Message from the President

Molly Wood, President, Ohio Academy of History (2012-2013)

Many of us, I am sure, are using the summer schedule to catch up on some research, writing, or other professional project. For those of you who attended the 2012 Spring Meeting and heard my Presidential Address, you might be interested to hear a little about my recent research trip to the Schlesinger Library (on the History of Women in America) at the Radcliffe Institute, Harvard University. The Schlesinger Library houses the papers of Lucile Atcherson, about whom I spoke at the Spring Meeting. Atcherson was the first American woman in the U.S. Foreign Service, serving from 1922 to 1927. She served at the U.S. State Department, and abroad at Berne, Switzerland, and in Panama City, Panama. But at the Schlesinger Library a few weeks ago I learned much more about her life before the Foreign Service, and as things have turned out, I will be able to continue to research her life and times at the Ohio Historical Society this summer since she was born and raised in Columbus! Atcherson attended the Columbus School for Girls (thanks also to Marsha Robinson for suggesting and then confirming this for me after the spring meeting) and from there went to Smith College in Northampton, Massachusetts. I knew that Atcherson became involved in the Woman Suffrage movement in Franklin County when she returned to Columbus after graduating from Smith, but I had little concrete information to go on—but I now have the names of the women who contacted her, recruited her, really, to work for the suffrage movement and I plan to mine the Historical Society for additional context on this part of her life, from 1914 to 1917. The archives also

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revealed that it was Atcherson’s work with the women of Columbus that inspired her to become involved in war relief work once the U.S. entered World War I in 1917. Several Columbus women, including Atcherson’s mother, Charlotte, and other “suffrage supporters” became involved in the work of the American Fund for French Wounded, and later the American Committee for a Devastated France (ACDF). Through the ACDF Lucile Atcherson met Ann Morgan, the daughter of J.P. Morgan, who was running this particular organization. “Miss Morgan” (as she was always called) arranged personally to sponsor and finance Atcherson’s travel to France to help out — and in the meantime, Atcherson’s mother, Charlotte, ran the very successful Columbus branch of the ACDF. Lucile Atcherson ended up working in France for almost four years, before finally returning to Columbus to take up her studies for the U.S. Foreign Service exam.

The Ohio Academy of History:

I relate the story above for several reasons. First of all, I love, as I am sure we all do, the excitement of the research — being able to put together the story. To find information that fills in the pieces of the puzzle. And since I introduced you to Atcherson and so many of you were kind enough to ask questions about her and offer suggestions, I am happy to fill in some initial background here.

Secondly, I hope to model here what our OAH Newsletter can do. We all have stories of success in the archives. Why not share some of those stories with our growing OAH audience? The Newsletter offers a venue for some informal, but still informative, writing. I urge you to consider a submission.

Finally, historical research is a big part of what many of us do . . . but only one part. The OAH is eager to wear many hats, and to reach professionals who work in a variety of settings. At this point our three major audiences are: Historians who work at colleges and universities, including all kinds of institutions from community colleges to research universities with graduate programs in history; secondary level history teachers; and public historians. One of the primary goals of the Ohio Academy is to increase membership in all three areas and promote interaction between these three groups of professional historians. One of the primary benefits of my own membership in the Ohio Academy has been getting to know colleagues not just at other colleges and universities, but also colleagues who teach high school and who work at a variety of historical organizations around the state. In fact, as an instructor at a small institution (Wittenberg University) where I do not train graduate students, I have come to realize that the students who I teach who choose to go into careers in history can, and do, end up as history teachers or public historians. In fact several of our recent history graduates have gone to graduate school for public history and/or are working as public history professionals in Ohio. Similarly, we have history graduates who are now history teachers in Ohio. I am sure many of us have similar stories and similar contacts with former students who are now history professionals in Ohio. I would like to suggest that we each make a commitment to reach out to those former students and suggest that they join the Ohio Academy of History. This will strengthen our numbers but more importantly will strengthen our professional (and generational) interactions.

Benefits of Service to the Profession:

As busy professionals, wherever we work, we share another commonality: we are pulled in too many different directions. I would suggest that an organization such as the Ohio Academy helps to bring us together. Service to any professional organization takes time and commitment and perseverance. But, as someone who has been involved and active both at my university and within the OAH and other organizations, I have concluded that the benefits of service far outweigh the extra work. The professional benefits are significant — getting to know other professionals in your field who are reasonably close by (in the same state) creates opportunities for exchanges and interactions to facilitate good teaching, good research, peer review, conference panels — the possibilities are endless.

