



Presents



Friday – Sunday, June 1 – 3, 2012  
Washington, D.C.

On the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Amelia Earhart's departure from the U.S. for her ill-fated world flight, TIGHAR will host "Earhart Search 75," a three-day conference to explore what has been learned in three-quarters of a century of efforts to discover Earhart's fate. Researchers, scientists, historians, archaeologists, and forensic experts will present their findings on a wide range of topics in support of a variety of theories.

## Plan Now To Attend!

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# Earhart Search 75 Program & Schedule

(Subject to change)

## Friday, June 1

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker(s)</u>
1:00pm – 1:30pm	Welcome Remarks	Ric Gillespie
1:30pm – 2:00pm	Amelia's Last Flight: The Known, the Unknown and the Unknowable	Panel: Randy Jacobson, Ric Gillespie
2:00pm – 3:00pm	The 1937 Search – What Went Wrong	Panel: Ric Gillespie, Randy Jacobson
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Break	
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Museum Room Artifact Display Open	
3:30pm – 4:30pm	The Post-Loss Radio Signals – Primary Frequencies	Ric Gillespie, Bob Brandenburg
4:30pm – 5:30pm	The Post-Loss Radio Signals – Harmonic Frequencies	Ric Gillespie, Bob Brandenburg
6:00pm – 7:30pm	Welcome Reception	
6:00pm – 7:30pm	Museum Room Artifact Display Open	

## Saturday, June 2

8:30am – 9:30am	Keynote Address: "Amelia Earhart – Why We Still Care"	Tom Crouch
9:30am – 10:30am	Who Was, and Who Is, Amelia Earhart?	Panel: Lubben, Pyle, Cobb, Crouch
10:30am – 11:00am	Break	
10:30am – 11:00am	Museum Room Artifact Display Open	
11:00am – 11:30am	The Castaway of Gardner Island – The Historical Record	Panel: Ric Gillespie, Tom King
11:30am – 12:00pm	The Castaway of Gardner Island – Forensic Anthropology	Panel: Jason Byrd, Ric Gillespie, Tom King
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Luncheon	
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Archaeology of Nikumaroro – Plane Parts and Shoe Heels	Tom King, Tom McCulloch
2:00pm – 3:00pm	Archaeology of Nikumaroro – The Seven Site	Tom King, Joe Cerniglia, Tom McCulloch
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Break	
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Museum Room Artifact Display Open	
3:30pm – 4:30pm	The Plane on the Reef – Time, Tide & Legends	Ric Gillespie, Bob Brandenburg
4:30pm – 5:30pm	The Plane on the Reef – Forensic Imaging	Jeff Glickman
6:30pm – 8:30pm	Dinner & First Annual TIGHAR Live Auction	

## Sunday, June 3

8:00am – 9:00am	Breakfast with TIGHAR Team	
9:00am – 10:00am	Niku VII: The Upcoming Underwater Search	Ric Gillespie, Mike Kutzleb
10:00am – 12:00pm	Round Table Discussion of Alternative Hypotheses	

# Featured Speakers



**Robert Brandenburg, LCDR, USN (Ret)**

Bob Brandenburg is a retired naval officer with extensive Cold War experience in radio propagation analysis. His technical papers on the Earhart Post-Loss Radio Signals have shed important new light on events during the week following her July 2, 1937 disappearance.



**Jason H. Byrd, Ph.D.**

Jason Byrd is Associate Director of the William R. Maples Center for Forensic Medicine at University of Florida, Gainesville. Jason was a friend and colleague of Karen R. “Kar” Burns, Ph.D., who, for many years, was TIGHAR’s forensic anthropologist. Kar’s untimely death in January was a blow not only for TIGHAR but for forensic science in the service of international human rights and justice.



**Colin Cobb**

Colin Cobb is the owner of Titanic Walking Tours in Belfast Northern Ireland and the director of the Titanic’s Dock and Pump-House. Colin’s fascination with the Earhart story started with a visit to Londonderry to see the location of Amelia Earhart’s landing in Gallagher’s pasture at the conclusion of her epic 1932 solo crossing of the Atlantic.



**Tom D. Crouch, Ph.D.**

Tom Crouch is Senior Curator of Aeronautics at the Smithsonian National Air & Space Museum in Washington, D.C., and author of *The Bishop’s Boys – A Life of Wilbur and Orville Wright*. He will deliver the Earhart Search 75 keynote address, “Amelia Earhart: Why We Still Care”



**Richard E. Gillespie**

Ric Gillespie is Executive Director at TIGHAR and author of *Finding Amelia – The True Story of the Earhart Disappearance*. Ric has directed The Earhart Project since its inception in 1988 and has led nine expeditions to the Phoenix Islands.



