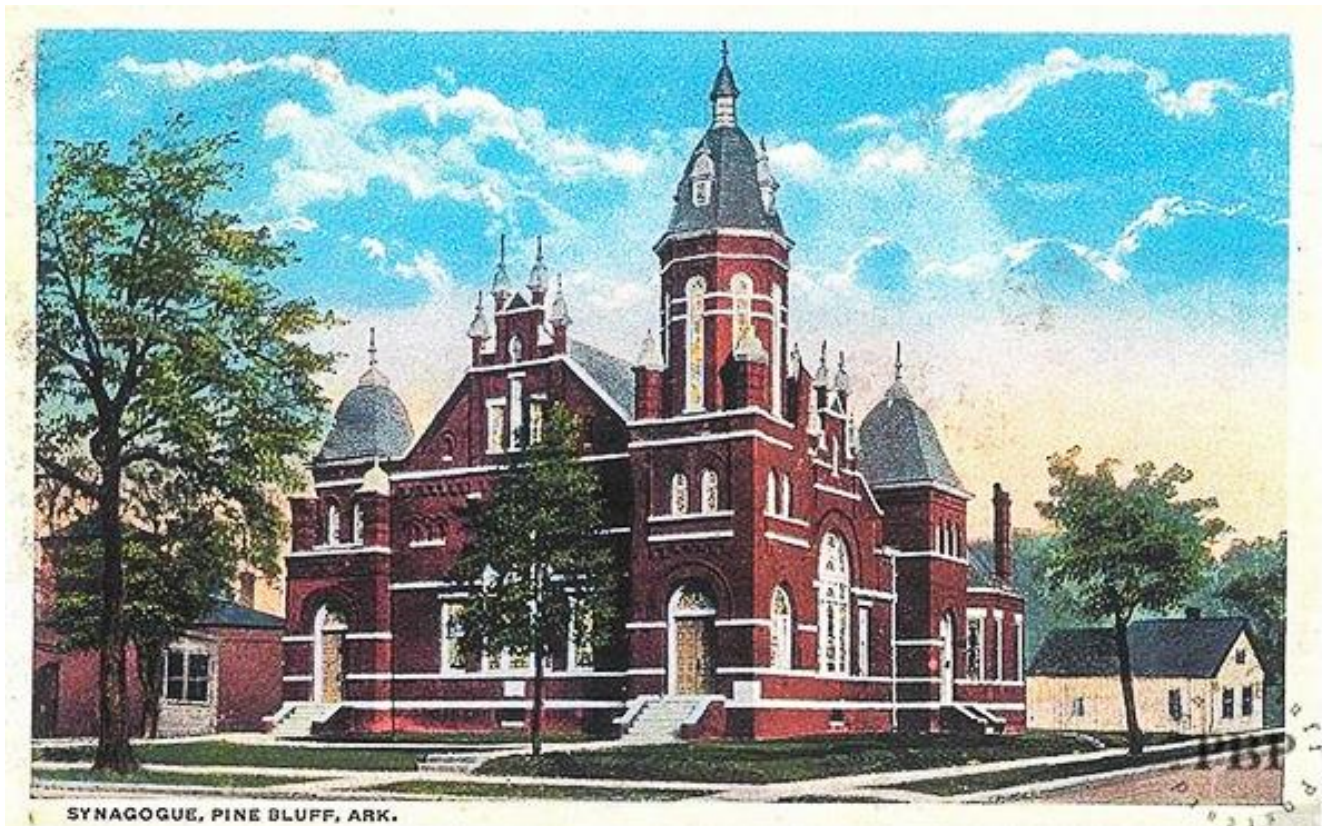
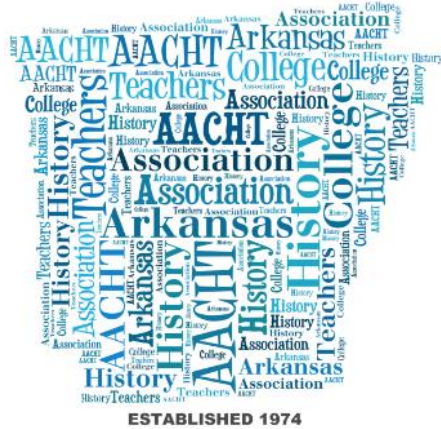


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***OCTOBER 4-5, 2018
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Dear Colleagues:

It is my honor to welcome everyone to the Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Association of College History Teachers. This year we gather at the Little Rock Marriott to share research and discuss our roles as educators. Once again, this year's program promises to add substance to these discussions through a selection of paper presentations and pedagogical panels that reflect the diversity, dedication, and richness of our scholar members.

The plenary speaker for our luncheon on Friday will be Mike Polston. Mr. Polston is the Staff Historian for the Encyclopedia of Arkansas History and Culture at the Butler Center for Arkansas Studies. To commemorate the centennial of the end of World War I, he will address the AACTH on "'Home, Heaven or Hell by Christmas': The Arkansas Great War Letter Project."

As 2018 marks my final year as President of the AACTH, I would like to say a special thanks to the members of the executive committee that I have served alongside. Their enthusiasm for the organization, their willingness to give assistance, and their thoughtful council have been nothing short of inspirational. Clint Young has done an outstanding job as Program Chair and Vice President over the last two years. Secretary and Treasurer Jan Jenkins continues to be a stalwart example of dedication to her office after more than a decade of service. I would also like to say thanks to everyone that has served on a prize committee, chaired a panel, or participated in the conference over the past four years. Your contributions, big and small, are what makes the AACTH such an outstanding organization. So, once again, welcome to Little Rock and the 2018 meeting of the Arkansas Association of the College History Teachers!

Sincerely,

Jeffrey V. Pearson
AACTH President,
Associate Professor of History,
Arkansas Tech University

AACHT 2018 ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE

CONFERENCE VENUE

Little Rock Marriott
3 Statehouse Plaza
Little Rock, AR 72201
(501) 906 4000

All AACHT events will be located in the Riverside Wing.

Thursday Schedule

1:00-1:30 P.M.: REGISTRATION OUTSIDE THE NEOSHO ROOM (1ST FLOOR)

Individual Dues, Conference Registration, and Friday Luncheon = \$50.00

Institutional Dues = \$50.00

Session 1A: Thursday October 4, 1:30-2:20

Neosho Room, 1st Floor

Engaging Students through Historical Exploration

Historical Curiosity in the Survey Classroom

Marie Cathryn Totten, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville

Arley Ward, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville

Creating Their Own History: Student Videos in the Age of Media

Sara Riva, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville

Chair: Jami Forrester, Northwest Arkansas Community College



Arkansas City, c. 1950

Session 1B: Thursday October 4, 1:30-2:20

Petit Jean Room, 3rd Floor

The African American Experience in Nineteenth Century Arkansas

Frontier Merchant Peter Halderman and his Curious Relationship with African Americans in Northeast Arkansas

Erika Isbill, Arkansas State University

Freedom at the "Pine Bluffs," 1864

Kelly Houston Jones, Arkansas Tech University

Chair: Caree A. Banton, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville

Session 2A: Thursday October 4, 2:30-3:50

Neosho Room, 1st Floor

Roundtable: Practical History

Public History as a Component of the Honors Program at National Park College

Christopher Thrasher, National Park College

Skylar Fowler, National Park College

Alan Robinette, National Park College

Session 2B: Thursday October 4, 2:30-3:50

Petit Jean Room, 3rd Floor

Legacies of Colonialism and Occupation

Liberia as a Theater: Performance, Diplomacy, Race-Making, and the Liberian Nationality

Caree A. Banton, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville

Censoring the Liberated Body: Obscenity and Censorship in Postwar Japan

John Schneiderwind, Southern Arkansas University

History and Democracy in Africa: Insights from Zimbabwe

Michael Ihouma Ogu, Arkansas Tech University

Chair: Clinton D. Young, University of Arkansas at Monticello

BUSINESS MEETING: 4:00-5:00 P.M.

