Ohioans interested in history, historic preservation, and downtown and neighborhood revitalization will come together November 4–6 to strengthen ties among heritage-related interests in the Buckeye State. The event, Building Connections: Ohio’s 2004 Conference on History, Preservation & Revitalization, will be held at the Columbus Athenaeum and the Ohio Historical Center.

This conference is a collaboration of the Ohio Historical Society (including National History Day in Ohio and the Ohio Historic Preservation Office) with Downtown Ohio, Inc., Heritage Ohio, the Ohio Academy of History, Ohio Arts & Sports Facilities Commission, Ohio Arts Council, Ohio Association of Historical Societies and Museums, Ohio Humanities Council, Ohio Preservation Alliance, and the Society of Ohio Archivists.

The three-day event is designed to bring together educators, students, historians, curators, preservationists, archivists, architects, developers, planners, downtown officials, heritage tourism promoters, and community leaders.

Open to the public, the conference features more than sixty sessions on a variety of history and preservation topics (listed above under title). Hands-on workshops offer demonstrations and practical advice. Featured speakers include U.S. Rep. Ralph Regula of Canton; James B. Gardner, associate director for curatorial affairs at the Smithsonian’s National Museum of American History; historian Heather Huyck of the National Park Service; and Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Thomas Hylton, a leading proponent for comprehensive planning to save cities, towns, and countryside.

Author of the book Save Our Land, Save Our Towns, Hylton is also host of an hour-long public television documentary by the same name. As president of Save Our Land, Save Our Towns Inc., a non-profit corporation, he serves as an advocate of traditional towns that house people of all ages, races, and incomes.

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David Hogan, Heidelberg

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David Steigerwald, OSU-Marion, Chair
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Teaching Award
Paul Weinstein, Akron-Wayne, Chair
Elizabeth MacLean, Otterbein
Carla Pestana, Miami
Greetings from the OAH and from its Executive Committee. Much of the ongoing work of the Academy is conducted by our wonderful Secretary-Treasurer, Ann Heiss, and by our standing committees. Their collective work will culminate in our annual conference and meeting to be held April 8–9, 2005, at Wittenberg University in Springfield. I want to report to you on other issues or opportunities of the Executive Committee this year. First and foremost, the Academy will continue to promote the cause of high-quality history education in the schools. This issue has been promoted by a succession of OAH leaders in the last half decade, most memorably by Austin Kerr in his 2003 Presidential Address and his column in the Autumn 2003 Newsletter.

Last spring, the Executive Committee took up proposals from the Standards Committee that the OAH begin recognizing social studies teacher education programs in Ohio that promote high standards for training in history, and begin sponsoring historical functions that award continuing education units to practicing teachers. The Executive Committee responded enthusiastically, and both these proposals will be further refined this year by the Standards Committee, chaired by Scott Martin of Bowling Green State University.

The Academy leadership is also pursuing close relations with other historically minded organizations in the state. Our fall Executive Committee meeting will coincide with Building Connections: Ohio’s 2004 Conference on History, Preservation & Revitalization, held this November 4–6 at the Columbus Athenaeum and Ohio Historical Center. Our Executive Committee will meet on Saturday morning. In lieu of our traditional fall dinner and lecture, we are encouraging OAH members to participate in Building Connections. (Details can be obtained at the conference website, www.buildingconnections.info.)

We also continue to work closely with our longtime friends and partners in the Ohio Historical Society, on whose board the academy’s current president serves, ex officio. The OHS has experienced major budget cuts in recent years, resulting in some restructuring and new initiatives under the leadership of its executive director, Bill Laidlaw. Our Public History Committee, chaired this year by Marjorie McLellan (Wright State University) will report on those developments later this year.

Finally, this year we will launch a new award to honor a distinguished historian working in Ohio, an effort headed up by Past President Austin Kerr. The recipient will be invited to give the Friday evening address at the annual spring meeting.

Thomas Templeton Taylor is Professor of History at Wittenberg University.
When the United Kingdom declared war on Germany in 1939, its empire mostly followed. However, Ireland, still recovering from partition and a civil war, refused to join with Britain and instead declared its neutrality. Indeed, it seemed as if there was no other choice for Ireland. For many, Britain was still the enemy, but siding with Germany would have forced a British invasion. Even after neutrality was proclaimed, however, it remained more an intention than an accomplishment—Ireland would have been hard-pressed to defend its policy militarily if it had become necessary. They also lacked the commitment of being “neutral in word and deed,” for the majority placed themselves solidly with the Allies. But during the war the nature of Irish neutrality changed from practical necessity to national cause. The maintenance of the policy during the war encouraged many to see in their neutrality a larger purpose, as did the opprobrium lavished on the Irish by the Allies. By the end of the war, Irish neutrality had become enshrined as a facet of Irish national identity.

