A message from our president

Since I became President of APHNYS on November 1, 2016, I have been very busy learning the ropes. There sure is much to learn!

I hope you have all been sending in your 2017 Dues/Membership Forms with your payments. If you have, thank you! If you have not yet done so, please do so as soon as possible. The form is on our website: www.aphnys.org

The deadlines for the 2017 conference in Poughkeepsie are fast approaching. We have included the Program, Registration Form, and Hotel Reservation Form in this newsletter. They are also available on our website.

We received more than 25 proposals from people with topics for 2017. We only had room for 18 sessions, three of which will be pre-conference on October 31 from 10:15-11:30am. Of the remaining 15 sessions, one will be for new historians and one will be for those interested in applying for the Registered Historian. Some of the proposals that were not accepted were from those in the Rochester area. We will be in Rochester in 2018 and hope they will re-submit their proposals for 2018.

If you have questions on finances, contact our Treasurer at: aphnys-treasurer@gmail.com or by mail: APHNYS Treasurer, PO Box 251, Vestal, NY 13851. Other questions concerning APHNYS can be directed to: APHNYS@yahoo.com or by mail: APHNYS, PO Box 55, Groton, NY 13073. Always watch for any APHNYS updates on our website. I hope to see many of you in Poughkeepsie. Conference dates are October 31-November 2.
Report from the NCPH Government Historians Committee

Trustee Christine L. Ridarsky continues to represent APHNYS on the Government Historians Committee of the National Council of Public Historians. The committee met at the NCPH Annual Conference in Indianapolis on April 20, 2017, and approved the following projects:

- Sponsoring a daylong workshop on working in government at the 2018 conference for graduate students and new professionals. (The workshop has been accepted by the 2018 Program Committee.) Ridarsky will be facilitating a session on working in state and local government as part of this.
- Sponsoring at least one general program session on a topic of interest to government historians at the 2018 conference.
- Sponsoring an NCPH Mini-Con(ference) in conjunction with the APHNYS 2018 Annual Conference in Rochester, NY. The theme is yet to be finalized but will focus on the unique challenges of practicing, studying, and writing about government history. Ridarsky will coordinate with assistance from the NCPH Government Historians Committee and the APHNYS Conference Planning Committee.

Upcoming conferences & events

Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference
October 26-28
Hyatt Regency Buffalo/Hotel and Conference Center, Buffalo, NY
http://www.marac.info/upcoming-conferences

New York Women’s Suffrage Centennial Conference, New York Cultural Heritage Tourism Network
November 4, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
New York State Cultural Education Center, Albany, NY
http://www.nywomenshistory.com/

An Evening Celebrating Votes for Women: Opening Reception for New York’s Suffrage Centennial Exhibit
November 4, 5-8 p.m.
New York State Museum, Albany, NY

Researching New York 2017—Women of New York: Suffrage and Beyond
November 16-18
University at Albany, Albany, NY
http://nystatehistory.org/

Museum Association of New York (MANY) - Visioning Change
Call for Proposals—Coming soon!
April 8-10
Rochester, NY
http://manyonline.org/events/annual-conference-visioning-change

Save the Date!!
APHNYS 2018 Fall Conference
October 1-3, 2018
Rochester, NY
Schedule includes Speakers and Topics – Updated 9/7/2017
(Changes may occur depending on speakers' final availability)

October 30, 2017 (Monday)
6:00-8:00pm – Board of Trustees Meeting

October 31, 2017 (Tuesday) – Conference Registration 10am-12:30pm then 2-5pm (closed during Conference Kick-Off)

10:00-11:15 am – Concurrent sessions
A. The Story of Safe Haven Holocaust Refuge Shelter Museum
   Speaker: George R. DeMass, Oswego Town Historian
B. Creating an Historic Garden and Landscape
   Speaker: Barbara Hobbs, Town of Hyde Park Historian
C. The Unabashed Vernacular Digital Collection – Our Web, Our Way
   Speaker: Sue Gardner, Deputy Town of Warwick Historian and Local History Library Albert
   Winner Public Library

Lunch on your own – not part of conference fees

1:00pm – APHNYS Official Conference Kick Off: Welcoming by APHNYS President and Other Officials

