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MEDIA NEWS MEMO

DATE: April 25, 2011
TO: Assignment Editors
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EVENT: "Shepherds of the Sea" lecture & book signing with author Robert F. Cross.

DATE & TIME: Sunday, May 1, 2011, 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Albany Institute of History and Art

SIGNIFICANCE: Local author Robert F. Cross will present a lecture and book signing at the Albany Institute of History and Art with his latest publication "Shepherds of the Sea: Destroyer Escorts in World War II." This compelling tale of the nearly-forgotten destroyer escorts is told through the words of sailors and officers interviewed by the author.

Robert F. Cross, an award-winning newspaper correspondent, has spent several years researching the exploits of destroyer escorts while interviewing those who served through World War II. He previously served as an assistant environmental commissioner for New York State and is now Water Commissioner for the City of Albany. He also serves as Chairman of the Albany Port District Commission and is on the Board of Trustees of the Destroyer Escort Historical Museum, which owns and operates USS SLATER, the only World War II destroyer escort still afloat in America. For more information on this fascinating book, visit www.robertfcross.com.

The Albany Institute of History and Art is located at 125 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York. For information call 518-463-4478 or visit www.albanyinstitute.org.

The USS SLATER is open for tours Wednesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is charged. For more information call 518-431-1943 or visit www.ussslater.org.

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