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Alumni/ae News

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Kenneth Aldous is an associate attorney in the Litigation and Dispute Resolution Department in the Manhattan office of Proskauer Rose LLP. On July 22, 2003, Aldous was awarded a Postgraduate Diploma in European Community Law (with "merit" honors) from King's College London. M.A. 1995.

Anna Appleman has recently been employed by the History Factory (an archival consulting firm) in Ashburn, Virginia. M.A. 2002.

* **Alice Arrington (McDermott)** is living in Rockaway Beach, N.Y. She is a teacher of library science at the N.Y. City Department of Education. She has 3 children. She received her Masters in Library Science from Queens College in 2001. B.A. 1985. Email: <u>aliarr@juno.com</u>.

John Attanasio serves as the Clinical Records Administrator for Forest Laboratories in New York City. He credits the Public History Program's practical coursework and internship giving him the foundations for a successful career in archival/records management. M.A. 1988.

Tricia Barbagallo serves as an Assistant Editor for Syracuse University Press. She is currently a Ph.D. student in the History Department at Albany. M.A., C.A.S. 1999..

* **Stewart J. Bellus** is a Trademark Law Attorney at Collard & Roe in Roslyn, New York. B.A. 1975. Email: <u>sbellus@collardroe.com</u>.

* **Matthew Bollerman** has moved back to New York from Wisconsin. He is now the Library Director at the Brookhaven Free Library in Brookhaven, NY. B.A. 1993. Email: <u>matt_bollerman@yahoo.com</u>.

Dennis Brennan has won the University's Distinguished Dissertation Award for "The

Printer's Stand: William Lloyd Garrison and the Liberator." Ph.D. 2003.

* **Bill Brewster** is the Manager, National Underwriting Center for Fannie Mae, in Dallas, Texas. William is managing a staff of underwriters, researchers, investigators, and appraisers. B.A. 1984; M.A. 1985. Email: <u>william_h_brewster@fanniemae.com</u>.

Stewart Brewer has accepted a tenure-track position from the history department at Dana College in Blair, Nebraska. He will be teaching all the Latin American classes and the World Civilization courses as well. His book, *Borders and Bridges: A History of U.S.-Latin American Relations*, has been contracted with Praeger/Greenwood Press and should appear late in 2004 or early 2005.

Brian Buff was appointed Executive Director of the Albany County Historical Association/Ten Broeck Mansion in April of 2002. He led a session entitled: Through the Lens: Using Art to Reconnect with the past and to give New Identity, at the Mid-Atlantic Association of Museums' 55th Annual Meeting in Albany in October 2002. He is working with City of Albany Historian Virginia Bowers in researching the origins of Albany's street names. Buff was selected to be the recipient of the National Council on Public History's New Professional Award. The presentation of the award was made at the April 26, 2003 evening banquet at the annual meeting of the National Council on Public History in Houston, TX. M.A. 2001.

Todd A. Burdick serves as Director of Interpretation and Education at Hancock Shaker Village in Massachusetts. M.A. 1996.

Tom Burke works for the New York State Division of the Budget. He has taught courses on early American history and New York State history at UAlbany, the College of Saint Rose and Russell Sage College. He is the author of *Mohawk Frontier: The Dutch Community of Schenectady, New York, 1661-1710* which was published by Cornell University Press in 1991. It received the Hendricks Award for the "Best manuscript on the Dutch colonial experience in North America" and was included on *Choice* magazine's list of "Outstanding Academic Books." Ph.D. 1984. Email: <u>bdburkt@budget.state.ny.us</u>.

Robin Campbell is the Associate Curator with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. She helps arrange internships for curatorial, collections management, and interpretation programs at the Bureau of Historic Sites at Peebles Island in Waterford. Many of our public history interns have found jobs because of their work at the Bureau. M.A. 1987, Ph.D. 2002.

* **Louis J. Capozzi, Jr.** is an attorney and President of Capozzi & Associates in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. In addition to Harrisburg, the firm has offices in Cherry Hill, New Jersey and Lancaster, Pennsylvania . B.A. 1983. Email: loudow.capozziassociates.com.

* **Kenneth S. Carlson**, is Senior Employee Relations Attorney for the Office of Court Administration, in New York City. He is involved in public sector labor relations, including contract negotiations and administration; legal research and writing regarding labor-related issues; employee and manager training and orientations. After almost 14 years in the Albany area, which began as a freshman at the University at Albany, he moved to New York City in May of 2001. B.A. 1991. Email: <u>KCARLSON@courts.state.ny.us</u>.

