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This list represents those institutions and individuals that responded to our query based on last year's list. Those individuals who are conducting research in Florida history and would like to be included in next year's issue, please send your name, affiliation (if applicable), and research topic and status to our editorial office, or send us an e-mail message at [flhisqtr@pegasus.cc.ucf.edu](mailto:flhisqtr@pegasus.cc.ucf.edu).

### *American University*

Keith Halderman– “Marijuana and the Myth of Victor Licata” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).

### *Auburn University*

Robin F. A. Fabel (faculty)– “Angry Indians: Studies of Crises in the Pre-Revolutionary Era” (publication forthcoming); “Dauphin Island as the Gateway to Mexico: A Chimera of the 1770s” (published).

Owe J. Jensen– “The Defense Forces of West Florida in the American Revolution” (master's thesis in progress).

Sheri Marie Shuck– “Power Brokers of the Southern Frontier: The Alabamas and the Coushattas, 1500-1859” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).

### *Daytona Beach Community College*

John J. Guthrie Jr. (faculty)– “Keepers of the Spirits: The Judicial Response to Prohibition in Florida, 1885-1935” and “The History of Spiritualism at Cassadaga, Florida, 1893-1993” (publications forthcoming).

Leonard R. Lempel (faculty)– “Race Relations and the African-American Community in Daytona Beach, Florida, 1927-1937” (publication forthcoming).

### *Flagler College*

Eugene Lyon (faculty)– “Translations, Revillagigedo Archives”; “Pedro Menéndez de Aviles”; “Recovering the Minorcan Heritage”; “Floridanos Evacuated in 1763”; “Sixteenth Cen-

ture Fortifications in Spanish St. Augustine" (continuing studies).

*Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University*

Larry E. Rivers (faculty)– "James Hudson: Civil Rights Leader in Tallahassee, 1955-1975" (completed); "The Peculiar Institution in Jackson County, Florida, 1824-1865"; "The Role of Florida Overseers and Drivers in Florida, 1821-1865"; "A Statistical View of Land and Slave Ownership in Florida, 1826-1865"; "The Role and Status of Antebellum Lawyers in Middle Florida, 1821-1865"; "The Role of Female Slaves on the Antebellum Florida Plantation"; "Indentured Servitude on the Wirtland Plantation: An Experiment that Failed, 1833-1834"; "Regulation of Free Blacks in Territorial Florida, 1828-1845"; "John G. Riley: Education and Community Leader in Leon County, Florida" (continuing studies).

*Florida Bureau of Archaeological Research, Tallahassee*

Charles R. Ewen– "Hernando de Soto Among the Apalachee: The Archaeology of the First Winter Encampment," with John H. Hann (publication forthcoming).

John H. Hann– "Chattahoochee River Forebears of the Lower Creeks and Seminoles, 1675-1775"; "Survey of Spanish Florida's Natives"; "The Asile Hacienda" (continuing studies); "The Apalachee Indians and Mission San Luis," with Bonnie G. McEwan (publication forthcoming).

Bonnie G. McEwan– "A Quartz Crystal Cross from Mission San Luis, Florida," with Michael W. Davidson and Jeffrey W. Mitchem (published); "Indians of the Greater Southeast During the Historic Period" (publication forthcoming).

James J. Miller– "An Environmental History of Northeast Florida: The Fairest, Frutefullest and Pleasantest of All the World" (publication forthcoming).

Roger Smith– "Emmanuel Point Ship: First Interim Report" and "Maritime Atlas of Florida" (published).

*Florida Department of Environmental Protection*

Joe Knetsch, SMA II– "A History of Surveying in Florida"; "The Armed Occupation Act of 1842"; "The Business Operations of the Flagler Enterprises in Florida," with Edward Keuchel;

“Batteries Cobb and Gilmer: The Apalachicola River and the Defense of Columbus,” with Nancy White and Calvin Jones (continuing studies).

*Florida Museum of Natural History*

Jerald T. Milanich— “Florida’s Indians from Ancient Times to the Present”; “A Very Great Harvest of Souls— Timucua Indians and the Impact of European Colonization”; “Chiefdoms and Chieftaincy Among Native Societies in Sixteenth-Century Florida” (publications forthcoming); “Laboring in the Fields of the Lord, Southeastern Indians and Spanish Missions” (in progress).

