

# **The Explorers Club**

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## **EXPLORATION RESUME UPDATE**

### **SUMMARY**

Since becoming a member of The Explorers Club in 2004, I have led or co-led ten expeditions: four Flag Expeditions and six other expeditions, in locations from Alabama to Vanuatu. I have participated in five other expeditions as a member or researcher, and assisted law enforcement, search and rescue authorities, or families of the missing in eight aviation disappearances or missing person cases, resulting in finds or resolution of six aircraft mysteries.

This activity has led to publications in refereed, academic and professional journals; various reports including four substantial Flag reports to The Explorers Club; and a 689-page report on the 1967 disappearance of Jim Thompson, the legendary “Silk King of Thailand.” Since 2004 I have written over 50 relevant stories in newspapers and magazines, and a non-fiction book with chapters on exploration and field research. Many of my publications and expeditions focus on historical research and geo-location, on preserving and celebrating vernacular languages and indigenous cultures, and on aviation archaeology and missing planes and persons. I have made presentations at dozens of venues, including at professional and academic conferences and meetings, the Cosmos Club, the Explorers Club Washington Group and the Philadelphia Chapter of The Explorers Club.

I am a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society and of the Royal Society of Art, a co-founder of the private Missing Aircraft Search Team, and a member of the Cosmos Club. Previously I was the Chair of the Section on Emergency Management of the American Society for Public Administration, and served on the Board of the Explorers Club Washington Group.

Details of my relevant activities are presented below.

## EXPEDITIONS AND FIELD WORK

Leader or co-leader of various expeditions, including:

- **Return to the Real Bali Hai**

Location: northern Vanuatu, 2001

Role: Expedition leader, lead researcher and funder

Objectives: Establish that Ambae island was the main inspiration for “Bali Hai” from *Tales of the South Pacific*; investigate the World War II impacts on Ambae; document the contrast between the fictional and real “Bali Hai.”

Endorsing Institution: none

Results and How Used: All objectives accomplished. Published a chapter in my book *The Most Traveled Man on Earth*, a story in *International Travel News*, two pieces in *The Montgomery Sentinel*, and a piece later in *Island Life* (the national magazine of Vanuatu). This effort led to a second (Flag) expedition, described below.

[Became a Member National of TEC in 2004, after the 2001 Bali Hai expedition above.]

- **The Search for the Lost Ghost Town of Washington Court House**

Location: Washington County, SW Alabama, 2006-7

Role: Expedition leader and research director

Objectives: Locate and document the missing ghost town of Washington Court House, formerly the county seat (from about 1822 to 1827) of Washington County and residence of Judge Harry Toulmin (1766-1823), one of the founders of Alabama (and my direct ancestor).

Endorsing Institution: This was an Explorers Club **Flag Expedition**, carrying Flag #24. The effort was also supported and endorsed by the University of South Alabama and the Southwest Alabama Archaeology Society, and by *The Montgomery Sentinel* (of Maryland, for which I write a monthly exploration/adventure column).

Results and How Used: All objectives accomplished. Our team, which included professional archaeologists, students and volunteers from the University of South Alabama Archaeology Department and the Southwest Alabama Archaeology Society, was able to locate the town, the courthouse foundations, and various dwellings sites, using shovel tests, test pits, and ground penetrating radar. This find was based on my research into the town and its connection with my ancestor, and my initial searches on my own in Washington County. The exact lat/longs were recorded and an official report made to the State of Alabama Department of Archives and History, in order to preserve the site. All artifacts were preserved by the University of South Alabama for future study and cataloging.

A full report was filed with The Explorers Club. This successful search generated TV and press coverage in Mobile and the region, including a front page article above the fold in *The Mobile Press-Register*, and articles in my column in *The Montgomery Sentinel*, all of which favorably described The Explorers Club and its mission. I made presentations on this effort to various organizations involved in historical, genealogical and archaeological research.

- **The Search for Steve Fossett, Medalist of The Explorers Club**

Location: Nevada/California, 2008

Role: Expedition co-leader and research director

Objectives: Find the missing plane and/or remains of Steve Fossett MED '03, one year after the unsuccessful official search was over, using modern scientific and mathematical search and rescue techniques.

