

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN HISTORIANS

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings:

Welcome back to a new semester and another opportunity to mentor, inspire and overwork. I do hope your summer was refreshing and relaxing. Before long we will be gathering in New Orleans and we are indebted to First Vice President Sandy Treadway for what will surely be a memorable occasion.

Firstly, due to the altered dates for this meeting of the SHA, our regular times and days are also changed. The SAWH Executive Council Meeting will be Friday afternoon, November 16, 2001, 1:30 - 5:30 p.m. in the Chancellor's Room at the Fairmont Hotel and the Members' Meeting for SAWH will be Saturday, November 17, 2001, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. in Bayou III at the Fairmont. Our annual address will be given by Rosalyn Terborg-Penn of Morgan State University, Baltimore, Maryland. As a co-founder of the Association of Black Women Historians, Rosalyn has chosen to explore the organization and its impact on Black Women's History. Her topic is "The ABWH, Black Women's History and Black Women Historians." The address will be held on Saturday, November 21, 2001, at 4:45 p.m. in the Emerald Ballroom at the Fairmont Hotel. I am personally pleased she consented. It will be exciting to hear her assessment of the status of black women's history.

Usually the presidential reception and book sale have followed in an adjoining area but this year we have been most favored in securing the Historic New Orleans Collection, located in the heart of the French Quarter to host our "fun." This location will offer us the opportunity to peruse the wonderful collections at Historic New Orleans. The book sale offers us an excellent opportunity to support the graduate students' participation in SAWH. We count on a successful return in order to assist many graduate efforts. I encourage you to support the sale with donations of books and numerous purchases. The previous success of the book sale has necessitated that we take more prudent steps in arranging the transfer of funds. For that reason, we request that all book sale transactions be via checks, if at all possible. Graduate students interested in working the book sale should check with Sandy.

Due to miscommunication on my part with Sandy, we will not host the graduate workshop this year. I regret any inconvenience this may cause on the part of students who were planning to attend but we can still mentor and assist at our gatherings. I will bring the workshop before the Executive Council in order to officially establish a policy on the structure and organization of this worthwhile project.

Congratulations to our new members of the Executive Council: Stephanie Cole, Second Vice President, Council Member Jacquelyn Hall, and graduate representative Mary Rolinson. We wholeheartedly welcome you aboard.

I am indebted to those who have served with steadfastness on ad hoc and standing committees, the Council, and other avenues of organizational duties. I am also appreciative to those who mentored and guided.

See you in New Orleans.

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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR WOMEN IN HISTORY AND BERKSHIRE CONFERENCE OF WOMEN HISTORIANS are pleased to announce the eleventh annual competition for two \$500 Graduate Student Awards to assist in the completion of dissertation work. The awards are designed to help support with a crucial stage of research or the final year of writing. The CCWH/BERKSHIRE Award is for women graduate students in a history department in a U.S. institution and the CCWH/IDA B. WELLS Award is for women graduate students in a U.S. institution in any department, but working on a historical topic. The application deadline is October 1, 2001. For more information write to Professor Montserrat Marti Miller, CCWH Awards Committee Chair, History Department, Marshall University, Huntington, WV 25755, or email millerm@marshall.edu.

THE COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR WOMEN IN HISTORY is pleased to announce it will accept applications for the fifth CCWH Catherine Prelinger Award Scholarship of \$10,000. This award, named for Catherine Prelinger, a former CCWH president and nontraditional scholar, is intended to enhance the work of a contemporary scholar whose academic path has not followed the traditional path of uninterrupted study. Eligible applicants must be members of CCWH and hold either A.B.D. status or the Ph.D. at the time of application. For application guidelines, contact Dr. Marguerite Renner, Dept. of History, Glendale College, 1500 North Verdugo Rd., Glendale, CA 91208. Deadline for applications is February 2, 2002.

THE EPISCOPAL WOMEN'S HISTORY PROJECT offers Travel/Research Grants of \$500 each to aid projects which focus on the activities of women within the Episcopal church in the United States. Projects dealing with women whose life and work were closely associated with their membership in the church are also eligible. The deadline for applications is December 1, 2001. For application forms and more information, please contact Dr. Jane Harris, 4220 Raleigh Dr., Conway, AR 72022, email: harris@mercury.hendrix.edu.

