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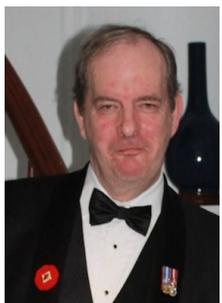
Don Hickey is a professor of history at Wayne State College in Nebraska. Called “the dean of 1812 scholarship” by the *New Yorker*, Don is an award-winning author who has written seven books and nearly a hundred articles on the War of 1812. He is best known for *The War of 1812: A Forgotten Conflict* (Bicentennial edition, 2012) and *Don't Give Up the Ship! Myths of the War of 1812* (2006). Don also serves as series editor for John Hopkins Books on the War of 1812, has done extensive consulting work and delivered numerous public lectures, and manages an e-mail list for those interested in the war. For promoting public understanding of the War of 1812, Don received the Samuel Eliot Morison Award from the USS Constitution Museum in 2013.



Dr. Jane Errington is a Professor of History at Queen's University where she explores issues of identity and the creation and development of colonial settler societies. She is the author of *The Lion, The Eagle and Upper Canada: A Developing Colonial Ideology* (McGill-Queen's, 1987, 1995), awarded the Albert B. Corey Prize by the CHA/AHA in 1988, *Wives and Mothers, School Mistresses and Scullery Maids, Working Women in Upper Canada*, awarded the J.S. Taxman Prize by the Ontario Historical Society in '96, and *Emigrant Worlds and Transatlantic Communities* (2007). She has written numerous articles on women's colonial history and is currently working on a project on women and immigration in the first half of the nineteenth century, and on an ongoing project, women and the law in colonial Canada. She is currently working on

two projects – a study of church and charity in the first half of the 19th century; and a study of the making of RMC, tentatively titled “Imperial Masculinity.”

Dr. Errington is also professor emeriti at the Royal Military College of Canada.



Donald Graves was educated in history at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon and Carleton University in Ottawa. He has been employed as a military historian or archivist by the Library and Archives of Canada, the National Historic Sites Service of Canada and the Department of National Defence.

Mr. Graves has been very active in the field of heritage preservation and has served as a consultant to the Niagara Parks Commission and the St. Lawrence Parks Commission, as well as smaller agencies. Between 1996 and 2001 he was the lead heritage advisor on the preservation of the Chippewa battlefield of the War of 1812 and has also served as a historical consultant for a number of documentaries on the War of 1812, the most recent being the Public Broadcasting System's 2-hour production, televised in October 2011.

Donald Graves is a member of the Minister of Canadian Heritage's Advisory Committee on the Bi-Centennial of the War of 1812. He is the only non-American member of the U.S. Secretary of the Interior's Scholarly Advisory Committee on Revolutionary and War of 1812 Battlefields and the only non-British member of the Heritage Advisory Board of the Royal Armouries of Britain.

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Donald Graves is the author or editor of nine books on War of 1812 subjects including: *Merry Hearts Make Light Days: The War of 1812 Journal of Lieutenant John Le Couteur, 104th Foot*; *Redcoats and Greyjackets: The Battle of Chippawa, 1814*; *Soldiers of 1814: American Enlisted Men's Memoirs of the Niagara Campaign*; *The Incredible War of 1812: A Military History*; *Field of Glory: The Battle of Chrysler's Farm, 1813*; *Where Right and Glory Lead: The Battle of Lundy's Lane, 1814*; *Fix Bayonets! A Royal Welch Fusilier at War, 1796-1816, being the Life and Times of Lieutenant-General Thomas Pearson*; and *First Campaign of an ADC: The War of 1812 Memoirs of Lieutenant William J. Worth*. His latest 1812 title, *And All Their Glory Past*, which covers the last battles in the north, was released in October 2013.



