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Society for Military History 76th Annual Meeting Murfreesboro, Tennessee, April 2-5, 2009

Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU) will host next year's conference with Derek Frisby, Assistant Professor of History at MTSU (dfrisby@mtsu.edu), serving as conference coordinator. Established in 1911, MTSU is currently the largest undergraduate university in Tennessee with an enrollment of approximately 23,000 students. MTSU is also home to the Center for Historic Preservation, the Tennessee Civil War Heritage Area, and two of the three state historical journals. Murfreesboro and the surrounding area were heavily contested during the Civil War and served as a US Army and US Army Air Corps training area for European operations during WWII because of the terrain's similarity to western Europe. The region also housed German POWs and became a center for rocket research. After the war, the Air Force established Arnold Engineering and Development Center (AEDC) near Murfreesboro as the most advanced and largest complex of flight simulation test facilities in the world. The center operates 58 aerodynamic and propulsion wind tunnels, rocket and turbine engine test cells, space environmental chambers, arc heaters, ballistic ranges and other specialized units. Today, AEDC is also a finalist for the Air Force's new Common Battlefield Airmen Training (CBAT) facility to further expand Airmen ground training in combat small arms firing, basics of land navigation, small unit tactics and combative skills.

The 2009 SMH conference theme is "Warfare and Culture" and will explore relationships between culture and the development of military policy and institutions, as well as the conduct of combat operations. While the conference theme will provide a guide to determining the final program, all proposals on military history subjects are welcome. All panel members must be current SMH members. Deadline for proposals is November 1, 2008. Prospective individual paper submissions and panel proposals must include a 250-word abstract for each paper, a c.v. for each proposed panelist and an additional 250-word rationale for the panel. These proposals may be submitted electronically to conference coordinator Derek Frisby (dfrisby@mtsu.edu) or by mail to Derek Frisby, Department of History, Box 23, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN 37132.

Located in the heart of Middle Tennessee, historic Murfreesboro is just 30 miles southeast of the Nashville International Airport (BNA) and offers an array of culinary, lodging, and entertainment options. Shuttle service from the Nashville airport at special SMH rates will be available.

Murfreesboro's newest hotel and conference center, the Embassy Suites Murfreesboro Hotel and Conference Center will be the conference hotel and will host the majority of the conference activities. This facility, opening in September 2008, features a ten-story atrium and 283 suites. Each suite features oversized bedrooms and separate private living rooms. There is an indoor pool, exercise facility and full service restaurant. Located just off I-24, the Embassy Suites Murfreesboro Hotel & Conference Center sits adjacent to Tennessee's largest outdoor shopping and restaurant center known as "The Avenue-Murfreesboro." Nearby hotels include: Hampton Inn (the overflow hotel that has special SMH rates available), Comfort Inn, and Baymont Inn.

SMH has arranged for a rate of \$119.00 plus tax which includes full breakfast buffet and manager's evening reception at the Embassy Suites Convention Center. SMH is limited to 200 rooms. Members can make reservations by phone or online using group code MIL. You may call 1-800-EMBASSY, the hotel directly at (615) 890-4464 or make reservations on line at www.murfreesboro.embassysuites.com.

Off site activities at the 2009 SMH Conference will include staff rides of the Stones River National Battlefield, one of the Civil War's bloodiest engage-

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ments, and surrounding areas, including the courthouse square, the Oaklands mansion, Fortress Rosecrans, and Hoover's Gap.

On Friday night, meeting attendees will have the opportunity to travel to the famous Jack Daniels Distillery in Lynchburg, TN for a tour of the distillery, a tasting of the Jack Daniels brands, and barbecue meal with all the fixins'. The Jack Daniels Distillery was licensed in 1866, making it the oldest registered distillery in the United States and a National Historic Site.

NOTES...from the Executive Director

By Robert H. Berlin

Annual Meetings

The April 2008 Society for Military History 75th annual meeting at the Ogden Eccles Center in Ogden Utah sponsored by Weber State University offered a great setting and program. Over 350 members attended and all enjoyed the excellent Eccles Center facilities, the fine accommodations at the Marriott and Hampton Inn hotels, the nearby restaurants and the diverse and stimulating sessions on the theme "The Military and Frontiers". Bill Allison and his hard working, dedicated Weber State colleagues produced a model meeting. The Awards Luncheon and Banquet were both well attended. Frank Wetta provided a superb Awards Luncheon Program for all attending. Rick Atkinson gave a wonderful Banquet address. The graduate student reception arranged by Alex Bielakowski and the Membership Committee welcomed grad students and showed the inclusiveness of the Society. Our annual meetings continue to offer a variety of intellectual and social opportunities for all attending.

Plan now to attend the 2009 meeting April 2-5 at the new Embassy Suites Conference Center in Murfreesboro, Tennessee hosted by Middle Tennessee State University. Murfreesboro is thirty minutes from the Nashville airport. Derek Frisby is the conference coordinator. The meeting theme is "Warfare and Culture" and panel and paper proposals are due to Derek at dfrisby@mtsu.edu by November 1, 2008. SMH has arranged for a rate of \$119.00 plus tax which includes full breakfast buffet and manager's evening reception. However, we are limited to 200 rooms so you are encouraged to make reservations now by phone or online using group code MIL. You may call 1-800-EMBASSY, the hotel directly at (615) 890-4464 or make reservations on line at www.murfreesboro.embassysuites.com.

The 2010 meeting will be in Lexington, VA hosted by the Virginia Military Institute and the George C. Marshall Foundation May 20-23, 2010. The meeting will be held in the new Leadership and Ethics Center on the VMI campus. Several Lexington hotels will provide accommodations and bus transportation will be provided to the VMI campus. Casey Brower at VMI and Brian Shaw, Director of the Marshall Foundation, are coordinating the meeting.

The Cantigny First Division Foundation (CFDF) near Chicago, Illinois will host the 2011 Society for Military History (SMH) Annual Meeting. Paul Herbert, museum executive director, is the meeting coordinator. Dates and hotel are to be determined.

The 2012 meeting will be in Arlington, Virginia (Crystal City) hosted by the Army Historical Foundation. Matt Seelinger, Chief Historian of the Army Historical Foundation is the meeting coordinator.