But the OAH also provides the personal and more intangible benefits of community. I have made close friends through OAH. I have met senior colleagues who have generously shared their wisdom and experience; I have met junior colleagues who bring new excitement and ideas to the profession; I have been both mentor and mentored; I have commiserated with those who have shared similar professional experiences. We all are better professionals, and, I would argue, happier people when we share a larger community. The Ohio Academy of History can provide that community.

What to Look for this Fall:

- The unveiling of a new Ohio Academy of History website and Facebook page.
- Plan to attend the next two Spring Meetings (see page 10 for additional information about submitting a proposal for the Spring 2013 meeting): April 5-6, 2013 at Bowling Green State University and April 4-5 at The Ohio State University.
- Look for (and consider applying for) an announcement for a search for an Editor-in-Chief and Editorial Board for Proceedings, the peer-reviewed online journal of the Ohio Academy of History.
- Look for an update from the Executive Council after our first Fall Working Retreat (to be held in October 2012 in lieu of a Fall Meeting)
- The Ohio Academy offers prizes and awards each year. Nominate yourself or nominate a colleague for one of our awards.
- Consider service to the Ohio Academy in other ways. Nominate yourself for a committee or for Executive Council. Contact any officer or Executive Council member for more information.

More news to come this fall and I offer everyone best wishes for a great Fall 2012 and Spring 2013.
During the 1960s, the civil-rights movement touched off an explosion of interest in black history. Dorn and two other assistant professors petitioned President Brage Golding to hire someone to teach black history, saying the field was mature. “Ever since then we’ve had an African-American historian,” he said.

Dorn was the first director of Wright State’s Honors Program, something in which he takes a great deal of pride.

“It gave to students smaller classes in which there could be lots of student initiative and participation and much more intensive reading of papers,” he said. “I never thought an honors class should be accelerated in the sense of getting farther, but rather should be enhanced or enriched, going deeper.”

Dorn is also proud of designing the Honors scholarship program, which survived after his 15-year tenure as director and now has more scholarships and students. It flourished at a time when there was egalitarianism in the air and antagonism to the idea of honors programs.

“It’s remarkable that this program never came under attack whatsoever. We saw to it that students had input,” Dorn said. During his teaching career, Dorn had some memorable students. One was Walter Rice, a federal judge in Dayton nominated by President Jimmy Carter.

Rice, then a young assistant prosecuting attorney, took a night course from Dorn. Rice had attended Northwestern University, studied under Woodrow Wilson scholar Arthur Link and wrote a paper that Dorn still has on the Progressive Movement of 1924.

“The textbook I had adopted for this class was written by Arthur Link, so Walter scared the daylight out of me,” Dorn recalled. “I was about a chapter ahead of him.”

Dorn’s 47-year journey with Wright State was not always perfectly smooth. He was sometimes worn down by the bureaucracy, did not always agree with budget priorities and still worries that the emphasis on science and technology is coming at the expense of liberal arts.

“We can train people to do technical things,” Dorn said. “But if they don’t have humane learning, if they don’t understand the complexity of society, they’re ill-fitted to do the complete job they could do for the country.”

As a specialist on American religion and social issues, Dorn authored and edited books and published numerous articles and book reviews in scholarly journals. He was twice elected president of the Ohio Academy of History, which is composed of professional historians and is the oldest organization of its kind in the country.

Since the mid-1970s, Dorn has been on the board of the Dayton Council on World Affairs almost without interruption.

The council originated after World War II and was led by people who wanted to prevent the United States from becoming isolationist. Over the years, the group brought in speakers ranging from First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt to Secretary of State Colin Powell.

For a number of years, Dorn was in charge of the council’s Great Decisions program, which spawned discussion groups that met in schools, churches and neighborhood venues. The groups helped provide citizen input to congressional foreign relations committees.

Dorn was also on the Dayton Peace Prize committee and met South African activist Bishop Desmond Tutu when he came to Ohio.

In addition, Dorn served eight years on the board of the American Baptist Historical Society, chairing its committee on research and publication in the field of Baptist history. And he also served eight years with the Ohio Board for United Ministries in Higher Education, which represented seven Protestant denominations for ecumenical ministry centers at Ohio’s 14 public universities.

Dorn’s kids have followed in their father’s history footsteps.

