

**Fifth Planter Studies Conference:  
"The Next Generation"**  
Acadia University - Wolfville, Nova Scotia  
June 17-20th, 2010



This is a very special year in Canadian history. 2010 marks the **250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the arrival of the New England Planters**. The Planters relocated from New England to the Maritime Provinces between 1759-74. They were among the first group of Anglophone settlers in Canada. Many Planters and their descendents became influential in areas such as politics, literature and invention. Planter descendents still reside in the region today.

To celebrate the 250th year of their arrival to the Annapolis Valley, the Planter Studies Center at Acadia University is hosting its **Fifth Planter Studies Conference** from June 17 - 20th. The conference, entitled "**The Next Generation**," will begin with a reception and key note lecture by Gwen Davies of the University of New Brunswick. June 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> will feature a wide range of Planter-related lectures by local and international historians, genealogists and archivists. A banquet will be held in the Fountain Commons Saturday evening. The conference will close June 20<sup>th</sup> with a tour of local Planter historic sites. Tours of Kent Lodge (aka Atwell House, 1761) will take place on June 16<sup>th</sup> for registered conference attendees.

The Planter Studies Center is working with the **Atlantic Living Heritage Foundation** to present an historical re-enactment of eighteenth century civilian life in a Nova Scotia. The encampment is open to the public and free of charge. Also on-site for the duration of the conference: an exhibit of Planter-related archival materials, community historical booths and an Ancestor Registry for people wishing to learn more about their Planter heritage.

**To register for the conference**, Please go to the Planter Studies Center website at: <http://libguides.acadiau.ca/planter> and click the blue "Conference" tab. This site contains links for the online registration, costs, lecture schedules, tours, on and off-campus accommodation and access to Planter-related sources and websites. Under the tab "Registration" you will find the registration webpage. It is designed to accept MasterCard, VISA and American Express. If you would like to use an alternative method of payment, please contact the Acadia box office directly at [box.office@acadiau.ca](mailto:box.office@acadiau.ca) or by phone 1-800-542-8425 (toll free) or 542-5500 (local). *Please Note: **early bird registration ends May 31<sup>st</sup>***.

**If you require additional information, please feel free to contact:**

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**If you do not have access to a computer**, please leave a message at the Planter Studies Office at (902) 585-1433. We will get back to you as soon as possible.

**For more information on local planter-related events:** <http://www.planter2010.com>

We look forward to seeing you this summer!

Sincerely,

*The Planter Studies Committee*

c/o History & Classics Department

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