During the war the government promulgated a public policy which gave the appearance of strident neutrality. A strict censorship policy ensured that little news that would encourage the Irish to choose sides slipped into the Irish consciousness. Election results convinced the majority Fianna Fáil party and the opposition that neutrality was the only acceptable policy. In practice, the Irish government slanted their neutrality in favor of the Allies so much that the term neutrality hardly seems to fit—better to call Ireland a sympathetic non-belligerent. The Irish government secretly aided the Allies by providing extensive intelligence and military cooperation; for example, sending the position of German submarines off the coast to the British on a coded channel. Thousands of Irish citizens supported the Allied war effort in a very direct and material sense by volunteering to fight in the British armed forces and leaving Ireland for wartime work in Britain.

Of these two visions—Ireland as dependent non-belligerent, and Ireland as an independent neutral—the former real, the latter fondly remembered, it is the memory of Ireland as a plucky neutral that has lasted. That memory was enshrined by the postwar governments in Ireland and has been sustained by the continuance of that policy. Even though Ireland has hardly achieved true neutrality, its people generally perceive that their nation’s foreign policy has held true to the memory of their wartime stance.

As the tide of war turned in the favor of the Allies, Ireland’s visible stance of neutrality strengthened, perhaps because as the threat of invasion from Germany receded, it was safer for the Irish to proclaim their position, and perhaps perversely also because their neutrality was not looked upon with favor by either of the two western Allies. President De Valera’s public commitment to neutrality grew as his political capital fell during the war. In 1944 he refused to remove the Axis diplomats from Dublin, even though he could have without much fear of retribution from the
their wartime activities in the best possible light, it is not surprising that Ireland would be doing likewise.

Neutrality remained an important part of Irish national identity for many years after the war. De Valera and other leaders linked the policy to the unhealed wound of partition, vainly thinking that to the western Allies, their cooperation would be more important than their divided state. For a significant few the neutrality policy became something larger: a commitment to disarmament, nuclear non-proliferation, and international mediation. This meant that whenever Irish governments tried to abridge public neutrality for practical results—for example, membership in the European Community—defenders of the policy cried foul on the proposed weakening of the national stance.

This memory of neutrality still affects Ireland, although further from the war the strength of the people’s commitment has waned, albeit unevenly. Ireland joined the EC, and has participated fully in the EU, although concerns regarding neutrality have sprouted in every debate. The same can be said for discussions with Britain over the future of Northern Ireland. In 1996 The Irish Times conducted a poll on Irish neutrality that showed 69 percent of respondents wanted the policy upheld, although they seemed unsure of what neutrality entailed. (“Poll Shows a Symbolic Support for Neutrality,” The Irish Times, 5 October 1996.)

The majority of the population agreed that Ireland should participate in the Partnership for Peace (a NATO offshoot), actively support the peace enforcement in Bosnia and the idea that neutrality should be maintained. The editorial concluded that the acceptance of both arguments proved that for the Irish people, neutrality was a symbol of their tradition and values, rather than a strict policy to be maintained—an understanding of neutrality that both recalls and reaffirms their wartime position.

Korcaighe Hale is Assistant Professor of History at Ohio University-Zanesville. She specializes in modern European military and diplomatic history and is working on a monograph entitled Irish Neutrality: Myth and Memory.
In the OAH Newsletter of a year ago, James Strider offered a sobering picture of cutbacks and consolidation at the Ohio Historical Society resulting from a continuing shortfall in allocations from the state of Ohio. At that time, he noted that cuts in staffing and acquisitions money for the museum collections program and the Archives/Library would have long-term impacts on collections development in both those programs, in addition to cuts scaling back local history support and historic preservation.1

This year has brought even more dramatic changes at the Society in terms of leadership, focus, and resource allocation. In August of 2003 William K. Laidlaw Jr. began his tenure as Executive Director of the Society, bringing to OHS his administrative experience at Case Western Reserve University’s Weatherhead School of Management.2 In June 2004 the Society appointed a new chief financial officer, S. Ronald Bednar (formerly Chief Advisor at Midwest Express), and a new Manager of Human Resources, Andrew Marfurt (formerly Director of Human Resources at CMHC Systems).3 Nearly a year after Laidlaw’s arrival, the Society announced a significant shift in strategy for service and resource allocation, starting with extensive cutbacks in staffing.

This June, after absorbing a two-percent reduction in the state operational dollars and facing another three-percent decline for the new fiscal year, the Society announced a wholesale restructuring of its operations, starting with the elimination of fifty-two positions, thirty of which were already vacant or would be so shortly through retirements, and twenty-two of which would be eliminated immediately.4 This was the third wave in a pattern of successive layoffs: in 2001, the Society had 400 full-time equivalent positions whereas the budget for 2005 is for 278 full time positions—a total job loss of 30 percent in three years.5

In addition to staff layoffs, twenty-one of the Society’s sixty sites have had hours reduced or have had some program reduction, and admission fees have been raised by one dollar at many sites. Adena, Flint Ridge, the National Road/Zane Grey Museum and the Newark Earthworks, for instance, are now open fewer months per year. While the Society’s Library/Archives did not suffer further constriction of its schedule, already reduced to twenty-four hours per week, the archives and library at the National Afro-American Museum and Cultural Center are now only available for consultation by scheduled request.6

