Call for Proposals

"New Perspectives on Pennsylvania's Past"
Pennsylvania Historical Association
2010 Annual Meeting
October 14–16 2010
Selinsgrove PA

The Program Committee invites proposals for the 2010 Pennsylvania Historical Association Annual Meeting hosted by Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, PA, October 14-16. Full session proposals are encouraged relating to conference theme "New Perspectives Pennsylvania's Past." Individual paper proposals are also welcome. Program Committee members will solicit session proposals from affiliated organizations. The Program Committee is particularly interested in panel discussions that examine previously underrepresented themes and topics that challenge traditional boundaries of Pennsylvania historical scholarship. Proposals should identify session chairs and participants and provide brief professional biographical information. Note: all participants must be members of the association at the time of the meeting. The committee requests all submissions as Word documents. Inquiries and proposals may be sent by February 1, 2010, to the address below:

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## Call for Papers

Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography Special Issue: Civil War in Pennsylvania (October 2011)

The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography is issuing a call for articles for a special issue of the magazine on the Civil War in Pennsylvania scheduled for an October 2011 publication.

The editors seek submissions of the following two sorts.

Scholarly Articles: The editors seek proposals for scholarly articles (25–35 pages, double spaced) featuring new research on the Civil War in Pennsylvania. Articles can focus on military, political, or civilian topics. Selections will be made based on the quality of the submission and with an eye toward representing the diversity of current Civil War research.

Favorite Sources/Hidden Gems: The editors seek proposals for short articles (250–750 words) featuring favorite sources/hidden gems highlighting some aspect of the Civil War in Pennsylvania. We invite articles focusing on both written and nonwritten sources, including but not limited to diaries, manuscript collections, novels, government documents, photographs, museum artifacts, and monuments. These items may or may not be found in the state, but all featured items will serve to illuminate some aspect of how Pennsylvanians experienced the war. Selections will be made based on the quality of the submission and with an eye toward representing the wide variety of source material available for understanding the Civil War in Pennsylvania.

Submission details: Submissions should be addressed to Tamara Gaskell, Editor, *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*, Historical Society of Pennsylvania, 1300 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107 or, by e-mail, to pmhb@hsp.org.

Guest editors: Potential contributors are encouraged to consult with one of the two guest editors for this issue of the *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*. Matt Gallman at the University of Florida can be reached at gallmanm@history.ufl.edu. Judy Giesberg at Villanova University can be reached at judith.giesberg@villanova.edu.

**Deadline for submissions:** January 8, 2010.

# The Historical Society of Pennsylvania Balch Institute Fellowships in Ethnic and/or 20th-Century History for 2010–2011

The Historical Society of Pennsylvania will award two one-month Balch Institute fellowships to enable research on topics related to the ethnic and immigrant experience in the United States and/or American cultural, social, political, or economic history post-1875. The fellowships support one month of residency in Philadelphia during the 2010–11 academic year. Past Balch fellows have done research on immigrant children, Italian American fascism, German Americans in the Civil War, Pan-Americanism, African American women's political activism, and much more.

**The Historical Society of Pennsylvania**, enriched by the holdings of the Balch Institute for Ethnic Studies, holds more than 19 million personal, organizational, and business manuscripts, as well 560,000 printed items and 312,000 graphic images concerning national and regional political, social, and family history. The Balch collections have added rich documentation of the ethnic and immigrant experience in the United States.

Next door, **The Library Company**, founded by Benjamin Franklin in 1731, was the largest public library in America until the latter part of the 19th century, and contains printed materials relating to every aspect of American culture and society in that period. It holds over half a million rare books and graphics, including the nation's second largest collection of pre-1801 American imprints and one of the largest collections of 18th-century British books in America.

**Together the two institutions** form one of the most comprehensive sources in the nation for the study of colonial and U.S. history and culture. The Historical Society's strength in manuscripts complements the Library Company's strength in printed materials. The Library Company's collections reflect the whole range of early American print culture, including books, pamphlets, and magazines from all parts of the country, as well as books imported from Britain and the Continent. The Historical Society's archives richly document the social, cultural, and economic history of a region central to many aspects of the nation's development. The Balch Institute collections bring the HSP strength in documenting ethnic and immigrant history, with significant holdings of ethnic newspapers, records of benevolent societies and other local and national ethnic organizations, and personal papers of prominent leaders in ethnic and immigrant communities. Both collections are strong in local newspapers and printed ephemera.

The Stipend is \$2,000. Fellowships are tenable for any one-month period between June 2010 and May 2011. They support advanced, postdoctoral, and dissertation research. Deadline for receipt of applications is March 1, 2010, with a decision to be made by April 15. Before mailing an application, visit http://www.lcpimages.org/forms/coversheet.htm to fill out an electronic cover sheet. To apply, send seven copies each of a brief résumé, a two- to four-page description of the proposed research, and a letter of reference to: James Green, Library Company, 1314 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107. For more information on applying and the joint fellowship program, telephone (215) 546-3181, fax (215) 546-5167, e-mail jgreen@librarycompany.org. For specific information on the Balch fellowships, contact Tamara Gaskell, (215) 732-6200 x208, e-mail tgaskell@hsp.org.

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Visiting Research Fellowships in Colonial and U.S. History and Culture for 2010-2011

These two independent research libraries will jointly award approximately twentyfive one-month fellowships for research in residence in either or both collections during the academic year. Named one-month fellowships support research in certain areas:

Two Barra Foundation International Fellowships (which carry a special stipend of \$2,500 plus a travel allowance) are reserved for citizens of other countries living outside the U.S.

Two **Balch Institute Fellowships** will support research in the HSP/Balch collections on the ethnic and immigrant experience in the United States and/or American cultural, social, political, or economic history post-1875.

The Society for Historians of the Early American Republic (SHEAR) sponsors two fellowships that support research in American history in the Early National period.

The William Reese Company supports a fellowship for research in American bibliography and the history of the book in the Americas.

The William H. Helfand Fellowship for American Medicine, Science, and Society supports research in that subject area to 1900.

The Library Company's Visual Culture Program Fellowship supports research focused on pictorial imagery in printed and graphic works from the colonial era to the early 20th century.

The American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies (ASECS) sponsors a fellowship for research on projects related to the American 18th century.

The Library Company's Program in Early American Economy and Society (PEAES) offers four short-term fellowships for research in that field.

The Library Company's Program in African American History offers several Albert M. Greenfield Foundation Fellowships to support research in that field.

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MARCH 1, 2010, with a decision to be made by April 15.

To apply please complete the online cover sheet (see below) and deliver by March 1 to Fellowships, Library Company of Philadelphia, 1314 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107:

7 copies of a brief résumé 7 copies of a short description of the proposed research 7 copies of a letter of reference

To fill out the online coversheet, visit www.librarycompany.org/fellowships/american.htm

For other fellowships offered by the Library Company including long-term and dissertation fellowships please visit www.librarycompany.org/fellowships.