Election

2009 is an election year. The Nominations Committee is headed by past SMH president Tim

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Nenninger and includes Ed Drea and Geoffrey Megargee. Due to the constitutional amendment approved in the last election the serving vice president will run unopposed for president. Nominations are solicited for vice president and trustee positions. Members may submit candidate names to the nominations committee via E-mail to Tim Nenninger at tim.nenninger@nara.gov. The election will be held by ballot printed in the *Headquarters Gazette* newsletter.

Committee Appointments

Kelly Devries will chair the Awards Committee. New members are Rob Citino and Pete Kindsvatter.

Mike Neiberg will join Greg Urwin on the Finance Committee. One additional member is needed.

Archives

Kansas State University and SMH have finalized a memorandum of agreement making KSU the official SMH

records depository. The SMH historical records formerly in my possession, the American Military Institute Archives at the National Defense University, SMH records held by Tim Nenninger and at the USMC historical center at Quantico, VA are now all at KSU. KSU has hired a graduate student using SMH funds to organize and catalog the archives.

Finances

Treasurer Graham Cosmas reports that the Society's financial position continues to be good. Our Operating Fund again had a substantial surplus. SMH assets are slightly in excess of \$500,000 in all accounts. In March 2008 our CPA completed the SMH annual audit and found SMH in good shape in its management of funds.

I believe that with current low interest rates, the Weigley and Coffman funds require additional funds to be self sustaining. Members are encouraged to continue donating to these funds to support graduate students to attend the annual meeting and to produce publishable manuscripts.

With the approval of the President, Vice President, Executive Director, and the Finance Committee, the Treasurer arranged to transfer payroll processing (writing and sending of checks and statements and preparation of tax withholding documents and deposits and W-2s) to the ADP Corporation, which will perform these services at a cost to the Society of about \$2,000 per year. ADP is a well established corporation, a leader in this field, with clients worldwide. This change will relieve the Treasurer of the increasingly heavy burden of payroll and withholding processing and will ensure that the Society is in compliance with ever more complex government requirements. In addition, it will allow the Society to offer its employees electronic direct deposit of their salary checks.

George C. Marshall Lecture

Professor Paul Kennedy of Yale University will present the lecture at the American Historical Association meeting at the New York Hilton, January 4, 2009. His topic will be: History from the Middle? The Case of the Second World War. The lecture is jointly sponsored by SMH and the George C. Marshall Foundation.

Council Meeting Decisions

The SMH Council approved the following resolutions at their meeting in Ogden:

Resolution: The president will solicit nominations from the SMH council for the Morison and Gondos awards. The president will compile and submit nominations to the full council for a vote which will decide the winners.

Resolution (In executive session): To increase the salaries of the Society (non-*JMH*) employees by 20 % and to support the salary increases requested by the *JMH* editor.

Resolution: With respect to funds for Regional Coordinators that the Vice President may approve any funds up to \$500 and the President from \$500 to \$1000. Funds over \$1000 require Council approval.

Resolution: With respect to membership in the American Council of Learned Societies that the Executive Director be authorized to apply for Society membership by September 1, 2008. The Council will evaluate the value of membership to the Society after a three year period.

Resolution: With respect to updating and changing the Website that Kurt Hackemer and Bob Berlin look into the matter and make recommendations.

Update Your Information!

The Society encourages all members to update both their E-mail and directory information, which can all be done online at <http://www.smh-hq.org/directory/update.html>. Keeping your information current has tangible benefits beyond the uninterrupted delivery of the *Journal of Military History* and the *Headquarters Gazette*.

The *Journal of Military History* can currently be accessed online, but the *Journal* office needs current E-mail addresses so it can distribute the necessary access codes over the course of the year. This is especially valuable for those members without institutional access to Project Muse.

In looking at usage patterns for the Society's web site this year, we noticed that our online Members Directory is among the most heavily accessed resources on the site. This, plus a corresponding drop in media requests to the *Journal* office for the names of content experts, suggests that the media might be using our Directory and its expertise listings more than we thought. Members should consider updating their areas of expertise to reflect current research interests.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Research Materials Looking for a Good Home

SMH member David Kirchner is looking for a home for a considerable assortment of books and papers, related mainly to artillery and fortification. Other categories include armor, aviation, and general military history. A high proportion of the papers are copies of original material, derived from months of research in the Archives and the Library of Congress, and taken largely from National Archives Record Groups 165 (General Staff,) 156 (Ordnance,) and 77 (Engineers.) The books and papers together have been collected primarily as reference material for prospective technical histories of ordnance items, for analysis of French and German artillery inventories of WWI, and for histories of various harbor defenses. Periodicals include an almost unbroken 50-year set of *Military Affairs/SMH Journal* plus lengthy runs of other military-oriented publications.

Mr. Kirchner hopes to find a library or a person who can ensure that this material is made available for interested researchers/writers. Interested parties should contact Bruce Vandervort in the *Journal* office or Kurt Hackemer (Kurt.Hackemer@usd.edu) at the *Gazette*.

2008 Rear Admiral John D. Hayes Pre-doctoral Fellowship and Vice Admiral Edwin B. Hooper Research Grants Announced

Katherine Epstein, a graduate student at Ohio State University, has been named the recipient of the Naval Historical Center's Rear Admiral John D. Hayes Pre-doctoral Fellowship for 2008. Ms. Epstein is to receive the \$10,000 fellowship to support research and writing of her dissertation, "Beneath the Surface: British and American Torpedo Development, 1866-1914." In this dissertation, which is being directed by Professor Geoffrey Parker, Ms. Epstein proposes to analyze and compare the adoption and integration into two navies of the new and transforming technology of the automobile torpedo. She will approach the topic from a variety of perspectives, ranging from the performance capabilities of the torpedoes themselves to the strategic vision of a hegemonic navy (the British) on the one hand and a navy aspiring for greater international status (the American) on the other. The impressive record Ms. Epstein established at Yale University (Phi Beta Kappa) and Cambridge University (M. Phil.) augurs well for the production of an outstanding contribution to naval history.