Neosho Room, 1st Floor

Friday Schedule

Past Presidents' Breakfast

Heritage Grille, 7:45-8:45AM

Sponsored by Ouachita Baptist University

Session 3: Friday October 5, 9:00-10:20

Neosho Room, 1st Floor

The Making of American Institutions in the 1930s and 1940s

Rabbi Ira Sanders, Race, and Poverty: The Great Depression in Little Rock
James Moses, Arkansas Tech University

Gender and Celtic Whiteness in the New Deal: Jane Hoey's Leadership in Public Welfare
Deborah A. Skok, Hendrix College

Testing Modernity: Government and Technology on the Northern Plains in the Winter of 1948-1949

Daniel Fischer, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville

Chair: John Henris, University of Arkansas at Monticello

Session 4A: Friday October 5, 10:30-11:50

Neosho Room, 1st Floor

Teaching Globally, Connecting Locally in the US and World History Surveys

The Third Way: Framing the World History Survey through the Evolution of Liberalism
Ashley Whiting, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville

Transatlanticism in the US Survey

B. Jared Pack, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville

From the Ghetto to Little Italy: Teaching Southern and Eastern European Immigration in the US Survey through Religion, Jazz, and Baseball

Alex J. Marino, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville

Chair: Dan Elkin, University of Tulsa

Session 4B: Friday October 5, 10:30-11:50

Petit Jean Room, 3rd Floor

Creating Communities from the Seventeenth to Nineteenth Centuries

Godly Walking in the Borderlands: Evangelical Education and Childrearing in Deerfield, Massachusetts, 1694-1704

Greg Michna, Arkansas Tech University

Travelling in Antiquity: How Voyages to Ancient Roman Ruins Transformed the German National Question in the Nineteenth Century

Jason Phillips, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville

“We Have Not Yet Drunk to the Dregs ‘the Cup of Trembling’”: How the American Civil War Laid Down Northern Quaker Appalachia

John Henris, University of Arkansas at Monticello

Chair: Christopher Mortenson, Ouachita Baptist University

Friday October 5, 12:15-2:00 P.M.: LUNCHEON

Arkansas Ballroom, 3rd Floor

Update from the Women’s Suffrage Centennial Committee

Dr. Shari Silzell, University of Arkansas at Monticello

Presentation of Conference Awards

**AACHT OUTSTANDING SECONDARY SCHOOL
HISTORY TEACHER AWARD**

Presented by Dr. Jami Forrester on behalf of the AACHT Committee

To

Leah Gravely
Osceola High School

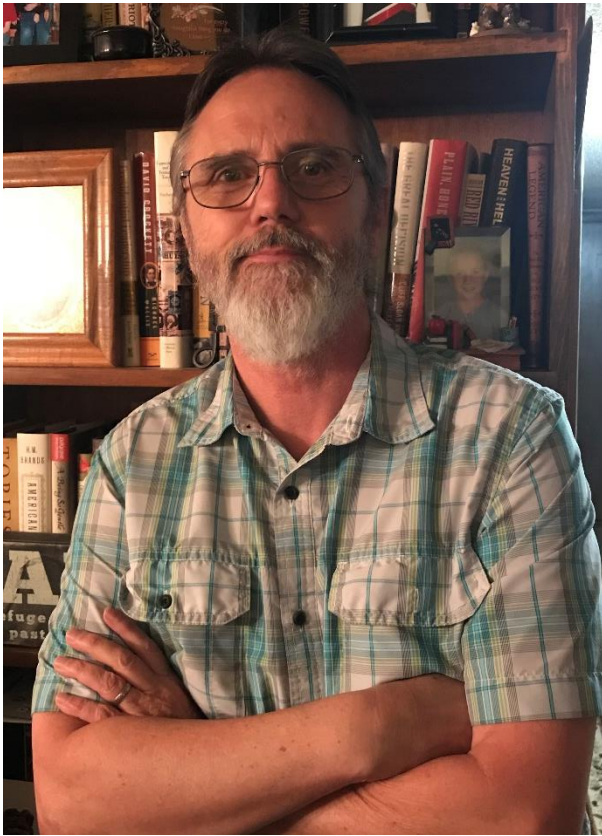
**JAMES S. CHASE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING SCHOLARSHIP AND
PRESENTATION**

Presented by Dr. Bethany Hicks on behalf of the AACHT Committee

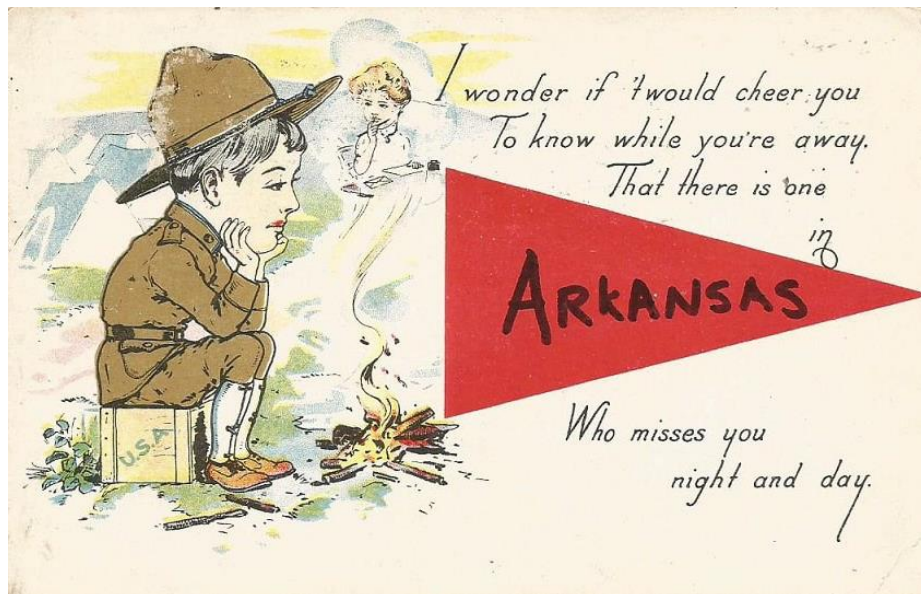
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The best paper presented at this year’s meeting.

The 2018 Plenary Address



Mike Polston is the Staff Historian of the Encyclopedia of Arkansas of History and Culture, a project of the Central Arkansas Library System. He is a graduate of Arkansas State University and retired teacher on both the high school and collegiate level. He has received a number of awards including being named Arkansas Teacher of the Year on four different occasions. He is the author of many articles published in local journals and newspapers and co-author of *Images of America: Cabot*. He has held an interest in the history of World War I since an early age and is the co-editor of the book *To Can the Kaiser: Arkansas and the Great War*. He is the director of the award winning Museum of American History/Cabot Public Schools in Cabot, Arkansas and is also the founder and director of an award winning website documenting the role of the Arkansas soldier in the Great War, The Arkansas Great War Letter Project.