THE 45TH ANNUAL MISSOURI VALLEY HISTORY CONFERENCE will be held March 7-9, 2002, at the Sheraton, Omaha, adjacent to Omaha's historic Old Market district. Proposals for papers or sessions in all areas of history, including public history, are welcome. The conference will award a prize of \$250 to the best paper presented by a graduate student. Send one-page abstracts and vitae by October 15, 2001, to Professor Sharon E. Wood, Missouri Valley History Conference, Department of History, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, NE 68182. Those wishing to have their proposals acknowledged should

include a stamped, self-addressed postcard. Email for information only, mvhc@unomaha.edu.

THE SOUTHEASTERN SOCIETY FOR EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY STUDIES (SEASECS) invites submissions for its annual article competition, the Percy G. Adams Article Prize. The Society will give an award of \$500 for the best article on an eighteen-century subject published in a scholarly journal, annual, or collection between September 1, 2000 and August 31, 2001. Articles may be submitted by the author or by others acting in his/her behalf. Submissions written in a language other than English must be accompanied by an English translation. The interdisciplinary appeal of the article will be considered but will not be the sole determinant of the award. Winning authors must join, or be a member of, SEASECS. Please submit articles in triplicate, postmarked no later than November 15, 2001 to Mary McAlpin, Department of Modern Languages, 701 McClung Tower, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN 37996. The winning article will be announced at the annual meeting of the SEASECS in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, February 28-March 2, 2002.

SUPPORT THE SAWH BOOK SALE THIS FALL



A heartfelt thank you to all SAWH friends who have donated or pledged donations of books for the annual SAWH Book Sale, which will be held this year on Saturday, November 17, 2001, during the SAWH Presidential Reception at the Historic New Orleans Collection. Contributions of books on any subject, but with a special emphasis on women's and southern history, are still welcome. Please ship your donations to Sandy Treadway, c/o Library of Virginia, 800 Broad St., Richmond, VA 23219-8000—or you may bring them to the Book Sale table the evening of the reception.

We are also in need of several volunteers to help staff the sale between 6 and 7:30 p.m. on November 17. Graduate students who volunteer will be compensated with free books. If you would like to volunteer to help some or all of that time, please e-mail Sandy Treadway at streadway@lva.lib.va.us. See you in November!

IN MEMORIAM

Debbie O'Neal of Wingate University, an SAWH member, died in July after a long bout with cancer. Debbie was a member of the program committee for the Fifth Southern Conference on Women's History.

SIXTH SOUTHERN CONFERENCE ON WOMEN'S HISTORY

The program committee requests submissions for the Sixth Southern Conference on Women's History, to be held on the campus of the University of Georgia, in Athens, June 5-7, 2003. The program committee welcomes all topics in gender and women's history, broadly defined; in addition to southern women's history, it also encourages panels from the South West, other regions in the U.S., and from other countries as well. Complete panels and round tables are preferred, but the program committee will consider individual papers as well. To facilitate the process of putting together panels, the SAWH is setting up a web page designed to bring those wishing to present papers together and put them in touch with potential commentators. Please look for the link on the SAWH web page after November 1, 2001. Please send submissions to Laura Edwards, SAWH Program Committee Chair, History Department, 226 Carr Building, Duke University, 27708. You can also submit by email ledwards@duke.edu. The deadline is August 15, 2002.

Please Keep Us Informed

We'd love to know what you've been doing lately. Please send member news and address changes to us by December 1, 2001 for the Winter 2002 issue.

Please send all correspondence to:

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THE RADCLIFFE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY, a scholarly community where individuals pursue advanced work across a wide range of academic disciplines, professions, or creative arts, invites applications for Radcliffe Institute Fellowships. Fellowships are designed to support scholars, scientists, artists, and writers of exceptional promise and demonstrated accomplishment who wish to pursue independent work in academic and professional fields and in the creative arts. Applications will be judged on the quality and significance of the proposed project, and the applicant's record of accomplishment and promise. Women and men from across the United States and throughout the world, including developing countries, are encouraged to apply. We seek to build a community of fellows which is diverse in every way. Proposals are accepted from applicants in any field with the receipt of a doctorate or appropriate terminal degree at least two years prior to appointment (September 2002), or comparable professional achievement.