* Michael J. Castrilli previously worked for the Department of Justice and consulted

for the management firm Booz, Allen and Hamilton in Washington, D.C. He is currently studying at Immaculate Conception Seminary at Seton Hall University in South Orange, New Jersey in preparation for the Catholic Priesthood. B.A. 1998. Email: <u>mcastrilli@aol.com</u>.

* **Christopher S. Celenza**, who trained at SUNY with John Monfasani, received a Ph.D. in History from Duke University (1995) and a Dr.Phil. in Classics from the University of Hamburg (2001). He is currently an associate professor of History at Michigan State University. He has held fellowships from the Fulbright Foundation (1992-3); The American Academy in Rome (1993-4); Villa I Tatti (1999-2000), and he has been awarded for 2003-4 an ACLS Burkhart Grant, which will allow him to spend that academic year as a fellow of the National Humanities Center in North Carolina. He is the author of Renaissance Humanism and the Papal Court (Ann Arbor, 1999); Piety and Pythagoras in Renaissance Florence (Leiden, 2001), and a number of articles. His new book, The Lost Literature of Western Europe: Renaissance Italy's Latin Heritage, is appearing with Johns Hopkins University Press in Spring, 2004. BA, 1988; MA, 1989. Email: celenza@msu.edu

Charles (Fred) Culbert retired from his position as an Elementary School Principal in 1999. He is working part time as Supervisor of Student Teaching for SUNY Oneonta. In June of 2003, the Cherry Valley Springfield Central School dedicated the "Charles F. Culbert Gymnasium" in recognition of 34 years of dedicated service. B.A. 1965, M.A. 1970. Email: <u>moenfred@msn.com</u>.

* **Christopher Cyphers** is the Provost at the School of Visual Arts in New York City. In January 2002, Chris published his dissertation under the title, *The National Civic Federation and the Making of a New Liberalism: 1900-1915*. B.A. 1988, M.A.L.S. 1992, Ph.D. 1998. Email: <u>ccyphers@sva.edu</u>.

Dianne Conroy-LaCivita serves as a Deputy Town clerk for the Town of Colonie. In December 2001, she finished her coursework for the certification in Social Studies/secondary education from Russell Sage College. M.A. 1991.

* **Ben De La Mater** has been working as a sports reporter at the *Times Union* for two and a half years and has recently been accepted into the Magazine, Newspaper & Online Journalism program at Syracuse University's Newhouse School of Communication. B.A. 2000. Email: <u>bdelamater1863@hotmail.com</u>.

Paul A. Dyer, M.A. has created a successful career utilizing his historical knowledge and theatrical abilities. He serves in the New York State Capital Tour Program. Paul also works steadily as an actor in theatre, film, and commercials-appearing in dozens of television and radio ads, training and educational films, and thirty plays. M.A. 1986.

* **Rich Felsher** works as a purchasing consultant for H&H Purchasing Services. H&H is the leading outsourced purchasing company for summer camps, non-profit agencies, and small businesses. He recently moved to Coconut Creek, Florida and married Rivka Aliza Lehrberger on June 19, 2005. B.A. 1993. Email: <u>richfelsher@comcast.net</u> or <u>rfelsher@hhpurchasing.com</u>.

* **Paul Frazier** is teaching history at Brookfield Academy in Brookfield, Wisconsin. He is living in Milwaukee. Ph.D. 2001. Email: <u>pfrazier@brookfieldacademy.org</u>.

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Lawrence Goodheart is professor of history at the University of Connecticut and has published *Mad Yankees: The Hartford Retreat for the Insane and Nineteenth Century Psychiatry* (University of Massachusetts Press, 2003). M.A. 1972. Email: <u>lgoodheart@charter.net</u>.

Aaron J. Gore is a cultural education specialist at the New York State Museum. M.A. '90.

