The Executive Council of the Ohio Academy of History Would Like to Extend Special Recognition and Our Thanks to Richard Spall for His Service to the Organization

The Executive Council of the Ohio Academy of History is pleased to honor Richard F. Spall Jr. He has been an active member of the Academy since he joined the faculty of Ohio Wesleyan University in 1984. His avid interest in history was expanded at Wittenburg University, where he earned academic distinction in his studies. Working with Walter Arnstein at the University of Illinois-Champaign, he concentrated on nineteenth-century British history. Dick won teaching awards at Illinois and received his doctorate in 1985. Professionally, he has contributed to the ongoing activities of Phi Alpha Theta and the Conference on British Studies. He is also a member of the American Historical Association. Dick has won Ohio Wesleyan's prestigious Sherwood Dodge Shanklin Award for Encouragement of Teachers. Moreover, as a Book Review editor of The Historian he successfully trains and directs undergraduate majors in professional journal editing. He has graciously and generously served on Ohio Academy of History committees, the Executive Council, and most recently as Secretary-Treasurer. Dick's distinguished teaching, sound authorship, and outstanding service underscore his professional dedication to colleagues and Clio.

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2000-2001

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Thomas Taylor (Wittenberg) ex officio/sect./
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Stuart Givens (Bowling Green)

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with a broader definition of public history than
in the past, such as the press; this committee has
been dormant recently.

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2003
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Pamela McVay (Ursuline) term ending 2003
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Michael Kline (Ohio--Zanesville) Two Year College Seat--term ending 2002
Glen Sharffman (Hiram) Private College Seat--term ending 2002
Vivien Sandlund (Hiram) Private College Seat--term ending 2003
Martin Wainwright (Akron) Public University Seat--term ending 2003

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Gregory Wilson (Toledo)
Thomas Kuhn (Ross County Historical Society)
Tom Leary (Youngstown State)

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Carol Lasser (Oberlin) term ending 2003
Pamela McVay (Ursuline) term ending 2003
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Ann Bowers (Bowling Green) Public History Seat- term ending 2004
Jim Murray (Cincinnati) State University Seat- term ending 2004
Budget

Balance on hand Jan 1,2000 21231.43
Operating Funds 10920.19
Reserve Funds 10311.24

RECEIPTS
Membership
Regular 4450.00
Joint 1035.60
Student 70.00
OHS 0.00
OVWHA 0.00 5555.60
Annual Meeting
Registration 2169.00
Luncheon 391.00
Miscellaneous 0.00 2560.00
Fall Meeting 0.00

Book Sale 303.00

Other
Interest 118.76
Sale Membership List 0.00
Sale Roster 0.00
Gifts (Reserve Fund) 985.00 1103.76

Total 9522.36
Total Receipts and Balance 30753.79

DISBURSEMENTS
Roster 0.00
Newsletter 334.39
Annual Meeting 2018.30
Fall Meeting 0.00
Secretary's Office
Postage 763.04
Supplies, phone, etc. 493.69
Stipend 625.00 1881.73
Memb. & Supp. of Hist Assoc 0.00
Ohio Hist Soc (jt memberships) 25.00
Ohio Vall WHA (jt memb) 0.00
Natl City Bank (service charge) 0.00

Total 4259.42
Balance on hand, today 26494.37
Operating Funds 15079.37
Reserve Funds 11415 26494.37
NOW Account 18458.00
CD 8036.37 26494.37

Annual Membership Report

Life Members 36
OAH Active/Paid-up Annual Members 132
OAH Active/Paid-up Joint Members 257
OAH Members in Arrears 144
Total Active Members 569

In-Active Members in Arrears (2+ years) 207
Conference Participants/Attendees and 647
Other Nonmembers on Database
Total of Non-Members 854
Total on Database 1423

List of Donors to OAH Reserve Fund

Marcella Barton
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The Ohio Academy of History
Business Meeting
Saturday, 29 April 2000

1. Welcome
President James O’Donnell called the meeting to order and welcomed Vice President and Academic Dean Pattie Frick, Otterbein College. Pattie Frick noted that Otterbein College was 153 years old and was currently experience growth and expansion. She drew attention To Towers Hall that was a 19th-century building renovated for the 21st-century teaching needs.
O’Donnell thanked Betsy MacLean for her work in hosting the conference. He then said that “we are as well as we are” thanks to the leadership provided by Richard Spall. He added that the Council had passed a resolution recognizing the dedicated service and that coincidence intervened enabling him to present Spall with a special plaque at the Polaris Grill the previous evening.