The Naval Historical Center has awarded two Vice Admiral Edwin B. Hooper Research Grants for 2008 in the amount of approximately \$2,500 each. One of the grants has been awarded to Dr. Dennis L. Noble, an independent scholar of Sequim, Washington, in support of his study of the U.S. Navy's cooperation with the U.S. Coast Guard in interdicting undocumented immigrants by sea. The other grant has been awarded to Dr. Michael T. Sturma, of Murdoch University, Murdoch, Australia, in support of his study of unrestricted submarine warfare in the Pacific during World War II.

Western Front Association Prize Competition

The winner of the annual Western Front Association - Phi Alpha Theta Undergraduate Essay Prize for 2007 is Andrew Breer of the Virginia Military Institute for his paper "American Acquisition of French Field Artillery in the Great War." The prize is a check for \$1,000.

The 2008 prize competition ends January 31, 2009. Entries should be sent to Dr. Graydon Tunstall, Executive Director of Phi Alpha Theta, the National History Honor Society, University of South Florida, 4202 East Fowler Avenue - SOC 107, Tampa, FL 33620-8100 E-mail phialpha@philalphatheta.org. Detailed instructions for submitting papers may be found at The Western Front Association website at www.wfa-usa.org on the News & Events pages.

New Book

Borrowed Soldiers: Americans under British Command, 1918, by Mitchell A. Yockelson, has been published as Volume 17 in the Campaigns and Commanders Series by the University of Oklahoma Press.

The combined British Expeditionary Force and American II Corps successfully pierced the Hindenburg Line during the Hundred Days Campaign of World War I, an offensive that hastened the war's end. Yet despite the importance of this effort, the training and operation of II Corps have received scant attention from historians.

Mitchell A. Yockelson delivers a comprehensive study of the first time American and British soldiers fought together as a coalition force—more than twenty years before D-Day. He follows the two divisions that comprised II Corps, the 27th and 30th, from the training camps of South Carolina to the bloody battlefields of Europe. Despite cultural differences, General Pershing's misgivings,

and the contrast between American eagerness and British exhaustion, the untested Yanks benefited from the experience of battle-toughened Tommies. Their combined forces contributed much to the Allied victory.

Yockelson plumbs new archival sources, including letters and diaries of American, Australian, and British soldiers to examine how two forces of differing organization and attitude merged command relationships and operations. Emphasizing tactical cooperation and training, he details II Corps' performance in Flanders during the Ypres-Lys offensive, the assault on the Hindenburg Line, and the decisive battle of the Selle. Featuring thirty-nine evocative photographs and nine maps, this account shows how the British and American military relationship evolved both strategically and politically. A case study of coalition warfare, *Borrowed Soldiers* adds significantly to our understanding of the Great War.

New Military History Book Discussion Group for Boston/Cambridge and the North Shore

A new Military History Book Discussion Group is starting up for Boston's North Shore and Cambridge. We're looking for around 10 new members to form the core of the group. The goal will be to meet six times a year to discuss a chosen book covering some aspect of military history. For variety, we may occasionally substitute an event or a suitable movie for a book.

The venue is up for discussion but we have the option to meet at restaurant venues from Boston to Gloucester, or at the homes of members if that's easier. The group will be what we make of it. It's a great opportunity to read some great books and to discuss them with others interested in military history. Hear others' views on books and many aspects of military history, and share your perspectives with them. If you are interested, just E-mail Gerry Johnston at gerry.johnston@gmail.com or call on (781) 879-0986.

Kevin J. Carroll Prize Awarded

Tyler V. Johnson, a doctoral candidate at Purdue University is the winner of the 2008 Society for Military History's Kevin J. Carroll award for the best graduate student paper in Military History at the Missouri Valley History Conference. His paper entitled, "Punishing all the Lies: Catholics and Immigrants in General Zachary Taylor's Army of Occupation."



Call for Papers

The 52nd Annual Missouri Valley History Conference will be held March 5-7, 2009 in Omaha, Nebraska. The Society for Military History sponsors a full slate of sessions at the MVHC and also will again be sponsoring a "huddle" for SMH participants. 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 proposal for each paper, and short c.v.'s for all participants. The SMH also sponsors the Kevin J. Carroll award for the best graduate student paper in Military History. Please include E-mail address. Deadline for proposals is October 1, 2008. Send proposals and c.v. to: Connie K. Harris, PO Box 121, Grasston, MN 55030 or send by E-mail to ckharris1@juno.com.

Adams Center Prizes Announced

The John A. Adams Center at the Virginia Military Institute is pleased to announce prize winners for the best unpublished papers dealing with the United States military in the Cold War era (1945-1991).

First prize: "A Quiver of Golden Arrows: The Evolution of American Mobile Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles" by Steven A. Pomeroy, U.S. Air Force Academy

Second prize: "General William DePuy: His Relief of Subordinates in Combat" by Henry G. Gole, Col. U.S. Army (Ret.)

Third prize: "U.S. Army Mechanized Reconnaissance during the Cold War, 1946-1990" by Alexander M. Bielakowski, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College

Honorable Mentions (in alphabetical order):

"Targeting China: US Nuclear Planning and 'Massive Retaliation' in the Far East, 1953-1954" by Matthew Jones, University of Nottingham

"A Policy of Amateurism: Rice Policy of the U.S. Army Military Government in Korea, 1945-1948" by Jinwung Kim, Kyungpook National University

“Planning the Peace and Enforcing the Surrender: Deterrence in the Allied Occupations of Germany and Japan” by Melissa Willard-Foster, University of California at Los Angeles.

New Edition Released

Indiana University Press is pleased to announce that Lewis Sorley’s *Thunderbolt: General Creighton Abrams and the Army of His Times* is now back in print. *Thunderbolt* is the definitive biography of General Creighton Abrams, the man who commanded U.S. forces in Vietnam during the withdrawal stage and for whom the army’s main battle tank is named. First published in 1992, this new edition places the complex and sophisticated Abrams and his many achievements in the context of the army he served and ultimately led, and of the national and international events in which he played a vital role. For more information, go to http://www.iupress.indiana.edu/catalog/product_info.php?products_id=76844.

Book Honored

Daniel Beaver’s recent book, *Modernizing the American War Department: Change and Continuity in a Turbulent Era, 1885-1920*, has received a 2007 "Outstanding Academic Title Award" from *Choice*.