In order to avoid repeating this pattern of retrenchment, the Society aims to reduce its reliance on state funding and increase its efforts in raising revenue from other sources. Indeed, for fiscal year 2005 the plan is to increase earned revenue by 20 percent and revenue from grants, contracts, and private donations by 7 percent.7

But how to arrange such a turnaround? Both the staff restructuring and the goals for redistributed revenue are part of a larger shift in emphasis toward a more business-oriented ethos. In the press release announcing the cuts, the President of the Board of Trustees, Grant Douglass, signaled this new direction by asserting, “We are confident the restructuring we are launching will lead to future stability and will result in a substantially different organization, one that is more creative, entrepreneurial and efficient in expanding history services to the people of Ohio.”8 In the expanded remarks of the Annual Report, Douglass described a new direction in staffing priorities for the future, one that emphasizes education and the development of funding sources: “The plan aims to build the Society’s capacity to serve more people through selective investment in new positions to improve exhibits and educational programs, build relationships and increase revenue-generation—continues on page 13

4. Ibid.
6. For specifics as to new hours and admissions, see the OHS website.
Call to order—3:00 p.m.

Present: Erving Beauregard (University of Dayton), John Douglass (Raymond Walters College), Mary Ann Heiss (KSU), David Hogan (Heidelberg), William Jenkins (YSU), K. Austin Kerr (OSU), Anne Kugler (John Carroll), Carol Lasser (Oberlin), Elizabeth MacLean (Otterbein), Scott Martin (BGSU), Donald Ramos (CSU), Vladimir Steffel (OSU-Marion), David Steigerwald (OSU-Marion), Thomas Taylor (Wittenberg), A. Martin Wainwright (Akron)

Minutes from the Fall Meeting

Taylor moved, Douglass seconded, a motion to approve. Motion passed.

Officers’ reports

President
Austin Kerr reminded incoming president Thomas Taylor that the Academy’s president has by tradition attended quarterly meetings of the Ohio Historical Society. Maintaining this tradition, through either direct attendance by the president or by a substitute, would help to maintain the Academy’s ongoing relationship with OHS.

Vice President
Thomas Taylor reported that he was seeking volunteers to serve on Academy committees for the upcoming year.

Secretary-Treasurer
Ann Heiss reported on the positive financial condition of the Academy and circulated a brief report. A general discussion ensued concerning the Academy’s endowment funds, with a consensus emerging that perhaps a better rate of return could be secured through longer-term investments. Discussion on this issue is ongoing.

Proceedings Editor
Vlady Steffel reported that the proceedings from last year’s Spring Meeting were nearly ready for print and should be out this summer.

Committee reports

Book Exhibit Committee
David Hogan gave a short report on the preparation of the book exhibit for the Spring Meeting. All was in good order, though he expressed disappointment at the large number of textbooks that comprised the display and hoped to secure more university press books for future displays.

Conference Committee
President Kerr and the Council thanked David Hogan for his hard work in setting things up for the Spring meeting at Heidelberg.

Dissertation Award Committee
David Steigerwald reported on the winner of this year’s dissertation award. Despite his personal appeal to doctoral-granting departments in the state, the committee received a very small number of submissions. Council discussed this problem, which was also true of several other prizes, and directed the Secretary-Treasurer to reinstitute the fall prize announcement mailings to members in hopes of increasing submissions for the Academy’s prizes.

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Nominating Committee
John Douglass reported on the nominees for officers for next year.

Publication Committee
A report by David Hoffmann, who could not attend, was circulated. It noted the small number of submissions, a recurrent problem with the Academy’s prizes and again one that a paper mailing to members this fall might help to alleviate.

Program Committee
Scott Martin reported on tomorrow’s program. He expressed overall satisfaction with it but was disappointed that few members of the Program Committee had actually fulfilled their duties. A general discussion ensued about that problem, as well as about ways to expand the number of submissions and in general make the Spring meeting more appealing, especially to teachers.

Public History Award Committee
A report by Beth Weinhardt, chair of the prize committee, was circulated and accepted by the Council.

Standards Committee
Carol Lasser led a discussion of the committee’s work for the year, which resulted in a substantial two-part proposal that had been made available on the Academy’s website prior to the meeting. Council discussed the second portion of the report, “Post-Licensure Ongoing Professional Development in History: New CEU Granting Programs,” first. In discussion, Council members agreed as to the desirability of Academy involvement in helping teachers receive CEUs with the ultimate goal of expanding their content knowledge. To that end, Council approved in principle (1) the recommendation that teachers attending the annual meeting receive CEU credit and (2) Academy coordination of historically based lectures on various campuses throughout the state in a sanctioned and approved CEU-awarding program. The Standards Committee was charged with continuing to work on and refine this proposal (motion by Jenkins, seconded by Ramos). The first part, of the committee’s report, “Strengthening Pre-Service Training for History Teachers: OAH Recommended Coursework and Program Endorsement,” dealt with the question of what the Academy can do about social studies teaching and education, specifically what sort of history background the Academy recommends for teachers certified in social studies. Council agreed that this was a matter of great importance for the Academy and directed the Standards Committee to continue refining its work in this area and to report back at a future meeting.

