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## HISTORY NEWS

### *Prizes and Awards*

The Arthur W. Thompson Memorial Prize in Florida History was awarded to Dr. Gary R. Mormino, University of South Florida, for his article, "Florida Slave Narratives," which appeared in the April 1988 issue of the *Florida Historical Quarterly*. The presentation was made by Marcia J. Kanner, Miami, at the Florida Historical Society's annual meeting in Miami in May. The three judges were Dr. William S. Coker, University of West Florida; Dr. Edward N. Akin, Mississippi College; and Dr. Wayne Flynt, Auburn University. Professor Thompson was a well-known Florida and Southern historian and for many years a member of the Department of History, University of Florida. The prize was established as a result of an endowment created by Dr. Thompson's wife, Professor Irene Thompson, and his family.

The Rembert W. Patrick Memorial Book Prize was presented to the late Dr. J. Leitch Wright, Jr., Florida State University, for his book, *Creeks and Seminoles: Destruction and Regeneration of the Muscogulge People*, published by the University of Nebraska Press. The presentation was made by Dr. Thelma Peters, Miami. The three judges were Dr. Fred Blakey, University of Florida; Dr. Eugene Lyon, St. Augustine Foundation at Flagler College; and Dr. Raymond A. Mohl, Florida Atlantic University. The prize memorializes Dr. Patrick, eminent Florida and Southern historian; former chairman of the Department of History, University of Florida; graduate research professor, University of Georgia; and editor of the *Florida Historical Quarterly*.

The Charlton W. Tebeau Book Award was given to Robert Hawk of St. Augustine for his book, *Florida's Army: Militia, State Troops and National Guard, 1565-1985*, published by Pineapple Press. The presentation was made by Dr. Tebeau. The three judges were Gwendolyn B. Waldorf, Tallahassee Junior Museum; Patsy West, Fort Lauderdale; and Jean Parker Waterbury, St. Augustine Historical Society. The prize honors Dr. Tebeau, professor emeritus, University of Miami.

The Florida Historical Society has established two new awards—the President's Prize—which recognize outstanding essays in Florida history submitted by graduate and undergraduate students working in Florida colleges and universities. The graduate student prize this year was shared by Jane Landers, University of Florida, and George Klos, Florida State University. The title of Ms. Landers's essay was "Gracia Real de Santa Teresa de Mose," and Mr. Klos wrote on "Black Seminoles in Territorial Florida." The undergraduate student awards were presented to Milton O. Polk, University of South Florida (first prize), and Jack McClellan, University of North Florida (second prize). Mr. Polk's essay was "The Man, His Hammer, and His House: W. L. Straub, The *St. Petersburg Times* and the Creation of Pinellas County." McClellan's essay was "Hamilton Disston in Florida." The President's Prizes judges were Dr. Gary R. Mormino, Dr. Daniel L. Schafer, Dr. Raymond A. Mohl, Richard Matthews, and Richard Pittman.

Dr. Charlton Tebeau received the 1988 Dorothy Dodd Distinguished Service Award from the Florida History Confederation at the meeting of the Confederation in Miami, May 1988. Dr. Tebeau was recognized for his lifetime contributions to Florida history and especially to the history of south Florida. The annual award is named for Dr. Dorothy Dodd of Tallahassee, Florida, historian and former director of the Florida State Library. Dr. Dodd received the Confederation's inaugural award in 1987.

The Phi Alpha Theta book award committee presented its 1987 "first book in the field of history" prize to Dr. William S. Coker, University of West Florida, and Dr. Thomas D. Watson, McNeese State University, for their book, *Indian Traders of the Southeastern Spanish Borderlands: Panton, Leslie & Company and John Forbes & Company, 1783-1847*, published by the University Presses of Florida. *Indian Traders* was also the winner of the Rembert W. Patrick Prize in Florida History presented by the Florida Historical Society in 1987.

Hampton Dunn, president-elect of the Florida Historical Society, was recognized April 22, 1988, by the Florida Teaching Profession/National Education Association for his history program television series, "Pulse 13 Historian," which are broadcast

over WTVT, Tampa. The program highlights people and events which have played an important role in the history of the Tampa Bay area and the surrounding counties.