New Exhibit Created

The USS Constitution Museum recently seized an unparalleled opportunity and purchased at auction one of its most significant acquisitions ever: a series of four paintings of the CONSTITUTION vs. GUERRIERE battle of August 19, 1812, painted by Salem, MA artist George Ropes, Jr. and dated 1813. They are among the earliest images of this seminal battle. This is the moment CONSTITUTION earned her nickname of “Old Ironsides” and became the important national symbol that endures today.

These paintings are the Museum’s most important visual descriptions of the defining moment in CONSTITUTION’s career. George Ropes’ paintings will become the Museum’s signature images of this moment; they will be displayed together for only six months in an exhibit, beginning May 14 and ending November 14. They will then be rotated on and off display, used as aids in educational programs, and reproduced on product in the store for years to come.



Edward S. Miller Research Fellowship in Naval History Announced

The Naval War College Foundation intends to award one grant of \$1,000 to the researcher with the greatest need and can make the optimum use of the research materials for naval history located in the Naval War College's Archives, Naval Historical Collection, Naval War College Museum, and Henry E. Eccles Library. Further information on the manuscript and archival collections and copies of the registers for specific collections are available on request from the Head, Naval Historical Collection. E-mail: evelyn.cherpak@nwc.navy.mil.

The recipient will be a Research Fellow in the Naval War College’s Maritime History Department, which will provide administrative support during the research visit. Submit detailed research proposal that includes a full statement of financial need and comprehensive research plan for optimal use of Naval War College materials, curriculum vitae, at least two letters of recommendation, and relevant background information to Miller Naval History Fellowship Committee, Naval War College Foundation, 686 Cushing Road, Newport RI 02841-1207, by 1 August 2008. For further information, contact the chair of the selection committee at john.hattendorf@nwc.navy.mil. Employees of the U.S. Naval War College or any agency of the U.S. Department of Defense are not eligible for consideration; EEO/AA regulations apply.

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

At its Eleventh Annual Members Meeting, held 10 June 2008 in Arlington, VA, the Army Historical Foundation recognized six books and two articles as outstanding achievements in writing

on U.S. Army history. AHF President William W. Hartzog, USA-Ret., announced the winners of the 2007 AHF Distinguished Writing Awards. The winners:

Book Awards

Biography: *George Thomas: Virginian for the Union*, by Christopher J. Einolf (University of Oklahoma Press)

Operational/Battle History: *Corps Commanders of the Bulge: Six American Generals and Victory in the Ardennes*, by Harold R. Winton (University Press of Kansas)

Institutional/Functional History: *MACV: The Joint Command in the Years of Withdrawal*, by Graham Cosmas (U.S. Army Center of Military History)

Journals, Memoirs, and Letters: *War on Two Fronts: An Infantry Commander's War in Iraq and the Pentagon*, by COL Christopher P. Hughes, USA (Casemate)

Reference: *Uniforms, Arms, and Equipment: The U.S. Army on the Western Frontier, 1880-1892*, Volumes I & II, by Douglas C. McChristian (University of Oklahoma Press)

Reprint: *The Making of a Quagmire: America and Vietnam During the Kennedy Era*, by David Halberstam (Rowman & Littlefield)

Article Awards:

Army Professional Journals: "'We Have Found Each Other at Last': Americans and Australians at the Battle of Hamel in July 1918," by Mitchell Yockelson (*Army History*, Fall 2007)

Journals and Magazines: "The Army in the Marketplace: Recruiting an All-Volunteer Force," by Beth Bailey (*The Journal of American History*, June 2007)

The book award winners received a plaque honoring the book and a \$1,000 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 held in June.

The Society for Military History 2008 Awards

The Society recognized outstanding scholarship and service at the annual Awards Luncheon in Ogden, Utah this spring. Congratulations to all of the winners, and thank you for all that you do to improve the status and standing of military history.

The Distinguished Book Awards

US History: Latimer, Jon. *1812: War with America*. Cambridge: The Belknap Press of Harvard University Press, 2007.

Non-US History: Tone, John Lawrence. *War and Genocide in Cuba, 1895-1898*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2006.

Biography and Memoir: Hanna, Martha. *Your Death Would Be Mine: Paul and Marie Pireaud in the Great War*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2006.

Reference: Tucker, Spencer C., ed. *The Encyclopedia of the Cold War: A Political, Social and Military History*. Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO, 2008.

The Moncado Prizes for Best Articles in The Journal of Military History Vol. 71

January: Donald Kagay, "The Defense of the Crown of Aragon during the War of the Two Pedros, 1356-1366."

April: Lorraine White, "Strategic Geography and the Spanish Habsburg Monarchy's Failure to Recover Portugal, 1640-1668."

July: William Philpott and Martin Alexander, "The French and British Field Force: Moral Support or Material Contribution?"

October: Douglas Peifer, "The Past in the Present: Passion, Politics, and the Historical Profession in the German and British Pardons Campaign."

The Samuel Eliot Morison Prize

Professor Jeremy Black, Department of History, University of Exeter

The Victor Gondos Memorial Service Award

Wendy Vandervort, Office Manager, Society for Military History

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Professor Jeremy Black of the University of Exeter in the UK accepts the Samuel Eliot Morison Prize at the Awards Luncheon while SMH President Carol Reardon and Michael Neiberg look on.



Rick Atkinson, Bill Allison and Carol Reardon at the SMH Annual Meeting.



Katherine Epstein from Ohio State University (center) receives an SMH/ABC-CLIO History Research Grant at the Awards Luncheon.



(L to R): Mathew Ford, King's College, London; Andrew Hargreaves, King's College, London; Lori Ann Henning, Texas A&M University; Eric Klinek, Temple University; Patrick J. Rose, King's College, London; and Jacqueline E. Whitt, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill all received Russell F. Weigley Graduate Student Travel Grants to attend the 2008 SMH Annual Meeting.