**Jeff B. Glickman**

Jeff Glickman is a Board Certified Forensic Examiner and Fellow of the American College of Forensic Examiners. His forensic imaging analysis of historical photos has been crucial to TIGHAR’s investigation of the Earhart disappearance.



### **Randall Jacobson, Ph.D.**

Randy Jacobson is a TIGHAR Research Fellow with thirty-seven years of experience in oceanography and twenty years with TIGHAR's Earhart Project. Randy compiled the 5,000-item database of government messages, memos, letters and logbook entries that has been a cornerstone of TIGHAR's investigation.



### **Thomas F. King, Ph.D.**

Tom King is TIGHAR's Senior Archaeologist and co-author of *Amelia Earhart's Shoes – Is the Mystery Solved?* Tom has directed archaeological operations on six TIGHAR expeditions to Nikumaroro.



### **Michael Kutzleb**

Mike Kutzleb is President and Chief Operating Officer of Phoenix International, a diversified and internationally respected underwater services provider providing manned and unmanned underwater operations and engineering solutions to a number of industries and agencies. Phoenix will be the ROV/AUV contractor for Niku VII, this summer's expedition to Nikumaroro.



### **Kristen Lubben**

Kristen Lubben is the Curator, Associate Director of Exhibitions, at the International Center of Photography in New York. Her insightful essay "Amelia Earhart – Flight, Fame, and the New Woman" was featured in *Amelia Earhart – Image and Icon*.



### **Thomas M. McCulloch, Ph.D.**

Tom McCulloch is Senior Archaeologist with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. He has been with the ACHP for about 25 years. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania, and has done archaeological research on a wide variety of prehistoric and historic-period sites in western Europe, eastern US, and Mexico.



### **Richard Pyle**

Richard Pyle was the Associated Press Bureau Chief in Saigon during the Vietnam War. In recent years, as a senior journalist at Associated Press headquarters in Manhattan, he covered the search for the answer to the Earhart mystery.

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# Participate



Price if registered by May 1, 2012

Individual Ticket \$249

TIGHAR members \$199

All ticket holders will have full access to all events, meals, panel discussions, and presentations.



## Friendship Class

\$1,000

On June 17, 1928 the Fokker FVII trimotor "Friendship" landed in Burry Port, Wales, and Amelia Earhart became the first woman to cross the Atlantic by air.

### Friendship Class sponsors of Earhart Search 75 will receive:

- Two tickets
- Recognition (if desired) on the Earhart Search 75 website and in the printed souvenir program.
- The William F. Harney Drawings of the Earhart Electra, a limited edition collector's folio of fifteen full-color 11 by 17 drawings on glossy paper, numbered and signed.

## Avian Class

\$2,500

While in England following the Friendship flight in 1928, Amelia bought an Avro Avian biplane which she shipped home and used for her first coast-to-coast flight later that year.

### Avian Class sponsors of Earhart Search 75 will receive:

- Four tickets
- All Friendship Class benefits PLUS
- *Final Approach*, a limited edition 20 by 28 inch print of artist Scott Albee's painting of the Earhart Electra landing at Gardner Island on July 2, 1937, numbered and signed.

For commercial sponsors, also:

- Logo and link on the soon to be added Sponsors page of the Earhart Search 75 website.
- A quarter page ad in the Earhart Search 75 printed souvenir program.
- A table for product display and sales in Sponsors Area during the conference.



## Autogiro Class

\$5,000

On June 7, 1931, Amelia landed her Pitcairn PCA-2 in Los Angeles becoming the first woman to fly an autogiro coast to coast.

### Autogiro Class sponsors of Earhart Search 75 will receive:

- All benefits of Avian Class PLUS
- Admission to a private reception with TIGHAR Executive Director Ric Gillespie, Senior Archaeologist Tom King and the TIGHAR expedition/research teams.

For commercial sponsors, also:

- All Avian Class commercial benefits PLUS
- A half page ad in the Earhart Search 75 printed souvenir program.



### Vega Class

\$10,000

On May 21, 1932, five years to the day after Lindbergh landed in Paris, Amelia landed her Lockheed Vega in Ireland, the first woman to solo the Atlantic. On January 11, 1935 she flew a Vega from Hawai'i to California for another first.