1:45-3:00pm – Concurrent Sessions
A. Clothing the Skeleton: Government Historian's Role in Assisting Genealogists
   Speaker: Ray LeFever, Town of Bovina Historian and 2nd Vice President of APHNYS
B. Restoring & Reinterpreting Southampton’s Oldest Burying Ground
   Speaker: Zachary Studenroth, Southampton Town Historian
C. From Seneca Falls in 1848 to 1917: Securing Woman Suffrage in New York State
   Speaker: Walter Gable, Seneca County Historian

3:15-4:30pm – APHNYS Annual Meeting & Elections includes "State of the State’s History with NYS Historian Devin Lander

4:30-5:30pm – Free Time to view Exhibit and Vendors

5:30-6:30pm Cash Bar & Reception

6:30-8:30/9:00pm – Buffet Dinner (Part of conference fees include on Pre-registration form)
   Key to the Continent: The Hudson Valley's Role in the American Revolution by Keynote Speaker:
November 1 (Wednesday): Conference Registration Open 7am–5pm
Exhibits and Vendors Area Open 8:30am

7:00-8:30am: Breakfast – Part of conference fees included on Pre-registration form

8:45-10:00am – Concurrent Sessions
A. Use it or Lose It – Innovative Ways of Preserving Historic Sites
   Panel Members: Lisa Weiss, President of Cider Mill Friends, Poughkeepsie, NY
   Michael Frantz, Vice President of Cider Mill Friends, Poughkeepsie, NY
   Lydia Higginson, CEO of Dutch’s Spirits, Pine Plains, NY
   Rick Soedler, East Fishkill Historical Society, East Fishkill, NY
B. Building History Communities in the Digital Age
   Speakers: Devin Lande, NYS Historian; Bill Jeffway, Executive Director of Dutchess County Historical Society; and William Tatum III, Dutchess County Historian
C. Basic Orientation for Newly Appointed Historians
   Speaker: Christine Ridarsky, Chairman of New Historian Orientation Training Subcommittee and City of Rochester Historian

10:15-11:30am – Concurrent Sessions
A. Nelson Rockefeller and the Metropolitan Transportation Authority: A Pioneering Step in New York Transportation History
   Speaker: Andrew J. Sparberg, Independent Scholar; MTA Long Island Rail Road Manager (Retired); and Adjunct Lecturer School of Professional Studies City University of New York
B. Debunking Local History Myths: Triumph or Tragedy?
   Speaker: Mary Cascone, Town of Babylon Historian
C. Orange County Dairies and Their Milk Bottles
   Speaker: Alexander Prizgintas

11:30am-12:45pm – Buffet Lunch (Part of conference fees included on Pre-registration form)

1:00-5:00pm – Afternoon in-the-field Sessions (Required to pre-register for these sessions). Check with Registration Table to see if there were cancellations or any available seats
   Tour A: FDR Library/Museum and Springwood (FDR’s Home)
   Tour B: Eleanor Roosevelt’s Valkill, the FDR Library/Museum

5:30-6:30pm: Cash Bar & Reception

6:30-8:30/9:00pm: Buffet Dinner: Annual Awards Presented followed by performance by the Duchess Antislavery Singers

November 2 (Thursday): (Exhibit and Vendor Area Closes at Noon)

7:00-8:30am: Breakfast (Part of conference fees include on Pre-registration form)

8:45-10:00am – Concurrent Sessions
A. A Rare Glimpse of the Enslavement of Indians in Orange County, New York
   Speaker: Clifton Patrick, Town of Chester Historian; Ginny Privitar, Member Chester Historical Society and Reporter for “The Chronicle” newspaper
Upcoming Regional Meeting

Region 7

Region 7 historians will meet on Saturday, October 14, at the Congregational Church, UCC, on Route 12-B in Deansboro, NY (Oneida County). The schedule is as follows:

9-9:30 a.m. Registration/Tour the 1850s church
10:15-11 a.m. “The Chenango Canal,” Wade Lallier, President, Clinton Historical Society
11-11:45 a.m. “Zinc Markers in Cemeteries in Region 7,” Susan Lorraine, retired Town of Marcy Historian
11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Lunch catered by Deansboro Superette
12:30-1:15 p.m. “NYO&W Railroad,” John Taibi
1:15-2 p.m. Q&A/Sharing time

Registration is $6; optional lunch is $10.
To register, send check, payable to APHNYs, to Dick Williams, 1 Mulberry St., Clinton, NY 13323. Deadline: October 6.