*Florida Southern College*

- Pat Anderson (faculty)— “Lake County Sheriff Willis McCall” (continuing study).
- James M. Denham (faculty)— “Cracker Times and Pioneer Lives, the Florida Reminiscences of George Gillett Keen and Sarah Pamela Williams,” with Canter Brown Jr. (study completed); “William Pope Duval”; “A History of Florida Sheriffs,” with William W. Rogers (continuing studies).
- Mary Flekke— “Frank Lloyd Wright: An Oral History” (continuing study).
- Keith Huneycutt (faculty)— “The Anderson-Brown Family in Frontier Florida, 1830-1861,” with James M. Denham (continuing study).
- Luis A. Jimenez (faculty)— “Luisa Capetillo in her Lectures on Tampa’s Cigar Manufacturing” (publication forthcoming); “Operation Peter Pan [Cuban Childrens’ Exodus] and the Testimonial Novel” (in progress).
- Randall M. MacDonald (faculty)— “Frank Lloyd Wright’s Legacy to Florida Southern” (publication forthcoming).
- Steven Rogers— “Frank Lloyd Wright, Ludd Spivey, and Florida Southern College” (continuing study).
- John Santosuosso (faculty)— “Radio Marti” (publication forthcoming).

*Florida State University*

John Burnett— “The Ministerial Career of Methodist Bishop Edward J. Pendergrass in the Florida Conference, 1929-1964” (continuing study),

- David J. Coles— “Far From Fields of Glory: Military Operations in Florida During the Civil War, 1864-1865” (Ph.D. dissertation completed); “Florida Troops in the Union Army During the Civil War”; “The Florida Brigade at the Battle of Gettysburg,” with Don Hillhouse and Zack Waters; “Third Seminole War,” with Jeanne and David Heidler (continuing studies).
- Caroline S. Emmons— “A History of the NAACP in Florida” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- Maxine D. Jones (faculty)— “S. D. McGill, Florida’s Civil Rights Attorney”; “Black Women in Florida”; “African Americans in Twentieth-Century Florida”; “The Ocoee Massacre”; “The Pompano Boys” (continuing studies).
- Edward F. Keuchel (faculty)— “The Business Operations of the Flagler Enterprises in Florida,” with Joe Knetsch (continuing study); “Family, Community and Business Enterprise: The Millers of Crescent City, Florida,” with Robin Sellers (published).
- Merri Lamonica— “The Senatorial Career of State Senator Dempsey Barron” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- George Phillippy— “Florida’s Cabinet System to 1930” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- William Warren Rogers (emeritus faculty)— “Florida in the 1920s and 1930s”; “Cultural Diversity in Florida Since 1800: Essays in Honor of Samuel Proctor,” with Mark I. Greenberg and Canter Brown Jr. (published); “A History of Goodwood Plantation and the Croom Family,” with Erica Clark (research completed).
- Cecil-Marie Sastre— “Fort Picolata on the St. Johns River” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- Jessica Slavin— “A Study of Poor Whites and Crackers in Florida, 1840-1940” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).
- Sally Vickers— “Ruth Bryan Owen: Florida’s Congresswoman and Diplomat” (continuing study).

*Historical Museum of Southern Florida*

- Christine Ardalan— “Black Nurses and Midwives in Miami, 1896-1960” (continuing study).
- Cesar Becera— “Logging Industry in South Florida” (continuing study).

- Tina Bucuvalas– “Cuban Folklife” (continuing study).  
Greg Bush– Community oral history projects in East Little Havana, South Miami, Homestead and Miami; “The Miami Arena and the Culture of Spectacle”; and “Documentary History of Florida” (continuing studies).  
Robert S. Carr– “Archaeological Investigation of the Addison Homestead, Dade County” (continuing study).  
Dorothy Fields– “Black Archives, History and Research Foundation of South Florida” (continuing study).  
Paul S. George– “Port of Miami”; “Burdine Family”; “Miami Beach’s Jewish Community” (continuing study for exhibition).  
Christopher Kernan and Cesar Becera– “Human Impact on Dade County Pinelands” (continuing study).  
Leah LaPlante– “Charles Torrey Simpson - South Florida Naturalist” (publication forthcoming).  
Arva Moore-Parks– “Dade County”; “Julia Tuttle”; “Mary Barr Munroe” (continuing studies).  
William M. Straight– “Study of Medicine in the Miami River Community, 1840-1880”; “Medical Care During the First Ten Years After the Incorporation of the City of Miami” (continuing studies).  
W. S. Steele– “Seminole Wars in South Florida” (continuing study); “Military History of the Joe Robbie Dolphin Stadium Site” (publication forthcoming).  
Steve Stuempfle– “Caribbean Percussion Traditions in Miami” (continuing study).

*Indian River Community College*

- Robert A. Taylor (faculty)– “Lucius B. Northrop and the Second Seminole War”; “Lincoln’s Loyalists in Florida”; “Governor Dan McCarty”; “Fort Pierce’s Naval Amphibious Training Base, 1943-1946” (continuing studies).

*Jacksonville University*

- Craig Buettinger (faculty)– “Enforcement of Slave Laws in Florida” (continuing study).