Jonathan obtained his Ph.D. in American history from Harvard. He is currently editor-in-chief of the Boulder, Colo.-based Backpacker Magazine and vice president of the corporation responsible for a half-dozen other outdoor magazines. Betsy got her Ph.D. in Japanese history and is an associate professor at Wayne State University in Detroit. Dorn’s wife, Carole, retired after a 33-year career as an elementary school teacher.

After retiring in July, Dorn plans to spend his time reading, writing and traveling.

Donations for the Jacob H. Dorn Graduate History Scholarship can be made through the Wright State University Foundation.
2012 AWARDS & PRIZES

DISSERTATION AWARD:
Mark Soderstrom
(Aurora University):
“Enlightening the Land of Midnight: Peter Slotsov, Ivan Kalashnikov, and the saga of Russian Siberia.” PhD diss., The Ohio State University, 2011.

DISTINGUISHED HISTORIAN:
Al Cave
(Professor Emeritus, University of Toledo)

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE:
Gary Hess
(Professor Emeritus, Bowling Green State University)

PUBLIC HISTORY:
Maggie Marconi
(Sandusky Library/Follett House Museum)
“Oakland Cemetery, Civil War Heroes”

TEACHING AWARD:
Martin Wainwright
(The University of Akron)

JUNIOR FACULTY RESEARCH GRANT:
Karen Dunik
(Muskingum University)
“I Did Other Things: A Cultural Biography of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis.”

PUBLICATION AWARD:
John Brooke
(The Ohio State University)
Columbia Rising: Civil Life on the Upper Hudson from the Revolution to the Age of Jackson
(University of North Carolina Press, 2010)
Approximately twenty individuals are selected to be featured for each cemetery walk. The grave markers, many of them works of art chiseled by area stone carvers, tell the beginning of the story with dates, name and often a symbol or two. Thorough research reveals the life stories, anecdotes and photographs of who is buried there.

As a common thread, as regimental histories, county histories, and genealogical resources were also consulted. Materials from the Sandusky Library Archives were also used, and include photographs, documents, and more. Some of the information presented during the cemetery walk is available to the public on our local history blog: www.sandusky-history.blogspot.com. For the 2011 cemetery walk, twenty individuals were selected, both men and women, who made a variety of contributions to efforts both at the home front and the battle front. There is a Civil War surgeon who died from exhaustion while treating wounded soldiers in a field hospital; his wife who accompanied him to serve as a nurse, and who, after his death, cared for the wounded in Washington, D.C. hospitals as well as locally; two African American men who served in the Massachusetts 55th infantry; a young soldier who died at Antietam; a woman who took up the cause of prisoners of war after her brother died of starvation at Andersonville Prison; a regimental musician; the owner of Johnson’s Island, where Johnson’s Island Prison Camp was located to house confederate officer prisoners; and members of various Ohio regiments who served a variety of roles as soldiers, from under cook to surgeon to captain. As Sandusky had a confederate prison camp just across Sandusky Bay on Johnson’s Island, there were perhaps more war related activities occurring in Sandusky than other area communities, and these themes were visited during the 2011 cemetery walk.

The Cemetery Walk is unique from most of the programs we offer, in that it is offered outdoors, in the beautiful setting of Sandusky’s 1850s era cemetery. As we walk from grave to grave, participants learn about the person whose grave we are visiting, and view photographs of the person being featured. A cemetery walk is a singular way to explore local history, in that it gathers together people of all backgrounds to one location. People who did not live at the same time are buried in the same place, and as we visit their graves, we learn about the contributions they made during their lifetimes. The cemetery setting serves as a common thread.

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the cemetery walk, in the Smartphone tour, and video (described below).

The Civil War Heroes program consists of three related elements: the Oakland Cemetery Civil War Heroes Cemetery Walk, delivered September 7, 8, and 10th; a Smartphone QR code Civil War Heroes Cemetery Walk, available on the Sandusky Library website, and a professionally filmed and edited video version of the Civil War Heroes Cemetery Walk, also available on the Sandusky Library website. In spite of terrible weather on nearly all four of the walks, all of the tours were at or above capacity. This was by far one of the most popular cemetery walks we have ever offered.