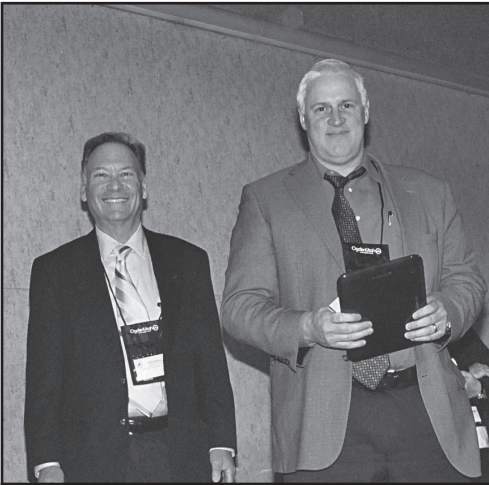
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Douglas Peifer (L) receives an SMH Moncado Prize from Robert Berlin for "The Past and the Present: Passion, Politics, and the Historical Profession in the German and British Pardons Campaign."



Wendy Vandervort (R) receives the Victor Gondos Memorial Service Award from Robert Berlin while Carol Reardon and Michael Neiberg look on.



John Lawrence Tone (center) receives a Distinguished Book Award from Robert Berlin for *War and Genocide in Cuba, 1895-1898*.



Martha Hanna (L) receives a Distinguished Book Award for *Your Death Would Be Mine: Paul and Marie Pireaud in the Great War* from Robert Berlin.



SMH Past President Tim Nenninger and SMH Trustee Kathleen Broome Williams.

Goodpaster Prize Awarded

On the evening of December 11, 2007, the American Veterans Center presented the inaugural Andrew J. Goodpaster Prize and Lecture, the first of what is hoped to be an annual series celebrating excellence in military scholarship. The lecture was held at the Army & Navy Club in downtown Washington and was sponsored by the Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation.

General Goodpaster, a highly-decorated veteran of World War II, went on to become staff secretary to President Eisenhower, Supreme Allied Commander of NATO, and superintendent of the United States Military Academy at West Point. He was among the most respected and influential military men of the 20th century, and epitomized the ideal of the “soldier-scholar,” holding multiple master’s degrees and a PhD from Princeton.

Following his passing in 2005, the American Veterans Center was determined to honor the legacy of one of America’s finest soldiers. Knowing his love of scholarship, the AVC worked to institute this first lecture and prize in his honor, which celebrates the scholarly work of military men and women.

The first recipient of the Goodpaster Prize, in the amount of \$5,000, was Dr. Lewis Sorley, a retired Army colonel, graduate of West Point, and Vietnam veteran known for such works as *Thunderbolt: General Creighton Abrams and the Army of His Times*, *Honorable Warrior: General Harold K. Johnson and the Ethics of Command*, and the Pulitzer Prize nominated *A Better War: The Unexamined Victories and Final Tragedy of America’s Last Years in Vietnam*.

Dr. Sorley has been at the forefront of the movement to reclaim the honor of the men and women who served in Vietnam, and his work has caused fellow historians and the media to re-examine America’s role in the war, and its result. During his talk he called attention to the fact that in World War II, two-thirds of those serving were draftees—in Vietnam, it was the opposite, with only one-third being draftees. Additionally, polls of Vietnam veterans note that an amazing 91% of Vietnam veterans were proud of their service, with two-thirds saying they would do it all over again, knowing the result.

Speaking of the Vietnam generation, Dr. Sorley said, “The World War II generation has been called “The Greatest Generation,” which is rightfully deserved. But if I last long enough, I intend to write another book, and the title might be *Also Great: The Generation That Fought the Vietnam War*, because I think they are a marvelous generation which hasn’t gotten the credit they deserve.”



Dr. Lewis Sorley receives the inaugural Goodpaster Prize.

NCH Washington Update

By Lee White 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.

NARA ESTABLISHES “CONTROLLED UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION OFFICE”- On May 22, Archivist of the United States Allen Weinstein announced the establishment of the “Controlled Unclassified Information Office” (CUIO) within the National Archives and Records Administration. Weinstein also announced that William J. Bosanko, director of the Information Security Oversight Office, will head up this newly formed office. The Office is being created in response to the Memorandum for the Heads of Departments and Agencies on the Designation and Sharing of Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) issued by President Bush on May 9, 2008. The Presidential memorandum designated the National Archives as responsible for overseeing and managing the implementation of the CUI framework.

The new CUI policy is an attempt by the Bush administration to standardize procedures for the treatment of what is referred to as “Sensitive But Unclassified” (SBU) information. The memorandum issued by the president adopts, defines and institutes “Controlled Unclassified Information” as the new standard for the treatment of such information. There are currently over 100 different markings for sensitive information that has led to over-classification. The new CUI policy would reduce that to three categories.

Three new categories are:

- “Controlled with Standard Dissemination” meaning the information requires standard safeguarding measures that reduce the risks of unauthorized or inadvertent disclosure. Dissemination is permitted to the extent that it is reasonably believed that it would further the execution of a lawful or official purpose.

- “Controlled with Specified Dissemination” meaning the information requires safeguarding measures that reduce the risks of unauthorized or inadvertent disclosure. Material contains additional instructions on what dissemination is permitted.

- “Controlled Enhanced with Specified Dissemination” meaning the information requires safeguarding measures more stringent than those normally required since the inadvertent or unauthorized disclosure would create risk of substantial harm. Material contains additional instructions on what dissemination is permitted.

The Director of the new CUI Office will:

- Develop and issue CUI policy standards and implementation guidance. As appropriate, establish new safeguarding and dissemination controls, and, upon a determination that extraordinary circumstances warrant the use of additional CUI markings, authorize the use of such additional markings;

- Establish, approve, and maintain safeguarding standards and dissemination instructions, including “Specified Dissemination” requirements proposed by the heads of departments and agencies;

- Publish the CUI safeguarding and dissemination standards in the CUI Registry;

- Establish and chair the CUI Council;

- Monitor department and agency compliance with CUI policy, standards, and markings;

- Establish baseline-training requirements and develop an ISE-wide CUI training program to be implemented by departments and agencies;

- Provide appropriate information regarding the CUI Framework to the Congress, to State, local, tribal, and private sector entities, and to foreign partners;

- Advise the heads of departments and agencies on the resolution by the CUI Council of complaints and disputes among such departments and agencies concerning the proper designation or marking of CUI; and

- Establish, in consultation with affected departments and agencies, a process that addresses enforcement mechanisms and penalties for improper handling of CUI.

