarly organizations dedicated to the humanities and related social sciences. The ACLS concentrates primarily on advancing scholarship by awarding fellowships and strengthening relations among learned societies. It also supports scholarly conferences, reference works, and innovations in scholarly communication. The Society for Military History became the seventieth ACLS member on May 7, 2010. That affiliation has raised the SMH's standing in the American humanities community and also given it direct access to a wealth of information to help improve its interior management.

As the SMH's newly appointed delegate to the ACLS, I attended the Council's 2015 Annual Meeting at the Sheraton Society Hill Hotel in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, from May 7 to 9. I joined more than sixty other delegates from ACLS constituent societies, a slightly smaller number of those societies' chief administrative officers or executive directors, dozens of other participants, more than ten ACLS staff, and three recent winners of ACLS fellowships. Because the ACLS is well endowed, it covers the travel, meal, and lodging expenses of all attending delegates.

Due to the continuing funding crunch confronting American higher education, the academic disciplines that comprise the humanities feel they are living in a state of siege. In hopes of reversing that situation, the American Council of Learned Society is increasingly emphasizing the need to demonstrate the value of the humanities to the public.

This approach figured prominently in the annual meeting's first session on Thursday evening, May 7, which addressed "Aligning Humanistic Scholarship with Public Engagements,

Collaboration, and the Digital Realm.” The panel consisted of Douglas Greenberg, Distinguished Professor of History, Rutgers University-New Brunswick; Steven Kidd, Executive Director, National Humanities Alliance; and James J. O’Donnell, Chair, ACLS Board of Directors, and also University Librarian, Arizona State University. Timothy Lloyd, Executive Director of the American Folklore Society, acted as panel moderator. The panelists argued that the presentation of scholarship in digital forms should command more respect from academic entities when they evaluate applications for tenure, promotion, and merit raises. The American Historical Association’s release in April 2015 of a draft of “Guidelines for the Professional Evaluation of Digital Scholarship in History” represents an important step in that direction (<http://historians.org/Documents/Teaching%20and%20Learning/Current%20Projects/Digital%20Scholarship%20Evaluation/Guidelines%20for%20the%20Professional%20Evaluation%20of%20Digital%20Scholarship%20in%20History.pdf>). This session devoted even more time to the fact that many learned societies are moving toward greater public engagement. Some of the projects profiled featured collaboration between professional scholars and other constituencies, including students and local communities.

For the delegates, Friday’s business opened at 9:00 A.M. with a panel on “Emerging Themes and Methods of Humanities Research: Discussion with ACLS Fellows.” Three recent recipients of different ACLS fellowships presented reports on their research. From a military historian’s perspective, Margaret O’Mara, Associate Professor of History at the University of Washington and the recipient of the ACLS 2014 Frederick Burkhardt Residential Fellow for Recently Tenured Scholars, offered the most interesting presentation. In “The Silicon Age as Humanities Scholarship,” O’Mara used the history of Silicon Valley to challenge the libertarian myth of the individual entrepreneur as the driving force in American economic growth. In reality, America’s technological revolution owes its existence to the United States government, which became Silicon Valley’s first and most important venture capitalist through spending on the Cold War military and NASA. Taking their cue from O’Mara, military historians could produce works with considerable crossover appeal that explore how military needs stimulated the development of many other American industries.

ACLS President Pauline Yu delivered her annual report beginning around 10:40 A.M. She extolled free inquiry as the trait that most distinguishes American higher education, and made it the model for university systems across the world, especially those emerging in East Asia. At the same time, Yu acknowledged the challenges that are forcing changes in the traditional university. She believes that the research university can be preserved while valid ways are found to facilitate the mass distribution of higher education.

As I listened to Yu’s address, it struck me that the ACLS is advocating an agenda that has already been embraced by the military history community. For instance, the ACLS’s Public Fellows Program places recent PhDs in two-year staff positions at partnering organizations in government and the nonprofit sector. While these fellows still engage in knowledge production through research, they also distribute knowledge to a wider public – much like military historians employed by the federal government. Likewise, the ACLS is interested in encouraging programs that train PhDs for careers outside of the academy – a transition that the SMH’s many government historians have thoroughly mastered.

