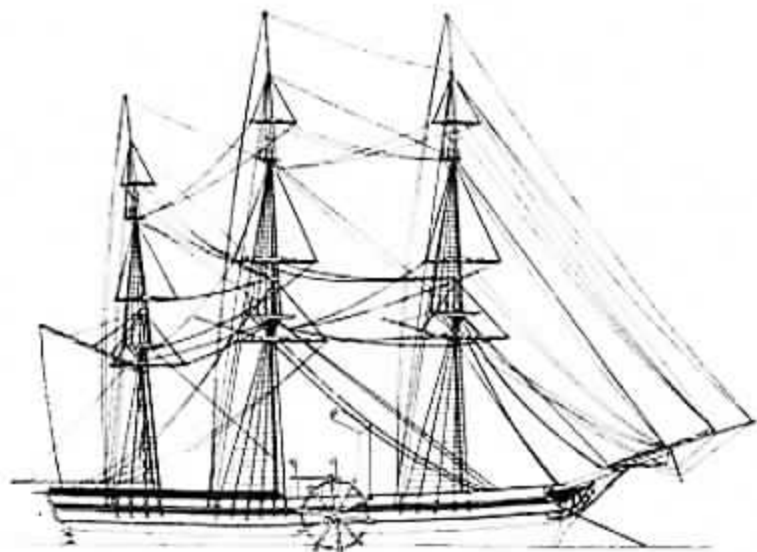


North American Society for Oceanic History

13th Annual Meeting

Society for the History of Discoveries

29th Annual Meeting



**Fort Mason Convention Center
San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park
Treasure Island**

**June 8-10, 1989
SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

**Joint Meeting of
The Society for the History of Discoveries and
The North American Society for Oceanic History
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Venues

All events will take place at the Fort Mason Convention Center, San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park, Treasure Island Naval Station and on the vessels *Eureka* and *Jeremiah O'Brien*.

Cover Illustration: In 1819, the *Savannah* (a 110-foot full-rigged ship with paddle wheels as auxiliary power) sailed from New York to Liverpool in 29 days. Source: Lionel Casson, *Illustrated History of Ships & Boats* (1964).

PROGRAM

THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 1989

SHD COUNCIL MEETING

10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m. [Board Room, Quality Hotel]

REGISTRATION

12:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. [Foyer, Fort Mason Convention Center]

WELCOME

1:30 p.m.-1:45 p.m. [Room A-1, Fort Mason Convention Center]

****SESSION I - COLUMBUS I**

1:45 p.m.-3:00 p.m. [Room A-1, Fort Mason Convention Center]

Chair: **Robert H. Fuson** (*University of South Florida*)

Delno C. West (*University of Northern Arizona*), "Christopher Columbus and the Recapture of Jerusalem"

John Parker (*James Ford Bell Library*), "Columbus's Perception of the Ocean Sea"

Malcolm Richardson (*National Endowment for the Humanities*), "The Endowment's Role in Funding Projects Related to the Columbian Quincentenary"

BREAK

3:00 p.m.-3:15 p.m.

****SESSION II - THE MERCHANT MARINE**

3:15 p.m.-4:30 p.m. [Room A-1, Fort Mason Convention Center]

Chair: **James M. Morris** (*Christopher Newport College*)

Charles D. Gibson (*Camden, ME*), "The Arming of the United States Merchant Vessels, 1775-1945"

Charles Tull (*Indiana University at South Bend*), "Wooden Ship Controversy: The Denman-Goethals Feud of 1917"

William Dunne (*State University of New York, Stonybrook*), "Thomas Francis McManus: Naval Architect, 1856-1938"

**TOUR OF SAN FRANCISCO MARITIME NATIONAL
HISTORICAL PARK'S COLLECTIONS MANAGEMENT
FACILITY, HISTORIC DOCUMENTS DEPARTMENT
AND THE LIBRARY**

4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

RECEPTION AND BUFFET ON THE EUREKA

7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 9, 1989

REGISTRATION

8:30 a.m.-11:40 a.m. [Foyer, Fort Mason Convention Center]