The Smartphone walk using QR codes is available on our website, and allows a user to go on the cemetery walk at their leisure. Each QR code links to an entry on our local history blog, and includes an informative narrative as well as photographs. The Smartphone tour is located on our website at this address: http://www.sandusky.lib.oh.us/follett_house/documents/CivilWarHeroesWalk.pdf

Additionally, we contracted with TW teleproductions to create an 11:30 minute video of the cemetery walk. The video features Maggie Marconi as host, and takes place at each grave, including informative narrative and photographs. This professionally filmed and edited video is available on our website: http://www.sandusky.lib.oh.us/follett_house/multimedia.php

We believe that the unique and varied way in which this program was delivered appeals to a variety of audiences and types of learners. The sound historical research provides the community with a reliable resource for local history. The Smartphone tour and video provide a means for users to access and enjoy the content at their convenience whenever and where they like, whether in a classroom setting or on a leisurely afternoon with friends or family.

Dr. R.R. McMeens was a Sandusky surgeon who worked tirelessly in field hospitals during the Civil War. He carried on, despite his colleagues’ requests to rest, as there were so many men who required medical attention. He collapsed and died on the field from exhaustion. He was a highly revered veteran, and was recently inducted into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame. After his death, his wife Anna was very active in caring for veterans, and later she was a champion for veterans’ rights.

Johnson’s Island prison camp operated from 1861-1865, and was located in Sandusky Bay. Several Sandusky residents featured on the Civil War Heroes Cemetery walk, Smartphone QR Code Walk, and Video were involved with the prison on Johnson’s Island, from the owner of the island, to the leader of the military band, to prison guards. Today, all that remains of the prison is a small cemetery.

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2013 Dissertation Award

The Ohio Academy of History invites submissions for its annual outstanding doctoral dissertation award. The dissertation must have been completed during the previous academic year. Each Ph.D. granting institution in Ohio may nominate one dissertation. There is a $250 award for the winning dissertation. An electronic copy of the dissertation, along with a nomination letter from the chair of the department or the director of graduate studies, should be sent to each member of the Dissertation Award Committee. The deadline for submissions is November 1, 2012.

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2013 Distinguished Historian Award

The Ohio Academy of History invites nominations for its annual Distinguished Historian Award. The award honors a historian whose teaching and scholarship, including substantial publications, transcend specialized fields and have an interest to persons beyond the discipline of history. This year, in keeping with the theme of the Spring 2013 Conference (“The War of 1812 in the U.S. and International Context”) the nomination of historians whose work encompasses the War of 1812 era are desirable, though not necessary. The winner should have a close affiliation with a college, university, or historical agency of Ohio, if not actually residing in the state. The award recipient will deliver a public address during the opening evening of the annual Spring Conference of the Ohio Academy of History and receive recognition during the business meeting at the Spring Conference. A letter of nomination of worthiness for the award and a copy of the nominee’s curriculum vita must reach the committee chair by September 15, 2012.

Chair:
Molly M. Wood, Wittenberg University, mwood@wittenberg.edu

Committee Members:
Scott Martin (ex officio), Bowling Green State University, smartin@bgsu.edu
William Jenkins (ex officio), Youngstown State University, wdjenkins@ysu.edu

2013 Distinguished Service Award

The Ohio Academy of History invites nominations for its annual Distinguished Service Award. The recipient of this award receives an honorary lifetime membership in the Ohio Academy of History. To nominate an individual, either for specific achievement or for long-time distinguished service to the Ohio Academy of History, please submit your recommendation to the committee chairperson. Deadline for nominations is November 1, 2012.

Chair:
David Fahey, Miami University (Emeritus), faheydm@gmail.com

Committee Members:
John Weaver, Sinclair Community College, john.weaver@sinclair.edu
Ronald Lora, University of Toledo, Ronald.Lora@utoledo.edu

2013 Junior Faculty Research Grant

The Ohio Academy of History created a research grant for junior faculty and made the first annual award in 2011. The Academy now invites proposals for the third annual Junior Faculty Research Grant. The purpose of the grant is to help defray the costs of travel necessary for a significant scholarly project. The current grant award is $500. The grant is not restricted to any geographic area, methodological approach, or chronological period. The Ohio Academy of History will announce the award recipient at its Spring Conference, at Bowling Green State University, April 5-6, 2013.

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Geoffrey Parker received the 2012 Heineken Prize for History from the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences for “his outstanding scholarship on the social, political and military history of Europe between 1500 and 1650, in particular Spain, Philip II, and the Dutch Revolt; for his contribution to military history in general; and for his research on the role of climate in world history.” The prestigious award is given every other year to five world-renowned researchers in the fields of history, art, medicine, and science.