Teaching Award Committee
Erving Beauregard represented the committee. In response to a question raised by committee chair John Alexander, Council considered the current committee charge and instructions, including the sorts of materials nominees are asked to present. Jenkins moved and Ramos seconded a motion directing this year’s Teaching Award Committee to examine the current guidelines and report back next year at Wittenberg.

new business
Council discussed the publication of an updated membership guide in response to questions from several members. After considerable discussion, Ramos moved and Wainwright seconded a motion to maintain a list of members on the Academy’s website.

The Executive Council adjourned at 5:00 p.m.
**Article VI, Section 11**
The Academy shall have a Distinguished Historian Committee consisting of the President, the immediate Past President, and the Chair of the Program Committee, which shall select the award winner. Members of the Academy may nominate persons to receive the award with a written message to the President.

**Constitutional Changes Approved**

**Article VII, Section 6**
The Academy will grant an annual award of “The Ohio Academy of History Distinguished Historian.” This award will go to a historian whose teaching and scholarship, including substantial publications, transcends specialized fields and has an interest to educated persons even beyond the discipline of history. The person will also have a close affiliation with a college, university, or historical agency in Ohio, if not actually residing in the state. The recipient of the award will have agreed to deliver a public address during the opening evening of the annual spring meeting of the Academy, and that address will become part of the program of the spring meeting. The recipient will receive recognition during the business meeting of the Academy that occurs during the annual spring meeting. The recipient may choose to have his or her paper published in the Academy’s Proceedings volume.

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**Election Results**

**Vice President-President Elect**

**Gary R. Hess**, Bowling Green State University

**Executive Council Members**

**Murney Gerlach**

Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Center

**M. Christine Anderson**

Xavier University

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**Award Winners**

**Dissertation Award**

**James F. Guy**

Kent State University

“The Public Life of a Private Man: Samuel Ward, 1725–1776”

**Publication Award**

**Clifton Crais**

Kenyon College


**Public History Award**

**Bicentennial Committee of the School for Creative and Performing Arts**

“Cincinnati: A Work of Art”

**Distinguished Service Award**

**Ronald Lora**

University of Toledo

**Distinguished Teaching Award**

**William Thomas Kerrigan**

Muskingum College

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**Spring Highlights**

17 April 2004

Heidelberg College

**Publication Award**

**Clifton Crais**

Kenyon College


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**The Officers, Executive Council, and membership of the Ohio Academy of History presented a plaque in honor of the dedicated service of Professor K. Austin Kerr as President, with our deep appreciation, profound thanks, and best wishes.**

**The Academy’s new president, Professor Thomas T. Taylor of Wittenberg University, presented his presidential address, “A Murder, a House, a Car, and a Genius: Frank Lloyd Wright’s Westcott House.”**
Scholarly monographs published by Academy members between 1 November 2003 and 31 October 2004 are eligible for the Outstanding Publication Award. 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 of the committee members listed below. The copy sent to the committee chair should also include a brief descriptive blurb of the book. Deadline for submissions is 31 December 2004.

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Vivien Sandlund
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Public History Award
The Public History Award recognizes meritorious achievement in the area of research and interpretation for public audiences. The purpose of the award is to encourage the dissemination of historical scholarship beyond the walls of academe. More information may be obtained from the Academy’s website (below) or from the committee chair listed below. Deadline for nominations is 15 November 2004.

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Murney Gerlach
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NEW THIS YEAR

DISTINGUISHED HISTORIAN AWARD
We invite your nominations for the first recipient of the Distinguished Historian Award. This award will go to a historian whose teaching and scholarship, including substantial publications, transcends specialized fields and has an interest to educated persons even beyond the discipline of history. This individual will also have a close affiliation with a college, university, or historical agency in Ohio, if not actually residing in the state. The recipient of the award will have agreed to deliver a public address during the opening evening of the annual spring meeting of the Academy, and that address will become part of the program of the spring meeting. The recipient will receive recognition during the business meeting of the Academy that occurs during the annual spring meeting. The recipient may choose to have his or her paper published in the Academy’s proceedings volume. Please include with the nomination a brief explanation why the nominee is deserving of the award, and the nominee’s curriculum vita.

Send nominations to:
K. Austin Kerr
Professor Emeritus of History, The Ohio State University
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kerr.6@osu.edu
614-292-2613 or 614-846-8406 (before 9 p.m.)

Executive Council and Spring Meeting Presentations

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
Nominations are solicited for the following offices to be elected at the 8–9 April 2005 meeting of the Ohio Academy of History. Self-nominations are appropriate.