****SESSION III-A - SAVING THE REMAINS: HISTORIANS,
ARCHAEOLOGISTS AND U.S. NAVY
WRECKS**

8:30 a.m.-11:40 a.m. [Room A-1, Fort Mason Convention Center]

Chair: **William Dudley** (*Naval Historical Center*)

James P. Delgado (*National Park Service*), "The Case of the
U.S. Brig *Somers*"

Mike Curtin (*Hampton Roads Naval Museum*), "*U.S.S. Cum-
berland's* Watery Grave"

Kevin Foster (*National Park Service*), "*U.S.S. Kearsarge*:
An Object Lesson in Exploitation"

Gordon P. Watts (*East Carolina University*), "*C.S.S. Alabama*:
Confederate Cause Celebre"

Wilson West (*Hampton Roads Naval Museum*), "The Contro-
versy Over the *U.S.S. Tecumseh*"

Rear Admiral John Jenkins (USN Ret.) (*National Law Center*),
"Legal and Diplomatic Aspects of Historic Navy Wrecks"

****SESSION III-B - TECHNOLOGY OF EXPLORATION**

8:30 a.m.-11:40 a.m. [Library, San Francisco Maritime National
Historical Park]

Chair: **Bruce B. Solnick** (*State University of New York, Albany*)

Steven W. Mitchell (*California State University, Bakersfield*),
"Ceramic Fingerprints of the Exploration of the Americas"

James Enterline (*New York, NY*), "Cryptography in the Yale Vinland Map"

Richard A. Stephenson (*East Carolina University*), "Comparative Cartography and Coastal Processes: Four Hundred Years of Change on the Outer Banks of North Carolina"

Thomas Cahill (*Nova Albion Foundation*), "The Drake Plate of Brass - The Report of the PIXIE Analysis by the Crocker Nuclear Laboratory"

Robert F. Marx (*Phoenician Explorations*), "The Manila Galleon *San Augustin*"

LUNCH

12:00 Noon-1:15 p.m. [Fort Mason Convention Center]

**SESSION IV-A - COLUMBUS II

1:15 p.m.-2:30 p.m. [Room A-1, Fort Mason Convention Center]

Chair: **David Icenogle** (*Auburn University*)

Donald L. McGuirk, Jr. (*Denver, CO*), "The Islands of Triango and the Columbus Landfall"

Arne B. Molander (*Gaithersburg, MD*), "The Columbus Journal Translations- A Northern Viewpoint"

John H. Winslow (*New Providence, Bahamas*), "Columbus Was Right: The First Landfall Was Near 26 Degrees North"

**SESSION IV-B - PACIFIC COAST MARITIME ACTIVITIES

1:15 p.m.-2:30 p.m. [*Jeremiah O'Brien*]

Chair: **Clark Reynolds** (*College of Charleston*)

Charles R. Schultz (*Texas A & M University*), "Life on Board Gold Rush Ships"

James H. Hitchman (*Western Washington University*), "Measuring the Growth of Pacific Coast Maritime Trade, 1850-1970"

Harold D. Huycke Jr. (*Edmonds, WA*), "Southern California Sport Fishing Barge Industry"

BREAK

2:30 p.m.-2:45 p.m.

**SESSION V-A - SPANISH ACTIVITY IN AMERICA

2:45 p.m.-3:35 p.m. [Room A-1, Fort Mason Convention Center]

Chair: **Sanford H. Bederman** (*Georgia State University*)
Jack D.L. Holmes (*Birmingham, AL*), "Gabriel y Estenoz
and His 1806 Historical Geography of Louisiana"
Elizabeth A.H. John (*Austin, TX*), "Spanish Perceptions of
the American West, 1799"

****SESSION V-B - MERCHANTMEN AND PRIVATEERS**
2:45 p.m.-4:00 p.m. [*Jeremiah O'Brien*]

Chair: **Timothy Runyon** (*Cleveland State University*)
Geoffrey Rossano (*Ashley Falls, MA*), "American Merchant-
men and the Great Central American Logwood War,
1730-1739"
Faye Kert (*Canadian War Museum*), "Good and Lawful
Prizes: Privateering and the Laws of Nations"
Carl E. Swanson (*East Carolina University*), "The Popularity
of American Privateering, 1739-1748"