NARA REACHES DEAL WITH ANCESTRY.COM TO DIGITIZE RECORDS- Archivist of the United States Allen Weinstein and Tim Sullivan, Chief Executive Officer of The Generations Network, parent company of Ancestry.com, have signed a five-year agreement to digitize selected records from the holdings of the National Archives. The Generations Network’s Ancestry.com web site currently has the largest online collection of digitized and indexed National Archives content, including the complete U.S. Federal Census Collection, 1790-1930, passenger lists from 1820-1960 and WWI and WWII draft registration cards.

This agreement allows for the ongoing digitization of historical content that will include birth, marriage, death, immigration and military service information. The new agreement will allow Ancestry.com to place its technicians and scanning machines at the National Archives to digitize content for online access. Ancestry.com will make the digitized materials available via subscription. The Generations Network will provide free online access to the digitized materials in all National Archives research rooms nationwide. In addition, The Generations Network will donate to the National Archives a copy of all the digital images and technical and functional metadata that will enable retrieval of the material at the level of archival control.

WHITE HOUSE E-MAILS MISSING FROM INITIAL MONTHS OF IRAQ WAR- In court documents filed this week, the Bush administration admitted that it has no computer back-up tapes with data written before May 23, 2003, and that it cannot track the history of missing E-mails created between March and May 2003. This three-month gap includes the historically critical period beginning when the United States invaded Iraq on March 23, 2003 and the May 1, 2003, announcement by President Bush that major combat operations had ended in Iraq.

A sworn declaration from White House Chief Information Officer Theresa Payton was filed as part consolidated litigation brought by the National Security Archive and the Citizens For Responsibility and Ethics in Washington (CREW) seeking the identification, recovery and preservation of millions of missing White House E-mails.

In its most recent statements to the court, the White House continued to claim that “E-mails sent or received in the 2003-2005 time period should be contained on existing back-up tapes.” However, Ms. Payton admitted in her court declaration that of 438 Executive Office of the President back-up tapes created between March 1 and September 30, 2003, “the earliest date on which data

was written on any of the 438 tapes is May 23, 2003.”

“What is most shocking is that if anyone at the White House was deleting their E-mails during the invasion of Iraq, those E-mails are not on any back-up tapes,” said National Security Archive director Tom Blanton. The National Security Archive is a member of the National Coalition for History.

HOUSE PANEL CLEARS BILL ON PRESERVATION OF FEDERAL & WHITE HOUSE E-MAILS- On May 1, 2008, the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee reported out the “Electronic Communications Preservation Act” (H.R. 5811). The legislation would amend both the Federal Records and Presidential Records Acts by requiring the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) to establish standards for the capture, management, preservation and electronic retrieval of Federal agency and White House E-mail communications. The National Coalition for History supports passage of H.R. 5811.

The version passed by the Committee was amended in two critical ways. First, the term “electronic communications” in the original bill was changed to “electronic messages” in the version that cleared the Committee. At last week’s hearing on the bill, Paul M. Wester, Jr., NARA’s Director of the Modern Records Program had testified that the term “electronic communications” in the bill was overbroad and ambiguous. As a result, the language was changed to “electronic messages” to clarify that the bill’s intent was to capture and preserve E-mail communications “that are records.”

Second, the language defining the parameters for software designed to operate the electronic management system was amended to provide greater flexibility to allow for future technological improvements.

NARA would have 18 months to promulgate the regulations mandated by the bill. Federal agencies and the White House would then have no more than four years to comply. After that, NARA would be required to report to Congress on White House and Federal agency compliance.

NARA & CIA REACH AGREEMENT ON RELEASE OF FEDERAL RECORDS- On April 17, 2008, the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) announced that it had signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) describing the procedures and conditions that govern the treatment of CIA records once they are transferred to NARA’s legal custody. This agreement sets the stage for the transfer of the CIA’s permanent Federal records that are 50 years or older to the National Archives.

According to a press release issued by NARA, the MOU “will enable the Archives to process records that were generated by the CIA and other agencies and organizations that contain identifiable and classified CIA information more quickly.”

However, Steven Aftergood, editor of Secrecy News said, “The memorandum itself does not seem very promising. It imposes a number of binding requirements on NARA officials, including referral to CIA of any request for records that have not already been approved for public release. No binding requirements are imposed on CIA, beyond an open-ended commitment to ‘review’ any such requests.”

HISTORIANS PROTEST RELOCATION OF EUROPEAN READING ROOM AT THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS- The Library of Congress announced to its staff in mid-March that it would close the current European Reading Room (ERR) space in April and convert it into an exhibition area. This development caused an outcry in the historical community amid concerns the ERR would be permanently closed or after a lengthy relocation delay that the facility would be moved into smaller inadequate space with a loss of research staff. On April 3, 2008, the Library of Congress announced that “contrary to recent concerns” that the European Reading room would not be closed, but relocated.

The press release said that this summer, the reading room would be relocated to the Southeast Pavilion, in the Jefferson Building. The press release said, “We will sustain in the new configuration all scholarly usage that has been made available in the current configuration of the European Reading Room. There will be no loss or interruption of service, and ample room to accommodate the maximum number of readers that has ever used the current reading space.”

In talking to one of the historians leading the opposition to the relocation, we were told that removal of reference material will commence on or before April 21 and the European Reading Room will close no later than May 1. The current space will then be transformed into an exhibit honoring the bicentennial of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. However, according to this historian, the Southern Pavilion is still completely bare and despite assurances from the Library of Congress, there are fears that researchers will face a major disruption in services.

A group of scholars, known as the Coalition to Save the European Reading Room has been formed to protest the relocation of the ERR and to lobby congress and the Library’s management to ensure that there is no interruptions of service or diminution in the quality of the facilities and staffing in the new location.

SOCIETY FOR MILITARY HISTORY

FIRST-MANUSCRIPT PRIZE

The Society for Military History invites submissions for the SMH First-Manuscript Prize. This prize will be awarded annually to an author who has not previously published a scholarly book-length manuscript on military history. The competition is open to authors of studies centering on campaigns, leaders, technology, and doctrine, and to scholars whose work blends military history with social, political, economic, and diplomatic history.

The winning author will receive a cash award, a plaque, and, after successful editorial review, a publication contract with the University of North Carolina Press. The winner also will be recognized at the Awards Luncheon at the Society for Military History annual meeting.