Credit: The Arkansas Great War Letter Project, <https://chsarkansasgreatwar.weebly.com>

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2018 Arkansas Association of College History Teacher Committees

JAMES S. CHASE AWARD COMMITTEE

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Christopher Mortensen, Ouachita Baptist University
Shari Silzell, University of Arkansas at Monticello

OUTSTANDING SECONDARY HISTORY TEACHER OF ARKANSAS COMMITTEE

Jami Forrester, Northwest Arkansas Community College
Michael Pierce, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville
LaQuita Saunders, Arkansas State University

EX-OFFICIO APPOINTMENTS

James Brent, Arkansas State University-Beebe, Website Administrator
Sevin Gallo, NorthWest Arkansas Community College, Facebook Administrator



This year marks the first year the AACTH Best Paper Award will be the **James S. Chase Award for Outstanding Scholarship and Presentation**. Chase was the first president of the Arkansas Association of College History Teachers in 1975-1976, and a faculty member at the University of Arkansas from 1968 to 1999 (serving as Department Chair from 1970 to 1976). A scholar of 19th century U.S. political history, he earned his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago in 1962.

Chase is the author of the still standard *Emergence of the Presidential Nominating Convention, 1789-1832* (University of Illinois Press, 1973) and the founder of the *Ozark Historical Review*, now in its 46th year of publication. Colleagues and students recall his fierce devotion to students' education and careers: Chase was honored in 1995 with Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences Outstanding Advisor Award, and the Associated Student Government named him "Teacher of the Year" in 1994.

**Arkansas Association of College History Teachers
Business Meeting
Little Rock, AR: October 5, 2017**

The 2017 AACHT Business Meeting began at 4:15 p.m.

Sharon Silzell moved that 2016 minutes be approved as written. LaQuita Saunders seconded. Minutes were approved.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report (Jan Jenkins):

The AACHT checking account held \$5,248.24 as of 8/31/2017; the CD held \$2,142.19 on the same date. The total equaled \$7,390.43, as shown in 2017 program. AACHT fiscal health good.

Vice-President's Report (Clint Young):

Thanks to those who helped to put together meeting program.

President's Report (Jeff Pearson):

Thanks to Clint and Jan for their participation in arranging 2017 meeting, etc.

History Day Report (Pat Ramsey): History Day now involves six active regions around the state, an increase of one since previous report. Four of these are located at institutions of higher education. Patsy is leaving the teacher education program at UCA, so she only has one more History Day to serve as AACHT History Day liaison.

Jeff Pearson and Clint Young: Some discussion over AV needs for future meetings in Old State House. Continued use of 1836 Room will require a microphone set-up.

Scott Cashion suggested for Buck Foster than instead of expense of printing programs, request that each attendee prints his own. Jan Jenkins said that program expense is not prohibitive at this time and that current AACHT finances can support printing of programs. Clint Young points out that our programs could be printed at less expense, if necessary. AACHT membership can revisit this issue, if needed.

Jami Forrester moved that the Best Paper Presentation Prize be renamed to honor James Chase, a past president recently deceased. Jeff Woods seconded. Motion passed. LaQuita Saunders recommends including a biography of Chase in meeting program.

James Brent raised discussion of exact name for prize. Chris Mortenson moved and Patsy Ramsey seconded motion that Executive Committee is to figure out name of prize. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

ARKANSAS ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE HISTORY TEACHERS

Financial Report

23-Sep-18

Checking balance on 8/31/2016 \$5,248.24

RECEIPTS:

Convention Receipts

2017 Institutional Dues	\$600.00	SEARK paid 2018 dues
2017 Individual Dues, Registration	\$1,740.00	
2017 Conference Sponsorship	\$500.00	Arkansas Tech, College of Arts and Humanities
Re-deposit of \$75 cash for meeting	\$75.00	\$100 less \$25 for bartender tip

SUBTOTAL \$2,915.00

\$8,163.24

EXPENSES:

Ck 801	10/3/2017	Jan Jenkins	\$41.33	Reimbursement for meeting supplies
Ck 802	10/5/2017	Cash for Conference	\$100.00	\$25 tip to bartender (Balance redeposited 10/10/17)
Ck 803	10/5/2017	Clint Young	\$384.13	Reimbursement for printing 70 programs
Ck 804	10/5/2017	Jeff Pearson	\$197.87	Reimbursement for refreshments, two coolers
Ck 805	10/5/2017	James Brent	\$154.92	Reimbursement for website charges
Ck 806	10/5/2017	Pat Ramsey	\$32.63	Reimb Outstanding Teach Plaque
Ck 807	10/6/2017	History Day Arkansas	\$500.00	Contribution to History Day in Arkansas
Ck 808	10/6/2017	Melanie Nations	\$100.00	Teacher Award
Ck 809	10/6/2017	Jeff Pearson	\$148.18	President's hotel room Thurs night
Ck 810	10/6/2017	Bobby Roberts	\$0.00	Speaker Honorarium \$150.00 (Returned by voided check)
Ck 811	10/6/2017	Alexandra Pfau	\$100.00	Outstanding Paper Prize
Ck 812	10/16/2017	Catering to You	\$402.37	Catering for Reception
Ck 813	10/17/2017	void	\$0.00	
Ck 814	10/17/2017	Clint Young	\$96.58	Reimbursement for tablecloth dry-cleaning
Ck 815	10/17/2017	Whole Hog Café	\$769.12	Luncheon Catering (\$699.20, plus 10% tip)

TOTAL \$3,027.13

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE \$5,136.11 As of 8/31/2018

OTHER ASSETS:

As of 8/8/2018

CD#635066983+Interest	\$2,150.05
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$ 2,150.05

TOTAL ASSETS \$7,286.16



**Annual Report to AACHT
September 2018**

National History Day Arkansas had a very successful year. More than 9,000 Arkansas students engaged in historical research using the NHD model this past year, as they explored the theme, Conflicts and Compromises in History. Almost 1300 of those students participated in their respective regional contests, with almost 400 of those students advancing to the state contest, held April 7, 2018, at the University of Central Arkansas. In June, the 60 students who placed first or second in their respective categories competed in the national contest at the University of Maryland, where a Conway junior group performance team won second place, and five other Arkansas entries placed in the top ten of their respective categories.

The generous donation from AACHT allowed us to present two teacher awards at the state contest:

- Mary Landreth Outstanding Teacher: Mary Joslin, Alma High School
- Sarah Fountain Outstanding Novice Teacher: Travis Minor, Ft. Smith Chaffin Junior High

Our biggest challenge for the 2019 contest year will be securing judges for the state contest, Saturday, April 13, which is also the weekend of the Arkansas Historical Association meeting. Please consider judging this year, even if you usually do not, if you are not attending AHA. We will need you!

Thank you for the continued support of AACHT toward the efforts to guide young historians in their research efforts.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Ramsey, Ed.D.
State Coordinator
National History Day Arkansas

**BYLAWS
OF THE
ARKANSAS ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE HISTORY TEACHERS**

{adopted October 5, 1974}
{revised October 3, 2008; September 30, 2010; October 6, 2011}

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this organization shall be The Arkansas Association of College History Teachers.