Endorsing Institution: World Organization of the Scout Movement, reflecting Fossett's involvement in Scouting and the US National Eagle Scout Association.<sup>1</sup>

Results and How Used: All objectives accomplished. Successfully field-tested NASA pilot visualization software, as requested by that agency. Successfully ran an expedition with 30 members, 20 vehicles and 5 planes for 18 days. Successfully cleared a targeted, high priority area of Nevada with a high "probability of detection," (primarily using land assets) after use of modern SAR scientific and mathematical techniques of terrain analysis, scenario development, Mattson voting, and probability heat mapping. While Fossett's plane wreck was discovered by chance by a hiker near Mammoth Lakes, California, it was a member of our team who then did a spiral search around the wreck and found the site of Fossett's remains one half mile away. This solved the case and quashed irresponsible media reports that he "jumped out of the plane" and was "living with his girlfriend in Tahiti."

This expedition led to a piece in my monthly exploration/adventure column in *The Montgomery Sentinel*, and to a scientific paper by one of our team members for the Military Operations Research Society, on "Applying Optimal Search Theory to Inland SAR: Steve Fossett Case Study."

Of course the Fossett disappearance generated tremendous interest, and our private search a year later resulted in extensive wire service coverage and hundreds of

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<sup>1</sup> Note: A formal application was made to The Explorers Club to endorse the search and provide a Flag, but this was refused, despite the involvement of NASA in the expedition, and the fact that Fossett was a missing Medalist of the Club.

articles in international, national and local media and print outlets all around the world, with a total readership likely in the millions.

This case had a number of important outcomes. It led to the founding of the private Missing Aircraft Search Team (MAST), made up largely of Fossett expedition members -- including me as co-founder. It led to me and another MAST member being asked to participate in NASA SAR research and development planning. It also led to my researching and publishing a substantial manual on searching for light aircraft using modern techniques. And it led to MAST, several years later, working with a major news organization to develop the first complete, integrated list of all the missing civilian and military aircraft in the US – no government agency had previously compiled or maintained an accurate and integrated list. The project has been completed, includes the first-ever mapping of the disappearances, and a television documentary is planned.

- **Search for Cessna N2700Q**

Location: Arizona, 2008-9

Role: Expedition co-leader and research director

Objectives: Locate light plane (a Cessna 182K) with pilot and passenger missing for two years in the vicinity of Sedona, Arizona. (Search by official forces (US Air Force Rescue Coordination Center, Civil Air Patrol, county sheriffs, etc.) was unsuccessful.) Bring closure to the families, who requested our assistance.

Endorsing Institution: Search planning and research undertaken by MAST; all expenses were paid for by MAST members. Other participants included the Friends of Steve Fossett and Simon Donato, Ph.D., FI '09 of the Canadian Chapter of The Explorers Club, and his Adventure Science team.

Results and How Used: I conducted and documented 40 interviews with flight instructors, witnesses, friends, and associates of the victims, and devoted over 1000 hours to the research effort. Fixed wing and helo searches were undertaken. The plane was tentatively located by a MAST review of previously un-examined fire reports, then the find was confirmed by hikers who had made the key fire report, and by MAST and county SAR. Thus the case was solved. All the reward money was turned over by MAST to one of the victim's relatives, who was in financial difficulty and very ill with Crohn's disease.

The case was covered extensively by the Arizona and aviation press and media, led to columns by me in *The Montgomery Sentinel*, and contributed case material to my *Manual on Finding Lost Aircraft*.

- **The Search for Gertrude Tompkins: the Last Missing WASP of World War II**

Location: Santa Monica Bay, California, 2009

Role: Expedition co-leader and research director

Objectives: Locate the P-51 Mustang fighter flown by Gertrude Tompkins, the only missing Women Airforce Service Pilot (WASP) of World War II. (Search by official forces during WW II was unsuccessful. The WASP ferried tens of thousands of planes for millions of miles during the war, making a vital contribution.) Bring closure to the next generation family, who requested MAST assistance.

