The New Netherland Project announces its 22nd Rensselaerswijck Seminar, a one-day conference to be held Saturday, September 18, 1999, in the Museum Theater of the Cultural Education Center at the Empire State Plaza in Albany, New York. Five speakers will present papers on a variety of themes denoting a progression of anniversaries in the history of New Netherland.

**Speakers**

- Paul Otto, Dordt College, Sioux Center, Iowa
- Oliver Rink, California State University, Bakersfield, California
- Wim Klooster, University of Southern Maine, Gorham, Maine
- Peter R. Christoph, Selkirk, New York
- Charles Gehring, New Netherland Project, Albany, New York
8:30 a.m. Registration & Coffee
Museum Theater, West Hall
9:00 a.m. Introductory Remarks (Gehring)
9:30 a.m. Morning Session
“Henry Hudson, Native Americans, and the Birth of New Netherland.” (Otto)

“1629: A Year of Decision for New Netherland.” (Rink)

“Failing to Square the Circle: The West India Company’s Volte-Face of 1638–39.” (Klooster)

12:00 p.m. Lunch At the Mezzanine Cafe or at nearby local restaurants.
1:30 p.m. Afternoon Session
Presentation of the 1999 Hendricks Manuscript Award
“Albany’s Colonial Lutherans: Ecumenism and Conflict among the Churches.” (Christoph)

“Buying Time on the South River: Augustin Herrman’s 1659 Diplomatic Mission to Maryland.” (Gehring)