*King’s College London, Ontario*

- Eric Jarvis (faculty)– “Canadians in Florida, 1920-Present”; “A Comparative Study of East and West Florida and the Old Province of Quebec, 1763-1783” (continuing studies).

*Louisiana State University*

Paul E. Hoffman (faculty)– “A History of Florida’s Frontiers, c. 1500 to c. 1870” (continuing study).

*Miami-Dade Community College*

Paul S. George (faculty)– “A History of the Miami Jewish Home and Hospital for the Aged” (in progress); “A History of the Burdine Family” (study completed); “A History of Gesu Catholic Church (Miami)” and “A History of Catholicism in Southeast Florida” (research in progress); “Criminal Justice in Miami and Dade County Since the 1890s” (continuing study).

*Museum of Florida History*

Jeana E. Brunson and Robert B. Graetz– “Florida’s Civil War Flags” (continuing study).

Clint Fountain and Erik Robinson– “Florida Furniture, Late Eighteenth through Early Twentieth Centuries” (continuing study).

Julia S. Hesson– “Home Extension Work in Florida” (continuing study).

Charles R. McNeil– “Sunshine and the Silver Screen: A Century of Florida Films” (traveling exhibit in 1998); “The Importance of Silas Sterns and the Pensacola Red Snapper Fishery to North American Ichthyology” (published)

Erik T. Robinson– “Nineteenth and Early Twentieth-Century Art in and about Florida” (continuing study).

*Museum of the Southern Jewish Experience*

Mark I. Greenberg– “Florida’s Heritage of Diversity: Essays in Honor of Samuel Proctor,” with William Warren Rogers and Canter Brown Jr. (published).

*Pensacola Junior College*

Brian R. Rucker (faculty)– “From Pensacola To Belize: An American’s Odyssey Through Mexico In 1903” (publication forthcoming); “Nixon’s Raid: Precursor to Jackson’s 1814 Invasion of Spanish West Florida” (work in progress); “Antebellum Pensacola” and “History of Santa Rosa County” (continuing studies).

*Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology*

Antonio de la Cova (faculty)– “Colonel Henry Theodore Titus: A Florida Filibuster in Cuba, Bleeding Kansas and Nicaragua” and “José Martí’s Fernandina Filibuster Fiasco of 1895” (continuing studies).

*St. Leo College*

James J. Horgan– “The Dunne Family and the Early Years of San Antonio, Pasco County” (published).

*Seminole Tribe of Florida, Department of Anthropology & Genealogy*

Patricia R. Wickman (Director)– “Discourse and Power: Native Americans and Spaniards Negotiate a New World in La Florida”; and “So You Think There’s a Seminole in Your Family Tree” (publications forthcoming); “Seminole Lives: A Tour of the People and their World with Chief James Billie” (in progress); “The Old Ways Will Survive: Seminole Traditions Remembered”; “The Seminoles Remember the Florida Wars”; “Between Two Worlds: The Betty Mae Jumper Story,” with Betty Mae Jumper (continuing studies); “Mitochondrial DNA and Y-Chromosome-Specific Polymorphisms in the Seminole Tribe of Florida,” with Kirsi Huoponen, Antonio Torroni, Daniele Sellitto, Daniel S. Gurley, Rosaria Scozzari, and Douglas C. Wallace (published).

*Tallahassee Museum of History & Natural Science*

Molly Jones– “Tallahassee Aviation History” (research in progress).

*Tampa Bay History Center*

Canter Brown Jr.– “Ossian Bingley Hart, Florida’s Loyalist Reconstruction Governor” and “Florida’s Heritage of Diversity: Essays in Honor of Samuel Proctor,” with Mark I. Greenberg and William Warren Rogers, (published); “Florida’s Black Public Officials, 1867-1924,” and “The Supreme Court of Florida and Its Predecessor Courts, 1821-1916,” with Walter M. Manley III, editor (publications forthcoming); “Cracker Times and Pioneer Lives, The Florida Reminiscences of George Gillett Keen and Sarah Pamela Williams,” with James M. Denham (study completed);



“Tampa Before the Civil War”; “Biography of John J. Dickson,” with David J. Coles; “Founding of the AME Church in Florida”; “Biography of William H. Kendrick”; “Biographical Directory of the Florida Legislature, 1821-1920” (continuing studies).

*University of Alabama at Birmingham*

Raymond A. Mohl (faculty)– “Jews, Blacks, and the Civil Rights Movement in Miami, 1945-1960”; “Sunshine State/Sunbelt City: Essays on Modern Florida History”; “Shadows in the Sunshine: A History of Race Relations in Miami, 1896-1996”; (publications forthcoming); “Black Baseball in Florida” (continuing study).

*University of Central Florida*

Matthew DePollo– “Gender and the Florida Frontier in the Nineteenth Century” (master’s thesis in progress).