****SESSION VI-A - LITERARY DEPICTION OF THE PACIFIC**
3:45 p.m.-5:00 p.m. [Room A-1, Fort Mason Convention Center]

Chair: **Martin Torodash** (*Stockbridge, MA*)
Michael T. Cartwright (*McGill University*), "Anglo-
Germano-French Contentions in the Pacific, 1771-
1772: The Forsters' Translation of, and Reflections
Upon, Bougainville's *Voyage autour du Monde*"
Donald S. Marshall (*University of California, Berkeley*), "An
'Amateur' Geographer - H.F. Aitken and the Pacific
Island Discoveries"
Norman J.W. Thrower (*University of California, Los Angeles*),
"A 'Bucannier's' Atlas: The South Sea Waggoner of
Basil Ringrose"

****SESSION VI-B - MAPS OF RUSSIA AND THEIR MAKERS:
A SELECTION AND COMMENTARY**
4:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m. [*Jeremiah O'Brien*]

Organizer: **Carol Urness** (*James Ford Bell Library*)
Chair: **Edward H. Dahl** (*National Archives of Canada*)
Participants: **Warren Heckrotte** (*Oakland, CA*), **Marvin W. Falk**
(*University of Alaska, Fairbanks*), **Carol Urness** (*James*

Ford Bell Library), **Dee Longenbaugh** (*Sitka, AK*), **Raymond H. Fisher** (*University of California, Los Angeles*)

**BUSES DEPART FROM QUALITY INN
FOR TREASURE ISLAND**

6:00 p.m.

RECEPTION

6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. [Treasure Island Museum]

**BANQUET- Remarks by Carol Urness (President, SHD)
and Barry Gough (President, NASOH)**

7:30-9:15 p.m. [Officer's Club, Treasure Island]

SATURDAY, JUNE 10, 1989

LATE REGISTRATION [Foyer, Fort Mason Convention Center]

8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

NASOH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

6:45 a.m.-7:45 a.m. [Place to be announced]

****SESSION VII-A - PACIFIC LANDFALLS**

8:15 a.m.-9:30 a.m. [Room A-2, Fort Mason Convention Center]

Chair: **Theodore N. Foss** (*Stanford University*)

Dirk Anthony Ballendorf (*University of Guam*), "Magellan's
Landfall in the Marianas Finally Established at Guam"

O.W. Frost (*Alaska Pacific University*), "Russia's First
Known American Landing, 1741"

Robert H. Power (*Nova Albion Foundation*), "Captain
General Francis Drake's Micro Map of the Bay - Gulf
of the Farallons and San Francisco Bay, 1579"

****SESSION VII-B - THREE NAVAL OFFICERS AND A
STEAMSHIP**

8:15 a.m.-9:55 a.m. [Room A-1, Fort Mason Convention Center]

Chair: **Karen Markoe** (*State University of N. Y. Maritime College*)

William James Morgan (*Silver Spring, MD*), Wilke's Expedition in the Northwest"

Richard A. von Doenhoff (*National Archives*), Commodore Lawrence Kearney, Commander of the East India Squadron, 1841-1844"

Fred W. Hopkins Jr. (*Linthicum, MD*), "She was Only an Irregular - The Steamship *Monumental City*"

Edward P. Von der Porten (*Treasure Island Museum*), "Francis Drake in California"

BREAK

9:55 a.m.-10:15 a.m.

****SESSION VIII-A - MYTHS, MYSTERIES AND REAL PLACES IN THE PACIFIC**

10:15 a.m.-11:30 a.m. [Room A-1, Fort Mason Convention Center]

Chair: **Joyce Lorimer** (*Wilfrid Laurier University*)

Robert H. Fuson (*University of South Florida*), "The Positive Identification of *Satanazes* on the Nautical Chart of 1424"

W. Michael Mathes (*Sutro Library*), "Geography's Most Persistent Myth: The Armenian's Isles of Rica de Oro and Rica de Plata"

Gregory C. McIntosh (*Hermosa Beach, CA*), "The *Inventio Fortunata*: New Light on a Medieval Mystery"