Each applicant is reviewed in a dual-tiered process by peers in the relevant disciplines. Applicants are notified of the results of the selection process in early Spring. Stipends are funded up to \$45,000 for one year with additional funds for project expenses. Fellows receive office or studio space and access to libraries and other resources of Harvard University. Residence in the Boston area and participation in the Institute community are required during the fellowship year, which extends from September 9, 2002 through June 9, 2003. Fellows are expected to present their work-in-progress at public colloquium, performance, or

exhibition, and to attend other fellows' events.

Applications must be postmarked by October 15, 2001. For more information visit www.radcliffe.edu or request an application from Application Office, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, 34 Concord Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02138, fellowships@radcliffe.edu.

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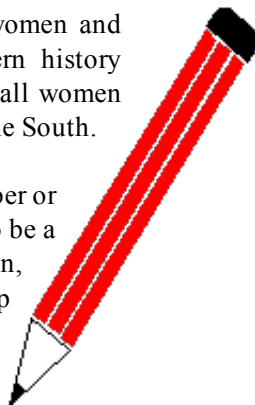
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Membership is \$18 per year for regular members, and \$5 per year for graduate students, retirees, and independent scholars. A lifetime membership is available for \$200, payable in quarterly installments. The SAWH especially welcomes as members women and men who are interested in southern history and/or women's history, as well as all women historians in any field who live in the South.

If you would like to become a member or know of someone who would like to be a member of this dynamic organization, just fill out the enclosed membership form and mail it in with your check made payable to SAWH.



NEWS OF MEMBERS

VICTORIA BYNUM's (Southwest Texas State University) book, *The Free State of Jones: Mississippi's*

Longest Civil War, is scheduled for a fall 2001 release by the University of North Carolina Press.

PATRICIA GREENWOOD HARRISON's (Spring Hill College) book, *Connecting Links: The British and American Woman Suffrage Movement, 1900-1914* was just published by Greenwood Press.

WANDA HENDRICKS (University of South Carolina) was awarded the Outstanding Achievement and Contribution Award by the Commission on the Status of Women at Arizona State University for her work as chair of the Committee on African and African American Research Lecture Series. She has accepted a new position as associate professor of history and graduate director of the women's studies program at University of South Carolina.

RANDOLPH HOLLINGSWORTH (Kentucky Virtual University) reports that she has become a "suit." She is the director of product development at Kentucky Virtual University. She also wrote the introduction to *Lucy Stone: Pioneer of Women's Rights* (April 2001).

MARY CARROLL JOHANSEN (Holy Family College) has accepted an appointment as assistant professor of history at Holy Family College in Philadelphia.

SHIRLEY A. LECKIE's (University of Central Florida) book, *Angie Debo: Pioneering Historian* (University of Oklahoma Press, 2000) was selected by the Oklahoma History Society as an "outstanding book" for 2000.

SUZANNE C. LINDER (retired) has recently published three books. *Anglican Churches in Colonial South Carolina* was published by Wyrick & Co. in 2000. *A River in Time: The Yadkin-PeeDee River System* was published by the Palmetto Conservation Foundation and the South Carolina Archives in 2001. Her *Historical Atlas of Rice Plantations in Georgetown County and the Santee River*, published by the South Carolina Archives, with the sponsorship of the Historic Ricefields Association, will appear in October 2001.

JANET MOORE LINDMAN (Rowan University) is co-editor, along with Michele Lise Tarter, of an anthology entitled "*A Center of Wonders*": *The Body in Early America* published by Cornell University Press in July 2001.

MARGARET T. MCGEHEE (Emory University) received the Lucy Sommerville Howarth Award from the Sarah Isom Center for Women's Studies at the University of Mississippi for the best graduate paper/thesis on women's studies. She won for her master's thesis entitled "Beneath the Sheets: An Intellectual History of the Women of the Ku Klux Klan, 1923-1931." She is now a doctoral student at Emory University.

MARGARET JENKINS SCHWARTZ (University of Rhode Island) was awarded a 2001 Albert J. Beveridge grant by the American Historical Association for research on her book-length project "Medical Men, Midwives, and Spiritual Healers: Managing the Health of Enslaved Women and Children in the American South."