ARTICLE II

Object

The object of this Association shall be to improve the teaching of History for all levels of instruction; to advance the professional interests of its membership; and to establish closer rapport among the various History faculties.

ARTICLE III

Members

Section 1. Membership is open to all teachers or former teachers of History in two-year and four-year colleges and universities in the State of Arkansas on payment of dues set by the organization.

Section 2. Associate membership is open to graduate students and secondary school teachers in History and Social Studies on payment of dues set by the organization. Associate members shall be entitled to all of the privileges except those of making motions, of voting, and of holding office.

ARTICLE IV

Officers

Section 1. The officers of the Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, and a Secretary-Treasurer. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by these Bylaws and by the parliamentary authority adopted by the Association.

Section 2. The officers shall be elected by ballot to serve for two years, and their term of office shall begin at the close of the annual meeting at which they are elected.

Section 3. No member shall hold more than one term in the same office except for the Secretary-Treasurer.

ARTICLE V
Meetings

Section 1. The Association will meet at least once a year for the purpose of electing officers, receiving reports of officers and committees, and for any other business that may arise.

Section 2. Special meetings can be called by the President or by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI
The Executive Board

Section 1. The officers of the Association and the immediate past president shall constitute the Executive Board.

Section 2. The Executive Board shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Association between its business meetings, fix the hour and place of meetings, make recommendations to the Association, and shall perform such other duties as are specified in these Bylaws. The Board shall be subject to the orders of the Association, and none of its acts shall conflict with action taken by the Association.

ARTICLE VII
Committees

Section 1. A Program Chair shall be appointed by the President, whose duty it shall be to plan the annual program of the Association.

Section 2. Such other committees, standing or special, shall be appointed by the President as the Association or the Executive Board shall from time to time deem necessary to carry on the work of the Association. The President shall be *ex officio* a member of all committees.

ARTICLE VIII
Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the Association in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws and any special rules of order the Association may adopt.

ARTICLE IX
Amendment of Bylaws

These Bylaws can be amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a majority of those present and voting, provided that the amendment has been distributed to the members of the Association at least one month prior to the meeting at which it is to be voted on.

ARKANSAS ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE HISTORY TEACHERS

“The object of this Association shall be to improve the teaching of History for all levels of instruction; to advance the professional interests of its membership; and to establish closer rapport among the various History faculties.”¹

PAID INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIPS 2017-2018

ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY

CENTRAL BAPTIST COLLEGE

EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

HENDRIX COLLEGE

LYON COLLEGE

OUACHITA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS COLLEGE

SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT FAYETTEVILLE

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT MONTICELLO

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS

*If your institution is not a member, we welcome your participation and support.
Please make sure to keep your institutional membership up to date.

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¹ AACHT Bylaws of 1974 art. II (revised October 2008).

Membership Updates

ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY

Phyllis Pobst regrets that this will be her last year teaching at ASU, among the finest and kindest possible colleagues. Her parents are declining into great old age, and the family need her. So she will retire in the summer of 2019, and she and Sam will be moving to the Wenatchee Valley in Washington State (a.k.a. God's Country). Farewell to all AACHT friends.

ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Diane Gleason, Associate Professor of History (ret.), co-authored her third book, *A Pictorial History of Dardanelle and the Bottoms, 1880s-1980s*, with Joe Grimes and edited by Dr. H. Micheal Tarver (July 2018, Xlibris Publishing Company). A narrative pictorial history, the book contains 368 photographs and 3 maps presented in an 8.5 by 11 inch format in both soft and hard back covers. Gleason's second book, *Dardanelle and the Bottoms: Environment, Agriculture, and Economy in an Arkansas River Community, 1819-1970*, was named winner of the J. G. Ragsdale Award by the Arkansas Historical Association in April 2018 and the Worthen Literary Prize by the Central Arkansas Library System in October, 2018. Gleason is currently working as a contributor and co-editor of the Greenwood Press ABC-CLIO 4 volume work, *The Daily Life of Women in World History*, scheduled for publication in 2019. She has also recently purchased and undertaken the renovation of a historically significant 1915 property in Dardanelle. She lives in Dardanelle and operates Gleason Historical Studies.

Jan Jenkins is completing her final meeting as AACHT Secretary/Treasurer, but another member has graciously consented to be nominated for the position. Jan's duties as Director of University Honors at Tech now include sponsoring the university's food pantry and food recovery operations, along with all that those responsibilities entail, so this is a good stopping point for her AACHT duties. The twelve years Jan has spent in the job have been an enormous pleasure, and she wants to thank all the delightful members who have stopped for a chat at the check-in table.

James Moses published *Just and Righteous Causes: Rabbi Ira Sanders and the Fight for Racial and Social Justice in Arkansas, 1926-1963* (Fayetteville: University of Arkansas Press, 2018). Moses is the featured speaker for the 2018 Ira E. Sanders Distinguished Lecture Series, sponsored by CALS and the Arkansas Studies Institute, to be held November 4 in Little Rock, and will also speak in Mobile, AL at the Southern Jewish Historical Society meeting in late October 2018. He spoke as part of the ATU Interdisciplinary Research Series in September, and continues to amass a great collection of DC Comics from the 1970s! He and his wife Anna also enjoyed a week in Chicago this past summer, taking in museums and jazz clubs.

Jeffrey V. Pearson returned to the Natural State after an eight-month, self-imposed exile in Indiana. During his time away, he managed to enjoy time with old friends and family and previewed the joys of domestic life that will be his when he marries his fiancé, Jennifer Moore, next summer. He also managed to spend a month on the road, traveling to Washington, D.C. and Richmond, VA, to conduct the research necessary to complete the manuscript for his first book. Tentatively titled "On the Vanguard of Western Expansion: Philip St. George Cooke and the Frontier Army, 1827-1872" Dr. Pearson hopes to complete the project in 2019.

HENDRIX COLLEGE

Deb Skok has been busy running the History Matters lecture series at Hendrix College, working on her book about public assistance programs for children in the New Deal, and advising the Vietnamese Language and Culture Club on campus.

NATIONAL PARK COLLEGE

Christopher Thrasher is pleased to begin his third year as an Instructor of History at National Park College and his first year as the Director of the Honors Program at the college. Last year he received the President's Volunteer Service Award from National Park College for his work as a Volunteer Archival Technician with Hot Springs National Park. His book manuscript *Suffering in the Army of Tennessee: A Wide Awake Nightmare from Atlanta to Nashville* is currently under review by the University of Tennessee Press.

NORTHWEST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Jami M. Forrester currently serves on the Executive Board and is the Award Chairperson for AACHT. She earned her Ph.D. from the University of Arkansas and her M.A. and B.A. from Arkansas State University. She is in her 11th year as an Associate Professor of Arkansas and US History at NorthWest Arkansas Community College. Jami serves as the Region 10 National History Day Coordinator for History Day Arkansas. This past year Jami and her family had the opportunity to travel to Maui, cruise the Caribbean, and visit California. While in Maui, Jami conquered a fear by scuba diving with sharks in the Maui Aquarium. (Not near as scary as faculty business meetings!) Disneyland and Lego Land were two highlights from their trips, especially for Parker (age 7) and Wyatt (age 6). Jami is really excited her husband Greg will graduate with his APN in Psychology in May 2019.

