

8th Annual

# Mysteries & Histories Beneath The Inland Seas



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

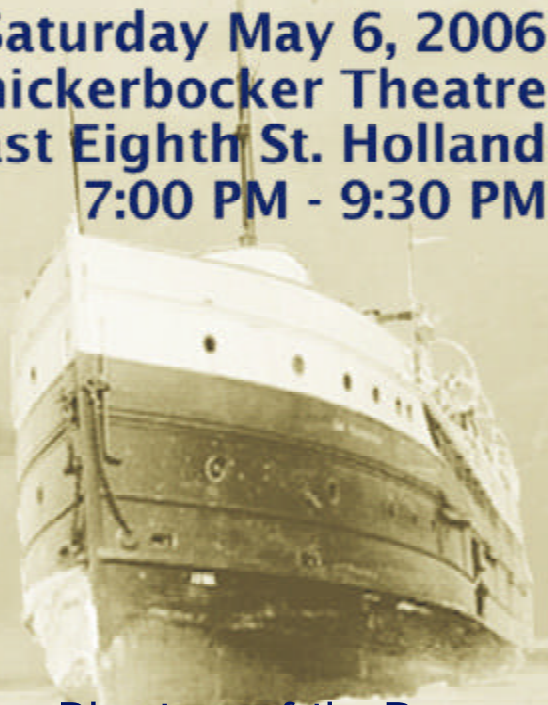
The Evening Events Include  
Four Multi-Media Presentations!

Saturday May 6, 2006  
The Knickerbocker Theatre  
86 East Eighth St. Holland  
7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

## Icebound Found!

Presented by MSRA

"Difficulties are just things to overcome after all." This quote, made famous by Captain Ernest Shackleton when he & his crew returned from Antarctica after his ship *Endurance* sank, could certainly have been the sentiment of Capt. Prindle as a similar drama played out in 1885 on Lake Michigan when the *S.S. Michigan* became icebound and sank after a 40-day ordeal. If you attended "Mysteries and Histories" in 2004, you saw a program about this ship which had not yet been found. Join MSRA's search team tonight as you experience how working with noted shipwreck explorer, David Trotter, the team persisted over three years and 50 square miles to finally locate the wreck in deep water off Holland. The multifaceted tale is told through a riveting reenactment, an unfolding search effort punctuated with highs and lows, and the camera lens of a technical diving team, as MSRA explores the intact remains of this historic vessel, 275 beneath Lake Michigan, and learns first-hand just how difficulties can be overcome!



## The Search for the Bonne Homme Richard

Presented by Ralph Wilbanks

Last year's highly acclaimed (and downright funny) keynote speaker returns to share with us the unfolding search effort that he and Clive Cussler have been undertaking for John Paul Jones' ship the *Bonne Homme Richard* lost in the North Sea in 1779 during the American Revolution. After incurring a huge amount of damage from enemy ship *Serapis*, Jones cried out the now famous reply "I have not yet begun to fight". He went on to win the battle, but lost his ship. Wilbanks will share how he "has not yet begun to search!"

## Of Planes, Trains & Ships

Presented by MSRA

You've read about it in the newspapers, seen it on the TV news and if you were here last year you saw the story of the disappearance of Northwest Flight 2501 which crashed in Lake Michigan in 1950 with the loss of 53 people. Join MSRA as they unveil the results of the 2005 search effort, a joint venture with Clive Cussler's National Underwater Marine Agency, and the surprising discovery of the *Ann Arbor No. 5*, among other things. There will also be several people in attendance who had a special connection to Flight 2501 including family members from those unfortunate individuals who lost their lives in the tragedy.

## Phantoms of the Deep

Presented by David Trotter

Share the excitement of four unique discoveries in one year with the URA team, including the *SS Michigan*, the first airplane to be discovered in Lake Huron, the mysterious "A" frame and the Steamer *A. Everett* on her first, and final run, in 1895, when it met its demise in Lake Huron, in circumstances not unlike the *Michigan* where on a brutally cold, April evening, ice stove in her bow planking, sinking her within an hour. It would be 110 years later that a team of intrepid explorers were to touch the ship and began their "swim into history". Share the excitement of the exploration as we uncover the secrets of the "ice water" mansion sitting upright, but not forgotten, in the floor of Lake Huron.

Sign Up Early & Save! Tear Here and Mail. Support Local History in the Making. Admission: \$10.00 Per Person in Advance

No tickets will be mailed, your name will be held at the door. Admission available at the door for \$12.50 per person. All proceeds will be directed MSRA's Shipwreck Quest 2006.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Children Under 12 free: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual MSRA Membership\* includes 1 free Ticket @ \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Number of tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10.00 = Total enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

\*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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