The Georgia Historical Society announced its 1987 publication awards at its April 1988 meeting in Savannah. The E. Merton Coulter Award for Excellence in the Writing of Georgia History was given to Betty Wood for " 'Until He Shall Be Dead, Dead, Dead': The Judicial Treatment of Slaves in Eighteenth-Century Georgia," judged the best article published in a 1987 issue of the *Georgia Historical Quarterly*. It appeared in the fall issue. The William Bacon Stevens Award is presented every two years to the most worthy article by a graduate student published in the journal. The 1986-1987 winner is Jonathan M. Bryant, for "Race, Class, and Law in Bourbon Georgia: The Case of David Dickson's Will," which appeared in the Summer 1987 issue. The Coulter Award is named for E. Merton Coulter, the eminent professor of history at the University of Georgia who edited the *Georgia Historical Quarterly* from 1924 to 1974. William Bacon Stevens was among the founders of the Georgia Historical Society and served as state historian from 1841 to 1847.

#### *Florida History Fair*

Final competition for the seventh annual Florida History Fair exhibit was held at the May 1988 meeting of the Florida Historical Society in Miami. The winners in the senior division were: Anna Benson, "Tuberculosis: A Frontier in Public Health" (B. T. Washington High School, Pensacola); Santosha Kuykendall, "The South African Frontier: Expansion and the Development of the Apartheid Ideology" (Pensacola High School); Jennifer Carl, "Adolph and I" (Pensacola High School); Donna Apostle, Benjamin Chi, and Daniel Ou, "The Reign of Terror: A Frontier of Republicanism" (Pensacola High School); and Jason Blizzard, "The Frontier of the Atomic Age: The Atomic Bomb" (Baldwin High School, Jacksonville). The winners in the junior division were: Cristi Cosson and Monyca Thomas, "The Florida Chautauqua" (Elizabeth Cobb Junior High School, Tallahassee); Jeremy DeGrove, "A Frontier in Revenue: State Lotteries" (Raa Middle School, Tallahassee); Lance Arteaga, John Hicks, and Steven Short, "The Triumphant Return of Lewis and Clark" (DuPont Junior High School,

Jacksonville); Jonathan Fleetwood, "Mandarin: Then and Now" (DuPont Junior High School, Jacksonville); and Chris Devinney, "Racial Segregation: A New Frontier" (DuPont Junior High School, Jacksonville). All of the winners received cash awards. Judges were Robert Bell of Tampa, and Jack Davis of the University of South Florida. Guy P. Harrison of the University of South Florida served as coordinator for the Florida History Fair. The Florida state winners competed in the National History Day event held June 12-16, 1988, at the University of Maryland. Cristi Cosson and Monyca Thomas, Elizabeth Cobb Junior High School, Tallahassee, won prizes in the national judging.

#### *Publications*

*The Southern Historian*, an annually-published journal focusing on all aspects and periods of southern history and culture, invites graduate students to submit original scholarly work for consideration for publication. A \$100 prize is awarded for the best article in each issue. For subscription and publication information, write the editor, Corley W. Odom, Jr., Department of History, Box 1936, University of Alabama, University, AL 35407.

The Southern Literary Series, Summa Publications, announces plans to publish books and monographs on all aspects of past and present southern literary experiences. The editors are interested in manuscripts from both well-established and beginning scholars relating to southern literary criticism, literary history, biography, poetics, drama, and folklore. Subjects from the colonial period to the present will be considered. Write to Summa Publications, Box 20725, Birmingham, AL 35216.

The editors of the *Directory of Jewish Archival Collections* are seeking published and unpublished inventories of collections documenting Jewish life, persons, and organizations in North America. Archivists and manuscript curators having relevant materials in their repositories are asked to contact Andrea A. Morgan, program officer, National Foundation for Jewish Culture, 330 Seventh Avenue, 21st Floor, New York, NY 10001.

*The Public Historian* invites authors and publishers of state and local history to submit recent publications for possible review. Areas of public history practice include, but are not limited

to, archives, museums, business, oral history, consulting, cultural resources, management, education and training, and public policy. The book review editors are particularly interested in books that might not be listed in traditional academic and trade catalogs. Museum exhibition catalogs, films, video tapes, and other formats are also welcome. Send review materials to the book review editor, *The Public Historian*, Department of History, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA 93106.

*The Journal of Confederate History*, a new quarterly journal devoted to the publication of scholarly articles on the Civil War, will consider essays dealing with all perspectives of the Confederacy— political, social, economic, and military. Contact John McGlone, Tennessee State Library and Archives, 403 Seventh Avenue, North, Nashville, TN 37219.