Eligibility:

1. The author must be a member in good standing of the Society for Military History.
2. Only English-language manuscripts will be considered; U.S. citizenship is not required.
3. The text of a submitted manuscript must be at least 250 pages in length.
4. Translations are not eligible for consideration unless the author both translated and annotated the manuscript.
5. It is recommended that recently-defended dissertations be revised with publication in mind.
6. Manuscripts under consideration by other presses may be entered into this competition, but if the work is accepted for publication elsewhere during the Prize Committee's deliberations, the author is obligated to notify the committee chair immediately.

Format for Submissions: This competition will take place in two stages.



STAGE ONE:

1. The author must submit a 10-page double-spaced prospectus of the work intended for submission. This prospectus must include a precise statement of the work's thesis and conclusions, its place in the relevant historiography, and the new or under utilized primary source materials or innovative methodologies that shape it. The author's name must not appear on any page after the cover page.
2. This prospectus must be submitted electronically as a Word document to Dr. Roger Spiller, chair of the 2009 Coffman Prize Committee, at inspiller@aol.com. The author must also send a double-spaced one-sided print copy to Dr. Spiller at 4228 Shrine Park Road, Leavenworth, KS 66048.
3. Deadline for the submission of each electronic and print prospectus is 1 September 2008
4. Include a full and current c.v. with the print copy of your prospectus.
5. The Coffman Prize committee will choose the finalists from this initial pool of submissions. All entrants will be informed of their status by or about 1 November 2008.

STAGE TWO:

For finalists only.

1. Send three (3) copies of your double-spaced manuscript, in 12-point type, to Dr. Spiller at the address supplied in Point 2 above. Please print out the manuscript on only one side of a page and number the pages consecutively.
2. Your full manuscript by received by 1 January 2009.
3. Manuscripts will not be returned.



**THE US ARMY AND THE INTERAGENCY PROCESS:
HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES**
16-18 September, 2008
Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

The United States Army Combat Studies Institute will host "The US Army and the Interagency Process: Historical Perspectives."

This symposium will explore partnerships between the US Army and government agencies within a historical context. International topics may also be presented.

The program will consist of seven, two-speaker panels. There will also be several featured speakers. Possible topics include:

- British Colonial Office through the Ages.
- Post American Civil War: Reconstruction, Bureau of Indian Affairs, US in the Philippines, Haiti 1915, Mexican Border 1916.
- Post World War I: Occupation of the Ruhr, Central America.
- Post World War II: Greek Civil War, British Experience in Kenya, Occupation of Germany, Japan, or South Korea 1945 -1950.
- Cold War: Planning for Nuclear War, CORDS Program in Vietnam/Phoenix, Grenada, Suez Crisis, El Salvador, or Columbia.
- Post Cold War: Northern Ireland, Bosnia, Kosovo, East Timor, Solomon Islands 2001.
- The Long War: Afghanistan, Iraq, Philippines and East Asia, Africa
- Domestic Civil Support: Civil Disturbances, Disaster Response, War on Drugs, Illegal Immigration, Joint Interagency Task Forces.

Please send CVs and proposals (300 words) for individual papers or full panels to CSconference08@leavenworth.army.mil or ken.gott@us.army.mil.

CSI will publish the proceedings of the conference in an edited volume.

The closing date for proposals is 15 May 2008

HISTORIAN ALLAN R. MILLETT
TO RECEIVE 2008 PRITZKER MILITARY LIBRARY
LITERATURE AWARD FOR LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

\$100,000 Award to be Presented at October 4, 2008 Gala in Chicago

Chicago, IL (June 23, 2008) – Allan R. Millett has been selected to receive the 2008 Pritzker Military Library Literature Award for Lifetime Achievement in Military Writing. The \$100,000 honorarium, citation and medallion, sponsored by the Chicago-based Tawani Foundation, will be presented at the Library's annual Liberty Gala on October 4, 2008 at Chicago's Drake Hotel. The announcement was made today via Internet webcast by the Library's President and Founder, COL (IL) James N. Pritzker IL ARNG (Ret.), at www.pritzkermilitarylibrary.org.

The Pritzker Military Library Literature Award recognizes a living author for a body of work that has profoundly enriched the public understanding of American military history. The recipient's contributions may be academic, non-fiction, fiction, or a combination of any of the three, and his or her work should embody the values of the Pritzker Military Library. A national panel of historians, writers and individuals related to the study of American history and heritage - including the first recipient of the award, James M. McPherson - reviewed nominations and definitive works submitted by publishers, agents, book sellers and other professional literary organizations. The finalist recommendation was unanimously endorsed by the executive council of the Foundation established to oversee the award process.

James N. Pritzker states, "The selection committee has honored an individual whose life's work in the area of understanding and writing about military history is at the highest scholarly level. Allan Millett's written work, teaching and other pursuits have educated and informed us all in a most profound way. In creating this premiere annual award to recognize one author's lifetime commitment to scholarly writing on military topics we ultimately hope to contribute to a better understanding of the horrible complexities of war, past, present and future."

The Director of the Eisenhower Center for American Studies and Ambrose Professor of History, University of New Orleans and the Maj. Gen. Raymond E. Mason, Jr. Professor Emeritus of Military History, The Ohio State University, Allan R. Millett is a specialist in the history of America's military policy, twentieth century wars, and military institutions.

He is author of many books including *Semper Fidelis: The History of the United States Marine Corps*; *The Politics of Intervention: The Military Occupation of Cuba, 1906-1909*; *The General: Robert L. Bullard and Officership in the United States Army*; and *In Many a Strife: General Gerald C. Thomas and the U.S. Marine Corps*. He is the co-author of *For the Common Defense* and *A War to Be Won: Fighting the Second World War*.

In the past decade, Millett also has become a specialist of international stature on the history of the Korean War. He began his work on the war as a Fulbright Distinguished Professor, Korean National Defense University, in 1991, and a Fellow of the Korea Foundation, 1996. In this area of scholarship, Millett has written *Their War for Korea* (2000) and *A House Burning: The War for Korea* (2005). Four of his books are on the required reading list for officers of the U.S. Armed Services and he has contributed original essays to fifteen books on the Korean War, World War II, American historiography, foreign and defense policy and military history. Dr. Millett also has written more than thirty articles for such publications as *International Security*, *The Americas*, *Armed Forces and Society*, *Strategic Review*, *Journal of Strategic Studies*, and *Military History Quarterly*.