* **Steven S. Guttman** works as a U.S. Probation Officer in Brooklyn, NY. His work involves investigations related to Federal convictions which requires thorough reviews of criminal histories, sentencing options, interviews with U.S. attorneys and case agents from a variety of law-enforcement agencies. He is finding this work extremely rewarding and perfect for individuals who enjoy writing and research. B.A. 1996, M.A. 1997. Email: <u>ssguttman@yahoo.com</u>

Molly Guptill lives in New York City and is a staff attorney for the US Court of Appeals, Second Circuit. She recently published an article entitled "The More Things Change, the More They Stay the Same: Mr. Turr and the Distrust of Lawyers in the Early Twentieth Century" in the *Cardozo Public Law, Policy, and Ethics Journal*. B.A. 2001, M.A. 2002. Email: maggie131@aol..com

* **Matthew J. Hall** moved to Japan in 1990 and worked as an instructor there for over 5 years. He and his wife Takako came back to the states in 1995. He has two children, Michelle and Alex. He is a Tactical Marketing Representative for IBM Microelectronics in Essex Junction, Vermont. B.A. 1990. Email: <u>hallmj@us.ibm.com</u>

R. Bradley Hansen is living in Sag Harbor, New York. He is a retired Social Studies High School teacher. Mr. Hansen was very pleased to read the recent newsletter and the article on Dr. Harry Price. A.B. 1959. Email: <u>Brakah@earthlink.net</u>.

* **John Horner** is the Coordinator for Individual Studies in the Liberal Arts and Sciences at Delhi College. He is also teaching International Relations and Freshman Seminar Courses at Delhi. M.A. 1997. Email: <u>hornerja@delhi.edu</u>.

Chuck Howlett is living in West Islip, New York. He just retired as Coordinator of Social Studies at Amityville (LI) High School and has taken on a new job: Profesor of Graduate Education at Molloy College in Rockville Centre, New York. Howlett is the author of the lead article in the May 2003 issue of *The History Teacher* and has forthcoming articles in *Historical Dictionary of 1940*, *Encyclopedia of Women and War*, the *Encyclopedia of the American Revolutionary War*, and *American National Biography*. Ph.D., 1974. Email: phowlet@aol.com.

* **Richard H. Hunt** is the Acting Director of the Center for Legislative Archives at the National Archives and Records Administration, Washington, DC. He supervises a staff of

twenty responsible for the preservation of and access to the historical records of the U.S. House of Representatives, U.S. Senate, and legislative branch agencies. The Center provides both archival services and outreach programs featuring the records of Congress, including exhibits and educational publications. B.A. 1977. Email: richard.hunt@nara.gov.

Joanne Hurlburt is the Director of the Sheffield Historical Society in Massachusetts. A primary interest is tourism in Sheffield from the development of the railroad (post 1860) through World War 2. The Society wishes to gain information on the tourism industry and its impact, especially in relation to the economy and daily life. Joanne is currently a Ph.D. student in the History Department at Albany. M.A. 1990.

* **Thomas W. Hurley** is the President of the Not for Profit Division of DMW in Braintree, Massachusetts. This is a direct response advertising agency that assists not-for-profit organizations to build and manage donor bases. Tom is involved with a group that hosts visitors to his adopted home town of Plymouth by arranging historical walking tours. He is happy to serve as a liaison with the local historical organizations if any students or faculty in the Department are researching the Plymouth Colony. B.A. 1972. Email: <u>thurley@dmwdirect.com</u>

* **William Kimok** is the University Archivist and Records Manager at Ohio University. His responsibilities include identifying, accessing, transporting, accessioning, labeling, describing, inventorying, and providing finding aids for University material of historic value; providing reference help for patrons; promoting archival holdings inside and outside of the University community. He is involved in establishing a History Majors Association on campus and works with History classes who need instruction in on-line research. B.A. 1990, M.A. 1992. Email: kimok@ohiou.edu.

Bill Krattinger serves as an Historic Preservation Specialist for the Central New York Region of the New York State Office of Historic Preservation. He has been fortunate to become involved with a number of interesting and significant preservation projectsamong them the current efforts to rehabilitate and utilize the Alexander Jackson Davis Dutch Reformed Church in Newburgh. M.A. 2002.

* **Jessica Lacher-Feldman** is the Public and Outreach Services Coordinator at the W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library and Assistant Professor at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. She develops and promotes innovative public programs and services for library patrons, develops partnerships and cooperative projects with University members and the Tuscaloosa community, and curates exhibitions using the Special Collections materials in the Hoole Library. She is responsible for maintaining and managing the content of the Hoole Library. B.A. 1991, M.A. 1998, M.L.S. 1999. Email: jlfeldma@bama.ua.edu.

Jennifer Lemak was awarded a New York State Museum Fellowship, where she has concentrated on her research on pre-World War 2 African-American migration to Albany-particularly the story of the Rapp Road community. In response to her efforts, the Rapp Road Community has been designated a New York State Historic District and a National Historic District. In the summer of 2002, Jennifer was honored with the Presidential Award for the Initiatives for Women program at UAlbany. She has served as Curatorial Assistant at the Albany Institute of History and Art. Jennifer is currently a Ph.D. student at the University at Albany. M.A. 2000.