Vice-President/President-Elect
This year, if possible, the candidate for vice-president should be from a private institution.

Two members of the Executive Council
We solicit two nominees from two-year colleges or regional campuses and two nominees employed at state universities. Each seat will be voted upon separately.

Please submit your nominations to the Nominating Committee by 15 November 2004:

James Cebula (chair), Department of History, Raymond Walters College, 9555 Plainfield Road, Cincinnati, OH 45236
cebulaje@ucrwc.rwc.uc.edu

Shelley Baranowski, Department of History, University of Akron, Akron, OH 44325-1902; sbarano@uakron.edu

Vlady Steffel, Ohio State University-Marion, 1465 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Marion, OH 43302-5695; steffel.1@osu.edu

CALL FOR PAPERS
OAH ANNUAL MEETING
WITTENBERG UNIVERSITY
8–9 APRIL 2005

The Ohio Academy of History seeks papers from scholars in all fields of history, including World, Latin American, African, Asian, and European, in addition to American. Papers may deal with subjects in any area or time period. Those focusing on historiography, methodology, pedagogy, and public history are also welcome. Proposals may consist of individual papers or sessions organized around a common theme. The Academy welcomes discussion panels. Sessions generally include three papers (20 minutes each), a chair, and a commentator. The best papers will be refereed for publication in the Academy's Proceedings.

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

Historians interested in serving as session chairs/commentators are encouraged to contact the Program Committee chair below with information about their area(s) of expertise.

Proposals should be submitted by 15 November 2004 to:

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phone: 614-823-1435
fax: 614-823-1315
On Thursday and Friday, a History, Preservation & Revitalization Showplace will feature related products and services. Special events include the Ohio Association of Historical Societies and Museums Awards, Ohio Historic Preservation Office Awards, and two receptions, one at the newly restored Ohio Judicial Center.

The Ohio Academy of History’s Executive Committee will meet Saturday, November 6, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Ohio Historical Society. OAH typically schedules a Friday speaker and dinner for its fall meeting, but these events will not occur this year so that attendees may feel free to participate in Building Connections Conference activities.

The OAH Executive Council welcomes feedback from OAH members regarding this new approach to the fall meeting. Please let us know if you enjoy the variety of activities available through this conference, or if you prefer the more intimate style of our previous meeting venues.

Pictured from last year’s conference:

*Top right,* a hands-on preservation session in the History, Preservation & Revitalization Showplace

*Bottom right,* a conference session at the Athenaeum

*Bottom left,* the exhibitors’ area in the History, Preservation & Revitalization Showplace

The following single-day and full-conference registration options will be available during the event.

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For complete details:
Call toll free 1-888-532-2036
E-mail buildingconnections@ohiohistory.org
or visit the conference Web site www.buildingconnections.info
To that end, OHS is creating thirteen new jobs, including two specialists to develop materials and programs for social studies teachers, two fundraisers, one “business-venture consultant,” a marketing specialist, and positions in planning and evaluation. Absent from the list were any new hires in collections development or archival/library management.

The rationale for reorienting the OHS along business lines is that eventually the adoption of an “entrepreneurial” ethos will improve the financial health of the organization and thus will enable the Historical Society to make a better case to the Ohio legislature for sufficient funding for essential but underfunded areas such as collections development and Archives/Library operations.

Executive Director Laidlaw put it this way: “OHS is a nonprofit organization that serves as the state’s ‘contractor’ for historical services; we have untapped potential for success from the private sector that pure state agencies do not. This potential, when developed, will convince the state to support adequately the services we are required by law to provide.”

The Ohio historical community can only hope he is right.

Anne Kugler is Associate Professor of History at John Carroll University.

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**Report from Mary Ann Heiss**

*Secretary-Treasurer*

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**University of Akron**

**Rula Abisaab** resigned to take a position at McGill University.


**Abel Bartley** resigned to take a position at Clemson University.

**Tracey Jean Boisseau** was promoted to the rank of Associate Professor. She published *White Queen: May French-Sheldon and the Imperial Origins of American Feminist Identity* (Indiana, 2003).


**Erica Windler** (Ph.D. University of Miami) is joining the department as our new Latin American historian after she completes a postdoc at Rutgers during 2004–05.

**Muskingum College**


**Alistair Hattingh**, Assistant Professor of History, along with **Marla Williams** of the Modern Languages Department, took twelve students on a three-week study tour of Puerto Rico in May of 2004. Professor Hattingh taught his course on Modern Latin American history. Students were able to relate to the course by visiting such sites as a former slave plantation and colonial Spanish forts. He contributed several entries on topics such as Independence of Argentina, the Cuban Revolution, and Football in South America to the forthcoming *Encyclopedia of Iberian-American Relations*.


**Bil Kerrigan**, Associate Professor of History, was awarded the Ohio Academy of History Teaching Award at the OAH annual meeting in April 2004. He is currently on sabbatical working on a biography of John Chapman.