*Southern Folklore*, formerly *The Southern Folklore Quarterly*, will resume publication in the fall of 1988 under the editorship of Camilla A. Collins, a member of the Folk Studies faculty, Western Kentucky University. The journal will publish articles on the analytical, descriptive, comparative, and historical study of folklore, and on recent developments in the discipline, including the public sector and cultural conservation. Papers and inquiries on editorial policies should be sent to *Southern Folklore*, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY 42101.

In commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of World War II, a book based on the letters which women wrote to service personnel is planned. Anyone with letters or with pertinent information is asked to contact Judy Barrett Litoff, Department of History, Bryant College, Smithville, RI 02917, or David C. Smith, Department of History, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469.

Carol Kammen, author of *On Doing Local History*, published by the American Association for State and Local History, is seeking information about what each state is doing to promote local history and local historians. She is also interested in grant programs, technical assistance, and other services. Contact Ms. Kammen at 16 Sun Path, Ithaca, NY 14850.

*Forthcoming Meetings*

The Gulf Coast History and Humanities Conference will be held in Mobile, Alabama, March 9-11, 1989, under the sponsorship of the University of South Alabama. The theme of the conference is "American History of the Gulf Coast." Anyone interested in participating in the conference is invited to submit papers and/or suggestions for individual sessions. Proposals should be directed to Dr. George Daniels or Dr. Michael Thomason, Department of History, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL 36688. The papers will be published in the *Gulf Coast Historical Review*. The University of West Florida and Pensacola Junior College are member institutions of the Gulf Coast History and Humanities Conference.

The Southern Historical Association will hold its fifty-fourth annual meeting at the Omni International Hotel in Norfolk, Virginia, November 9-12, 1988. For information, contact William F. Holmes, Department of History, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602.

The Southern Jewish Historical Society will hold its annual meeting in Birmingham, Alabama, November 4-6, 1988. For information, contact Samuel Proctor, Department of History, University of Florida, 4131 Turlington Hall, Gainesville, FL 32611.

The American Association of the History of Medicine invites the submission of papers on any subject relating to the history of medicine for its meeting to be held in Birmingham, Alabama, April 27-30, 1989. Papers must represent original work not already published or in press. Those interested should submit a typed abstract (300-350 words) and six copies to Judith Walzer Levitt, Department of the History of Medicine, 1415 Medical Sciences Center, University of Wisconsin, 1300 University Avenue, Madison, WI 53706. Deadline for submission is October 15, 1988. Biographical information is required: name, academic group, mailing address, work and home telephones, present institutional affiliation, and title. Meeting information is available from Bill Weaver, Box 700, University of Alabama, Birmingham, AL 35494.

The program committee of the Missouri Valley History conference, to be held March 9-11, 1989, in Omaha, Nebraska, invites papers and panel proposals on all fields of history, as well as interdisciplinary and methodological study. Submit proposals by November 15, 1988, to Professor Jerold L. Simmons, Department of History, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, NE 68182.

The Western History Association will hold its 1989 meeting in Tacoma, Washington. The program committee is inviting papers and proposals for sessions. Submissions by non-teaching historians and those not directly employed in history will be considered also. Proposals commemorating the passage of the 1889 Omnibus Bill are particularly encouraged. A brief summary of prospective papers and names of participants should be mailed by September 1, 1988, to Dr. John D. W. Guice, Department of History, University of Southern Mississippi, Southern Station, Box 5047, Hattiesburg, MS 39406.

The Oral History Association will hold its twenty-third annual meeting on October 19-22, 1989, in Galveston, Texas. Papers, panel discussions, media presentations, and workshop sessions are now being solicited. All subjects concerning oral history are welcome. Each proposal should include the presenter's vita, plus a two-page typed prospectus with thesis statement, methodological description, and relevant bibliographical information. Proposals must be submitted by November 30, 1988, to Michael L. Gillette, Lyndon Baines Johnson Library and Museum, 2313 Red River, Austin, TX 78705.

#### *Announcements and Activities*

Bettie Stockton, her son, William T. Stockton, III, and A. L. Waldo Stockton, Jacksonville descendants of William and Julia Stockton, presented an important collection of Civil War era letters to the Florida State Archives, Tallahassee. The letters, written between 1845 and 1869, were mainly between William T. Stockton, West Point graduate who served in Florida during the Second Seminole War and as colonel in the First Florida Cavalry Regiment during the Civil War, and his wife, Julia Elizabeth Telfair Stockton. The letters were transcribed and annotated by Herman Ulmer, Jr., of Jacksonville, and were pub-



lished by Mr. Ulmer under the title, *The Correspondence of Will & Ju Stockton, 1845-1869* (reviewed in the *Florida Historical Quarterly*, April 1987, p. 513).