Carla Lesh has accepted a position with the Columbia County Historical Society as Registrar/Assistant Educator. She also serves as the President of the Marlborough Historical Society. Carla is a doctoral student in the History Department at the University at Albany. M.A. 2000;C.A.S. 2001. Martin W. Mahoney serves as the Asian Export Art Collections Manager at the Peabody Essex Museum in Salem Massachusetts. M.A. 2000.

Margaret Lynch-Brennan is an Associate in Planning and Professional Development at the NYS Education Department. Dr. Lynch-Brennan presented the paper "Was Bridget's Experience Unique?" at the September 2003 Conference on Models of Domestic Service in Munich, Germany. In April of 2003, "The Servant Slant" appeared as a chapter in *Her Past Around Us*, eds. Polly Welts Kaufman and Katharine T. Corbett, Krieger Publishing Company. M.A. 1976, Ph.D. 2002. Email: <u>mlynchbr@mail.nysed.gov</u>.

* **Patti Cellery McCall** is the Corporate Librarian for Albany Molecular Research, Inc. She manages library operations in Albany and Rensselaer, NY as well as Mount Prospect, IL and Bothell, Wa. Her responsibilities include continuously improving library services, assisting scientists with information retrieval, managing library resources and budget, and planning

for a new library facility. She also occasionally fills in as Adult Reference Services Librarian at the East Greenbush Community Library. M.A. 1998, M.L.S. 1999. Email: patti.mccall@albmolecular.com

LeeAnn Merrill has used her training to develop history-based tourism opportunities as Heritage Tourism Coordinator for the Wisconsin Department of Tourism. M.A. 1992.

Christopher S. Morton is the Assistant Curator (Collections Manager/Registrar) for the New York State Division of Military and Naval Affairs. He is busy with the establishment of the NYS Military Museum and Veterans Research Center in Saratoga Springs. M.A. 1996.

***Laura-Eve Moss** is managing editor of The Encyclopedia of New York State, a project of Syracuse University Press. M.A. 1991, C.A.S. 1992.

Kerry L. Nelson works as a Project Director, archaeologist, and historian for Edward V. Curtin, Consulting Archaeologist. As a student, she interned at the National Museum of Dance in Saratoga Springs, where she worked with the collection and wrote a successful grant. M.A. 2000.

Jennifer O'Neill works as an archives and Records Management Specialist for the New York State Archives. M.A. 1998.

* **Theodore V. Orosz** is Director for Manhattan and Bronx Bus Planning at the New York City Transit Authority in Brooklyn. Ted is responsible for bus route development for Manhattan and the Bronx. In his note, he includes a message that New York City Transit has an extensive internship program which may be of interest to University at Albany students. B.A. 1973, M.S. 1974. Email: torosz@nyct.com.

* **Ralph Pape** changed careers and went into secondary education teaching in 1994. He currently teaches AP U.S. History classes at Albany High School. B.A. 1973, M.A. 1995. Email: <u>rpape@nycap.rr.com</u>. **Jeff Passe** lives in Charlotte, North Carolina. He is employed as a professor at UNC-Charlotte and is also currently President-elect of the National Council for the Social Studies. B.A. 1974. Email: jpasse@email.uncc.edu

* **Melissa Paterson** is a client analyst for Goldman Sachs in New York. Last March she came to Albany to talk with undergraduates about her career choices. B.A. 1999. Email: <u>Melissa.Paterson@gs.com</u>

***J.C. Polanco** taught Social Studies at Truman High School after a brief period of work as a financial advisor and stockbroker. He is currently pursuing a joint JD/MBA program at Fordham University. He is the Assistant Director for NYC and Westchester operations for the State Assembly Minority Leader, Charles Nesbitt. In addition, he teaches American History and Political Science as an adjunct professor at Borucua College in Manhattan.

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* **Sarah A. Polirer** is the Associate Archivist and Assistant Manager at CIGNA in Bloomfield, Connecticut. B. A. 1981. Email: <u>sarah.polirer@cigna.com</u>.

Mary S. Quinn is at the New York State Bureau of Historic Sites. She is working on the cataloging, rehousing and preservation of photographic prints and motion picture films that trace the history of Long Island State Parks and Parkways during the period of 1920-1980. M.A. 2001.