Endorsing Institution: Search planning, research and execution was undertaken by MAST and members of the UB-88 dive team, and all expenses were paid for by MAST and UB-88 members, or donated by boat captains and yacht clubs.<sup>2</sup> *The Montgomery Sentinel* and the *New Jersey Independent Press* endorsed the effort.

Results and How Used: I was able to locate previously un-interviewed and surviving WASPs, to ask them about their procedures for taking off over the ocean from Mines Field (now LAX), and what path Tompkins would likely have followed. Using a scientific three-stage methodology, our team of 12 divers, 30 support staff and five boats was able to identify 50 high priority targets in the Bay, search all of them (in up to 270 feet of seawater, using side scan sonar and mixed gas diving), and find a possible site for the wreckage and remains. The dive team was led by the head of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Miami office underwater evidence recovery team. An unexpected underwater find was made of a USAF T-33 trainer with the remains of two USAF Lieutenants on board; this find solved a different case and brought closure to two families. A Cessna C210 was also found, but the two occupants of this plane had miraculously escaped.

This effort led to a very favorable and extensive article about the search and MAST in *Smithsonian Air and Space Magazine* (September 2010); to articles about the search in *The Montgomery Sentinel*, to numerous articles in the Los Angeles and New Jersey media (the home state of Tompkins), and to two videos about the search.

- **Search for the USMC F9F-8 Cougar in Flathead Lake**

Location: Montana, 2010-11

Role: Expedition leader and research director

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<sup>2</sup> Note: A formal application was made to The Explorers Club to endorse the search and provide a Flag, but this was refused, despite the massive size and professionalism of the search effort, and the fact that the WASP were later awarded a Congressional Gold Medal for their heroic but previously unsung accomplishments.

Objectives: Locate USMC F9F-8 Cougar, Bureau No. 144348, which crashed in Flathead Lake, Montana in 1960, and the remains of Capt. John Eaheart, USMCR. Bring resolution to the family, who requested the effort and wanted to know the exact location of the plane and the cause of the crash – they disputed the USN finding of “pilot error.”

Endorsing Institution: Search planning and research undertaken by MAST, and all expenses were paid for by MAST members.

Results and How Used: I reviewed press reports, the USN report, and conducted numerous interviews in Montana with friends, family and associates of the pilot, and with a reporter who found a debris field floating on the lake in 1960. High priority areas were identified from this information, and an evaluation of a previous search was undertaken. However, it was determined that the high probability search area was large enough that about six weeks of side-scan sonar searching would be required, and existing resources were not enough to support this much time and effort. The case is still active and may be renewed.

- **“White Hall” Revolutionary War Archaeological Expedition**

Location: South Carolina, 2011-12

Role: Expedition co-leader (along with the State Archaeologist of South Carolina, who was also the Chapter Chair of the Piedmont Chapter of The Explorers Club)

Objectives: Locate the missing historic plantation “White Hall,” home of Brig. Gen. Andrew Williamson, the “Benedict Arnold of South Carolina,” the first major double agent in US history, and my ancestor. This plantation was also a POW camp, battlefield, and General Williamson’s regional headquarters. Williamson first was a famous Patriot general, then joined the British, then after the war was revealed to have been spying for the rebels on British forces in Charleston.

Endorsing Institutions: The Explorers Club (**Flag Expedition** with Flag #132); the University of South Carolina; the South Carolina Institute for Archaeology and Anthropology; the SC Department of Transportation; and the US Forest Service. The Royal Geographical Society carefully reviewed the expedition plan and officially approved the effort, one of the only expeditions in the US so supported.

Results and How Used: The research and planning effort was able to narrow down the location of White Hall to about one square mile. The most likely sites owned by the major landowner in the area were searched using metal detectors, a magnetic gradiometer, shovel tests and test pits. However, this search did not reveal the exact site of the plantation. Other landowners will be approached in the future.