2. Secretary-Treasurer’s Report
V. Steffel thanked Spall in absentia for his yeoman service over the years and recognized his student helpers who worked effectively to make this conference a success. He added that according to the Treasurer’s report the next Secretary-Treasurer will find the finances sound.

3. Election of Officers
O’Donnell presented the Nominating Committee’s slate: Elizabeth MacLean for Vice-President; Thomas Taylor for Secretary-Treasurer; Martha Pallante for Newsletter

Editor; Amy Green and Vivien Sandlund for one seat on the Executive Council; Martin Wainwright and Barbara Green for the other seat on the Executive Council. With no nominations from the floor, the nominations were closed.

4. Awards
a. Dissertation Award
Allan Peskin, for Glen Sharfman, presented Arthur. DeMatteo, Akron, his dissertation award for his study “Urban Reform, Politics, and the Working Classes: Detroit, Toledo, and Cleveland, 1890-1920.”

b. Public History Award
Stuart Hobbs presented the Center for Archival Collections at Bowling Green State University, for its Conference on Local History. Ann Bowers received the award on behalf of the Center.

c. Outstanding Publication
O’Donnell, for D. Britton, reported that William B. Scott and Peter M. Rutkoff, both of Kenyon, were recipients of the book award for their study “New York Modern: The Arts and the City.”

d. Distinguished Service Award
Larry Wilcox, on behalf of the Academy, recognized the services of James A. Hodges, Wooster, and Marcella Barton, Rio Grande, and presented them the 2000 Distinguished Service Awards.

e. Distinguished Teaching Award
Shelley Baranowski reviewed Allan Winkler’s distinguished teaching record and presented him with the
Teaching Award.

5. Election Results
O'Donnell thanked Dan Nelson for his service and reported the election results: E. MacLean, Vice-President; T. Taylor, Secretary-Treasurer; M. Pallante, Newsletter Editor; V. Sandlund and M. Wainwright, Executive Council. O'Donnell then recognized D. Nelson for his service as chair of the nominating committee and V. Steffel for service the Academy.

6. New Business
E. MacLean presented the Standards Committee Resolution on Licensure in Social Studies and moved that the Ohio Academy of History oppose the present middle school licensure standards as inadequate for grades four through nine, and that it empower the Standards Committee to study the state licensing and certification requirements more broadly, and, in the fall of 2000, bring its findings to the attention of the Executive Council for action by the Academy. Motion passed.

O'Donnell informed the membership that the Executive Council approved the creation of an ad hoc Conference Committee to relieve the Secretary-Treasurer of the growing responsibilities for Academy conferences.

7. Presidential Address
David Fahey, Miami, was introduced by J. O'Donnell. Fahey's Presidential Address focused on “The Politics of Drink in Britain: Anglo-American Perspectives.”

8. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Vladimir Steffel for the Secretary-Treasurer.

Academy Handbook

Under the leadership of Vlady Steffel the Academy is preparing a handbook which codifies "best practice" for the duties of the various officers and committees. Since this is essentially a matter of codification, it won't be necessary to bring the handbook before the Spring business meeting for approval. I hope that we will be able to include the handbook as an appendix to the roster scheduled for publication this academic year. You all have received an electronic draft copy of the handbook. I hope that we can discuss the handbook on this listserv. For those who prefer, simply email or write Vlady.