The meeting of the ACLS Council, which followed President Yu’s remarks, included useful news regarding the previous year’s activities. The ACLS continues to be the leading private source of funding for scholars working in the humanities and related social sciences at the doctoral and post-doctoral levels. In 2004-5, the ACLS awarded fewer than 200 fellowships amounting to \$5,200,000 in funding. The organization set a new record in 2014-15, awarding \$16,000,000 in fellowships to 320 scholars out of 3,500 applicants. (For more information on ACLS fellowships, see: <https://www.acls.org/programs/overview/>.)

William “Bro” Adams, the new Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), addressed the annual meeting during lunch. Adams announced that the NEH will remain committed to supporting scholarly research, but it feels compelled to devote increasing resources and programs to projects that impact directly on the public. He mentioned the “Standing Together” initiative (created in partnership with the Society for Military History)

as an embodiment of that shift.

Friday afternoon was devoted to a panel on “Literacies in the 21st Century.” In the early evening, Wendy Doniger, the Mircea Eliade Distinguished Service Professor of the History of Religions at the University of Chicago, delivered the Charles Homer Haskins Prize Lecture in Benjamin Franklin Hall at the American Philosophical Society. On Saturday morning, the ACLS’s Conference of Administrative Officers held their spring meeting, followed by an optional discussion session.

Why is it important for the SMH to send a delegate to ACLS annual meetings? These gatherings provide wonderful opportunities to take the pulse of the humanities community, glean what it considers cutting-edge research, and get an advance look at new trends while they are still in an embryonic stage. It is also important that the SMH maintain its proper place in the American intellectual establishment. Hence, I networked constantly at receptions, breaks between panels, and meals. While discussing other people’s research, I took pains to mention SMH members who were pursuing parallel projects, which served to entice several delegates to take a look beyond any prejudices they might harbor concerning military history and those who practice it. I also made a point of telling Bro Adams how much SMH members appreciate Standing Together. He urged me to encourage military historians to send more grant and fellowship applications to the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The ACLS also appeals to delegates to serve as referees for its fellowship applications. I accordingly volunteered my services to Matthew Goldfelder, the ACLS Director of Fellowship Programs, and he declared he would soon put me to work. That means that military historians who apply to the ACLS can count on at least one military historian reviewing their packets.

I believe my time was well spent at the 2015 ACLS Annual Meeting, and the SMH would be wise to continue to send a delegate to these gatherings. Having something representing our organization and its interests in person can have a great deal of impact.

MEETINGS CALENDAR 2015

August 13-16 – The Mars Society will host its 18th annual convention in the Edward J. Pryzbyla Center on the campus of the Catholic University of American in Washington, DC. For registration and other information, visit the Society’s website at <http://www.marssociety.org/home>.

August 27-31 – The US Army Center of Military History will conduct its biennial Army Historians Training Symposium at the Crowne Plaza National Airport in Crystal City, Arlington, Virginia. The symposium is open to Army and DoD historians and professional historians from other government agencies, along with members of academia

and the general public. The theme of this year’s symposium is “Adapting to Peace; Preparing for War; Responding to Crisis: An Unworkable Triad?” To participate, see the Center’s website post at http://www.history.army.mil/news/2015/150300a_AHTS.html.

September 3-5 – University of the Philippines Department of History, in cooperation with the University of the Philippines Third World Studies Center, will host “Occupation and Liberation” at the University of the Philippines, Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines. Direct queries to occupationandliberation@gmail.com.

September 17-18 – McMullen Naval History

Symposium in Annapolis, Maryland. Contact: Commander (Ph.D) Chris Rentfrow at navallhistorysymposium@gmail.com or 410-293-6257.

September 18-19 – The Prince Tamakado Japan Centre at the University of Alberta in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada will host a conference to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the dropping of the atomic bombs on Japan. For more detailed information, see the Centre's website at <http://www.ptjc.ualberta.ca/en/Events.aspx>.