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT FAYETTEVILLE

Alex Marino is a doctoral student at the University of Arkansas under the direction of Dr. Randall Woods whose research interests include Modern American Politics, History of Technology, U.S.-Portuguese relations, and the Cold War. He is currently working on a dissertation titled "The United States and Portuguese Angola: Space, Race, and the Cold War in Africa." He earned a B.A. in History from the University of California, Santa Barbara in 2008, and a M.A. in History from the University of Arkansas in 2015. From 2008-2011 he rebuilt homes destroyed by Hurricane Katrina as a long-term volunteer in New Orleans, LA, and will spend all day giving NOLA food recommendations if given the chance.

During the academic year, **Jeannie Whayne** published an introduction for the *Buildings of Arkansas* edited by Cyrus Sutherland and published by the University of Virginia Press in 2018. Also in 2018, she published an essay, "Race in the Reconstruction of the Cotton South since the Civil War," in *Race and Rurality in the Global Economy*, Michaeline Critchlow, ed. (State University of New York Press, 2018). She received a contract with Oxford University Press to publish an edited volume, a *Handbook of Agriculture*, which will consist of 34 essays on various aspects of agricultural economy, organization, and production. She presented a paper at the European Rural History Organization, in Leuven, Belgium, on September 14, 2017, "From Tara to Tobacco Road: Race, Gender, the "Lost Cause" and Southern Plantation Modernity in Gone with the Wind." She presented papers at the Rural Women's Studies Association (RWSA) and at the Agricultural History Society AHS. For RWSA, she presented "Refugee from the Plantation South: Marie Wilson's Flight from Privilege to Notoriety," which has now been blogged on the RWSA site. For the AHS, she presented, "Another Kind of Slavery: The Braceros on the Lee Wilson Plantation, 1949-1962." At Mark Christ's conference on the Legacy of World War I, she presented "World War I and Women's Suffrage." She has assumed editorship of a book series on Arkansas History for the University of Arkansas Press. She remains a distinguished lecturer with the Organization of American Historians and a fellow of the Agricultural History Society.

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK

Edward M. Anson, Professor of History, continues as an Associate Editor of the *Ancient History Bulletin*, Assessor for Classics for the Australian Research Council, an agency of the Australian national government that awards grants to researchers, and is a fellow of the University of Waterloo's Institute for Hellenistic Studies. He has served as an external reviewer for two Masters theses: "From Babylon to Ipsus: Early Life and Career of Seleucus Nicator, 315-301 B.C.E.," for The University of Queensland, Australia; "The Aspects of Ai Khanoum's Hellenistic Foundation," University of Auckland, Auckland, New Zealand. Currently is the outside reviewer for a PhD thesis,

“Translation and Commentary on Diodorus Book 17,” for Otago University, Dunedin, New Zealand. Revised his *A Brief History of Civilization to 1600* textbook used in his civ classes and given free to students. Has in press, “Ptolemy and the Destruction of the First Regency,” in *Ptolemy Soter: A Self-Made Man*, Oxbow Books; and “Alexander the Great: A Life Lived as Legend,” in *Alexander the Great and Propaganda*, Taylor and Francis. He has signed contracts with Bloomsbury Academic for a monograph *Philip II, the Father of Alexander the Great: Themes and Issues*; Franke and Timme for “Eumenes of Cardia,” “*Epitropos*,” “*Ephemerides*,” and “The Army Assembly,” for *The Lexicon of Argead Macedonia*; a chapter titled “Hellenistic Warfare,” for Wiley-Blackwell’s *Companion to Greek Warfare*; “Philip and Alexander and the Nature of Their Personal Kingship,” in *The Courts of Philip II and Alexander the Great: Monarchy and Power in Ancient Macedonia*. He gave a paper in May at the University of Alberta, on “Philip and Alexander and Personal Kingship.” He is co-editor and is contributing a chapter, “The Father of the Army: Alexander and the *Epigoni*,” for *Affective relations and personal bonds in Hellenistic Antiquity: A Festschrift honouring the career of Elizabeth D. Carney*, tentatively accepted by Oxford University Press. He has reviewed articles for publication for the *Classical Quarterly* and the *Ancient History Bulletin*, and has reviewed Pierre Briant’s *Alexandre: Exégèse des lieux communs*, for the *American Historical Review*. He continues as a faculty Senator. This past March he placed 2nd (in my age division – not telling) in the Marathon week 5K, but 19th in same division in the half.

Marta Cieslak, visiting Assistant Professor, presented her research at the annual conferences of the Polish American Historical Association in Washington, DC, and the Council of European Studies in Chicago. In Washington, she presented a paper on poverty and assimilation among Polish immigrants in Buffalo, New York, at the turn of the 20th century. The paper is scheduled to be published at the end of 2018 by the Cornell University Press in an edited volume. In Chicago, she presented research on her most recent project that examines the unique experience of Polish women in Poland and in the United States at the time of the mass pre-1914 transatlantic migration. While in Washington, Dr. Cieslak also attended the Polish American Historical Association awards ceremony, hosted by the Ambassador of Poland to the United States, where she received the Swastek Prize. The prize is awarded for the best article published during the previous year in a given volume of *Polish American Studies*. In the classroom, Dr. Cieslak has once again collaborated with Sarah Bost, Student Success Archivist at the Center for Arkansas History and Culture (CAHC). In her History of Civilization II sections, the students used a set of primary sources from the CAHC to learn how local archives can be used to study not only Arkansas but also European and world history. They examined a series of primary sources related to World War I, exploring the subjects of historical analysis, inconsistencies in primary sources, and how historians formulate research questions. In *Women in World History*, the students are working with images from the CAHC and the Butler Center for Arkansas Studies to incorporate the history of Arkansas women into the history of women in the world. The students are currently completing academic posters that will present their semester-long research. The posters will feature selected archival images and historical connections between women in Arkansas and women in other regions of the world. Dr. Cieslak is also coordinating the undergraduate internship program. In the spring semester, the History Department placed nine advanced majors in various public history institutions across Little Rock, where the interns are engaged in a variety of fascinating projects ranging from the digitization of the historical records of the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission at the Arkansas State Library to researching the Trail of Tears at the Sequoyia National Research Center, creating a Character Collection item at the CAHC, and contributing to the educational program at the Mosaic Templars Cultural Center.

Michael Heil, Assistant Professor of History, continues to research and write on the legal culture of early medieval Europe. He presented his research at three academic conferences in the past year and in July will give a paper, “Using Canon Law in Late Ninth-Century Northern Italy,” at the International Medieval Congress in Leeds, UK. He continues to chair the department’s curriculum committee for the second year running and this semester taught a new online seminar exploring the age of Charlemagne. Along with Dr. Anson he represented the department on the UA Little Rock team in the Little Rock Half Marathon, and in February he co-hosted the Arkansas Chinese American Association’s Spring Festival Gala to welcome in the year of the dog.

Barclay Key, Associate Professor of History, advised all of the secondary education students this semester and conducted all of the concurrent enrollment observations for the department. He spoke on the “1967 Little Rock Crisis” at the March meeting of the History Institute and tried to convince fourth graders that history was a great profession at Gibbs Elementary School’s Career Day. Two book reviews on Jack Bales, ed., *Willie Morris: Shifting Interludes*, and Robert Hunt Ferguson, *Remaking the Rural South: Interracialism, Christian Socialism, and*

Cooperative Farming in Jim Crow Mississippi, will be published in upcoming issues of the *Arkansas Review* and *Arkansas Historical Quarterly*.

