"There is no end except death and birth is the only beginning."

-Ernest Hemingway, in a variant ending of A Farewell to Arms

July 21, 1899 — Hemingway born, Oak Park, Illinois

July 8, 1918 – Hemingway wounded, Fossalta di Piave, Italy

July 2, 1961 — Hemingway died, Ketchum, Idaho.

July 18, 1980 — Hemingway Society begun, Thompson's Island . . .

Under a shade tree on Thompson's Island, with downtown Boston and the John F. Kennedy Library in clear sight, and with the temperature hovering near the 100-degree mark, those attending the Hemingway conference on "The Papers of a Writer" (July 17-19) opened their box lunches and began to discuss establishment of The Hemingway Society . . . .

On December 28, 1980, that process will be continued and perhaps completed at the Modern Language Association meetings in Houston, Texas.

All of those interested in Hemingway studies are invited to a reception to be held in *Arboretum 5*, *Hyatt Regency* from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. The second hour will be devoted to the business of establishing a voting membership, approving by-laws, and electing officers for The Hemingway Society.

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