Randolph Roth was awarded the Michael J. Hindelang Award by the American Society of Criminology (ASC) for the outstanding contribution to criminology over the previous three years.

Publications:
Mansel Blackford published Making Seafood Sustainable: American Experiences in Global Perspective with the University of Pennsylvania Press.


Robert Davis published Renaissance People: Lives that Shaped the Modern Age, which he co-wrote with Beth Lindsmith.


Alcira Dueñas was awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Institute Grant for the Program “Mesoamerica and the Southwest: A New History for an Ancient Land.”

Donna Guy’s Las Mujeres y la Construcción del Estado de Bienestar was published by Prometeo Libros, Buenos Aires. It is a translation of her book Women Build the Welfare State: Performing Charity and Creating Rights in Argentina, 1880-1955.

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CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS
OAH 2013 AWARDS

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To be eligible, one must be:
• an untenured faculty member at an Ohio college or university,
• a recipient of a Ph.D. in history within the past six years,
• a member of the Ohio Academy of History.
(If eligible, lecturers and other non-tenure-line faculty members may apply.)

To apply, submit:
(a) a one-page curriculum vitae,
(b) a one-page budget with justification for how funds will be used,
(c) a three-page explanation of the project’s objectives, sources and methods, significance, and timetable, as well as its contribution to the larger project,
(d) a letter of recommendation in support.

Applications and supporting materials should be sent in Adobe Portable Desktop Format (PDF) to the chair of the Grant Committee by November 1, 2012.

Chair:
Constance Bouchard, The University of Akron, CBouchard@uakron.edu
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Note: The successful applicant is expected to file within eight months a one-page report on how the funds were spent, with the report to be considered for publication in the Academy Newsletter. Acknowledgement of this Academy support should also appear in any published work that results from this research. Successful applicants are encouraged to present on their findings at subsequent Ohio Academy annual conferences.

2013 Publication Award
The Ohio Academy of History invites nominations for its annual Outstanding Publication Award. Scholarly monographs published by members of the Academy between November 1, 2011 and October 31, 2012 are eligible. Books by previous winners may be considered, although no individual may win the award more than twice. Nominees should send one copy of the book directly to each member of the Publication Award Committee and to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Ohio Academy of History, Kevin Kern. The copy sent to the committee chair should also include a brief description of the book.
Deadline for submissions is November 1, 2012.

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MEMBER NEWS
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Peter Hahn published Missions Accomplished? The United States and Iraq since World War I, Oxford University Press, 2011.


Kristina Sessa published The Formation of Papal Authority in Late Antique Italy: Roman Bishops and the Domestic Sphere, Cambridge University Press, 2011.

Judy Tzu-Chun Wu was named co-editor of Frontiers: A Journal of Women Studies.

News:
Nicholas Breyfogle hosted the international conference, "Eurasian Environments: Nature and Ecology in Eurasian History"
Carole Fink was named a Fulbright Scholar (2011-2012) for "The Future Versus the Past: West Germany and Israel, 1966-1974" at the University of Haifa, Israel.

Peter Hahn and Peter Mansoor led eight undergraduate students on an eight-day study abroad tour of the islands of Guam, Saipan, Tinian, and Iwo Jima. The tour was a component of History 698.02 "The Veteran Experience in the Pacific War, 1944-45."

THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON
Transitions:
Martin Wainwright became department chair.
TJ Boisseau has left to become Professor of History and Women's Studies Director at Purdue University
Elizabeth Mancke has left to become Canada Research Chair in Atlantic Canada Studies at the University of New Brunswick

Awards and Leaves:
Michael Graham was a visiting research fellow at the Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities at the University of Edinburgh.

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2013 Public History Award

The Ohio Academy of History invites nominations for its annual Public History Award. The purpose of this award is to encourage the dissemination of historical scholarship beyond the walls of academe. To be nominated, a public history project, publication, or program must have been accomplished within the previous two years and completed by November 1, 2012. All public history fields are included: exhibits, publications, audio/visual documentaries, oral histories, public programs, symposia, archival projects, and historic preservation education projects.

Nominated projects, publications, or programs must:
- demonstrate original research that adds to a greater understanding of the past,
- demonstrate creativity in organization and presentation,
- demonstrate originality or uniqueness in design and historical interpretation,
- accomplish a goal of educating or communicating with the intended audience,
- follow commonly accepted rules of evidence and logic in providing proof of statements, facts, and conclusions.

