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Announcements and Activities

The Florida Endowment for the Humanities has committed up to \$204,000 to fund a series of projects that will apply aspects of history, philosophy, and literature to help solve some of the problems facing Florida. Special initiatives are projects that are conceived by FEH which then seeks the sponsor most able to conduct the programs. One project, presenting a series of free programs on literature, art, history, and culture through libraries in the rural areas of the state, was allotted \$45,000. An allocation of \$29,000 will be available for communities to help produce studies in local history. Each community chosen will receive up to \$6,000 to work with scholars and editors to put together community self-portraits that explore the past, present, and future of the area. Anyone wishing to sponsor or participate in any of these programs should contact the Florida Endowment for the Humanities, LAT 468, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL 33620 (phone 813-974-4094).

The St. Augustine Historical Society honored J. Carver Harris on the occasion of his retirement as business manager of the St. Augustine Historical Society at a special program, July 13, in the St. Augustine Art Association building. Carver Harris is a well known St. Augustine photographer, as was his father, W. J. Harris. Their work was recognized with a slide show presented at the meeting.

The Florida Folklore Society has been incorporated as a non-profit, educational organization. The Society will provide a central means of collecting and studying Florida folklore through research, field work, and meetings of its membership. Charter memberships are being accepted. Individual membership is \$5.00; institutional, \$10.00; family, \$7.50; and life, \$100. Write Pat Waterman, Department of Anthropology, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL 33620.

The Jacksonville Historical Society has published a list of

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thirteen historical markers in the area which it has distributed to its members. The markers are valuable for any one making a history tour of Jacksonville and nearby areas.

Southern Exposure, the quarterly journal of the Institute for Southern Studies, is seeking contributions from writers, photographers, and scholars for articles on the South. The journal seeks previously unpublished articles, short stories, photographic essays, and poetry dealing with some aspect of the "progressive tradition" of the southern region. Particular emphasis is placed on perspectives and information relating to the South's culture and political economy. Inquiries and manuscripts should be directed to Editors, *Southern Exposure*, Box 531, Durham, NC 27702.

Richard N. Current, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, delivered the 1982 Rembert W. Patrick Lecture at Guilford College on March 3, 1982. He spoke on "Lincoln, the Southerner."

The American Jewish Historical Society announces that three prizes will be awarded during each academic year to recognize and reward meritorious work in the field of American Jewish history. The Leo Wasserman Prize will be awarded for the best article published in the Society's quarterly, *American Jewish History*. The Leo Wasserman Student Essay Prize will be given for the best essay submitted on American Jewish history by a college or university student. The winning essay will be considered for publication in *American Jewish History*. The Administrative Committee Prize will be awarded for the best essay submitted on a topic dealing with local American Jewish history. This winning essay will also be considered for publication in *American Jewish History*. The deadline for submission of entries for the student essay and the local Jewish history essay prizes will be June 30 of each year. Each prize includes a cash award of \$100. For information about award rules, as well as submission procedures, write American Jewish Historical Society, Two Thornton Road, Waltham, MA 02154 (617-891-8110).

The Society of Historians of the Early American Republic has awarded its book prize to Anne C. Rose of Carnegie-Mellon

University for *Transcendentalism as a Social Movement, 1830-1850*, published by Yale University Press. The Society's other prize was won by Dr. Joseph C. Tregle, Jr., University of New Orleans, for his article, "Andrew Jackson and the Continuing Battle of New Orleans." It appeared in the winter issue of the *Journal of the Early Republic*.

The 1981 Richard H. Collins Award for the best article published in the *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* in 1981 has been given to Lowell H. Harrison of Western Kentucky University for his "George W. Johnson and Richard Hawes, the Governors of Confederate Kentucky," which appeared in the winter 1981 issue. The award recognizes outstanding research and writing.