LENI ASHMORE SORENSEN (Virginia Tech) completed the design and interpretive narrative "Kitchen Tales: Mrs. Walker Talks of Her Life and Work at Maymont" as part of the exhibit "In Service and Beyond: Domestic Work and Life in a Gilded Age Mansion" for the Maymont Foundation. She presented the piece at the Virginia Association of Museums Conference. She will continue one more year as a Teaching Fellow at the Center for Interdisciplinary Studies at Virginia Tech while finishing her dissertation, "Absconding: Fugitive Slaves in 1830s Richmond." She will give a talk on antebellum African American gardens and food production at Old Salem's Restoring Southern Gardens and Landscapes Conference in the early fall.

BERTRAM WYATT-BROWN (University of Florida) has just published *The Making of Southern Culture: Honor, Grace, and War, 1860s-1880s* (University of North Carolina Press, 2001) and "How to Make a Yankee Southern: Memories of Sewanee in the 1940s" in William Leuchtenburg, ed., *American Places: Encounters With History* (Oxford University Press, 2000).

JOB OPENINGS

HISTORY. MODERN BRITISH. Tenure-track assistant professor in Modern Britain with preferred emphasis on the history of the British Empire. Ph.D. required by the starting date of the position, August 1, 2002. Salary dependent upon qualification. Excellence in teaching and research required. Candidates will be expected to teach World Civilization survey as well as upper division undergraduate and graduate courses in Modern Britain and British imperial history. Some teaching at the college or university level and experience working with a diverse student body required. The Department of History at Georgia Southern University has 26 members and offers both BA and MA degrees. Initial screening of applicants will occur at the AHA's Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA, January 3-6, 2002. Send letter of application, curriculum vitae, unofficial transcripts, three letters of recommendation, as well as teaching evaluations and sample publications to: Prof. Charles P. Crouch, Chair, Modern British Search Committee, Department of History, P. O. Box 8054, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Georgia 30460-8054. Postmark deadline: 15 November 2001. The names of applicants and nominees, résumés and other general non-evaluation information are subject to public inspection under the Georgia Open Records Act. Georgia Southern is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution. Persons who need reasonable accommodation(s) in the search process under the Americans with Disabilities Act should notify the search chair.



HISTORY. MODERN CHINA. The History Department of Emory University invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professorship in modern Chinese history (Qing dynasty and later). Ph.D. required, teaching experience and publications desirable. Submit letter of application, c.v., three letters of recommendation, and a writing sample to Professor Mark Ravina, Chair, Chinese Search Committee, Dept. of History, Emory University, Atlanta, GA 30322. Review of applications will begin on November 19, 2001. Preliminary interviews will be conducted at the AHA annual meeting. Emory is an Equal

Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

HISTORY. MODERN U.S. SOUTH. The History Department of Emory University invites applications for a tenured senior position in the history of the modern U.S. South. The appointment may be made at the level of associate or full professor. The position includes responsibilities to the graduate and undergraduate programs, and applicants must demonstrate strong credentials in teaching and scholarship. A letter of application and curriculum vitae should be sent to Elizabeth Fox-Genovese, Chair, U.S. Search, Dept. of History, Bowden Hall, Emory University, Atlanta, GA 30322. Review of applications will begin on October 15 and will continue until this position is filled. Emory is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

HISTORY. SOUTH ASIA. Purdue University is accepting applications for a tenure track assistant professor in the history of South Asia. The candidate should hold a Ph.D. in history with a research specialty in any aspect of the field. Publications and evidence of teaching experience and excellence are highly desirable. The person selected will teach courses in South Asian history, upper division and graduate courses in the area of specialization, and a survey of global history. The teaching schedule is two courses per semester. The appointee will be expected to undertake independent research, to publish the results of that research, and to teach with distinction. The deadline for applications is November 15, 2001. Please send a letter of application, curriculum vitae, placement file, and three confidential letters of recommendation addressing the candidate's research and teaching strengths to Professor Gorgon R. Mork, Head, Dept. of History, Purdue University, 1358 University Hall, West Lafayette, IN 47907-1358. Purdue University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer and encourages applications from women and minorities.