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### *Conferences and Lectures*

“**Small Town Florida**” is the theme for the 2002 meeting of the Florida Historical Society, to be held 22-25 May in Mt. Dora. The program committee invites paper and panel proposals in all fields related to Florida, especially local historians who can talk about the history of towns and regions. Program chair Robert A. Taylor is accepting proposals at: Humanities Department, Florida Institute of Technology, 150 West University Blvd., Melbourne, FL 32901; 321-674-7384; <rotaylor@fit.edu>.

The **Florida Conference of Historians** will hold its 2002 annual meeting at the Holiday Inn on Ft. Lauderdale Beach, (999 N. Atlantic Blvd) on April 4-6. The Florida Conference of Historians encourages participation by university, college, and community college faculty, graduate students as well as middle- and high-school teachers. The annual meeting offers an excellent opportunity for the presentation of research by faculty and students alike and selected papers will be published in the FCH Proceedings .For more information call 954-973-2275 or e-mail <Bbrowne@broward.cc.fl.us>.

In conjunction with the programs in Atlantic Civilization, African-New World Studies, and the Center for Labor Research and Studies at Florida International University, the **Southern Labor Studies Conference** will meet on April 26-28, 2002, in Miami Beach. Presentations may include themes in southern labor history, politics, and contemporary affairs, but the program committee is especially interested in papers and panels that speak to the theme of international working-class history in the Atlantic world, broadly defined. The keynote address will be given by Marcus

Rediker, co-author of *The Many-Headed Hydra: Sailors, Slaves, Commoners, and the Hidden History of the Revolutionary Atlantic*, and pioneer in the field of Atlantic working-class studies. For more information, visit the conference website at [www.fiu.edu/~lichtens/slsc.htm](http://www.fiu.edu/~lichtens/slsc.htm).

#### Websites

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