

CMH 75th Annual Meeting in Midcoast Maine 2-5 May 2024

We are pleased to announce that the 75th Annual Meeting of the Company of Military Historians will be held in the historic shipbuilding town of Bath, Maine. The conference seminars, exhibits/flea market, and annual banquet will be located in the superb conference wing of the Maine Maritime Museum. Lodging is at the downtown Hampton Inn, where we have a block of rooms and hospitality suite reserved at this new waterfront hotel, within a few minutes' walk of restaurants,

pubs and shops. This is the first time that the Company has ever had a meeting in Maine and it should not be missed. Following a cocktail reception at the museum on Thursday evening and the formal program of talks on Friday, we will explore 17th-20th century sites and collections associated with this state's rich military and naval history on Saturday's bus tour. These will include Fort Edgecomb (the best-preserved, unaltered 2nd period coastal fort surviving in the US), the 17th and 18th century fort ruins and lighthouse at Pemaquid Point, the Penobscot Maritime Museum, the Civil War collections of the Joshua Chamberlain museum and much more. Following the banquet on Saturday evening, members will have the opportunity to participate in a Sunday morning cruise of the Kennebec River, which will include viewing "stealth" cruisers or destroyers at the Bath Iron Works under construction or in harbor for a refit, followed by tours of the museum campus. So mark your calendar and book your room reservations as soon as you receive your registration packet next year. This meeting will be great opportunity to renew old friendships and create new ones, while exploring the history and scenic beauty of Midcoast Maine and sampling the food, drink and hospitality of the region.

James L. Kochan 2024 Meeting Chair