John Kirk, George W. Donaghey Distinguished Professor of History and Director of UA Little Rock's Joel E. Anderson Institute on Race and Ethnicity was on Off Campus Duty Assignment (OCDA) this semester, working on completing a documentary reader with commentaries *The Civil Rights Movement: A Documentary Reader* for one of the world's leading academic publishers Wiley-Blackwell, as well as continuing research on his biography of former Arkansas governor Winthrop Rockefeller. Kirk was delighted to see his student Nancy Tell-Hall win runner-up in the 2018 F. Hampton Roy Award for best manuscript in Pulaski County History from the Pulaski County Historical Society, and to see Nancy's article, "An ODD Story: The Desegregation of Fisher's Bar-B-Q in Little Rock, Arkansas" published in the *Pulaski County Historical Review* 66 (Spring 2018): 19-26. Meanwhile, Kirk was also busy writing a couple of pieces for the *Arkansas Times*, "He Founded a Movement: How Pine Bluff attorney William Harold Flowers made the NAACP a force to be reckoned with in Arkansas," February 1, 2018, 1, 16-19, and "State case helped halt segregation: But Arkansas is turning the clock back," March 22, 2018, 14-15. He gave several media interviews, including being interviewed and cited by Bobby Ross, Jr. in his article "Tears and fears: Church teen killed by Arkansas Police," *The Christian Chronicle* 75:2 (February 2018): 1, 8-9; interviewed on Newsradio 102.9 KARN (Little Rock) First News with Kevin Miller, "Arkansas Civil Rights History Tour App and Arkansas Civil Rights Heritage Trail," February 12, 2018 (the App was also featured in a full-page color spread for Black History Month in the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*); and featured guest on KABZ 103.7 The Buzz (Little Rock) "The Show with No Name" with David Bazzel on "Civil Rights History in Arkansas," February 24, 2018. On April 4, Kirk spoke on the steps of the Arkansas State Capitol in a ceremony to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., which included inducting ten new honorees on to the Arkansas Civil Rights Heritage Trail, with this year's theme centering on Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller. He was also a panel participant at the AETN screening of "I Am Not Your Negro" (dir. Raoul Peck, 2016), Arts and Science Center for Southeast Arkansas, Pine Bluff, Arkansas, January 13, 2018; moderated a panel on "The Call: Community Conversation," a discussion on issues of transracial adoption related to the Tanya Barfield play "The Call," at the Arkansas Repertory Theater, Little Rock, Arkansas, February 1, 2018; featured as speaker on "Learning from the Little Rock Nine," at the 2018 Southeast Journalism Conference (SEJC), Harding University, Searcy, Arkansas, February 17, 2018; featured as a speaker at the UA Little Rock Department of Theater Arts and Dance performance of Branden Jacobs-Jenkins' play "An Octoroon" on "Legacies of the Delta Slavery Economy" Sunday, February 21, 2018; and was the keynote speaker at the induction ceremony of the University of Central Arkansas's Sociology Department Epsilon Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Delta International Honor Society, March 8, 2018, UCA, Conway, Arkansas. Kirk also wrote the fifteenth annual *Racial Attitudes in Pulaski County* report on "Education" and organized a conference panel for its release on Tuesday, April 24, 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Legends Room of the Jack Stephens Building on campus (mark your diaries and come along!). Moreover, Kirk found time to accompany eight students and two faculty on a spring break study abroad trip to Hong Kong, Hanoi, Halong Bay and Siem Reap, where he made a notable contribution on the field of play in a 7-a-side (real, as opposed to American) football game against a select Vietnamese University of Transport and Communications side. Especially remarkable was his Diego Maradona-esque World Cup 1986 quarter-finals-like goal that saw his meandering full-length pitch run with the ball seemingly stuck to his feet baffle the opposition with a flurry of jinks and turns, ending with an adroit right-foot finish across the face of goal before plunging palm-first into the harsh and unforgiving AstroTurf to receive his well-earned soccer stigmata which he bore for the rest of the trip for his efforts. Kirk received the award for most industrious player too, covering on average 3.2 miles more across the 14-minute game than all the students combined, double that number for faculty, one of who managed to linger around in the opposition penalty area long enough to see the ball ricochet off him for a second goal, only to find himself subsequently booked by the referee with a yellow card caution for what was deemed the "mid-life crisis level" offense of sliding celebratorily across the aforementioned AstroTurf, stripping his dreams of glory, not to mention his knees and shins to the bone in the process. We all loved the smell of Neosporin in the morning.

Kristin Dutcher Mann, Professor of History, has been on OCDA during the spring 2018 semester. During this time, she has been conducting research about bells in the Spanish empire, a topic upon which she presented a paper in Washington, D.C. last October. She is completing a book chapter about Franciscans and bells for a forthcoming (2019) anthology about the Franciscan missionary presence in New Spain. During her semester off-campus, she also applied for and received a \$20,000 grant from the Library of Congress to work with local teachers to prepare sets of primary source documents connecting Arkansas History with U.S. and world history, economics, civics and geography. She and CAHC Digital Initiatives Director, Chad Garrett, will be presenting about connecting local

history with U.S. and world history through primary sources at the National Council for History Education conference in San Antonio, Texas, in late April. Dr. Mann is also a collaborator on the National Endowment for the Humanities grant, Mapping Renewal, which was also funded this spring by the NEH. The Mapping Renewal pilot project will bring together humanities scholars and technical specialists focused on creating access to and providing context to spatial segregation and urban renewal in the city of Little Rock, Arkansas, for scholars, educators, and the general public through the digitization of maps, architectural drawings, reports, and architectural photographs related. Dr. Mann is responsible for educational outreach on this grant.

Nathan Marvin is an assistant professor of Modern European History at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. A native of New Hampshire, Marvin received his BA in History and French Studies from Wesleyan University (Middletown, Connecticut) in 2010 and his PhD from Johns Hopkins University (Baltimore, Maryland) in 2018. While a graduate student, Marvin held an International Dissertation Research Fellowship from the Social Sciences Research Council (2017-18) and a Virginia and Jean R. Perrette Fellowship from the John Carter Brown Library (2016). His work examines the formation of racial categories in France's global colonial empire, particularly on the Indian Ocean islands of Réunion and Mauritius. His most recent project explores the history of slaveholding by French orders and congregations within the Roman Catholic Church.