Inevitably a work of codification produces some changes, some of the them big enough to be amendments to the constitution. One which has already been aired is the proposal to add a high school representative to the executive council. Although most people have said this is a good idea, there has been criticism: are there enough high school teachers in the Academy to provide this person with a constituency? Or are we adding the high school teacher to the council in hopes of creating a constituency?

Academy Triennial Roster

Every three years the Academy issues a roster of all historians who work in Ohio, plus various useful appendices such as the constitution. In the past this has been one of the chores which in combination with many others made the office of secretary-treasurer unappealing. So, I expect in the future that the president will appoint one or two or three people to prepare the roster. This triennial year I have appointed myself to collect the data about Ohio's historians. The letters to the various colleges and universities, historical
societies and museums are already in the mail. Vlady Steffel has agreed to arrange for the printing and also to update the text of the constitution.

Errata for Rooster 2001

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Kenyon College
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College of Wooster
John M. Gates, Professor, War and Revolution, jgates@asc.wooster.edu

Appointments

Capitol University
Alexander Pantsov was appointed Associate Professor. His Ph.D is from Moscow State University and he will teach Chinese and Russian history.

Kay Slocum, specialist in Medieval Studies, was promoted to full-professor.

Case Western Reserve University
Mary L. Coomes has been appointed Visiting Assistant Professor at CWRU for 2000-2001.

Jonathan Grabowski was promoted to the rank of Associate Professor at CWRU.

Ken Ledford was appointed director of the German Studies program at CWRU. In addition, he was elected Chair-Elect of the Faculty Senate and will serve as Chair during the 2001-2002 academic year.

Jonathan Sadowsky has been appointed the first Dr. Theodore J. Castele Professor of Medicine at CWRU.

Renee Sentilles has been hired as Assistant Professor for a position in American women’s history at CWRU.

The Ohio State University
John L. Brooke, Stern Professor of American History at Tufts University, will join the department beginning academic year 2000-2001.

Youngstown State University
Daniel Ayana was promoted to Associate Professor effective Fall 2001.

Donna DeBlasio was appointed as an assistant
professor. She will teach courses in the Historic preservation sequence and in nineteenth and early twentieth century America. She assumed the role of Director of the Center for Historic Preservation.

Thomas Leary, hired initially as temporary assistant professor has been moved to a tenure track position. He teaches courses in the historic preservation sequence and American Labor History.

Martha Pallante was promoted to full professor effective Fall 2001.

**Awards, Grants, Honors, and Leaves**

**Capital University**
Thomas C. Maroukis was awarded a full-year sabbatical and a Gerhold Fellowship to complete research and writing on the Native American Church among the Yangton Sioux.

Kay Slocum was designated Capital’s “Master Teacher” for 2000-2001.

Kay Slocum was awarded a Cultural Enrichment grant from Capital for international travel.

Mary Hershberger received the Binkley–Stephenson Award for the best article published in the *Journal of American History* for 1999.

**Case Western Reserve**
In August, 2000, at a symposium arranged in his honor, Alan Rocke received the Dexter Prize from the American Chemical Society for "outstanding contributions to the history of chemistry."

Ted Steinberg was awarded a 2000 American Council of Learned Societies Burkhardt Fellowship, one of nine fellows chosen nationwide. He will be on leave during the coming academic year writing a new book titled *Down to Earth: Nature’s Role in American History.*

**Miami University**
Jay Baird named Effective Educator.

**Ohio State University**
David Cressy joined the board of editors of the *Archive for Reformation History.*

Robert Davis has been awarded a fellowship at the Rockefeller Foundation Study and Conference Center in Bellagio, Italy.

**Carter Findley** has been invited by the Korea Society to participate in their 2000 Fall Fellowship Program.

Timothy Gregory was awarded a grant from the Packard Humanities Institute to support his continued conservation, study and publication of materials from the Excavations at Isthmia.


David Hoffmann was awarded a Stanford University Hoover Institution National Fellowship.

Eve Levin was awarded a grant from the National Council for Eurasian and East European Research for the academic year 2000-2001.