Submit nominations to the committee chair by November 1, 2012.

Chair: Christie Weininger, Executive Director, Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Center
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Committee Members:
Steven Conn, The Ohio State University, conn.23@osu.edu
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Cheri Goldner, Special Collections Division, Akron-Summit County Public Library, cgoldner@akronlibrary.org

2013 Distinguished Teaching Award

The Ohio Academy of History invites nominations for its annual Distinguished Teaching Award. The award — popularly known as Ohio’s “College History Teacher of the Year” award — recognizes faculty in mid- or late career who have demonstrated a sustained commitment to teaching and service in Ohio. The committee is cognizant of the work involved in putting forward nominations for the teaching prize, so each nomination will be kept on file and considered annually by the committee for at least three years, if the nominee does not win the prize in the first or second year. To nominate a faculty member, please send a letter of nomination with supporting evidence (in an electronic format) to the chair of the Teaching Award Committee.

Appropriate supporting evidence should include:
- course syllabi,
- examination questions,
- paper assignments,
- student evaluations,
- peer evaluations,
- any other evidence of a sustained record of impact on students.

The committee accepts nominations from members of the academy as well as from departments. Nominators are welcome, if they wish, to seek the help of nominated faculty in putting together the nominee’s teaching portfolio. The deadline for submissions is November 1, 2012. Please send nomination materials to the Committee Chair.

Chair: Arthur DeMatteo, Glenville State College -West Virginia, Arthur.Dematteo@glenville.edu

Committee Members:
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Amy Bosworth, Muskingum University, bosworth@muskingum.edu

Call for Submissions for Spring 2013 Newsletter: Articles and Reviews

The Ohio Academy of History requests submissions from members for the Spring 2013 Ohio Academy of History Newsletter. All submissions should be no longer than 1000 words. We are interested in receiving a variety of submissions, including, but not limited to, articles about members’ research, travel to archives or conferences of interest, the historical profession, book or film or museum reviews, teaching and pedagogy, or other topics of interest to Ohio Academy members. All submissions will be subject to editing for content and format and all submissions should follow standard Chicago/Turabian style. Please send submissions to Associate Editor Molly Wood as a word document attachment at mwood@wittenberg.edu by December 10, 2012.

Publications:


CALL FOR PAPERS

Ohio Academy of History 2013 Annual Meeting and Conference
April 4-6, 2013

Theme:
“The War of 1812 in the U.S. and International Context”

CoSponsored by:
Bowling Green State University and Fort Meigs Museum and Battlefield, Perrysburg, Ohio

Proposal submission deadline: November 1, 2012

The Ohio Academy of History seeks papers in all fields of history for the Spring 2013 Annual Meeting and Conference. We welcome sessions dedicated to the conference theme, “The War of 1812 in the U.S. and International Context,” as well as other sessions/papers dealing with any historical topic, area or time period. Proposals focusing on historiography, methodology, pedagogy, and public history are also encouraged. Proposals may consist of individual papers; however full panel proposals are especially appreciated. In addition to traditional format sessions (scholarly papers with chair and commenter), sessions on a common theme, roundtables or discussion panels, or additional innovative formats are also welcome.

Proposals must include:
- a title and 150-word abstract of each paper
- a short biography, resume, or curriculum vita of each participant
- telephone numbers, e-mails, and mailing addresses of each participant

Those interested in chairing or commenting on papers should contact the chair of the Program Committee with their areas of expertise.

Submit proposals to the chair of the Program Committee by November 1, 2012

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Date: March 30, 2012 2-5pm,

Location: Archives Conference Room, Ohio Historical Society

Present: Molly Wood, Vlady Steffel, Jake Dorn, Korcaighe Hale, Ann Heiss, Jonathan Winkler, Kevin Kern, Martin Wainwright, Betsy Maclean, Betsy Hedler, Tim Connell, Marsha Robinson, Christie Weininger, Donald Schilling (late)

Meeting called to order at 2:12 PM.

I. OLD BUSINESS

1) President’s Report: There was no President’s Report.