The research led to my writing the first-ever biography of Gen. Williamson, and the first-ever description of White Hall, its history, and approximate geo-location. These pieces were published in the *Journal of Backcountry Studies* (a refereed academic

historical journal) in two long articles. This biography has been cited by historian Christian McBurney in his new *Abductions in the American Revolution* as “by far the most detailed and accurate account of Williamson’s wartime career.” The research was also summarized in four of my columns in *The Montgomery Sentinel*, and led to an article by another historian on Williamson in the *Journal of the American Revolution*. A full expedition report was filed with The Explorers Club and the Royal Geographical Society.

This research helped lead to interest in locating and documenting Williamson’s most famous battle, the “Battle of the Black Hole” in North Carolina, in which his Patriot forces overcame a massive Indian ambush. This effort is getting underway now, and is being supported by archaeologists from the US Forest Service and the North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources. I will be working with these archaeologists in a preliminary search in the spring of 2017.

- **Expedition to Document Ambae, Vanuatu: The Real Bali Hai**

Location: northern Vanuatu, 2012-3

Role: Expedition leader and research director

Objectives: Prove that Ambae was the primary inspiration for “Bali Hai” from *Tales of the South Pacific*; research the threat to Ambae posed by its massive volcano; identify the World War II airplane wreck on the north coast of the island; document two rare tribal rituals on the island.

Endorsing Institutions: The Explorers Club, **Flag Expedition** carrying Flag #101; the Vanuatu Prime Minister’s Office; the Vanuatu Cultural Center; *The Montgomery Sentinel*.

Results and How Used: All objectives accomplished. Ambae was proven to be the primary “Bali Hai” inspiration, with Wala island as a possible secondary source; the volcano threat was analyzed and recommendations made from the Prime Minister’s Office (where I was working for three years) to the National Disaster Management Office for improving the emergency evaluation plan on the island in the event of a volcanic eruption; the mystery of the air wreck was solved (what type of plane it was, why it crashed, who the pilot was, what his fate was, etc.) and the family of the pilot in the US was contacted; and the rare and bizarre pig-killing and chiefs’ stone moving ceremonies were documented.

I published articles about the effort in *Island Life*, the national magazine of Vanuatu, as well as in *The Montgomery Sentinel* and *International Travel News*. All of these publications favorably mentioned The Explorers Club. A full expedition report was filed with The Explorers Club and with the Vanuatu Cultural Center.

- **The Disappearance of Jim Thompson, the “Silk King of Thailand”**

Location: Cameron Highlands, north central peninsular Malaysia, 2013-15

Role: Expedition leader and research director

Objectives: Mathematically evaluate the quality and quantity of the 1967 search undertaken for Thompson; this was the largest land search in Malaysian and likely SE Asian history. Determine the probability that Thompson’s remains are still in the Cameron Highlands. Eliminate causes for Thompson’s disappearance and impeach or support witnesses. (Thompson was the most famous American in Thai history; he was the OSS chief of station in Bangkok after World War II, then became a major CIA asset from about 1947 to 1965. He created the Thai silk industry. He went for a walk at a small resort in the Cameron Highlands in March 1967 and disappeared without a trace.)

Endorsing Institution: *The Montgomery Sentinel*

Results and How Used: All objectives accomplished. I spent over 2000 hours researching this mystery, one of the top ten individual disappearances on Earth. I located and interviewed searchers from 1967 (none of whom had previously been interviewed), and using standards and formulae from the National Association for Search and Rescue, was able to develop a mathematical estimate of the “probability of success” of the search, and to identify various weaknesses in search strategy and tactics. This led to the conclusion that the probability (but not certainty) is 70 percent or higher that Thompson’s remains are still in the jungle.

I published a 689 page report on the case, including over 550 pages of FOIA data from CIA, FBI, OSS, DoS, interviews, clips, previously unpublished letters from Thompson, etc. The report outlined a road map to a possible solution, using modern approaches of terrain analysis, scenario development, Mattson voting, probability heat mapping, “cadaver” dogs, and DNA analysis.

