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2009 Symposium Examines “Lincoln’s Washington”



Daniel Stowell answers a question during the final panel.

THE RUSSELL SENATE OFFICE Building’s ornate Caucus Room was once again the backdrop for a successful USCHS spring conference. The Society’s 2009 conference, “Lincoln’s Washington: Abraham Lincoln in Congress and the Presidency,” part of the

multi-year series *The National Capitol in a Nation Divided: Congress and the District of Columbia Confront Sectionalism and Slavery*, featured eight speakers hailing from colleges, universities, and the Papers of Abraham Lincoln.



Christine Dee responds to a question.

C-SPAN recorded the start of the proceedings, as **Paul Finkelman** (Albany Law School) laid out the historical context for the other speakers’ papers. The conference ranged broadly, from **Christine Dee** (Fitchburg State College) exploring the ways the Midwestern landscape and built environment may have influenced Lincoln’s thinking about the nation to **Amy Greenberg’s** (Penn State University) examination of Lincoln’s brief congressional career and his unpopular stance against the Mexican-American War to **Brooks Simpson** (Arizona State University) illuminating the interactions between Congress and Lincoln regarding the military during the Civil (continued on page 11)

2010 Conference Scheduled for May 7

What’s in store for 2010? Our next day-long conference will be on May 7. The title of the 2010 annual conference is “Secession and War Come to Washington;” it will examine topics such as the election of Lincoln, the secession crisis, and the response to it by Congress and the Lincoln administration in 1861. Speakers will include some familiar faces from pre-

vious conferences: **Brooks Simpson** from Arizona State and Professor **Jonathan Earle** from the University of Kansas. Others on the program include Professor **Eric Walther** of the University of Houston, Professor **Orville Vernon Burton**, author of *The Age of Lincoln*, Professor **Lesley Gordon** of the University of Akron, whose books include *Inti-*

mate Strategies: Civil War Commanders and Their Wives (co-authored with Carol K. Bleser), and Dr. **Mischa Honeck** from the Heidelberg Center for American Studies at Heidelberg University. **James Oakes** of the Graduate Center at CUNY will deliver the keynote address, “Disunion is Abolition: The Emancipation Debate during the Secession Crisis.” ★

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Society Welcomes New Members to 2009 Board of Trustees



**Tamra K. Bentsen
Community
Volunteer**

Tamra Bentsen, of Washington state, subscribes to the thoughts of Margaret Mead: "Never doubt that a

small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever does." Bentsen has worked with The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation and the National Race for the Cure in numerous capacities, and was previously the executive director of the Congressional Families Action for Cancer Awareness program. Currently, she participates in the Annual Giving Fund efforts at St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School, following a year of service as the president of the Association of Parents and Teachers. She serves as a board member of the National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship as well as the Wesley Theological Seminary, the Capital Lacrosse Club, and the Former Members of Congress Auxiliary; she is a member of the "Friends for Life" Committee at Johns Hopkins University. She received the National Community Service Award from

the Sisters Network and the Congressional Families Action for Cancer Awareness Spouse Award during her husband's tenure in the U.S. Congress and has participated in many advocacy and cancer awareness endeavors.



**Frederick H. Graefe
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Frederick Graefe's law practice focuses on legislative and regulatory matters, including tax, international trade,

Medicare/Medicaid, and telecommunications, with a particular focus on tax, trade and Medicare issues. He serves as Washington counsel to several trade associations and coalitions and concentrates on national policy issues, with a special emphasis on comprehensive health care reform, including Medicare and Medicaid, public health, biomedical and behavioral research, national tax policy, and telecommunications reform. After serving in the Marine Corps, Graefe earned his A.B. from Loyola University, followed by an M.A. and J.D. from Georgetown University.

He is a member of the Iowa and District of Columbia Bars and is admitted to the Supreme Court of the United States of America.



