

9th Annual

Beneath the Inland Seas



Presented by the Joint Archives of Holland and Michigan Shipwreck Research Associates

The evening events include the short program "Piece of a Ship" and several live narrated presentations including the following:

Saturday May 5, 2007
The Knickerbocker Theatre
86 East Eighth St. Holland
7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

The Discovery of Flight 4422

Presented by Major Kevin McGregor USAFR
For anyone familiar with MSRA's search for lost Flight 2501, a DC-4 that crashed into Lake Michigan in 1950 with the loss of 58 people, you might be surprised to learn that another DC-4 crashed into Mt. Sanford in Alaska in 1948 with the loss of 30 people. After more than a half century, two explorers located the wreckage high on a glacier. Coloradoan Kevin McGregor, one of the explorers, will share the details of that amazing discovery. Was their gold aboard as rumored? You will find out!

Hidden Depths Amazing Underwater Discoveries

Presented By David Trotter
Share the excitement of several new shipwreck discoveries with Undersea Research Associates. The stories involve ships of very different sizes, sunk decades apart in different lakes and for different reasons, with one thing in common- they were all carrying coal! Share the excitement of discovering and thrills of diving on the small schooner *S. H. Kimball* lost in 1895 in Lake Huron, the midsize Steamer *George Stone*, lost 14 years later in Lake Erie and the massive freighter, *Edward Demmer*, sunk in 1923 in a collision.

She Died a Hard Death The Sinking of the Hennepin

Presented By MSRA
When the tugboat *Lotus* moved slowly up the Grand River in Ferrysburg Michigan on the sultry evening of August 18, 1927, it was immediately apparent something was wrong. She had left the day prior towing the barge *Hennepin* and was returning without it. The *Hennepin's* Captain Ole Hansen who had taken refuge on the tug shouted across to employees waiting at the Dock: "We lost her boys. She died a hard death." 79 years later Michigan Shipwreck Research Associates discovered the ship that Hansen had lost in 230' of water off South Haven, Michigan. Through research and diving this very pristine wreck, MSRA would piece together the true account of the sinking of this ship, told through historical reenactment, and place this vessel in its proper historical content as the first self-unloading steamer.

Adventures of a Shipwreck Hunter

Presented by Ralph Wilbanks
Back for his third time in Holland, Ralph Wilbanks, marine archaeologist, side scan sonar expert, and a leading member of the National Underwater Marine Agency, (and our own "Dirk Pitt"), shares the adventures of hunting for the world's greatest shipwrecks with nationally acclaimed author and a shipwreck hunter himself, Clive Cussler.

Sign Up Early & Save! Tear Here and Mail. Support Local History in the Making. Admission: \$12.50 Per Person in Advance. No tickets will be mailed, your name will be held at the door. Admission available at the door for \$15.00 per person. All proceeds will be directed MSRA's Shipwreck Quest 2007

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Membership includes one free admission, special seating for members and guests, post show party, daily emails during the annual shipwreck search, and quarterly MSRA newsletters

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www.michiganshipwrecks.org

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