Margaret Newell received a research fellowship from the John Nicholas Brown Center at Brown University for 2000-2001.
Carla Pestana was awarded an NEH Summer Stipend for her project on the Anglo-Atlantic in the 1640s and 1650s.

Randolph Roth received a second supplemental grant from the National Science Foundation to support his research on violent crime and violent death.

Trinity Lutheran Seminary
Donald L. Huber has been named Fred W. Meuser Professor of Church History at Trinity Lutheran Seminary. He also became Academic Dean of the seminary on July 1, 2000.

Youngstown State University
Donna DeBlasio received the Distinguished Professor Award for Public Service in 2001.

Anne York was on sabbatical and continued her research in France.

Academy Publications

Capital University


Kay Slocum, "Prosas for St. Thomas Becket."


Case Western Reserve
David Hammack, Making The Nonprofit Sector in the United States: A Reader, was reprinted by Indiana University Press, which will bring out a paperback edition in June, 2000.


The College of Wooster  
John M. Gates has placed a twelve chapter anthology consisting of original essays and previously published work on his web page. Entitled The U.S. Army and Irregular Warfare, the book can be found at: www.wooster.edu/history/jgates/bookcontents

University of Dayton  
Erving E. Beauregard has published "Academic Freedom and Slavery: Two Ohio Colleges," in Upper Ohio Valley Historical Review, 24, April, 2001. He has also been reappointed as the Membership Director of American Catholic Historical Association and to the Editorial Board of the Research Review.

Ohio State University  

Saul Cornell, Whose Right to Bear Arms Did the Second Amendment Protect? (Bedford/St. Martins, 2000).

Barbara Hanawalt, Medieval Practices of Space, co-edited (University of Minnesota Press, 2000).


Lucy Murphy, A Gathering of Rivers: Indians, Metis, and Mining in the Western Great Lakes, 1737-1832 (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press 2000).

Allan Millett and Williamson Murray, A War to be Won: Fighting the Second World War (Harvard University Press, 2000).

Claire Robertson, We Only Come Here to Struggle: Stories from Berida’s Lives, co-authored (Indiana University Press, 2000).

Trinity Lutheran Seminary  
Donald L. Huber, is the author of World Lutheranism: A Select Bibliography for English Readers (Lanham, MD: Scarecrow Press, 2000.)

Youngstown State University  

Resignations

Ohio State University  
Cladio Fogo, has resigned.

Penny Russel, has resigned.
Obituaries

Akron University

William McCueken, emeritus professor of History at the University of Akron and chair of the history Department at Southern Indiana University, died on August 9, 2000. He was 62 and suffered from pancreatic cancer.

Bill McCueken was a native of Northern Ireland and a graduate of Queen’s University, Belfast, in 1960, with majors in mathematics and physics. He received an M.A. in the history of science from Queen’s University in 1963 and a Ph.D., also in the history of science, from the University of Pennsylvania in 1968. His dissertation was published by Johns Hopkins University Press in 1970 as Nineteenth-Century Spectroscopy: Development of the Understanding of Spectra, 1802-1897.

Bill came to the University of Akron in 1968. In addition to undergraduate and graduate courses in the history of science, he taught the upper level course in Historical Methods and the introductory course in Humanities in the Western Tradition. In the 1980s he introduced new courses in the History of Technology and in Environmental History. As an instructor he was known for his erudition and wit. History of Science was often the most highly rated upper level course, despite its formidable content.

In the 1970s Bill moved from the "internal" history of science to broader issues of science in society, a transition reflected in his research. His Scientists, Society, and the State: The Social Relations of Science Movement in Great Britain, 1931-1947, was published by Ohio State University Press in 1984. It examined the role of British scientists in politics during the interwar period and documented the political divisions in the scientific community.

In the late 1980s Bill shifted gears again to emphasize environmental issues. His last two books, which are closely related, address the technical problems of combating water pollution in modern society, based on the experiences of the Lake Erie basin. They are Biodegradable: Detergents and the Environment, published by Texas A&M Press in 1991, and Lake Erie Relativized: the Control of Eutrophication, published by the University of Akron Press just a few days before his death. Together they constitute the single most extended and important historical study of a specific pollution issue and the political and administrative that addressed it.