**William B. Inglee
Vice President,
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Affairs, Lockheed
Martin Corp.**

In his current position, William B. Inglee's areas of responsibility include relations with the national security community in the executive branch in support of foreign military sales, foreign aid, congressional notifications and Readiness and Stability Operations, as well as relations with foreign policy and defense think tanks. Inglee has been a VP with LMCO since 2001. Prior to joining Lockheed Martin, Inglee served the House as a staffer on various committees for over 20 years and with Hon. Dennis Hastert (when he was Speaker of the House); he also held appointed positions at the Department of Defense for three years. Inglee serves on numerous boards and has been awarded the Secretary of Defense Medal for Outstanding

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**Hon. James B. Longley, Jr.
Former Member of Congress,
Maine**

An attorney, veteran, communicator, and long-standing analyst,

former congressman Jim Longley has a diverse background in business, military and government process and management. As manager of DIRITECH, LLC, a technical consulting firm, Jim has brought detailed knowledge and wide-ranging experience to bear serving as Executive Director of the Advanced Technical Intelligence Association (ATIA) and as a senior advisor to the Missile Defense Agency, amongst other activities. A native of Lewiston, Maine, Jim is a graduate of Phillips (Andover) Academy, the College of the Holy Cross, and the University of Maine School of Law. He resides with his wife, Susan, in Yarmouth, Maine, and has a son, Matt; a daughter, Sarah; and four step-daughters, Grace, Pearce, Paige, and Marion.

**Martin P. Paone
Executive Vice President, Prime Policy Group**



Marty Paone served on Capitol Hill for 32 years, where he worked on the Senate floor for the Democratic leadership in various capacities before retiring and joining Prime Policy Group (then Timmons and Co.) in 2008. From 1995 to 2008, he served as Democratic secretary (an officer of the Senate), having been elected by unanimous vote of the Democratic caucus in each Congress during his tenure. His

duties on the floor consisted of analyzing and recommending matters to the majority leader for floor consideration and supervising the drafting of written summaries of all legislative issues on which the Senate conducted a roll call vote. He negotiated with the Republican leadership for finite time limits on debate and limitations on amendments and worked closely with the Republican leadership staff, the committee chairman's staff, and the staff of other senators in "clearing" non-controversial legislation for passage. Paone was responsible for the day-to-day management of the Democratic cloakroom, its staff, the Democratic leader's floor staff, and the pages; he supervised the Senate cloakroom operation at four Democratic National Conventions. The Massachusetts native has a B.A. in Economics and Philosophy from Boston College and a Masters Degree in Russian Area Studies from Georgetown University.



**Michael J. Ruehling
Vice President-Federal Legislation,
CSX Corporation**

Michael J. Ruehling is Vice President-

Federal Legislation for CSX Corporation, where he heads the company's Washington, D.C. office and directs the company's federal government affairs activities. Ruehling began his career with CSX in 1989 in Kentucky and became CSX's Vice President-State Relations, overseeing government relations activities in 23 states from the company's headquarters, before he was appointed head of the CSX Washington office in 2003. Prior to joining CSX, Ruehling was on the staff of former U.S. Senator Wendell Ford (D-KY) and was executive director of the Congressional Joint Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies responsible for organizing the 1989 Presidential Inauguration. Ruehling is a history buff who, while on Senator Ford's staff, researched and developed a compendium of "Kentucky and Kentuckians

in the U.S. Capitol." The document is a comprehensive listing of various portraits, busts, statues, and other tributes to and recognition of Kentuckians (and Kentucky) in and on the Capitol grounds. Ruehling is a graduate of the University of Kentucky and a member of the University's Fellows Society.

**Hon. Zach Wamp
Member of Congress,
Tennessee**



Zach Wamp considers himself a common-sense conservative who promotes practical ideas to solve complex challenges. Key interests include alternative energy, preventive health care, and global security: Wamp was an early promoter of an "all-of-the-above" energy strategy to create new jobs, and he leads by example in focusing on physical activity and wellness. Wamp was instrumental in the formation and success of the Tennessee Valley Technology Corridor, which has grown into a national award-winning economic development organization focused on high-tech research, development, manufacturing and investment. Legislatively, Wamp has focused on several historically-oriented topics, including writing the bill to name Emancipation Hall, in the CVC, to honor the slaves that helped build the U.S. Capitol and the process of emancipation. He has also authored a bill leading to the establishment of the Moccasin Bend National Archeological District as part of the National Park Service and worked to expand the Trail of Tears to include additional sites and trails. Rewriting the National Trail of Tears legislation to more accurately tell the story of one of the seminal injustices in history was important to Wamp because of his own Cherokee heritage. A Chattanooga native, Wamp spent 12 years as a small businessman and commercial real estate broker before being elected to Congress in 1994. ☆