**Thomas McGrath**, Assistant Professor of History, will publish a paper, entitled “A Warlord Frontier: the Yunnan-Burma Border Dispute, 1910–1937,” which he delivered at the Ohio Academy of History in 2003. In addition, he will present his research at the New York Conference of Asian Studies at Bard College in October 2004.

**Bowling Green State University**

**Rob Buffington’s** volume (coedited with Benjamin Keen and Lila Caimari) *Keen’s Latin American Civilization: History and Society, 1492 to the Present*, just appeared with Westview Press.

**Liette Gidlow** was tenured and promoted to Associate Professor. Her book, *“The Big Vote”: Gender, Citizenship, and Consumer Culture in the 1920s U.S.*, is scheduled to appear this autumn from Johns Hopkins University Press.

**Judy Seelander’s** *The Failed Century of the Child: Governing America’s Children in the Twentieth Century*, was published last fall by Cambridge University Press.

**Leigh Ann Wheeler’s** *Against Obscenity: Reform and the Politics of Womanhood in America, 1873–1935*, a Johns Hopkins University Press imprint, came out this spring.

**John Carroll University**

**Francesco Cesareo**, Professor of History and Director of the Institute for Catholic Studies, has been named Dean of the McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh. He began his new position August 1. The History Department welcomes Dr. Mark Lewis, S.J., who will teach courses on the Renaissance and Reformation. He will also serve as the interim Director of Catholic Studies.

**Marietta College**

**James O’Donnell** published *Ohio’s First Peoples in July 2004* (Ohio University Press) and lectured on the history of Native Americans in Ohio this summer on an Ohio River Delta Queen riverboat cruise.

**Miami University**

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**Erving E. Beauregard**  
*University of Dayton*

Associated with the University of Dayton since 1947, Dr. Erving E. Beauregard unexpectedly died on May 5, 2004. Though he started at what was then a small denomination-al college with a very heavy teaching load, he helped lead the University into a more scholarly direction through the example he set. Over his long career he published many books, a large number of articles, actively brought his scholarship into the classroom, and gave untiring service to the Ohio Academy of History and the state AAUP. In 1971 he was president of the Ohio Conference of the AAUP. He went on to win its Robert E. Kennedy Award for outstanding contributions to the cause of academic freedom and for many years also served as its Secretary-Treasurer. In 1972 he was president of the Ohio Academy of History and winner of its Distinguished Service Award. Even when not occupying positions of leadership, he never ceased laboring on behalf of both the AAUP and OAH.

Throughout his long career he published more than 150 articles on a wide range of topics from Africa—an area he taught for years and in which he published a half dozen scholarly articles and many book reviews—to the history of a couple of the old Scotch-Irish counties of Eastern Ohio. More than thirty of his Ohio-based articles were collected in *Notables of Harrison County, Ohio*. His other Ohio work included books on two Civil War–era figures, the Reverend John Walker and John A. Bingham. Dr. Beauregard wrote about people who contributed significantly to America but who were pushed out of the limelight of history. In particular, in the words of another editor, he gave us the human dimension of American minorities’ struggles. His lifelong fight for academic freedom included the writing and publishing of two books: *History of Academic Freedom in Ohio* and *History of the Ohio Conference AAUP*.

Dr. Beauregard was an acknowledged expert in the history of education in Ohio, a passion that began with his book on a now defunct college (Franklin College) that graduated only 766 individuals in its history. Reflective of this area of expertise, he contributed three articles to the recently published history of Ohio’s independent colleges and universities, *Cradles of Conscience*. His courageous approach to scholarly activities was matched by his penchant for annual trips to out-of-the-way destinations such as Timbuktu and Tibet. He is survived by his daughter, Carolyn Beauregard-Shinkle; his granddaughter, Caroline Beauregard Shinkle; and his sister Rosaline. Dr. Beauregard held the distinction of earning straight “A”s, beginning in first grade through graduate school.

**Stuart Givens**  
*Bowling Green State University*

Stuart R. Givens, 80, Professor Emeritus of History and University Historian, died August 19 in Maumee. A faculty member from 1952–97, Givens also wrote *The Falcon Soars*, a history of the University. Memorials may be given to the Stuart and Florence Givens History Scholarship Fund. Givens edited the *OAH Newsletter*, 1974–92. He also was Academy president 1993–94. In 1987 he received the distinguished service award. His green jacket was seen at virtually every Spring meeting.

**Jack M. Balcer**  
*The Ohio State University*

Professor Jack M. Balcer, Professor Emeritus at The Ohio State University, died July 11, 2004.

Professor Balcer graduated from Montclair College in 1957. He received his M.A. from the University of Michigan in 1958 and the Ph.D. in History from the University of Michigan in 1964. He taught at Denison and Indiana Universities for several years before coming to Ohio State in 1971, where he taught until he retired in December 2003.