I gave lectures on the case and my findings to the Foreign Correspondents Club of Thailand, the retired foreign service officers association in the US, the Philadelphia Chapter of The Explorers Club, and other organizations. I was invited to give a presentation on the disappearance and search to the Siam Society, a group under royal patronage which is the most prestigious learned society in Thailand, and delivered this lecture in September 2016. A similar presentation is planned for the Explorers Club Washington Group for the spring of 2017. I wrote a multi-column account of the case for *The Montgomery Sentinel*. A copy of my report was supplied to The Explorers Club and the Royal Geographical Society, and a proposal has been submitted for a presentation at the Royal Geographical Society annual conference in London in 2017.



This effort also led to an investigation of the related, secondary mystery of the missing temple cave of Jim Thompson, described below.

- **The Female Chiefs of Vanuatu**

Location: Vanuatu, 2015-16

Role: Expedition leader and research director

Objectives: Locate, interview and document the elusive female chiefs of Vanuatu. For over 100 years anthropologists and writers have stated or assumed that there are no female chiefs in Vanuatu or Melanesia (unlike in Polynesia, where female chiefs are known but not common). While working for three years in the Prime Minister's Office of Vanuatu, by chance I heard about a female chief and was astounded. This led to the research effort and expedition.

Endorsing Institutions: The Explorers Club, **Flag Expedition** carrying Flag #101; the Vanuatu Prime Minister's Office; the Vanuatu Telecommunications and Radiocommunications Regulator; the Vanuatu Cultural Center; the Maewo Women's Cultural and Arts Festival Group.

Results and How Used: All objectives accomplished. Female chiefs located, interviewed at length, and their powers, responsibilities, recruitment, ceremonies and relations with male chiefs documented. The Maewo Women's Cultural and Arts Festival was observed and documented.

I wrote an article on the female chiefs and submitted it to the refereed anthropological journal *Oceania*, and published an article in *Island Life*, the national magazine of Vanuatu, and in *The Vanuatu Daily Post*, the only national daily newspaper. A series of articles is planned for *The Montgomery Sentinel* and a video on the expedition is in process. Photos of the Flag Expedition were posted on the Instagram site of a team member with over 25,000 followers. All of these publications favorably mentioned The Explorers Club. A proposal has been submitted for a presentation at the Royal Geographical Society annual conference in London in 2017.

- **The Search for the Lost Temple Cave of Jim Thompson**

Location: Phetchabun Province, north central Thailand, 2016

Role: Expedition leader and research director

Objectives: Document the exact location, history and connection to Jim Thompson of the important temple cave Tha Morat in north central Thailand. If possible, locate the second temple cave near Tha Morat that Thompson suspected existed but was unable to find.

Endorsing Institutions: *The Montgomery Sentinel*

Results and How Used: The Tha Morat cave, on top of a steep and difficult mountain, was geo-located (for the first time), visited, researched and documented by me. The complex and very controversial relationship of the cave and its 1000-year-old Buddhas to Jim Thompson (the “Silk King of Thailand”) was fully documented, using previously unpublished letters from Thompson describing his discovery of the cave in 1962. (This temple cave was described by the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York as “having the most extensive and important program of Buddhist statuary in southeast Asia.” Thompson acquired some of the Buddha heads from the cave, but these were subsequently and very publicly seized by the Thai government.) The second suspected cave has not yet been found, but I have developed strong clues that such a cave does exist, and have identified a method for finding it. A team is being assembled for this effort; this may include the top cave expert in Thailand and a leading ITN TV correspondent in Asia.

My article on the successes and research to date has been submitted to the academic *Journal of Spelean History* (a caving history journal of the National Speleological Society and American Spelean History Association), and accepted for publication in the spring of 2017. Articles in *The Montgomery Sentinel* are planned.

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In addition to leading the above expeditions since becoming a Member National, I have also served as the planner, researcher for or member of the:

- Archaeological Examination of “The Village”: Site of a 1781 British vs. Spanish Revolutionary War Battle (Alabama, 2010)
- Honduran Biodiversity Expedition (**Flag Expedition**, Honduras, 2011)
- Archaeological Excavation of Historic St. Stephens (Alabama, 2011)
- Archaeological Search for Missing Fort Claiborne (Alabama, 2012)
- Search for the 1813 Battle of the Burnt Corn (Alabama, 2012).