Society Honors House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

ON WEDNESDAY, October 28th the U.S. Capitol Historical Society's Leadership Council and Brumidi Society members gathered in the Cannon Caucus Room to honor the members and staff of the House Committee



Secretary LaHood greets Debbie White of Kraft Foods.

on Transportation and Infrastructure. The Committee on Rivers and Harbors, the predecessor to today's committee, was mandated in Article I section 8 of the Constitution and was established by the first act of Congress. Today it is the largest committee in Congress with 74 members. Former chairmen of

the committee **Bob Roe**, **Bud Shuster**, and **Don Young** were in attendance to celebrate with their colleagues. The event was graciously supported by the Boeing Company, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Trucking Association, Schering-Plough Corporation, and the Air Transport Association of America.

The evening's keynote speaker was U.S. Secretary of Transportation **Ray LaHood**. As a former member of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Secretary LaHood celebrated the unique bipartisan camaraderie in the committee. He thanked the committee members for setting such a fine example for other committees in Congress.

Chairman **James Oberstar** (MN) and Ranking Member **John Mica** (FL) gave remarks celebrating the rich history of this committee. Congressman Oberstar spoke about the acts passed by the committee's predecessor during the first Congress to establish lighthouses and move cargo along waterways laying the foundations of America. Oberstar emphasized that, "Our traditions, this committee, are deeply rooted in the history of our country and its evolution of its movement of people and goods to this

very day." Congressman Mica shared examples of how little things have changed since the first Congress, such as public-private partnerships. The room filled with laughter many times as Mica continued to describe appropriations for lighthouses hidden under the category "pensions for invalids" and the lofty expectations of the public for trains to go 15 miles per hour "as a regular business."

Congressman Oberstar's conclusion captured the essence of the evening: "We stick together; we prevail for the good of Amer-



Chairman Oberstar engages in conversation with Edward Hamberger (Association of American Railroads), Bob Bergman (UPS) and former Chairman Bud Shuster.

ica. John Mica and I have stuck together. This committee has stuck together. America is a better country for it. We will have a better future for it. And I thank you all for being here tonight to celebrate the history of the Committee on Public Works and Transportation and Infrastructure."

The Society annually hosts a dinner to honor the history of a committee of the House or Senate. ☆

Former Committee Chair Don Young, Committee Chairman James Oberstar, Former Committee Chair Robert Roe, and Ranking Member John Mica enjoy the reception before dinner.





Ranking Member Mica (far left) and Chairman Oberstar (second from right) receive an outline of the commemorative book about the history and legacy of the committee, presented by the Hon. Tom Coleman. Secretary Ray LaHood (far right), the evening's keynote speaker, holds a mantel clock from the U.S. Capitol Historical Society.



Fellow committee members Rahall, Duncan, Holden, and Ortiz relax and take part in the reception before dinner.



The Honorable Tom Coleman raises his glass in a toast to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

"...[B]ipartisanship, strong leadership, impact on America—these are the hallmarks of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

Please stand and raise your glasses in a toast to the Committee:

FOR its long and distinguished history of establishing the transportation systems and infrastructure necessary to connect individual states into one great United States of America;

FOR its commitment to address the needs of the country in a civil and bipartisan fashion; and

FOR its strong leadership to stand up for legislation that touches the daily lives of all Americans."

- The Honorable Tom Coleman, Chairman, USCHS Board of Trustees

Excerpt from Secretary Ray LaHood's Keynote Address

"At a time in our history when many Americans are skeptical about the ability of their government to get things done, it is truly an honor to celebrate one of the most accomplished Congressional committees in our history.

The Transportation and Infrastructure Committee has a long and proud legacy in this country, and I am honored to have taken part in it. For more than

200 years, this Committee, in various forms, has given shape and scope to our shared vision of a nation that is interested equally in economic power and individual liberty. Neither goal is possible without an infrastructure that maximizes freedom of movement – for people and their goods – while providing safety and reliability. Fortunately, the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee has a well-deserved reputation for getting things done. Just as importantly, this Committee's actions over

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To hear this and other speeches from the event, please visit <http://www.uschs.org/Content/225.htm>. The full text of this speech is also available.