Professor Balcer was a spellbinding lecturer, and generations of students remember “Dr. B’s” courses as among the highlights of their time at OSU. He brought a quick and lively mind, a keen wit, and genuine enthusiasm for teaching to all of his classes. He was also one of the first here to employ visual aids in virtually all of his classes. An accomplished photographer, he employed his impressive collection of slides of coins, artifacts, and archaeological sites as “texts” to instruct students on how to interpret the past. The University twice recognized the outstanding quality of his contribution by the awarding of its highest accolades, the Arts and Sciences Student Council Outstanding Teaching Award (1983), and the Alumni Distinguished Teaching Award (1984).

Professor Balcer’s research focused principally on
Miami University

Daniel Cobb will join the faculty as Assistant Professor in August 2004, in the field of Native American History. He completed his Ph.D. at the University of Oklahoma in 2003 and served as assistant director of the D’Arcy McNickle Center for American Indian History at the Newberry Library. His dissertation, “Community, Poverty, Power,” explores how tribal self-determination moved from the periphery to the center of national Indian politics during the 1960s. A future research project will study the complicated issue of poverty in Native America. In addition to teaching courses in the History Department, Dr. Cobb hopes to participate in the Myaami Project at Miami, an effort to assist in the revitalization of the Miami Tribe’s language and culture program and to establish a repository for Miami Indian historical and contemporary materials.


Eric Jensen has been appointed Assistant Professor of 20th century European History. He received his Ph.D. in 2003 from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and he taught at Colby College and DePauw University before coming to Miami. His dissertation, entitled “Images of the Ideal: Sports, Gender, and the Emergence of the Modern Body in Weimar Germany,” examines how popular athletes undermined prevailing assumptions about the physical and emotional natures of men and women during the period between World War I and the Nazi era. The dissertation was awarded the 2004 Fritz Stern Dissertation Prize by the Friends of the German Historical Institute.


Visiting Assistant Professor Nurten Kilic-Schubel will teach Islamic History courses this year, replacing Matthew Gordon who is on leave. Her Ph.D. is from Ankara University (Turkey), and her dissertation explored the political culture of medieval Central Asia. Prior to coming to Miami, she taught in the Department of Religious Studies at Kenyon College.

Jennifer M. Morris has been appointed Visiting Assistant Professor to teach courses in U.S. history. She recently received her Ph.D. from Miami University, with a dissertation entitled “The Origins of UNICEF, 1946–1953.”

Stephen Norris is on leave during the first semester 2004–05. He plans to finish his book, A War of Images: Russian Popular Prints, Wartime Culture, and National Identity, 1812–1945, and begin preliminary research on his next project, tentatively entitled Russia’s 1812: The Patriotic War and Russian Culture.

Yihong Pan has been promoted to Full Professor. Her most recent book, Tempered in the Revolutionary Furnace: China’s Youth in the Rustication Movement, was published by Lexington Books in 2003. She is currently writing a historical monograph on Chinese women in World War II.

Robert W. Thurston has been appointed as the Phillip R. Shrivers Professor of History. Bob has taught at Miami since 1987. His books include Witch, Wicce, Mother Goose: The Rise and Fall of the Witch Hunts in Europe and North America (2001), Life and Terror in Stalin’s Russia, 1934–1941 (1996), and Liberal City, Conservative State: Moscow and Russia’s Urban Crisis, 1906–1914 (1987). He is currently at work on a study of lynching in the southern United States. This past summer he traveled to Ethiopia and Kenya to look at coffee farms, research stations, and processing facilities, in connection with a first-year seminar he will teach on the history of coffee.

John H. White Jr. published “Once It Was Every Boy’s Ambition,” Railroad History, Fall-Winter 2003; and “Trainboys,” Nineteenth Century 23, 2, Fall 2003.


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FRANKLIN J. PEGUES
The Ohio State University

Franklin Pegues, Professor Emeritus, died July 3, 2004, at the age of 80. Professor Pegues was born on April 29, 1924, in Cheraw, South Carolina. His undergraduate studies at Wofford College were interrupted by service as a pilot in the Naval Air Corps during World War II from 1943 to 1946. After the War, he completed his bachelor’s degree at Duke University. He did graduate work in medieval history at Cornell University, where he received the Ph.D. in 1951. In 1951–52, he did post-doctoral research as a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Paris. He taught history at the University of Colorado from 1952 to 1954. In 1954, he joined the Ohio State University’s Department of History, where he taught the history of the Middle Ages for forty-three years. In 1997 he retired as Professor Emeritus.

Professor Pegues was the author of more than seventy articles and book reviews. His major work was Lawyers of the Last Capetians (Princeton, 1962), which is a model of careful scholarship that remains a standard monograph in the field. Among his academic honors, Professor Pegues was a Fulbright Scholar, the recipient of a Fulbright-Hays travel grant. He held the prestigious John Simon Guggenheim Fellowship in 1961–62. He was a long-time member of the American Historical Association, the Medieval Academy of America, the North American Conference on British Studies, and the Midwest Medieval History Conference.