Also, over the last nine years I was an investigator, interviewer, researcher or consultant for law enforcement, search and rescue (SAR) authorities, or families of the missing, re the following disappearances (all on a volunteer, unpaid basis):

- N174BH (Pilot Michael Bratlie, Minnesota) (investigative assistance to state authorities)
- N56877 (Requestor: Cheryl Jensen, Russell Glacier, Alaska) (case analysis and response to family)
- N650RV (Pilot Joseph Radford, Grand Canyon NP, Arizona) (investigative assistance to the National Park Service and Coconino County, Arizona Sheriff’s Office)

- N26837 (Pilot Tony Nicholls, Oregon) (investigative assistance and advice to several county sheriffs and state authorities)
- N222TB (Pilot Courtland Mumford, Oregon) (several searches using ground and air assets, and extensive investigative assistance to the Portland Police Bureau)
- N8307H (Pilot Edward Grinstad, north Santa Monica Bay, California) (search and investigation in response to family request)
- Missing British Columbians Albert and Rita Chretien, eventually found in Nevada (assistance and advice to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and various US state law enforcement agencies)
- Disappearance of “Forest” Gan in the Cameron Highlands, Malaysia (assistance and advice to the family).

## **EXPLORATION PROFILE UPDATE**

### **SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

- The Explorers Club, Member, 2004-present
- Former Member of the Board of Directors of the Explorers Club Washington Group
- Royal Geographical Society, Fellow
- Royal Society of Art, Fellow
- American Society for Public Administration, former Chair of the Section on Emergency Management and National Security
- Missing Aircraft Search Team, Co-founder
- US National Search and Rescue [inter-agency] Committee, NASA Advisory Group Member, 2008-2009
- Hereditary Order of the Loyalists and Patriots of the American Revolution, Governor-General (head of the national organization) 2009-2011
- Hereditary Order of the Families of the Presidents and First Ladies of America, President (head of the national organization) 2011-2013
- Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence, Member
- Member of over 40 other historical/lineage/genealogical societies, ranging from the amusing Descendants of Pirates and Privateers to the prestigious Society of the Cincinnati
- Orders and Medals Society of America, Member
- National Maritime Heritage Foundation, Member
- Travelers’ Century Club, Member
- PICISOC: Pacific Islands Chapter of The Internet Society, Member

## **HONORS, AWARDS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS**

- Companion of the Order, Naval Order of the United States, August 2002
- Knight Chevalier, Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem (the Knights Templar), Grand Priory of the United States, March 2003
- *International Travel News*, 144 “Common Sense” Countries Visited of 196 on Earth, 2016.

## **PRESENTATIONS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS RELATED TO EXPLORATION, FIELD SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND INVESTIGATION**

(Sole author and presenter of all the items below, unless otherwise noted)

"Disaster Preparedness and Regional Training on Nine Caribbean Islands: A Long Term Evaluation," presented at the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) national conference, and moderator of a panel on "Emergency Management in the Third World," April 1987.

"A New Theory of Intergovernmental Disaster Communications," presented at the ASPA national conference, April 1990.

"A Proposed Manual for EMS and Rescue Personnel involved in Heavy Search and Rescue," presented at the National Association for Search and Rescue conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, July 1990.

"Development of Improved Telecommunications in Less Developed Countries," presented at the Pacific Telecommunications Conference, Honolulu, Hawaii, January 1994.

"Lessons Learned from Hurricanes Andrew and Iniki," presented to the ASPA national conference, Chicago, Illinois, April 1994.

"The Future of Telecommunications in Lesotho, Uganda and other Small Developing Countries, Given Falling Accounting Rates," presentation to the World Telecom Policy Forum of the International Telecommunications Union (a UN body), Geneva, March 1998. (Co-author)

"Telecom Expansion and Regulation in Developing Countries," seminar presentation to officials in western and southern Africa, Burkina Faso, November 1998.