The Spain and America in the Quincentennial of the Discovery Prize competition is sponsored by the Program of Cooperation of the Spanish Ministry of Culture and the Universities of the United States. The prize is intended to diffuse knowledge of the endeavors of Spain in the New World and particularly the Spanish contribution to the independence and development of the United States. The competition is open to unpublished and published works written in Spanish or English submitted by either scholars or publishing houses. The jury considering the works consists of representative members of Spanish cultural institutions and American universities. The application period will close on October 12 of each year through 1992 inclusive. For additional information, write to the Cultural Office, Embassy of Spain, 2600 Virginia Avenue, N.W., Suite 214, Washington, D.C. 20037.

The Institute for Early Contact Period Studies at the University of Florida sponsored a conference, April 17-20, 1988, on the theme, "Rethinking the Encounter: New Perspectives on Conquest and Colonialization, 1450-1550." Scholars from the United States, Canary Islands, Puerto Rico, Canada, and Great Britain presented papers. The Institute, with funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities, engages in primary, historical, archaeological, and archival research directed toward the Fifth Centenary of the Columbus Voyages of 1492-1502. Of special interest to the Institute is the period of contact—1490 through the sixteenth century—between Europeans and Native Americans in the Circum-Caribbean area, including the Greater and Lesser Antilles, East Yucatan, east Central America, the north coast of Columbia and Venezuela, peninsular Florida, and the chain of the Bahama Islands. The Institute conducts field research in several of these areas and in Spain. In addition to its historical research and archaeological excavations, the Institute assists commemorated programs such as the De Soto Trail and Spanish Mission Trail projects in Florida. The Institute is inaugurating the publication of a Quincentenary series of books in cooperation with the University Presses of Florida. The director of the Institute is Dr. Michael Gannon, Department of History, University of Florida.

The St. Augustine Historical Society, with support from the Florida Endowment for the Humanities, sponsored a symposium in St. Augustine, April 7-9, 1988. The theme was "Clash Between Cultures: Spanish East Florida, 1784-1821." Presenting papers were Dr. Thomas Graham, Dr. Helen Hornbeck Tanner, Dr. L. David Norris, Bruce Chappell, Jane Landers, and Susan R. Parker. For information on the publication of the papers, write to the St. Augustine Historical Society, 271 Charlotte Street, St. Augustine, FL 32084.

Guilford College, Greensboro, North Carolina, annually presents the Rembert W. Patrick History Lecture. Dr. Patrick, former chairman of the Department of History, University of Florida, and editor of the *Florida Historical Quarterly*, was an alumnus of Guilford College. He was the author of many books on Florida and Southern history, including *Florida Under Five Flags*. His family endowed the Patrick Lecture as a memorial after his death in 1967. The 1988 lecture was delivered April 14, 1988, by Dr. Robert Byrnes, Distinguished Professor of History, Indiana University.

The Florida Folklore Society held its 1988 annual meeting, February 5-7, 1988, at the Circle F Ranch in Lake Wales, together with the Southeastern/Caribbean Chapter of the Society for Ethnomusicology. Dale Olsen of Tallahassee is president of the Florida Folklore Society. For information on membership contact Eric Larsen, secretary-treasurer, Box 146, White Springs, FL 32096 (904/397-2018).

Dr. Thomas Graham, Department of History, Flagler College, was the speaker at the annual meeting of the Jacksonville Historical Society, May 11, 1988. The title of his lecture was "Henry M. Flagler and His Hotel Ponce de Leon."

The Loxahatchee Historical Society Museum was dedicated March 27, 1988. The Society is integrating its new museum with its facilities at the Jupiter Lighthouse and the DuBose House Museum. The Museum will exhibit archaeological and historical artifacts and develop an educational setting for the study of local history. The building will provide a meeting place for community groups. Support for the building campaign came from the Loxahatchee Museum Guild, the MacArthur Foundation, the cities of Jupiter and Juno, Palm Beach County, and the state

of Florida. The building, designed by Peter Jefferson of Stuart, is patterned after the "Florida Cracker" wooden-framed vernacular style of architecture. It is located in Burt Reynolds Park on U.S. 1 in Jupiter.

