

Special Events, 2015-16.

The Special Events Committee has experienced a somewhat quiet year for several reasons. We had a few trips cancelled due to insufficient interest. One trip was cancelled after Committee members visited the event and concluded it was not of sufficient interest or value to justify the trip cost to our students.

We did, however, have two very successful events. The first trip included a visit to Bucksport's Northeast Historical Film for a tour of their world-class facility with Brooke Minner and a viewing of some of the films that have been restored and preserved there. Additionally we visited the Penobscot Marine Museum for a presentation by their photo archivist, Kevin Johnson. The second trip was to Unity which included a visit to an Amish farm, the Northern Solstice Alpaca Farm in Thorndike and Unity College's McKay Farm.

Currently, we have some interesting co-productions planned (see the website and watch for classroom announcements for the specifics on these very interesting upcoming events).

In conjunction with Charlotte Herbold and the Midcoast Actors' Studio of Belfast, we will be offered a discount ticket price for their performance of George Bernard Shaw's "Arms and the Man," which will include a pre-show visit with Charlotte and the play's director, Wendy Schweikert.

Working with Sharon Romanow and in conjunction with John Elberfeld and Jane McLean's course "Preserving and Sharing Your Family History," Senior College and the Thomaston Place Auction Galleries will be offering free informal valuations of one of your most precious treasures after one of the afternoon class sessions.

Also with Sharon Romanow and presented by Megan Pinette at the Belfast Historical Society, there will be a Brown bag Lunch presentation, during the Fall Semester, of the life and times of Belfast's own Capt. Albert W. Stevens - Daredevil of the Skies. This will be about one of Belfast's most interesting sons; aviator, photographer, explorer, inventor, high altitude balloonist.

We say Bon Voyage with our deepest thanks to two of our most treasured committee members Joel Karp and Susan Higgins as we will be losing them this fall, but we have added Anne Dolbashian, Margaret Harmash and most recently Martha Laitin to our merry little band.