

## Editor's Note

The Academy's spring 2005 conference was held at Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio. The papers in this year's *Proceedings* cover a wide range of interesting and insightful historical topics.

While this issue's journey from conference presentation to publication has taken longer than usual, it can be said that the journey has been more like a Greek comedy rather than a tragedy.

This will be the last print edition of the *Proceedings*. Starting with 2006 the *Proceedings* will be published electronically and available on The Academy's web site. Back issues of the *Proceedings* are available on the web site.

The peer reviewers did an outstanding job in critiquing the nominated papers. Special thanks go to Jacob Dorn who carefully edited the final papers to ensure consistency. Also, a special thanks to Ellen Sheaffer, Graphics Illustrator in our Communications Department, for the years of dedicated assistance in producing the printed copy of the *Proceedings*.

The Ohio Academy of History, founded in 1932, has provided a venue for historians to present their research to and network with colleagues from Ohio colleges and universities. The *Proceedings* provide a vital vehicle for promoting these ends.

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