Brian Mitchell, Assistant Professor of History, completed a book chapter, "When the Depths Don't Give up Their Dead: A Discussion on New Primary Sources and How They are Reshaping Debate on the Elaine Race Massacre" in *The Elaine Massacre and Arkansas: A Century of Atrocity and Resistance, 1819 -1919*. Little Rock: University of Arkansas Press. I also completed the geocoding of historic locations for *Origins of New Orleans' Free Black Community* for Michigan State University's new *Enslaved: People of the Historic Slave Trade Database*. Additionally, I gave several scholarly presentations, lectures, key note speeches, and participated in the following panels: The MLK50 Delta Commission of Phillips County: Civil Rights and Social Justice Awards Ceremony, "The Elaine Massacre: The Price of Dissent," Delta Cultural Museum and the MLK50 Delta Commission of Phillips County, Historic New Light Baptist Church, Helena, AR, United States (April 8, 2018); Panelist, UALR Diversity Week, "Diversity Week: Black Panther Discussion Panel," UALR Office of Student Affairs, Donaghey Student Center, Little Rock, United States. (March 26, 2018). Panther Discussion Panel," UALR Office of Student Affairs, Donaghey Student Center, Little Rock, United States. (March 26, 2018); Moderator / Designer, "Black Panther: A Panel Discussion," Anderson Institute on Race & Ethnicity, Ottenheimer Library, Little Rock, AR, United States. (March 14, 2018); Presenter / Panelist, 59 Since 1959: Remembering the Tragedy at Wrightsville Program, "Black Boys Burning: The 1959 Fire at the Negro Boys Industrial School," The Department of Arkansas Heritage, Mosaic Templars Cultural Center, Little Rock. (March 3, 2018); (Lecturer, Black History Month Lecture Series, "Black Panther: Not Just Another Marvel Movie," Henderson State University - History Department, Garrison Center Lecture Hall, Arkadelphia, AR, United States. (February 27, 2018); Presenter, An Octoroon, "What Happens on the Frontier: A Discussion of Race, Sex, and Class in Louisiana," Department of Theatre Arts and Dance, Haslip Theatre: University of Arkansas Little Rock, Little Rock, AR, United States. (February 23, 2018); Lecturer, 201810 Spring: ST: African American Theatre (01), "The Elaine Massacre: Racial Violence in 1919," UALR - Theatre Department, Classroom Stabler Hall 1111. (February 14, 2018); Panelist, The Great Expedition: Exploring the Louisiana Purchase and Its Impact, "The Impact of Free Blacks and slavery in the Louisiana Territory," Fusion: Arts & Humanities Arkansas (Quapaw Tribe) & Clinton Presidential Center, Clinton Presidential Center, Little Rock, AR, United States. (February 12, 2018); Panelist, The Great Expedition: Exploring the Louisiana Purchase and Its Impact, "The Impact of the Louisiana Purchase," Fusion: Arts & Humanities Arkansas (Quapaw Tribe) & Clinton Presidential Center, Clinton Presidential Center, Little Rock, AR, United States. (February 11, 2018); PI, 201810 Spring: ST: African American Theatre (01), "The Complexity of Blackness in New Orleans," UALR - Theatre Department, Classroom. (January 31, 2018). Lastly, I expanded my scholarly and public service obligations by accepting seats on the following boards: The Pulaski County Historical Society, The Arkansas School for the Blind, and Michigan State University's, Matrix: Slave Biographies.

Carl Moneyhon, Professor of History, presented a paper, "George T. Ruby -- The Radical Origins of Texas' Black State Senator," at the Texas State Historical Association in March. The paper drew from his book length manuscript on Ruby, "George T. Ruby: Texas Hero," that he finished in July and submitted to Texas Christian University Press. He published "The Complex Character of Post-Civil War Reconstruction," in Mark Christ, ed., *A Confused and Confusing Affair: Arkansas After the Civil War* this past April. His essay on George T. Ruby has been republished with revisions by Houghton-Mifflin in S. Haynes and C. Winz, eds., *Major Problems in Texas History*. His book manuscript, "The Loyal League: The Origins of Bi-Racial Politics in Texas," is finally moving forward at Texas

A&M University Press and he is engaged in making some revisions to the manuscript. He finished a book chapter entitled "Control of Arkansas and the Arkansas River Valley: The Battle of Helena, the Little Rock Campaign, and the fall of Fort Smith" that he submitted to Lorien Foote and Earl Hess for inclusion in their *Oxford Handbook of the Civil War* to be published by Oxford University Press. He performed book reviews during the past year for *Agricultural History*, the *Missouri Historical Review*, the *Arkansas Review*, and the *Western Historical Quarterly*. He continued to serve on the Editorial Board of the *Arkansas Historical Quarterly* and the Editorial Review Board of the *Encyclopedia of Arkansas History and Culture*. He also has continued service on the committee that grants the Founder's Award from the American Civil War Museum and is chair of that committee this year. He has enjoyed a wide variety of consulting work, including researching projects such as Texas Reconstruction judicial procedures for an independent television producer, financing Kickapoo Indian repatriation for a colleague at Texas Tech, reviewing a radio script on Edmund J. Davis for Humanities Texas, looking into the possible relationship between Thomas Cole's painting, "The Voyage of Life," Albert Pike's poem, "Voyage of Life," for the Munson-Williams-Proctor Art Institute, Utica New York; and researching Thaddeus Stevens' apparently non-existent "Exodus Order" for a colleague at the University of Houston. Some of the most interest efforts of this sort has been looking into the life of E. Beachabard, a woman photographer in the Civil War, for the curator of the Impressions Gallery and a Fellow at Durham University UK and the dating of a photograph of freedmen voting in Palestine, Texas, for a colleague at the University of Texas, Austin. Of course he has enjoyed his usual time in the classroom teaching his course on the Gilded Age in the spring and the Old South this fall. He is particularly appreciative of his opportunity to serve in his college's assessment committee this coming year.

Jess Porter, Chair of History, Associate Professor and Coordinator of Geography, is navigating a period of remarkable faculty and staff turnover. Beyond saying goodbye to longtime colleagues and welcoming new faces to the Department, Jess continues teaching responsibilities, highlighted by a study abroad course to Vietnam, Cambodia, and Hong Kong (see article above) and has enjoyed increasing his participation in the department's graduate program by serving on several thesis committees. This spring he attended the American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting in New Orleans, where he presented a co-authored paper with UA Little Rock Interdisciplinary Studies MA student Patrick Solomon. "Canebrake Habitat in 19th Century Arkansas" is a mixed-methods approach to assessing historical biogeography in Arkansas.

Charles Romney, Associate Professor, finished eight years of coordinating UA Little Rock's Public History MA program in June. The new coordinator of the program is his colleague Barclay Key. In March, 2018, Romney spoke at the 43rd Porter Fortune Symposium at the University of Mississippi. The symposium, "Organizing Agribusiness from Farm to Factory: Toward a New History of America's Most Ambitious Labor Union," included scholars from anthropology, food studies, and history. He will teach the Department's graduate seminar in Digital History in spring 2019. Romney's book, *Rights Delayed: The American State and the Defeat of Progressive Unions, 1935-1950*, was published by Oxford University Press in 2016.

Jim Ross, Associate Professor of History, published his book on the Southern Tenant Farmers Union this semester. It is available from the University of Tennessee Press. He also worked with secondary education social studies students while Dr. Mann was away. He continues to research and write with Dr. Key on the Little Rock School District from 1958 to the present. He also taught a new class on the history of Hip Hop and African American identity. The class was well received by students. He is also preparing for two new classes over the next two semesters. One is the History of the Apocalypse: From Daniel to Dylan. The second is on The History of Film in the United States.