During his years at The Ohio State University, Professor Pegues was a devoted and lively teacher at all levels of the curriculum. He directed nine students to the Ph.D. and many to the master’s degree. He was an energetic and engaging teacher of undergraduates. He had a courtly manner, a rich wit, and a remarkable range of knowledge. His lectures were energetic and thoughtful. He especially enjoyed advising history majors who planned to go to law school.

He was a steady, sensible, and reliable person who was asked often to serve on committees. He was extraordinarily generous in his service to the Department of History, the College of Humanities, and the University. In 1996, he was awarded the College of Humanities’ Exemplary Faculty Award, which is given to faculty whose careers show a balance of excellent scholarship, teaching, and service. At the Board of Trustees meeting of July 11, 1997, he was given the Faculty Recognition Award for being “an outstanding teacher, researcher, and valued advisor to thousands of students.”

Professor Pegues is survived by his wife, Jutta Catherine; his sons Robert (Cheri) of Baltimore, Md., James of Dewitt, N.Y., and William (Aysegul) of Ottawa, Canada; step-daughter Jeannne (Charles) Parker of Washington, D.C.; and grandchildren Brenton, Julia, and Jasmine.

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Kenneth J. Andrien has been awarded an Arts and Humanities Seed Grant

Cemil Aydin, Lima campus, resigned.

Stanley Black was appointed Assistant Professor, Brazilian history, Lima Campus.

Kevin Boyle published The Arc of Justice: a Saga of Race, Civil Rights, and Murder in the Jazz Age (Henry Holt and Company, 2004).

Alice Conklin was appointed Associate Professor of Modern French Imperial history.

Robert Davis has been awarded an American Council of Learned Societies Senior Fellowship, a College of Arts and Humanities Seed Grant, and a Mershon Center Foundation Grant.

Alan Gallay was appointed Full Professor, Warner Woodring Chair in Atlantic history.


Stephen Dale published The Garden of the Eight Paradises: Babur and the Culture of Empire in Central Asia, Afghanistan and India (1483–1530), (Brill, 2004).


James Genova was appointed Assistant Professor, African and French Imperial history, Marion Campus.


Timothy Gregory was awarded a grant from the Packard Foundation for the construction of a second story on the excavation house in Isthmia and an Arts and Humanities Seed Grant from the Office of Research for his proposal “An Ancient Athletic Center: Discovery of the Athletic Complex at Isthmia.” He was also awarded a Robert H. Michel Civic Education Grant sponsored by the Dirksen Congressional Center for his project “The Ancient Roots of Democracy.”


Christopher Phelps was awarded the Fulbright Distinguished Chair in American Studies for Poland in 2004–05.

Claire Robertson’s edited book, Transnational Feminism and Genital Cutting, was awarded the Susan Koppelman Award from the Koppelman Award Committee for the Joint Women’s Caucus of the Popular Culture/American Culture Associations.


Heather Tanner published Families, Friends and Allies: Bougogne and Politics in Northern France and England, c 879–1160 (Brill, 2004). She was also awarded a Coca-Cola Critical Difference of Women Faculty Grant for 2004–05.

Judy Wu received a Special Research Assignment from the College of Humanities for her book project “Radical Orientalism: Asia, Asian America, and American Social Movements.”
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The Academy offers beginning professional memberships to welcome new colleagues to the state and to help them find colleagues with similar interests. If you moved to Ohio within the last 18 months and would like to take advantage of this special offer, please see the membership form on page 20.

**Wittenberg University**

The Excavation at the White Monastery in Egypt has been recently granted affiliation with the American Research Center in Egypt as a 2004–05 expedition, led by Dar Brooks Hedstrom, Wittenberg University, and Elizabeth Bolman, Temple University.

Jim Huffman’s latest book Modern Japan: A History in Documents will be published by Oxford University Press and will become available September 16, 2004. He will be serving as president of the Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs at its meeting in Minneapolis, October 1–3.

Amy Livingstone is now the chair of the History Department.

Tammy Proctor was awarded a Fulbright grant for research in Belgium to continue her work on the World War I era. She will be on sabbatical for the academic year 2004–2005.

Scott Rosenberg was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor of History.

Samuel Thomas, previously of Washington University in St. Louis, became a Visiting Assistant Professor of History at Wittenberg this Fall.

**announcement**

Bill Laidlaw, Executive Director of the Ohio Historical Society, is working with others on a new program sponsored by Capital Square Review & Advisory Board in Columbus. This program will honor Ohioans who have made major contributions to their fields, including the field of history. They interpret “Ohioan” broadly, including both those who made their contributions here and those who hail from Ohio and made their careers elsewhere.

The selection committee seeks recommendations from among Ohio’s professional historians regarding Ohioans who have made outstanding contributions to the field of history. There is no formal nomination process for this, the first year of the program. You and/or your colleagues may send suggestions to Bill and the committee at Blaidlaw@ohiohistory.org.
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