Cindy Sauer is an archivist for History Associates, Inc./IBM Archives Project. M.A. 2000. M.A. 2000.

* **Howard Schlossberg** is on the faculty in Journalism and Marketing Communication at Columbia College Chicago. He has published two books, the first was a textbook and business reference on Sports Marketing. The second, recently published, is a "creative non-fiction piece". B.A. 1972. Email: <u>hbssports@aol.com</u>.

Tricia Shaw is the Education Coordinator at Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site. She is also President of the Palatine Settlement Society. M.A. 1996.

John Smith recently accepted a tenure track position at Texas A & M at Commerce. His article "Sober Dissent' and 'Spirited Conduct': The Sandemanians and the American Revolution, 1765?1781," appeared in the *Historical Journal of Massachusetts*, 28 (2000). His chapter, "The Promised Day of the Lord': American Millennialism and Apocalypticism, 1735?1783" is forthcoming in *The Ends of the Earth: Protestant Millnnialism from the English Reformation to the American Civil War* (Brill). In addition, he has a chapter, "Yes, the Great Awakening Was a Key Factor Leading to the American Revolution," in the forthcoming book *History in Dispute: The American Revolution* (Garland). He received an Early American Studies Fellowship from the University of Glasgow in February 2001 and a Residential Fellowship from The David Library of the American Revolution for Summer 2001. PhD. 2003.

* **Stuart J. Smyth** is teaching at The College of Saint Rose. His dissertation was on the "Evangelical Components of Imperialism" which has resulted in the publication of several articles showing connections between missionary activity in the United States and the United Kingdom in China and India. Stuart also teaches on line classes for the SUNY learning network and regularly teaches courses for us at the University at Albany.

M.A. 1990, Ph.D. 1998. Email: smyths@taconic.net.

Suzanne Soden works at the Farmers Museum as a Museum Teacher. She is pursuing a second M.A. at the Cooperstown Graduate Program. M.A. 2001.

* **Dave Snyder** is teaching Government and Economics to Senior High School students at Hadley-Luzerne CSD, Lake Luzerne, NY. He is living near Saratoga Springs, NY. BA (History) '98 & MA (Education) '99. <u>Teacher2tousand@aol.com</u>

* **Howard N. Stein** works as an Educational Consultant after many years as a guidance counselor. Howard does College advising and in-service professional development, especially related to international students. He also teaches courses at the college level in inter-cultural communication and cross-cultural counseling. B.A. 1969. Email: <u>hhstein@juno.com</u>.

Jim Stickel is working with Mary Quinn at the New York State Bureau of Historic Sites. They are involved in preserving the history of Long Island State Parks and Parkways during the period of 1920-1980. M.A. 2000.

* **Andrew Tompkins** married and moved to the Washington, DC area shortly after graduating from Albany. He now lives in Springfield, Virginia and works as a Research Assistant on educational issues at the National Research Council in Washington, DC. He has fond memories of his classes with Prof. Kizenko. M.A. 1999. Email: <u>atompkin@nas.edu</u>

Brad L. Utter is the Director of the Waterford Historical Museum and Cultural Center. This past summer he was busy getting married and opening a new permanent exhibit at the Museum. M.A. 1998.

* **Ann E. Vanino** has her own company, Moving Forward Coaching. She is a personal and professional coach. She provides coaching services to individuals across the country in the areas of: career transition, finding your passion, understanding the business world, career planning, and personal/ professional balance. Ann lives and works in Leona Valley, California. B.A. 1974. Email: <u>Ann@MovingForward.net</u>.

John Warren has been hired as the manager of the Mabee Farm site of the Schenectady Historical Society. M.A. 2002.

* **Jane L. Winer** is the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas. She keeps in touch and brings humor when it just seems like we have to talk to a Dean. B.A. 1969, M.L.S. 1970. Email: <u>jane.winer@ttu.edu</u>

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Ira Wolfman has published his fourth book, *Jewish New York: Notable Neighborhoods* & *Memorable Moments* in October 2003 (Rizzoli Publications). After 16 years at Sesame Street running a publishing division, Ira has now opened his own communications

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Kira Zaikowski has had a variety of wonderful internships. She worked with "old salts" in interpreting and preserving the USS Slater, and researched and interned at Olana State Historic Site. Until recently, she served as the Assistant Curator/Educator at the Ten Broeck Mansion in Albany, NY. She now teaches at Doane Stuart School in Albany." M.A. 2002; C.A.S. 2002.

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