2) Vice-President’s Report: Wood submitted a written report: Kern and Connell moved and seconded it and it received unanimous acceptance. Wood announced that Ohio Academy of History (OAH) President Tom Sosnowski had resigned. The Spring 2013 meeting will be April 5-6. The OAH will coordinate events with Fort Meigs. Grant money is available through the National Park Service. Our application for the NPS grant has passed the first round and has a good chance of approval, since it ties in with the bicentennial of the War of 1812. It could possibly involve collaboration between the OAH, the National Park Service, and Fort Meigs. It is also possible that a grant could come from Canada.

3) Past President’s Report: Dorn commended Wood for all of her work as Vice President.

4) Secretary-Treasurer’s Report: Kern submitted a written report. Winkler moved, Wainwright seconded, and the Council accepted it unanimously.

5) Archivist Report: MacLean submitted a written report. The Council discussed the OAH’s liaison with the Ohio Historical Society (OHS) for Statehood day. John Glenn had attended the event. MacLean moved to continue support for Statehood Day for the next 3 years. Dorn seconded. Wood suggested a friendly amendment to Statehood day as a PR device for OAH. Dorn suggested a one year annual renewable support of $200, usable as a PR device, with commit to next year. Wood seconded. The measure passed unanimously. Dorn asked if MacLean has complete set of Newsletters, MacLean did not think so. Dorn has a set going back to 1970s and will volunteer past issues to archives. Hedler asked if she should have hard copies of recent (PDF) issues on file. There was consensus that this should be the case. Winkler suggested that past issues should be digitized, and moved that further discussion continue on this issue electronically later. Hale seconded. Passage was unanimous. Winkler moved passage of the report, Wainwright seconded, and passage was unanimous.

6) Newsletter Editors’ Report: Wainwright commended Wood for writing the pre-circulated report and her and Hedler for working extensively on the newsletter. The biggest problem is getting content for the newsletter. The editors suggested having member news in Fall, with more substantial articles in the Spring. Winkler moved approval of report, Connell seconded, and acceptance was unanimous.

7) Award Committee Report: Wood reported the results of awards committees. There were winners in each category. Winkler moved, Connell seconded, and the Council approved all the reports.

8) Standing Committee Reports:

A) Conference Committee Spring 2012: Hedler asked for help staffing the registration tables. Heiss and Connell volunteered. Winkler moved, Kern seconded, and approval of the report was unanimous.

B) Program Committee Spring 2012: Heiss had pre-circulated a report. She strongly suggested the membership of the committee go up to five people from three. She had also worked up an evaluation form for chairs to use for each session. Winkler asked when the call for papers went out, and when should it? Heiss thought it should go out in spring or summer at latest. Robinson said that she received only two responses when it went out in summer. It is the fall that matters, and H-Net is key. She suggested that someone on the committee be in charge of book panels, especially if committee increases to five. Winkler suggested a presidential panel on some provocative topic to pull in more attention. Wood asked that since Scott Martin is in charge of local arrangements, he should not serve as Program Committee chair. Winkler moved, Hale seconded, and the report received unanimous approval. MacLean asked if we should keep May 15 as the deadline for the first call. The consensus was yes. Dorn and Winkler proposed to amend the handbook. They encouraged the program committee to send out additional calls for applications in summer and fall as they see fit; and to work with the archivist to revise the handbook to reflect current practice. Dorn seconded the report, and approval was unanimous.

C) Membership Committee: Wood had pre-circulated a report. She was moving forward on a constitution change to make the committee chair an appointment rather than the vice president. Winkler moved, Hale seconded, and approval was unanimous.

D) Nominating Committee: Dorn had pre-circulated the report. He said that the pickings were few, only two people with experience for the secondary education slot. Hale had to reject one person because there were three candidates for two slots – Wood moved acceptance of the report, Winkler seconded, and approval was unanimous.

E) Public History (Award) Committee: Weininger had pre-circulated a report. The Council discussed ways to increase educational opportunities for students interested in public history. The previous week Kevin Grace had set up a Facebook page for the Ohio Academy of History. It will be administered by the committee, limited to official “friends” who must be approved by administrators. MacLean thought it would be great for the site to offer information in careers in public history. Wood moved acceptance of the report, Dorn seconded, and approval was unanimous.

F) Professional Development K-12 (formerly Standard Committee): Connell had pre-circulated his report stating three goals for the committee. 1) monitor state standards, 2) monitor development of K-12 standards, and 3) assist in professional development. He moved that the OAH offer more pedagogy sections in conferences (in conjunction with the Buckeye Council for History Education) and offer member rates to BCHE members. Dorn seconded. Robinson offered a friendly amendment that a seat on the committee be offered to a representative from the Professional Development Committee. Connell accepted the amendment, which was unanimously approved. Winkler moved acceptance of Continued on page 12
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the report, Kern seconded, and the Council approved unanimously.

