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Program Notes for May 2013: **Charles Haas - Titanic Historian**



Charles Haas was born in Queens, New York. He earned his Bachelor of Arts in 1969 at Rider University. In 1994, he earned his Master of Arts, Communication Arts at William Paterson University. Charles is also Certified as a secondary school teacher of English and history by the state of New Jersey.

Mr. Haas was employed from 1969 to 2005 as an English and journalism teacher, at Randolph High School. He was nominated, "Teacher of the Year" Randolph Township Schools for the school years 1986-87 and 1987-88. He was honored as Randolph Township "Teacher of the Year" 1989-90 and Morris County (NJ) "Teacher of the Year" 1989-90.

He was listed in Who's Who Among America's Teachers in 1994 and three other times. He retired in November, 2005.

He has been a member of many organizations including life memberships in the National Education Association and New Jersey Education Association. He is also a member of the Titanic Historical Society and President, Founder and Trustee of the Titanic International Society.

Mr. Haas is a compiler and author of "White Star Calendar for 1982", published

by the Titanic Historical Society in 1981. He is the author of the foreword to "Build Your Own Titanic" by Alan Rose and has co-edited (with John P. Eaton) many publications including "Final Hours of a Floating Babylon" for National Geographic Society book, Romance of the Sea.

He was a consultant to the National Geographic Society for "How We Found the Titanic" by Robert D. Ballard in 1985 and "A Long Last Look at Titanic," National Geographic magazine, December 1986.

He was the historical consultant for the National Geographic Society for "How We Found Titanic" by Robert Ballard in 1985 and "A Long Last Look at Titanic," National Geographic magazine, December 1986. He was the historical consultant for the National Geographic TV documentary Secrets of the Titanic in 1986 and Last Hours of the Titanic in 1987.

Secrets of the Titanic in 1986 and Last Hours of Titanic in 1987. He was also a historical consultant to RMS Titanic, Inc. 1993 to 2000 and to National Maritime Museum, England during design and construction of the Titanic artifact exhibition, October 1994 - October 1995.

In March 2009 he was presented with the Silver Riband Award by the Ocean Liner Council of the South Street Seaport Museum in New York City and in 1988 and 1996 he was listed in "Contemporary Authors".

Charles was a lecturer aboard RMS Queen Elizabeth 2 in October 1990 and September 1991 and the worlds first teacher to dive to RMS Titanic on June 10, 1993.