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the years have played an essential role in enabling us to enjoy the highest standard of living on earth, and one of the most diverse and extensive transportation systems of any developed nation. Where would we be without the great public works projects of the 19th and 20th centuries that were authorized by this Committee's predecessors – from canals and railroads to highways and airports? The America we know today simply would not exist because that vital infrastructure would not exist. When merchant ships needed a new lighthouse after the Revolutionary War to guide them along the Virginia coastline, this Committee's earliest ancestor made it happen. A century later, when Americans looked west for opportunity and expansion, this Committee built the roads and railways that took them there. Later still, this Committee participated in passing the Federal Highway Act of 1956 – one of the largest public works programs in our history. It also played a vital role in the Clean Water Act of 1965, which began the task of rescuing and restoring our polluted waterways. When tragedy struck on September 11, 2001, the Committee made history once again, by working quickly to shape a new aviation security agency to help make our skies safer. The American public owes an enormous "thank you" to this Committee for having the courage and commitment to move these complex legislative programs forward.

This successful track record has much to teach us about the importance of working in a bipartisan matter on big legislative initiatives that require all of us to look past the next election cycle – and think seriously about doing the right thing for our children and grand children. Building and maintaining good, reliable transportation and infrastructure in this country should not be viewed merely through the lens of partisan politics. These are not liberal or conservative priorities. They are American priorities...."

CAPITOL COMMITTEE UPDATES

Welcome to our new members and a special thank you to those who have upgraded their membership from July 2009 to December 2009:

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The Society deeply appreciates all of the Capitol Committee members for their continued involvement and support of its educational mission.

We would like to extend our gratitude to the 2009-2010 Development Committee members who have raised over \$550,000 since July 2009 for the U.S. Capitol Historical Society. Thank you for all of your efforts!

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Senator McConnell Recalls Clay-Jackson Rivalry at Annual Leadership Reception

SENATOR MITCH MCCONNELL said he knew Henry Clay was smiling down from heaven the day he removed the portrait of Andrew Jackson from his office suite and replaced it with one of Henry Clay. The Republican leader shared this observation with members of the Brumidi Society and the National Leadership Council at the USCHS Leadership Reception;

the seventh annual event was held July 21 in the Capitol Visitor Center.

Senator McConnell spoke of the spirited rivalry between Henry Clay of Kentucky and Andrew Jackson of Tennessee, beginning in the 1820s and lasting for some 25 years. They were on opposite sides of every issue, from creation of a national bank to funding of roads in Kentucky. Their political sparring gave birth to the two-party system of today.

The two men went head-to-head in the presidential election of 1832, and in Senator McConnell's words,

"Clay was creamed." Nonetheless, Clay is held in esteem by historians and sons of Kentucky, such as McConnell. Clay is regarded as a central figure in the history of the Senate and the country, as evidenced by his likeness in National Statuary Hall and several portraits in the Capitol, including the portrait recently hung in the Republican leader's office. Although Clay was on the losing end of most conflicts with Jackson, "In my office, Clay has the last word," McConnell said.

The reception was made possible by Brumidi Society and Leadership Council members, and by the generous support of Schering-Plough and Abbott Laboratories. ☆



(above) Senator McConnell explains his kinship with fellow Kentucky Senator Henry Clay.



(above) Jeanne deCervens (AEGON, Inc.), John Pemberton (Southern Company), Mark Boudreaux (ExxonMobil), and Leo Jardot (Wyeth)



(above) Debbie White (Kraft Foods) and Brian Folkerts (Kraft Foods) with Leslie Sarasin (Food Marketing Institute)



(above) Don Carlson (PricewaterhouseCoopers) and Michael Venn (Lockheed Martin)

2009 August Brown Bag Lunches Continue Book Signing Series

More Book Events Planned for 2010



Amy Schapiro discusses *Millicent Fenwick*.

THE U.S. CAPITOL Historical Society's 2009 August brown bag lecture series included speakers who considered the Capitol and history from a variety of vantage points. **Gordon Brown** opened the series with a discussion of his book, *Incidental Architect: William Thornton and the Cultural Life of Early Washington, D.C., 1794-1828*. Brown outlined Thornton's life and accomplishments, which included designing the Capitol and maintaining a robust social life in early Washington.