Questions? Call Dick Williams at (315) 853-
Use this form to register for the Oct. 31-Nov. 2, 2017
Annual State Conference in Poughkeepsie
Deadline for Reservations: Postmark by Friday, October 6, 2017

Name: ____________________________ APHNY Region: _________________________
Title: _____________________________
Municipality: ______________________ County: _____________________________
Address: __________________________
City: __________________ State: ______ Zip: _____________________________
Phone: ______________ Fax: _____________________________
Email: _____________________________

Spouse/Guest Name: ________________________________

Please check all that apply:
___ I am a newly or recently-appointed Public Historian...
___ I am a continuing Public Historian.
___ I am a Deputy/Assistant Historian/Co-Historian
___ I am an Affiliate Member of APHNYs
___ I have been a member of APHNYs since _______
___ This will be my first visit to Poughkeepsie.

Conference Registration (Please check all that apply):

Registration
___ Member Registration Fee (for both Full Conference and/or One-Day Attendance) ....$65.00/person
___ Non-Member Registration Fee.................................................................................$75.00/person
___ Spouse/Guest Rate (If he/she would like to attend sessions). ...................................$25.00/person

Meals (If you have FOOD ISSUES, Circle ALL that apply: Vegetarian; Vegan; Gluten Free; Other )
___ Oct. 31st Tuesday Evening Awards Banquet..............................................................$40.00/person
___ Nov. 1st Wednesday Breakfast...................................................................................$20.00/person
___ Nov. 1st Wednesday Lunch........................................................................................$26.00/person
___ Nov. 1st Wednesday Evening Dinner..........................................................................$40.00/person
___ Nov. 2nd Thursday Breakfast.....................................................................................$20.00/person

Wednesday Afternoon Field Experience
___ Transportation & Admission Fee (required for all making trip)....................................$20.00/person

50 people maximum for each option (first 50 to register for each option will get a seat)
Select One: Option A: FDR Library/Museum/Springwood (FDR’s home) ...........
Option B: Eleanor Roosevelt’s Val-Kill then FDR Library/Museum

___ Membership (for those who have not yet renewed or wish to join APHNYs for 2017)
Renew Your APHNYs Membership for 2017 (see rate on website: www.aphnys.org)....$_____

TOTAL ENCLOSED..$________
HOTEL REGISTRATION FORM

To make a reservation at
Poughkeepsie Hotel & Conference Center, please return form
via fax to 845-486-7220, or mail to hotel,
or call Reservations Desk 845-485-5300
Refer to Group Code: APHNYS
Deadline for Room Reservations: September 30, 2017

Name: _____________________________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________
City: __________________________ State: _______ Zip____________________
Phone: __________________________ Fax: _____________________________
E-Mail: ____________________________________________________________
Arrival Date: __________________________ Departure Date: ______________

Please check which accommodations you would like (hotel is 100% non-smoking):
____ Standard Single Occupancy: $109 + applicable tax unless tax-exempt
----- Standard Double Occupancy: $109 + applicable tax unless tax-exempt. Roommate’s Name __________________________

Please specify any special requests, i.e.; handicap accessible room, etc.: __________________________

You must obtain a tax-exempt form from your local government and present the form to the hotel at time of check-in.

Check-In: 4:00 PM Check-Out: 11:00 AM

Rooms that are not reserved by cut-off date of 9/30/17 will be returned to the hotel to sell.
Group reservations made after the cut-off date will be made based on availability.

There is a parking garage just left of the entrance to the hotel. For free parking, the hotel will validate
the card received upon entering the parking garage. If the garage is full, there is alternate parking at
the user’s expense (not validated by hotel).

If Paying by Check: Please complete and mail the address below.

To guarantee with credit card:
Credit Card: _____ Visa _____ MasterCard _____ American Express _____ Discover
Card # __________________________ Expiration Date: _________________________
Signature: _______________________

Please return this form to:
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