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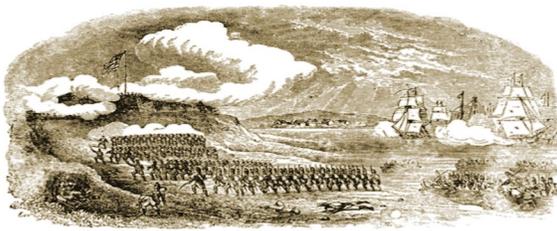
A retired computer scientist, Dr. Gary M. Gibson has been researching the naval War of 1812 on Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River since 1992. Much of the primary source material collected during his research has been digitized by him and is available at the Sackets Harbor Battlefield State Historic Site, Sackets Harbor NY. A trustee and past president of the Sackets Harbor Battlefield Alliance, Dr. Gibson is the author of several publications including the second edition of his *Service Records of U. S. Naval and Marine Corps Officers Stationed on Lake Ontario During the War of 1812*. Since 2001 he has presented numerous papers on the results of his research at symposia and meetings in the United States and Canada. Dr. Gibson lives in Sackets Harbor NY with his wife Susan.



Walter Lewis is an award-winning maritime historian and frequent speaker, specializing in the history of Great Lakes region. A graduate of Queen's University and the University of Toronto, he has served on the editorial boards of both *Fresh Water* and *The Northern Mariner*. In 1990 he took up scuba diving as part of the research for *The River Palace*, co-authored with Rick Neilson of Kingston. His website, MaritimeHistoryOfTheGreatLakes.ca is recognized as one of the richest resources for those doing research in the history of the Lakes. His recent awards include the S.O.S. Marine Heritage Award (with Rick Neilson, 2009), the Henry Barkhausen award from the Association for Great Lakes Maritime History (both in 2011 and 2014) and the 2011 Great Lakes Historian of the Year presented by the Marine Historical Society of Detroit.



An authority on the western theatre of the War of 1812 and an award-winning author, Sandy Antal has presented widely from St. Louis Missouri to London, U.K. and has appeared in several TV documentaries. A graduate of Western, Carleton and Toronto Universities, Mr. Antal left the Canadian Forces as a major after twenty years' service. He then turned to research, writing and teaching. His first major work, *A Wampum Denied: Procter's War of 1812*, was the fruit of work that spanned three decades. As the first comprehensive account of Anglo-Native operations on the Detroit River frontier, this book became received the American Library Association's "Choice Award" and is now in its third printing in bound form alone. In addition to numerous articles, Mr. Antal also wrote *Invasions* and co-authored *Duty Nobly Done: the Official History of the Essex and Kent Scottish Regiment*. With his wife, Jane, he now lives at Cameron, near Peterborough, Ontario.



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Peter Rindlisbacher currently works as a full time historical marine artist, frequently portraying War of 1812 subjects. He enjoys research and working closely with historians in order to create his paintings, using maps, models and primary source documents as much as possible. Museums, historic sites, and the military in the U.S. and Canada have purchased many of his oil paintings, while limited print editions of his work are currently sold as fundraisers for various heritage groups. His images have appeared on numerous book and magazine covers, and in a number of video and Public Television productions such as The History Channel and National Geographic. In terms of education, he is a self-taught artist, but obtained a Ph.D. in clinical psychology in 1992. He is also a model maker, racing sailor, and replica longboat owner. Peter presently lives in Katy, Texas, with his wife and two children.



Richard Barbuto is professor and deputy director of the Department of Military History at the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He is a graduate of the United States Military Academy, West Point, and a twenty-three year veteran of the U.S. Army. He was awarded a doctorate in American history from the University of Kansas in 1996. He has authored a number of articles on the War of 1812, as well as the publication, *Niagara 1814: America Invades Canada*.



Clayton F. Nans is an amateur naval historian, model shipwright, and retired Colonel of Marines. During a career of over 28 years in the United States Marine Corps, Colonel Nans has served in numerous operational command and staff officer billets in the Second and Third Marine Divisions. He also participated extensively in the research, development, testing and acquisition of assault amphibian vehicles, and served as the Military Aide to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy RD&A. During his tour as the Commanding Officer of the Assault Amphibian School, Camp Pendleton, CA, he founded the United States Marine Corps World War II and Korean War Assault Amphibian Museum which won the 1996 Marine Corps Heritage Foundation Magruder Award. After leaving the Corps in 2004 Colonel Nans served as a Senior Military Analyst for the Department of the Army. He is a graduate of the University of South Carolina, the Defense Systems Management College, and the Marine Corps Command and Staff College. Colonel Nans has been an avid ship modeler for over forty years and is a member of the Nautical Research Guild and the U.S. Naval Institute.