An exhibit of *Audubon: The South Florida Prints* opened at the Historical Museum of Southern Florida, Metro-Dade Culture Center, Miami, in June 1988. It will run through September 25. The exhibit features approximately 100 of John James Audubon's best known prints, including thirty birds he painted during his travels through Florida. It represents the largest display of Audubon's work ever shown in Florida. Audubon began working on the "Birds of America" in approximately 1821. Ten years later, he completed the first of a four-volume set of what came to be known as the Double Elephant Folio. The complete set contains 435 prints and features 1,065 life-sized portraits of birds in their natural environment. About 200 sets of the "Birds" were completed; fewer than 150 have survived. The Historical Museum's Double Elephant Folio is the only complete set in Florida.

The May 1988 issue of the *Florida Aviation Society Newsletter* included information on the landing, June 17, 1942, of German spies at Ponte Vedra, a beach near Jacksonville. An article describing this World War II activity, "Nazi Invasion at Florida," by Leon O. Prior, was published in the *Florida Historical Quarterly*, October 1970. Mr. Prior, a retired special agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, testified against the saboteurs at their treason trials in Washington, D.C. He also guarded one of the spies.

The Southeastern American Society for Eighteenth Century Studies invites submission of publications for its annual literary competition. There is a prize of \$250 for the best article on any eighteenth-century subject published in a scholarly journal, annual, or collection between September 1, 1987, and August 31, 1988, by a member of SASECS or a person living or working in the SASECS area (which includes Florida). The interdisciplinary appeal of the article will be considered. Individuals may offer their own work or the work of others. Submit publications in triplicate, postmarked no later than November 10, 1988, to Dr. Barbara Brandon Schnorrenberg, 3824 Eleventh Avenue

South, Birmingham, AL 35222. The award will be announced at the SASECS annual meeting in Charleston, South Carolina, in March 1989.

The \$500 Julia Cherry Spruill Publication Prize, sponsored by the Southern Association for Women Historians, is awarded every other year for the best book or article dealing with southern women's history. Works published between January 1, 1987, and December 31, 1988, are eligible for the prize. Submission deadline is March 1, 1989. Send entries to Elizabeth Jacoway, 4 Dogwood Drive, Newport, AR 72112. The Willie Lee Rose Publication Prize is also sponsored by the Association. This \$750 prize is awarded every two years for the best book on southern history authored by a woman. The deadline for submissions to Dr. Jacoway is March 1, 1989.

The American Association for State and Local History announces the continuation of its grants-aid program for research in state and local history for 1988-1989. Grants are for amounts up to \$5,000. Contact Sheila Riley, Project, Coordinator, AASLH, 172 Second Avenue, North, Suite 102, Nashville, TN 37201 (615/255-2971).

To advance understanding of the roles that religious congregations play in American life, the Congregational History Project will award several dissertation fellowships for the 1989-1990 academic year. Applicants must be candidates for the Ph.D. or the Th.D. degree at North American graduate schools, and must have completed all pre-dissertation requirements by the time of application. The Congregational History Project is funded by a grant from the Lilly Endowment, Inc. For information and application forms contact Dr. James W. Lewis, Institute for the Advanced Study of Religion, 1025 East 58th Street, Chicago, IL 60637. Application deadline is January 1, 1989.

The Eastern National Park and Monument Association will award a \$1,000 prize each year to the author of the best article on American military history written in the English language and published the previous year in an American or foreign journal. The deadline is October 15, 1988. Contact the Peterson Award Committee, Eastern National Park and Monument Association, Constitutional Place, 325 Chestnut Street, Suite 1212, Philadelphia, PA 19106.

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Sept. 14-18	American Association for State and Local History	Rochester, NY
Sept. 22-24	Florida Trust for Historic Preservation	Tampa, FL
Sept. 29- Oct. 2	Society of American Archivists	Atlanta, GA
Oct. 13-16	Oral History Association	Baltimore, MD
Oct. 19-22	Southeastern Archaeological Conference	New Orleans, LA
Oct. 19-23	National Trust for Historic Preservation	Cincinnati, OH
Nov. 4-6	Southern Jewish Historical Society	Birmingham, AL
Nov. 9-12	Southern Historical Association	Norfolk, VA
Nov. 11-12	Florida State Genealogical Society	Pensacola, FL
Dec. 28-30	American Historical Association	Cincinnati, OH

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March 9-11	Gulf Coast History and Humanities Conference	Mobile, AL
April 6-9	Organization of American Historians	St. Louis, MO
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