Dr. Millett is a colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve. His military experience included twelve years of reserve service in infantry units, including command of an infantry battalion, for which he was awarded the Legion of Merit in 1989.

States Millett, "The Tawani Foundation and the Pritzker Military Library honor me with the second annual Pritzker Award for lifetime achievement in military history scholarship. The award is especially satisfying since it is decided by a group of distinguished historians. I share this honor with my two co-authors, Peter Maslowski and Williamson Murray, and with our loyal legion of graduate students at The Ohio State University. I am indebted to the Mershon Center at Ohio State and to General and Mrs. Raymond E. Mason, Jr., who have supported my research."

Millett's nomination was submitted by two of his publishers, the University Press of Kansas and Harvard University Press.

Michael Briggs, Editor In Chief of the University Press of Kansas, states, "Long before I began working with Allan Millett, I knew of him by reputation—as one of America's premier military historians. In the ensuing years, his stature and contributions—including volume one of his Korean War trilogy published by Kansas—have continued to grow, further enlarging the boundaries for a field that combines rigorous scholarship and popular appeal. He is without question a consummate scholar and writer, utterly professional and reliable, traits that have illuminated every aspect of our

publishing relationship. He brings to the table both a well-earned confidence and a willingness to listen to editorial advice, all in the service of an unrelenting commitment to excellence and high standards. I consider it an honor and a privilege to call him my colleague and friend.”

Joyce Seltzer, Senior Executive Editor in History and Contemporary Affairs at the Harvard University Press, states, “I am delighted that our author, Allan R. Millett, has won the Pritzker Military Library Literature Award for Lifetime Achievement in Military Writing. He has contributed so substantially to the revitalization and reconceptualization of military history over the last four decades. As the co-author, with Williamson Murray, of *A War To Be Won: Fighting the Second World War*, he continued his quest to broaden and deepen the field of military history so as to capture the fullest meanings and dimensions of war. The book is a tour de force, bringing to life the innumerable people, places, and events occurring in both the European and Pacific theaters and providing a brilliant overall narrative that never loses sight of the critical significance and implications of the war.”

The Pritzker Military Library Literature Award will be presented on October 4, 2008 during the Library’s annual Liberty Gala at Chicago’s historic Drake Hotel (140 E. Walton Place). The Library will also recognize the philanthropic efforts of the McCormick Foundation with the Founder’s Award. The evening will include a tribute to members of the U.S. Armed Forces. For more information on the Liberty Gala or to purchase tickets, visit the Gala website at: www.pmlgala.org.

MEETINGS CALENDAR 2008

July 24-27 3rd Annual Military Seminar Series: “The World on Fire” – The First World War: The Seven Years War and French & Indian War 1754-63. Held as part of the Historical Miniatures Gaming Society's East Historicon 2008 in Lancaster, PA. Contact: seminars@historicon.org.

July 25-27 10th Conference on Women and the Civil War. Gettysburg, PA. Full information at www.swcw.org.

July 31-August 4 The Obersalzberg as an Historical Landscape: The Destruction, Militarisation, Destruction and Revival of the Obersalzberg. For more information, contact Dr. David Hall at dhall.jscsc@da.mod.uk or by regular mail at Defence Studies Department, Joint Services Command and Staff College, Shrivenham, Swindon, SN6 8TS, United Kingdom.

August 5-10 The Social History of Military Technology, as part of the annual meeting of International Congress of the History of Technology, to be held at the University of Victoria, BC, Canada. Website: <http://www.icohtec.org/>.

September 3-7 Imaging War: Intergenerational Perspectives, Vadstena Klosterhotel, Sweden. Contact: Anne Blondeel-Oman at ablondeel@esf.org. For more information, see <http://www.esf.org/activities/esf-conferences/details/confdetail258.html?conf=258&year=2008/>.

September 4-5 Men at Arms: New Histories of Soldiering in Britain, 1750-1850, University of Northampton. Contact: Dr. Matthew McCormack at matthew.mccormack@northampton.ac.uk.

September 11-12 Reconsidering Conflict, Terror and Resolution. University of Strathclyde, Glasgow. For more details please visit www.strath.ac.uk/scar or E-mail scar-group@strath.ac.uk.

September 12-14 Western Front Association annual National Seminar, U. S. Army Heritage and Education Center, Carlisle, PA. Contact Louise Arnold-Friend at warsrus@mindspring.com for more information.

September 24-27 Northern Great Plains History Conference in Brandon, Manitoba, Canada. For SMH-specific information, check <http://personal2.stthomas.edu/jcfitzharris/NGPHC/>.

November 8 WFA New England - New York Chapter Annual Seminar, US Military Academy, West Point, NY. Contact Dr. Guy Cavallaro at Ph1m2h3@aol.com.

November 14-15 Global Encounters: Legacies of Exchange and Conflict (1000-1700), University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. Contact Information: Brett Edward Whalen, Department of History, CB# 3195 (Hamilton Hall), UNC-Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC 27599. Email: bwhalen@email.unc.edu. Website at <http://mems.unc.edu/>.

November 26-27 Small Powers in the Age of Total War 1900-1940. Royal Netherlands Defence Academy, Breda. For more information, contact Prof. Dr. H. Amersfoort at h.amersfoort@nlda.nl or to Prof. Dr. W. Klinkert at w.klinkert.01@nlda.nl.

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MEETINGS CALENDAR 2009

January 4 George C. Marshall Lecture. Professor Paul Kennedy of Yale University will present the lecture at the American Historical Association meeting at the New York Hilton. His topic will be: History from the Middle? The Case of the Second World War. The lecture is jointly sponsored by SMH and the George C. Marshall Foundation

April 2-5 The SMH 2009 Annual Meeting will be in Murfreesboro, TN hosted by Middle Tennessee State University and coordinated by Derek Frisby.

MEETINGS CALENDAR 2010

May 20-23 The SMH 2010 Annual Meeting will be in Lexington, VA hosted by the Virginia Military Institute and the George C. Marshall Foundation. Casey Brower at VMI and Brian Shaw, Director of the Marshall Foundation, are coordinating the meeting.

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