

**The Fourteenth Annual
Conference on New England Industrial
Archeology**

**Saturday
February 3, 2001**

**Central Connecticut State University
Stanley Street
New Britain, Connecticut**

**Sponsored by
the New England Chapters of the
Society for Industrial Archeology
and
the Anthropology Department
of
Central Connecticut State University**

Conference History

The Conference on New England Industrial Archeology has been an annual event since 1988. The conference is jointly sponsored by the Northern and Southern New England Chapters of the Society for Industrial Archeology (SIA). The Society promotes the study of material culture of our industrial past and encourages field investigation, research and exchange of information on all aspects of our industrial heritage.

The New England chapters of the SIA are active throughout the year. Each sponsor's tours and site visits as well as special recording, investigation and stabilization projects. A newsletter for the New England Chapters is published twice a year. If you are not already a member, we encourage you to join a regional chapter and the national society.

Program

- 8:15 **Registration & Coffee Begin**
- 9:00 **Welcoming Comments,**
Matthew Kierstead, President SNEC-SIA
Dr. Michael Park, Acting Chair, Department of Anthropology, Central Connecticut State University
Gregory Galer, Vice President & Program Chair, SNEC-SIA
- 9:15 **Robert Stewart,** Historical Technologies
Electricity on the High Iron: The Catenary System of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad”
- 9:40 **Sara Mascia and Faline Schneiderman-Fox,** Historical Perspectives, Inc.
“From Turntables to Parking Permits: The Excavation of the Poughkeepsie Railroad Roundhouse”
- 10:05 **Gilmore Cooke,** Camp Dresser & McKee Inc. & Chairman, History Committee, Industrial Applications Society of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers
"Central Power Station (CPS): The first power station of the MBTA"
- 10:30 **Break**
- 10:50 **Rob Martello,** Ph.D. MIT Program in the History and Social Study of Science and Technology "The Patriot in the Copper Mill: Paul Revere's Canton operations and the Growth of American Industry"
- 11:15 **Lauren Cook,** Boston Affiliates, Inc.
“Landscapes of Waste: Ongoing Industrial Archeology at the Granite Railway Quarry”
- 11:40 **Richard Greenwood,** Rhode Island Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission
“Uneasy Sprits: Salvage Archaeology at an Early Distillery”

- 12:00 **Discussion & Questions**
- 12:15 **Paulette Kellerstedt,** New Britain Industrial Museum
Introduction to The Industrial Museum
- 12:45 **Dr. Alfred Gates**
CCSU Department of Engineering Technology
Introduction to the Robotics Lab
- 12:30 **Lunch**
- 2:00 **Travel to Tours**
- 2:15 **Group A Tours Industrial Museum / Group B Tours Robotics Lab**
- 3:15 **Groups Switch Locations**
- 3:30 **Group B Tours Industrial Museum / Group A Tours Robotics Lab**
- 4:30 **Tours Completed**

Registration and Fee

Advanced registration for the conference is not required. All conference participants must register at DiLoretto Hall on the CCSU campus on the day of the conference. A fee of \$7 per person covers mailings, materials, refreshments and miscellaneous fees.

Related Sites

In conjunction with the IA Conference we will tour the Automation Laboratory of Central Connecticut State University and the New Britain Industrial Museum. The Automation Laboratory develops advanced manufacturing technology for Connecticut industries.

The lab is under CCSU's School of Technology. Our guide through this facility will be Dr. Alfred Gates. The lab is primarily used to support the study

and evaluation of hydraulic, pneumatic, robotic and The New Britain Industrial Museum is located on the second floor of CCSU's Institute for Industrial and Engineering Technology (IIET) at 185 Main Street, New Britain, CT. Products from Landers, Frary & Clark, Fafnir Bearing, Corbin, Stanley Works and other manufacturers that helped make New Britain "Hardware Capital of the World" will be on display.

It displays examples of appliances, machine tools, bearings, hardware, findings and hand tools made in New Britain. The breadth of this collection is amazing. Many of the pieces are unique and show both the development of an idea and its execution.

Lunch

Lunch will be on your own. The CCSU student cafeteria offers a delicious and inexpensive buffet in the student center building. A "Whole Donut," "Blimpies," "Golden Garden," a Chinese Restaurant and "Central Pizza" are located in a shopping center just south of DiLoretto Hall.

Postponement

The conference will be postponed and rescheduled only if the University is closed because of bad weather. Check for last minute information on closure at CCSU's web site-

<http://www.ccsu.edu/intro3.htm>
or call the "snow phone" at (860) 832-3333.

Directions

The conference will be held in Room 1 of DiLoretto Hall of Central Connecticut State University. The university is readily accessible from major highways.

From Vermont and New Hampshire

Take Route I-91 South to exit 32A/Route I-84

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(Waterbury). Turn west onto I-84. Get off I-84 at exit 39A (Newington/New Britain) and turn onto Route 9 South. Drive south on Route 9 for two miles to Exit 29. Turn right on to Ella Grasso Blvd. At end of ramp. Follow local directions to the University.

From Eastern Massachusetts:

Take the Massachusetts Turnpike to the Route I-84 exit (Sturbridge). Drive southwest on Route I-84 through Hartford to exit 39A (Newington/New Britain) and turn onto Route 9 South. Drive south on Route 9 for two miles to Exit 29 (Ella Grasso Blvd.). Turn right onto Ella Grasso Blvd. Follow local directions to University.

From New York:

Take Route I-95 to Bridgeport. Bear right on the ramp at exit 27A - Route 8. Travel north on Route 8 to Waterbury. Take exit 31 to Route I-84 east. Travel east to exit 39A (Newington/New Britain) and turn onto Route 9 south. Drive south on Route 9 for two miles to exit 29 (Ella Grasso Blvd.). Turn right at the end of exit ramp onto Ella Grasso Blvd. Follow local directions to the campus.

From Eastern Conn. and Rhode Island:

Take I-95 east to exit 69 - Route 9 north. Follow Route 9 northwest for 38 miles toward New Britain. Take exit 29 and bear left onto Fenn Road and go north for 0.4 miles. Turn left onto Ella Grasso Blvd. Follow local directions.

Local Directions:

Note: Ella Grasso may be posted as Drive, Road or Blvd. It's all the same road. Once on Ella Grasso Blvd., follow it through the CCSU campus for about 0.9 miles to Stanley Street. Turn left on Stanley Street. Drive south on Stanley Street for 0.25 miles

and turn left onto Paul Manafort Drive. About 200 feet on your right is Manafort Parking Lot. Park in Manafort Lot. Student and Visitor parking is allowed in this lot on Saturdays. DiLoretto Hall is at the corner of Paul Manafort Drive and Stanley Street, across and north of the parking lot. Alternate parking may be found in the CCSU garages. Do not park in Willard lot behind DiLoretto Hall.

Some tour venues are located about three miles south of the University in downtown New Britain at 185 Main Street. Maps and directions will be distributed at the conference.

Parking

SNEC-SIA has permission to park in Manafort Parking Lot adjacent to DiLoretto Hall. If Manafort lot is full, park in the University Garage (Across from the police station). Do not park in the faculty (Willard) Lot.

Lodging

There are several motels in the area. Call or e-mail Bob Stewart (860) 668-2928 for options.

If you have any questions or require space to set up displays or book sales, contact:

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