The next speaker, **David Palmer**, approached D.C. history with a different background: rather than researching the events of two centuries ago, Palmer detailed what happened when he was here himself. He talked a bit about his youth in Great Britain, explained how he found his way to D.C., and then focused on his participation

in the civil rights movement, from major events like the 1963 March on Washington to day-to-day discussions with his co-workers. In his memoirs, Palmer covers these topics and more, and argues that understanding race is an integral factor in understanding D.C. history.

C-SPAN joined the audience for **Amy Schapiro's** talk about her book, *Millicent Fenwick: Her Way*, and **Deborah Hanson's** lecture on *Allyn Cox and Jeffrey Greene: Muralists of the United States Capitol*. Schapiro has written the first full biography of the Congresswoman from New Jersey, on whom the Doonesbury character Lacey Davenport is based. Her varied career included working at *Vogue* and included writing the magazine's book of etiquette before her career in public service; any discussion of Fenwick's time in Congress includes anecdotes about

colorful exchanges and her willingness to challenge authority. Hanson's lecture shifted the series' focus to the Capitol building itself, examining the work of muralists Cox and Greene in the House wing of the Capitol. A highlight proved to be the Capitol tour on which Hanson and Society Chief Guide Steve Livengood took interested audience members after the talk concluded. ☆



Gordon Brown signs copies of his book.

The Society kicks off 2010 with a winter series that examines the lives of three members of Congress and a 19th-century lobbyist. Shirley Chisholm's *Unbought and Unbossed* opens the series; editor **Scott Simpson** and **Shola Lynch**, who wrote the afterword to this new, expanded edition of Chisholm's 1970 autobiography, will be on hand February 17th for the annual African American History Month Lecture. On March 3rd, **Kathryn Allamong Jacob** tackles Sam Ward in *King of the Lobby: The Life and Times of Sam Ward, Man-about-Washington in the Gilded Age*. This nineteenth-century lobbyist lifted the profession to the level of art. On March 10th, **Kristie Miller** and **Robert H. McGinnis**, who edited *A Volume of Friendship: The Letters of Eleanor Roosevelt and Isabella Greenway*, mark Women's History Month as they examine the relationship between the First Lady and the Congresswoman. This talk will take place at the Sewall-Belmont House, while the other talks will be held in our usual location in the VFW Building. (The two locations are across the street from one another.) Finally, **James McGrath Morris** will conclude this series with his presentation on *Pulitzer: A Life in Politics, Print, and Power*. Did you know that the founder of the Pulitzer Prize served a year in Congress? For more information on the remaining events, visit www.uschs.org or see page 11 of this newsletter.

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War. Two speakers from the Papers of Abraham Lincoln focused on the way that others responded to Lincoln: **A J Aiséirthe** looked at Garrisonian abolitionists' changing views of Lincoln during the war while **Daniel Stowell** analyzed letters written to Lincoln by women hoping to win appointments to Treasury Department positions.

Jean Baker (Goucher College) considered Lincoln's home life at the White House during his presidency.

The symposium ended with a panel including most of the speakers; audience members were more than ready to ask intriguing questions and challenge the speakers' arguments. The lively discussion continued into the reception that concluded the conference. ★



Brooks Simpson and an audience member converse at the reception. Simpson will return for the 2010 symposium on May 7.



C-SPAN was on hand for Paul Finkelman's talk.



USCHS audience members keep the speakers on their toes.

Calendar of Events

March

BROWN BAG LECTURES & BOOK SIGNINGS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, NOON

VFW Building, 200 Maryland Ave. NE; Washington, DC 20002
James McGrath Morris on

Pulitzer: A Life in Politics, Print, and Power

Pre-register: uschs@uschs.org or (202) 543-8919 x.38

BREAKFAST RECEPTION AND PANEL HONORING "WOMEN IN THE SENATE"

Featuring Cokie Roberts as moderator and a select panel of Senators

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

Russell Caucus Room (Room 325) For Constantino Brumidi
and Leadership Council Members

April

SPIES OF CAPITOL HILL TOUR

with Carol Bessette

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

For USCHS members only. RSVP: call (202) 543-8919 x.19

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS TOUR

with Chris Keunen

TUESDAY, APRIL 27

For USCHS members only. RSVP: call (202) 543-8919 x.19

May

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

For DC-area middle and high school students
For information, call (202) 543-8919 x28

LANDSCAPE DESIGN OF CAPITOL SQUARE TOUR

with Ted Bechtol

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

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The Election of 1860 and the Secession Crisis of 1860-61

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