#### Vega Class sponsors of Earhart Search 75 will receive:

- All benefits of Autogiro Class PLUS
- Head table seating at the Saturday evening dinner and auction.

For commercial sponsors, also:

- All Vega Class commercial benefits PLUS
- A full page ad in the Earhart Search 75 printed souvenir program.



### Electra Class

\$25,000

On July 2, 1937 ... you know the rest.

#### Electra Class sponsors of Earhart Search 75 will receive:

- All Vega Class benefits PLUS
- Public recognition (if desired) in Executive Director Ric Gillespie's welcoming remarks at the Saturday evening dinner.

To discuss sponsorship opportunities, please call TIGHAR during normal business hours at 302-994-4410.

To purchase tickets to the conference, go to [www.earhartsearch75.com](http://www.earhartsearch75.com) and click on the Register Now button, or call 302-994-4410 during normal business hours to register by phone..

# The Venue

The Crystal Gateway Marriott will be hosting the Earhart Search 75 Conference. A block of rooms at a special price of \$116.00 per night has been set aside for those attending the conference.

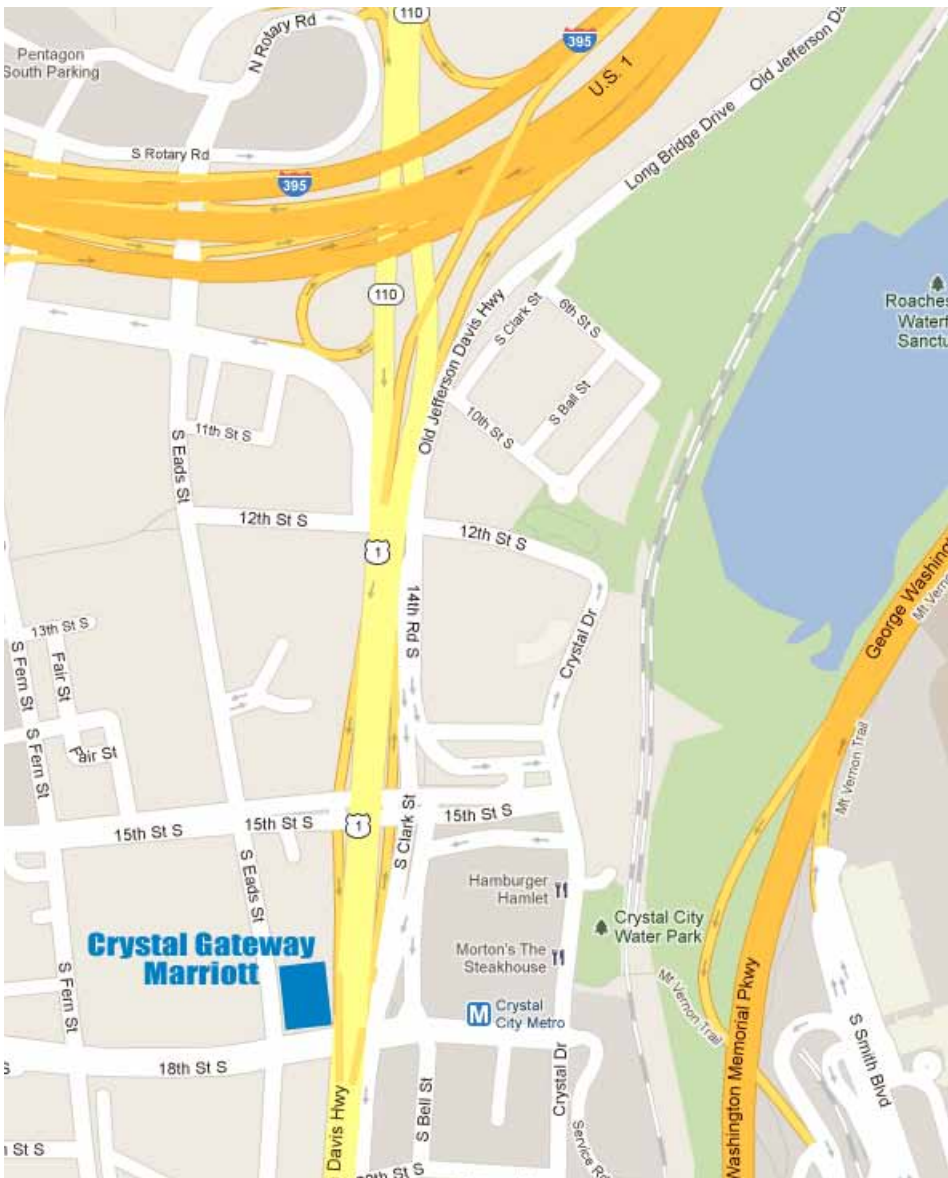
## How To Book Your Room

- You can call the Crystal Gateway Marriott direct at 703-920-3230 to book your room, but you must mention TIGHAR Earhart Search 75 to get the special rate.
- You can book your room online at Crystal Gateway Marriott, but you must enter the group block code TAETAEA.
- You can also download the Crystal Gateway Marriott reservation form from the Earhart Search 75 website and fax it to them at 703-271-5169. The group block code is already on the form.

## Special Notice

Please do not get the Crystal Gateway Marriott confused with the Crystal City Marriott as they are both on the same street. The Crystal City Marriott is at the Reagan National Airport and quite a distance from the Crystal Gateway Marriott. If you use the above phone number, group block code or reservation form, you will have no problems.

The Crystal Gateway Marriott is easily accessible via the DC Metro system (a stop is approximately  $\frac{1}{10}$ <sup>th</sup> of a mile away). It is one stop away from Reagan National Airport and a short ride from Amtrak's Union Station. Parking is available on site.



**Crystal Gateway Marriott**  
1700 Jefferson Davis Hwy  
Arlington, VA 22202



# The Auction

## Auction Items Needed!

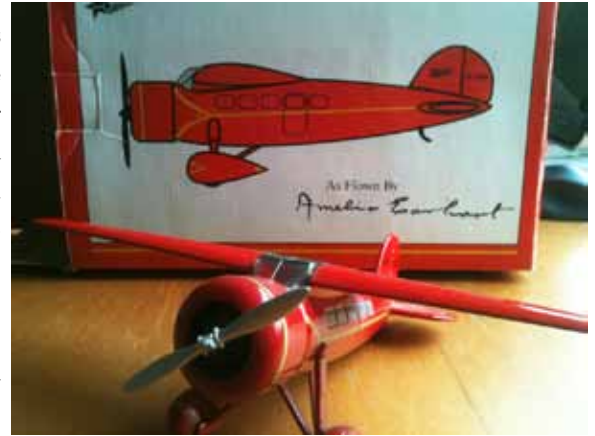