****SESSION VIII-B - SPANISH AMERICAN WAR RE-EXAMINED**

10:15 a.m.-11:30 a.m. [Room A-2, Fort Mason Convention Center]

Chair: **James C. Bradford** (*Texas A & M University*)

Ken Hagen (*U.S. Naval Academy*), "Dewey at Manila: A False Test Case of the Sea Power Thesis"

Harold D. Langley (*Smithsonian Institution*), "A New Look at Schley and Santiago"

Joseph G. Dawson III (*Texas A & M University*), "Admiral William T. Sampson: Naval Administrator and Technologist"

LUNCHEON

12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. [Room A-1, Fort Mason Convention Center]

BUSINESS MEETINGS

1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. [Rooms A-1 and A-2, Fort Mason
Convention Center]

TOURS

2:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

VENUES

Fort Mason Center

Fort Mason, a 68-acre complex of piers, warehouses, and sundry buildings, functioned as a military installation from its inception in 1797 as a Spanish battery of five 8-pounder brass cannon until 1962 when the Army turned the lower fort over to civilian use. Ten years later Congress incorporated that site into the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA), a newly formed urban national park encompassing several thousand acres of shoreline. In January 1977, Fort Mason opened its doors to the public as a non-profit, community-oriented, 300,000-square-foot, eight building complex offering a broad spectrum of free and low-cost activities including education, performing arts, and visual arts.

San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park

San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park preserves and interprets the saga of the people and the ships that helped shape and develop the Pacific Coast. The Park offers several attractions, including artifacts and photographs in the museum building, research facilities housed in the J. Porter Shaw Library, and a variety of historical vessels berthed along the San Francisco waterfront.

Treasure Island Naval Station

The U.S. Corps of Engineers built this 400-acre artificial island on the north side of Yerba Buena Island in the San Francisco Bay to serve as the site for the Golden Gate International Exposition of 1939. Following the exhibition's conclusion, Treasure Island became a U.S. naval station and the headquarters of the Navy's Western Sea Frontier. This September, Treasure Island will celebrate its 50th Anniversary by hosting the San Francisco City Fair.

Jeremiah O'Brien

The *Jeremiah O'Brien* is the last unaltered survivor of the 2,751 Liberty ships built during World War II. Completed in an incredible six to eight weeks, these ships ferried troops and supplies around the globe and served in all theaters of war. The National Liberty Ship Memorial preserves, maintains and operates the *Jeremiah O'Brien*.

Eureka

Between 1922 and 1941, the sidewheel ferry *Eureka*, built in 1890, hauled as many as 2,300 passengers and 120 automobiles at a time across San Francisco Bay. In her day, the *Eureka*, powered by a massive four-story steam engine, was the world's largest passenger ferry.

The North American Society for Oceanic History, founded in 1947, is dedicated to the researching and dissemination of information concerning all phases of maritime, naval and nautical history worldwide. Membership includes professional historians, archivists, museum curators, naval personnel and armchair sailors with interests and specializations that include maritime technology, weaponry, ordnance, ship construction and naval strategy.

NASOH's annual meetings offer members the opportunity to present research papers, exchange ideas and renew friendships and professional acquaintances. The society publishes these proceedings as well as a tri-annual newsletter. Once a year NASOH bestows the John Lyman Book Award upon a member for his/her outstanding work and contributions to the literature of oceanic history.

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The Society for the History of Discoveries is an organization formed for the purpose of stimulating interest in teaching, research and publishing the history of geographical exploration. Founded in 1960, the society includes members from several academic disciplines, librarians, archivists, non-affiliated scholars and laypersons with an interest in history. Fields of specialization include such related subjects as the history of European expansion, cartography, navigation and colonial settlement.

The society's publication program includes *Terrae Incognitae*, an annual journal of research papers and book reviews, which first appeared in 1969. Between 1971 and 1976, the society also published, jointly with the Newberry Library, five volumes in the series *Studies in the History of Discovery*.

The *Newsletter* reports activities of members and general news of activities within the discipline. Papers are read and discussed at annual meetings, which are usually held in libraries and museums.

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