September 19 – The National Museum of the Pacific War will host its 2015 Symposium at the Fredericksburg Theater Company's Steve W. Shepherd Theater in Fredericksburg, Texas. This is the second part of a two-part series entitled "In Stealth We Trust: Special Operations and Their Origin in WWII." For the particulars, contact the Museum at <http://www.pacificwarmuseum.org/news-events/the-2015-annual-symposium/>.

September 25-26 – The History Department at Mississippi State University will host the ninth regional EPIC (Empire, Power, Identity and Conflict, formerly IS/IS) Conference. The theme of the conference will be "From War to Peace." Contact: Dr. Andrew Lang at alang@history.msstate.edu.

October 8-11 – The Society for the History of Technology will hold its annual conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico. For more details, check <http://www.historyoftechnology.org/>.

October 14-18 – The Oral History Association will host its annual meeting in Tampa, Florida. The theme of this year's gathering is "Stories of Social Change and Social Justice." For more information, see the Association's website at <http://www.oralhistory.org/>.

October 15-16 – Arbeitskreis für Historische Friedens- und Konfliktforschung ; Norwegian Air Force Academy; Norwegian University of Science and Technology host a conference on "The good soldier'. Ideal, instrument of manipulation or contradiction in itself?" at the Norwegian Air Force Academy. Contact: maria.fritsche@ntnu.no.

October 22-23 – The Center for Cryptologic History will host its biennial Symposium on Cryptologic History at the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory's Kossiakoff Center in Laurel, Maryland. Following the Symposium, on Saturday, October 24, participants will be given an opportunity to tour the National Cryptologic Museum and to participate in a workshop on sources for research in cryptologic history. For more information, visit the Center's website at http://www.afio.com/05_events.htm.

November 5-6 – The Royal Military College of Canada in Kingston, Ontario will host a symposium on Military Education and Empire, 1854-1948. Contact: rmc-cmrsymposium@rmc.ca.

November 19-21 – The National WWII Museum in New Orleans, Louisiana will be the site for the 2015 International Conference on WWII. Presented by the Tawani Foundation in association with the Pritzker Military Museum and Library, this year's theme will be "1945: To The Bitter End." For more information, visit the conference website at www.ww2conference.com.

December 2-4 – U.S. Army War College conference on "American Use of Strategic Landpower since 9/11" to be held at Carlisle Barracks, PA. Contact Major Jason Warren at jason.w.warren.mil@mail.mil.

MEETINGS CALENDAR 2016

January 14-17 – The Institute on World War II and the Human Experience at Florida State University in Tallahassee, Florida, in conjunction with Bryant University in Smithfield, Rhode Island will host a conference on "Comparative Home Fronts: World War II," to be held at the Hotel Duval in Tallahassee, Florida. Contact G. Kurt Piehler at kpiehler@fsu.edu.

March 10-12 – The Vietnam Center and Archive at Texas Tech University, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, and the Army Medical Department Center of History and Heritage will be co-sponsoring a conference on the medical history of the Vietnam War. Contact: steve.maxner@ttu.edu.

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April 7-10 The Organization of American Historians will hold its annual meeting at the Providence Convention Center in Providence, Rhode Island. The theme of this year's gathering will be "On Leadership." For more information as it becomes available, see the Organization's website at <http://www.oah.org/meetings-events/meetings-events/call-for-proposals/>.

April 14-17 – The 2016 SMH Annual Meeting will be in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada at the Ottawa Marriott Hotel. This year's theme is "Crossing Borders, Crossing Boundaries." Hosted by the Canadian War Museum.

June 2-4 – The Society of Civil War Historians will host its biennial conference at The Chattanooga Hotel, Chattanooga, Tennessee. For more information, see the Society's website at <http://scwh.la.psu.edu/>.

MEETINGS CALENDAR 2017

March 30-April 2 – The 2017 SMH Annual Meeting will be in Jacksonville, FL at the Hyatt Regency Jacksonville-Riverfront. Hosted by

the Institute on World War II and the Human Experience, Department of History, Florida State University.

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