"Boosting Thailand's E-government Performance," presentation to the Royal Thai Minister of Education and other senior Thai officials, Bangkok, March 2002. (Co-author)

"A Roadmap for the Development of Vietnam's Telecommunications Sector," presentation to the Deputy Prime Minister of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and

senior officials of the Ministry of Post and Telematics, Hanoi, July 2003. (Co-author)

“HMS *Bounty* and Pitcairn Island: Mutiny, Sovereignty and Scandal,” presentation to the Experience and Enrichment Program, Baldwin County, Alabama, March 2006. (Covers the history of Pitcairn Island from prehistoric times through the famous mutiny; the royal descent of Fletcher Christian; fate of the mutineers; the island’s demagogic ruler Joshua Hill; current residents; and the recent sex scandals.)

“Crimes Against History and Genealogy,” presentation to the Hereditary Order of the Loyalists and Patriots of the American Revolution (National annual meeting), Washington, DC, April 2006. (Covers the burning of the Great Library at Alexandria; the destruction of the historical and genealogical records of Ireland by the IRA; the destruction of southern courthouses by Gen. Sherman and by the CSA; the falsification of millions of historical and genealogical records in Myanmar; and the destruction of the historical and genealogical records of China.)

“The Search for Brian Boru: High King of Ireland in the Year 1000,” presentation at the Kensington, Maryland Book Shop, September 2006. (Covers the history of the most famous king in Irish history and the remaining geo-locations of his reign.)

“The Most Traveled Man on Earth,” presentation at Candida’s World of Books, Washington DC, September 2006. (Covers the definition of a “country,” the “rules” of the competition; who the top contenders are; the role of the Guinness Book of Records; the best and worst places on Earth; tips from the most traveled men; etc.)

“The Most Traveled Man on Earth,” presentation to the Annapolis Area Travel Club, September 2006.

“Crimes Against History and Genealogy,” presentation to the Sons of the Revolution in the District of Columbia, October 2006.

“HMS *Bounty* and Pitcairn Island: Mutiny, Sovereignty and Scandal,” presentation to the Fairhope, Alabama Unitarian Fellowship, December 2006.

“HMS *Bounty* and Pitcairn Island: Mutiny, Sovereignty and Scandal,” presentation to the Pensacola, Florida Unitarian Fellowship, January 2007.

“HMS *Bounty* and Pitcairn: Mutiny, Sovereignty and Scandal,” presentation at the Fairhope, Alabama Public Library, January 2007.

“Crimes Against History and Genealogy,” presentation to the Mobile (Alabama) Genealogical Society, January 2007.

“Crimes Against History and Genealogy,” presentation to the Southwest Alabama Archaeological Society, January 2007.

“The World History of Natural Disasters and the Ten Top Myths of Disasters,”  
Mobile, Alabama West Regional Public Library presentation, January, 2007.

“The Most Traveled Man on Earth,” presentation at the Daphne, Alabama library,  
January 2007

“The Most Traveled Man on Earth,” presentation at the Garden District Bookstore,  
New Orleans, January 2007

“The Most Traveled Man on Earth,” presentation to the Friends of the Montgomery  
County, Maryland Library, April 2007

“HMS *Bounty* and Pitcairn: Mutiny, Sovereignty and Scandal,” presentation to the  
Order of Armorial Ancestors of America (national annual meeting), April 2007

“The Mutiny on HMS *Bounty*, Pitcairn Island, and the Island’s Rhode Island  
Connections,” presentation to the First Families of Rhode Island, Washington, DC,  
April 2007

“The Search for Brian Boru: High King of All Ireland,” presentation at the Annapolis  
Area Travel Club, May 2007

“The Most Traveled Man on Earth,” presentation to the Gulf Shores, Alabama  
Snowbirds, February 2008

“The Successful Search for the Lost Ghost Town of Judge Harry Toulmin,”  
presentation to Fairhope, Alabama Library, February 2008. (Product of Explorers  
Club **Flag Expedition.**)

“The Successful Search for the Lost Ghost Town of Judge Harry Toulmin,”  
presentation to the Hereditary Order of the Loyalists and Patriots of the American  
Revolution (National annual meeting), Washington, DC, April 2008. (Product of  
Explorers Club **Flag Expedition.**)

“The Search for Steve Fossett Expedition,” presentation at the Fairhope, Alabama  
Library, January 2009.