9) Ad Hoc Committee Reports:
   A) Webpage Ad Hoc Committee Report: Winkler has made a working list of requirements for proposals for the website. He will review these, and then will put out a call for bids. He wants a simple website, easy to update, with minimal need for maintenance, to be administered by the OHS, per current contract. Purchasing will be routed through the OHS. The site will be structured with non-proprietary software, because it will result in fewer problems and less confusion. Winkler expected to have website up by end of summer, and hoped it would be up in time for the call for papers and publicity regarding Fall announcements. Kern offered a friendly amendment that if amount goes above $5000, approval will be made electronically by the Executive Committee. Winkler accepted. Dorn moved acceptance of the report, Steffel seconded, and approval was unanimous.

II. NEW BUSINESS

1) Vacancy in Immediate Past President position for 2012: Connell suggested that Dorn continue to serve in the position. Dorn agreed. The president will appoint someone to the Distinguished Historian Committee.

2) Report on partnership with Buckeye Council for History Education (BCHE): Connell

3) Proceedings: Wood called for an email discussion on this issue.

4) OAH Copyright Issues: Winkler conversed with the 1812 Bicentennial commission. They have created system where people could request use of seal. We would need to register seal with the Copyright Office.

5) Issues re Business Meeting tomorrow:
   • Wood announced Dorn has agreed to preside and will announce Sosnowski’s resignation; need volunteers to count ballots; two constitutional amendments to be voted on;
   • Hedler suggested that because of large non-member attendance, some announcement be made that only paid members be allowed to vote. Dorn agreed.
   • agenda for meeting passed around.
   • all arrangements made.

6) History Day Award: Hedler discussed History Day and passed around forms regarding special awards. She asked if the OAH wants to sponsor an award, perhaps a world history award. It could be discussed in the Fall or by e-mail, but must be decided before February 2013.

7) Announcements: Wood suggested putting the OAH seal on coffee mugs and t-shirts. She also expressed the need to get the Proceedings up and running again. She will form ad hoc committee to do so. Steffel and Heiss will work on one for this meeting.
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**Call for Nominations 2012-2013**

**Vice-President/President-Elect:**

The Ohio Academy of History invites nominations for the office of Vice-President/President-Elect, to be elected at the 2013 meeting of the Ohio Academy of History at Bowling Green State University. This year, if possible, the candidate for Vice-President should be from a private college or university. Please submit nominations by November 1, 2012 by email to: Shelley Baranowski, Nominating Committee Chair, University of Akron sbarano@uakron.edu

**Executive Council:**

The Ohio Academy of History invites nominations for the following offices to be elected at the 2013 meeting of the Ohio Academy of History at Bowling Green State University. Self nominations are appropriate. One Executive Council position from a private college or university; one Executive Council position from a public history professional; one Executive Council position from a two-year or regional college campus. Please submit nominations by November 1, 2012 by email to: Shelley Baranowski, Nominating Committee Chair, University of Akron sbarano@uakron.edu
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OAH SPRING 2012 Financial Report

FALL BALANCES
Checking Register Balance
30 September 2011: $8,935.65
(Associated saving account balance: $100.38)

Junior Faculty Grant Endowment:
$10,449.56

Endowment:
CD (1/5/2012) $4,902.55
CD (6/30/2012) $4,861.48
CD (6/30/2013) $4,785.76
TOTAL $14,549.79

SPRING BALANCES
Checking Register Balance
29 March 2012: $16,396.47
(Associated saving account balance: $100.38)

This includes $4,905.82 from CD cashed in at direction of Executive Council in response for the need to pay for new web design and a desire to eventually transfer all endowment money away from PNC.

Off this total, $1,012 committed to JFRG next time a deposit can be made, and $80 to the Endowment the next time a CD comes up for renewal. The Secretary-Treasurer has personally committed $20 to serve as “living interest” on these sums until then.

This does not include any expenses for Spring Conference. Balances of items owed to OHS for services rendered from January to March 2012 to be billed in early April.

Junior Faculty Grant Endowment:
$10,477.87
(Maturity date 29 January 2013)

Endowment:
CD (6/30/2012) $4,880.64
CD (6/30/2013) $4,795.62
TOTAL $9,676.26