Bill also published many articles and reviews in his fields of interest. Beginning in 1991, he served as general editor (with Jeffrey Stine) of the series Technology and the Environment, published by the University of Akron Press. Several of the books have won prizes and the series has become one of the most distinguished in field of environmental history.

Bill strongly and stubbornly believed in faculty governance and was a stalwart of the local AAUP chapter. He sat on countless committees and received the Arts & Science College award for distinguished service shortly before his retirement.

In 1998 he embarked on a new adventure as chair of the History Department of Southern Indiana University in Evansville, Indiana. He served for one year before ill health forced him to step down.

He leaves a wife and two children, all of whom are also college professors, and a host of friends.

Case Western Reserve University

Dr. David Van Tassel

By John Grabowski

Through his persistence and ideas, David Van Tassel brought renown and credit to the CWRU history department through projects such as the Encyclopedia of Cleveland History, History Day, and programs directed toward the history of aging. Sadly and unexpectedly David D. Van Tassel died of heart failure on Saturday, June 3.

Born in Binghamton, New York, David Van Tassel, studied at Cherry Lawn School in Darien, Connecticut, and received his B.A. in 1950 from Dartmouth. He went on to the University of Wisconsin where he studied with Merle Curti. He received his doctorate in history from Wisconsin in 1955. His dissertation on the evolution of historical societies and the historical profession in the United States appeared as the book, Recording America’s Past: An Interpretation of the Development of Historical Studies in America, 1607-1884. Published by the University of Chicago Press in 1960 the volume remains the standard review of the development of historical studies in America.

From 1961 to 1969 he taught at the University of Texas. He came to Case Western Reserve University as a visiting professor in 1968, and joined the history faculty there in 1969. During his thirty years at Case Western Reserve, David Van Tassel twice served as chair of the department for a total of ten years and held the Hiram C. Hayden and Elbert Jay Benton professorships.

At CWRU, Van Tassel created the Archival Administration and Museum Studies programs and garnered grant support for a variety of initiatives including History Day, which Van Tassel founded in 1974, the Encyclopedia of Cleveland History, and the project, Humanistic Values and Aging. His work in creating such programs was recognized when the National Endowment for the Humanities presented him with the Charles Frankel Prize in 1990. In 1998 CWRU recognized his contributions by bestowing the Howorka Prize, its highest academic honor, on him.

David Van Tassel continued to produce, even while he directed a department, crafted grants, and oversaw the scholars supported by those grants. While at Texas he edited American Thought in the Twentieth Century (1967) and co-edited Science and Society in the United States. At CWRU he edited or co-edited another thirteen volumes including, Aging, Death and the Completion of Being (1979), The Encyclopedia of Cleveland History (1987, 1996), Aging and the Elderly: Humanistic Perspectives in Gerontology, and the Handbook of the Humanities and Aging. After he retired in 1998 Van Tassel continued his scholarly activities. He curated a major exhibit, Civil War! For God, Union, and Glory, at the Western Reserve Historical Society in Cleveland, for which he served as a trustee. At the time of his death he was engaged in writing a catalog for the exhibit that centered on a history of Cleveland and northeastern Ohio in the Civil War.

David Van Tassel is survived by his wife of 50 years Helen Liddell Van Tassel; children and spouses: Dr. Emily Field Van Tassel and Charles Geyh of Bloomington, Indiana; Katharine Van Tassel and Richard Williams of Cleveland Heights, Ohio; Jonathan J. Van Tassel of State College, Pennsylvania; and Jeanie and Michael Swed of Missouri; his brother, Jonathan Van Tassel of Shreveport, Louisiana.
The Ohio State University

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**New Members**

- Mitchell Anderson
- Emeka Aniagolu
- American Antiquarian Soc.
- Jay W. Baird
- F.J. Ballenger
- Dan Bania
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- Barry Beverage
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