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Kyle Day published an article, "Arkansas and the Southern Manifesto," for *The Road to Hell is Paved with Little Rocks: A Digital Exhibit of the Center for Arkansas History and Culture* (August 2018), which can be found at <https://ualrexhibits.org/desegregation/>. Day wrote reviews for the *American Historical Review* and the *Arkansas Historical Quarterly*. He gave presentations on one of his current research projects, Democratic United States Senator Thomas Hennings, Jr. of Missouri, to the Annual Conference on Political History, and at the Phi Alpha Theta Conference at the University of Arkansas at Monticello. He was also the introductory speaker for "the American Dream Deferred: Japanese American Incarceration during World War II," also at UAM. Unfortunately,

this past year Day was forced to expend an inordinate amount of his professional energies and personal sanity on working to ameliorate the surreptitious effort by the University of Arkansas System to eviscerate tenure protections for professors and thus make it easier for administrators to run-off those faculty whom they arbitrarily deem undesirable or exhibit the courage to speak their conscience. Once Day and others were able to spill the beans and sufficiently alarm their colleagues in the system and around the state to this underhanded administrative power-grab, they were able to ever-so-slightly reduce the nonetheless irreparable damage inflicted upon academic quality and intellectual freedom on college campuses in the Natural State. In addition to the hard-work and courage exhibited by the faculty within the university system who fought the good fight, Day would like to personally thank his gallant colleagues on the University of Central Arkansas Faculty Senate who joined in speaking truth to power despite the professional costs and personal animosity endured. Although they were soundly defeated (with many once collegial professional relationships now surely broken beyond repair), if given the chance, Day would do it again.

John Henris has had a sound year. His teaching is tolerably competent and his colleagues like him well enough. This last year he completed his research grant with the Mining History Association, has one article under review on tourism and fisheries in the Wyoming Black Hills, and another forthcoming on the agro-ecological margins of the Spearfish Valley Apple industry in *Agricultural History*. Professor Henris is generally content.

Shari Silzell has been imbibing the rich cosmopolitan atmosphere of Monticello since she arrived in 2015 from the cultural backwater of Austin, Texas. At UAM, besides teaching World History and making forays into the history of the Crusades and the Middle East, she labors on no more than the usual plethora of committees, task forces, and ad hoc groups. Shari serves on the state Women's Suffrage Centennial Commemoration Committee, and will accordingly be advocating for a yellow rose bush at each college (and two in every garage). Shari also continues as the History Day coordinator for Region 4. Her current research focuses on the influence of Christian monastic limners on early Qur'an production. This annual conference provides welcome opportunities to network, and pick up liquid supplies to cart back to a Very Dry Drew County.

If you were unaware that **Clint Young** is Vice President of the AACHT, you haven't been checking your e-mail the last few months. This year he is also beginning a stint as the Newsletter editor for the Association for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies; he was also recently elected Vice President of the Board of Directors of the SEARK Concert Association, the fifth-largest performing arts organization in the state. While all of this has eaten into his time for research, Clint is pleased to report that his recent book *Music Theater and Popular Nationalism in Spain, 1880-1930* (LSU Press, 2016) was recently nominated by the American Musicological Society for their Robert M. Stevenson Award, which recognizes outstanding scholarship in Iberian and Latin American music.

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Ken Barnes, along with a few other AACHT members, contributed an essay on "Political Violence in Reconstruction Arkansas" to Mark Christ's latest (of so many) edited anthologies, this one published in April by Butler Books on the Brooks-Baxter War. An article came out in the fall number of the *Arkansas Historical Quarterly*, "Another Look Behind the Masks: The Ku Klux Klan in Bentonville, Arkansas, 1922-1926." The article used a surviving membership list to flesh out a social profile of members of Bentonville's Klan No. 69. He's now working on a book about the 1920s Klan in Arkansas.

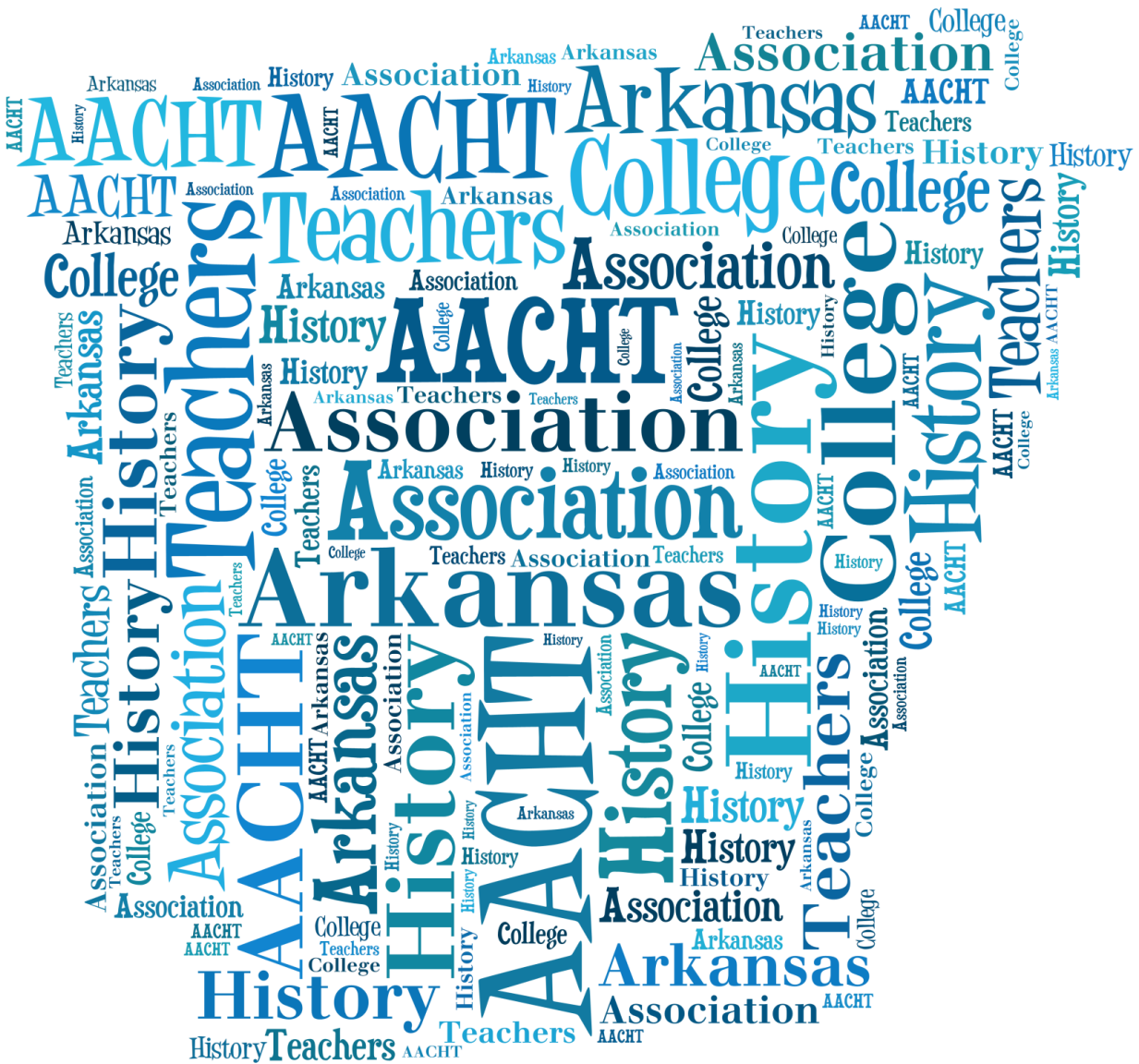


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