The Earhart Search 75 dinner on Saturday evening, June 2nd, will feature an auction. A professional auctioneer will preside over the sale of goods and services donated by TIGHAR friends and members to raise funds for July's Niku VII expedition. Similar auctions have long been a popular way for non-profits to build financial support for worthy projects. This will be TIGHAR's first auction and we need your help to make it a big success.

Even if you can't attend Earhart Search 75 you can make an important contribution by donating something that can be sold at the auction. Whatever amount the item brings TIGHAR at the auction is a tax deductible contribution to the full extent of the law.

### Examples of typical auction items include:

#### Memorabilia

One TIGHAR member has donated a die-cast model of Amelia's transatlantic Lockheed Vega and several "first day covers" of the 1963 Amelia Earhart commemorative stamp posted July 24 (her birthday) in her hometown of Atchison, Kansas. Do you have an Earhart autograph, a first edition copy of one of her books, a model of her Electra, anything in the way of Earhart or TIGHAR memorabilia that you'd be willing to donate?



#### Utilitarian Items

We'll be offering White's Electronics metal detectors and Stihl brush clearing tools. What do you have?

#### Vacations, Experiences

Do you have time at a vacation home or time-share property you'd be willing to donate? A ride in your airplane? Sponsor an introductory flying lesson at the purchaser's local airport? Sponsor a ride in one of the WWII aircraft that regularly tour the country?



Use your imagination! Big ticket items (it's okay to set a reserve) or symbolic value, whatever might sell. We'll publish a catalog on the Earhart Search 75 website and update it as contributions come in. (And yes, we are offering this pith helmet, worn by Ric during Niku III.)

Please use the tear-out form to describe your donation.



# Registration Form

Please use this form to register by mail. Fill it out, and send it with your payment information to:

EarhartSearch 75  
TIGHAR  
2812 Fawkes Drive  
Wilmington, DE 19808 USA

You can also register on line at the TIGHAR Store: <http://tighar.org/store>

## I wish to register for EarhartSearch 75:

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Payment:

# of attendees	Membership Status	Cost each	Total
	TIGHAR Member	\$199.00	
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TOTAL			

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**Crystal Gateway Marriott**  
**Arlington, Virginia**





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