“The Successful Search for the Lost Ghost Town of Judge Harry Toulmin,”  
presentation to the Mobile Genealogical Society, January 2009. (Product of  
Explorers Club **Flag Expedition.**)

“Spotting Air Wreckage in Light Plane Accidents: Lessons from the Steve Fossett,  
N2700Q and Other Cases,” presentation to the Baldwin County, Alabama Sheriff’s  
Search and Rescue Team, February 2009.

“The Search for Steve Fossett Expedition,” presentation to the Cosmos Club, April  
2009.

“The Search for Steve Fossett, Medalist of The Explorers Club,” presentation to the Explorers Club Washington Group, April 2009.

“The Successful Search for the Lost Ghost Town of Judge Harry Toulmin,” presentation to the Descendants of Early Quakers (national annual meeting), April 2009. (Product of **Flag Expedition**)

“The Successful Search for N2700Q,” presentation to the Travelers Circle, Washington, DC, June 2009.

“Background and Tactics for the Search for Gertrude Tomkins Silver, the Last Missing WASP [Women Airforce Service Pilot] of World War II,” presentation to the Missing Aircraft Search Team and other searchers, California, October 2009.

“The Search for Brian Boru: High King of All Ireland,” presentation at the Fairhope, Alabama Library, January 2010.

“Crimes Against History and Genealogy,” presentation to the Descendants of Early Quakers (National annual meeting), April 2010.

“Driving a 1968 ‘Bullitt’ Mustang Down Every Inch of Route 66,” presentation to the Fairhope, Alabama Library, February 2011.

“Crimes Against History and Genealogy,” Presentation at the Mobile (AL) Public Library, January 2012.

“The Successful Search for the Lost Ghost Town of Judge Harry Toulmin,” presentation to the Sons and Daughters of the Colonial and Antebellum Bench and Bar (national annual meeting), Washington, DC, April 2012. (Product of Explorers Club **Flag Expedition**.)

“Threats to Island Languages and Cultures in Vanuatu,” briefing for the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer, Port Vila, Vanuatu, May 2014.

“The Importance of Information and Communications Technologies to Improved Health and Education in Vanuatu,” briefing for the Vanuatu Prime Minister, Minister of Health, and Minister of Education, Port Vila, July 2014.

“Island Languages and Information and Communications Technologies in the Vanuatu Schools,” presentation to the Education Partners Group, Port Vila, July 2014.

“Preserving and Celebrating Island Languages, and the Vanuatu E-Education Plan,” presentation to the ICE-GOV E-Government Conference, Guimaraes, Portugal, October 2014.

“Information and Communications Technologies in the Schools, Local Island Languages, and the Vanuatu E-Education Plan,” presentation to ITU Telecom World, Doha, Qatar, December 2014.

“Local Vanuatu Island Languages and Access to Information and Communications Technologies,” presentation at the Pacific Telecommunications Council Conference, Honolulu, Hawaii, January 2015.

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“The Founding and Early Builders of New Orleans, Mobile, Dauphin Island and Pensacola: 313 Years and 11 Generations in Mobile, Part 1,” Deep South Genealogical Quarterly, May 2015, pp. 65-79. (Professional history/genealogy journal; includes the estimated geo-location of various missing colonial plantations and military sites, presentation of previously unpublished elements of the history of the Spanish administration of Mobile, Alabama during 1780 to 1782, and mini-biographies of many leading citizens of three Southern US cities between 1702 and 2003.)

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## **BOOKS OR BOOK CHAPTERS**

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- An interview with the First Lady of the new country of East Timor

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- The real story behind the film “The Bridge on the River Kwai”
- The recent sex and rape cases that almost destroyed the community of lonely Pitcairn Island
- The history of Robinson Crusoe island
- The lady leg-rowers of Lake Inle, Myanmar
- Sailing across the Pacific in a tall ship
- Sailing the Freedom Schooner *Amistad* across the Gulf of Mexico
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