

Michael F. Crowley Lectures

Our 3rd Program of the 2011-2012 Series

Dr. Kurt C. Schlichting

Tuesday, November 8, 2011, 6:00 p.m.

La Forge Casino Restaurant 186 Bellevue Avenue, Newport

The Irish in Newport: A Detailed Examination of the 1880 Census

The complete 1880 U.S. Census illustrates the patterns of Irish settlement in Newport. Because the Census allows us to map Irish immigrants to their individual street addresses, it reveals residential concentrations. Professor Schlichting will identify the emerging Irish neighborhoods of 1880 and his analysis of the census data will provide new insight into "chain migration" from Ireland, occupations, and family composition.

KURT C. SCHLICHTING is the E. Gerald Corrigan '63 Chair in Humanities & Social Sciences Department a Professor of Sociology at Fairfield University (CT). He is the author of *Grand Central Terminal: Railroads, Architecture and Engineering in New York* (Johns Hopkins U. Press, 2001), for which he received the 2002 Best Professional/ Scholarly Book: Architecture & Urbanism Award from the Association of American Publishers. This book was the basis of "Grand Central," an *American Experience* documentary on PBS, for which Dr. Schlichting served as an academic advisor and was an on-screen interviewee. His next book, *Grand Central's Engineer: William J. Wilgus and the Planning of Modern Manhattan,* will be published by Johns Hopkins this spring. He is founder and director of the Fairfield County Research Center which involves Fairfield U. faculty and students in research projects for local government and non-profit organizations. Dr. Schlichting received his bachelor's degree from Fairfield University in 1970 and his master's degree and a doctorate from New York University.

Following the lecture, a reception with light hors d'oeuvres will be held.

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