Jeff Frederick– “Jimmy Carter and the Gubernatorial Elections of 1966 and 1970” (master’s thesis in progress).

Kari Frederickson (faculty)– “Working-class Women in Orlando, 1920 to the present” (continuing study).

Bradley Keeler– “The Dixie Highway in Florida” (master’s thesis in progress).

Victoria Ott– “The Florida State League of Women Voters” (master’s thesis in progress).

*University of Florida*

James C. Clark– “The 1950 Florida Senatorial Primary Between Claude Pepper and George Smathers” (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).

David R. Colburn (faculty)– “A History of the Tosewood Episode of 1923,” with Maxine Jones, Larry Rivers, and Thomas Dye (continuing study).

Larry Odzak– “Odysseys to America: The Origins and Growth of Greek-American Communities in the Southern United States” (continuing study); “‘Demetrios is Now Jimmy’: Greek Immigrants in the Southern United States” (Ph.D. dissertation 1997).

Susan R. Parker– “Economic Relations in Eighteenth-Century Spanish Florida (Ph.D. dissertation in progress).

*University of Miami*

Greg Bush— Community oral history projects in East Little Havana, South Miami, Homestead and Miami; “The Miami Arena and the Culture of Spectacle”; and “Documentary History of Florida” (continuing studies).

*University of Pennsylvania*

Edward E. Baptist— “Creating the Old South: The Plantation Frontier in Jackson and Leon Counties, Florida, 1821-60” (Ph.D. dissertation completed); “Accidental Ethnographies in an Antebellum Southern Newspaper: Snell’s Homecoming Festival” (publication forthcoming); “Florida Plantation Records Revisited: Additional Documents From El Destino and Chemonie Plantations”; “‘All That Is Good I Do Set Down and Throw the Rest Away’: Nancy Cone Hagan and White Community on the Cotton Frontier”; “The Slaves’ Migration”; “Politics in Territorial Florida: Faction and Ideology” (continuing studies)

*University of South Florida*

Nell Abrams— “Florida’s Net Ban Controversy” (continuing study).

Raymond O. Arsenault (faculty)— “Censorship in Modern Florida” (study completed); “A History of St. Petersburg, 1950-Present” (continuing study).

Ellen Babb— “Women in Pinellas County, 1940-1975” (continuing study).

Ruth Mary Bauer— “History of Sarasota” (master’s thesis in progress).

Evan Bennett— “Race Relations in Late Nineteenth Century Florida” (master’s thesis in progress).

Gerard Breslin— “Race and the St. Petersburg Police Department, 1945-1997” (Honors Program thesis in progress),

David Bruce— “The Desegregation of Intercollegiate Athletics in the State of Florida” (Honors Program thesis completed); “An Environmental History of the Crystal River Nuclear Power Plant” (continuing study).

Lynne Campbell— “A History of the Florida Lottery” (Honors Program thesis in progress).

- Naomi Chance– “A History of Sanibel Island” (master’s thesis in progress).
- Sheila Cohen– “Race, Gender, and Lynching in Florida” (master’s thesis in progress).
- Richard R. Deutsch– “A House Divided: The Early Jewish Community of Tampa” (master’s thesis in progress).
- Karen Dimon– “The Anti-Smoking Movement in Florida” (Honors Program thesis in progress).
- Gary Garrett– “The Impossible Highway: A Social History of the Tamiami Trail” (master’s thesis completed).
- Amy Goodden– “Judge James Sanderlin and the Civil Rights Movement in Pinellas County” (Honors Program thesis in progress).
- Stephanie Holder– “An Environmental History of Ft. DeSoto” (Honors Program thesis in progress).
- Thomas Honsa– “The Desegregation of the Florida National Guard” (honors program thesis in progress).
- Robert Ingalls (faculty)– “The Red Scare in Tampa” (completed).
- Melissa Keller– “Prevention: The Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County, 1946-1996” (master’s thesis completed).
- Gail Miller– “The 231st Transportation Company (Pinellas County) and the Vietnam War” (honors program thesis in progress).
- Donna Millott– “Race, Women, and Education in Tampa” (master’s thesis in progress).
- Geoffrey Mohlman– “Bibliography of Resources Concerning the African American Presence in Tampa” (master’s thesis completed).
- Gary R. Mormino (faculty)– “Florida and World War II” (book-length manuscript) and “A Social History of Florida” (continuing study).
- Maura Reedy– “Busing and School Desegregation in Pinellas County, 1971-1997” (honors program thesis in progress).
- Barry Reese– “The Murder of Guy Bradley and the Plume Wars of South Florida” (master’s thesis in progress).
- Platon Rigos (faculty)– “Tampa Bay Politics” (research in progress).
- Patrick Riordan (faculty)– “The Formation of Seminole Identity” and “Native American History in Colonial Lower South” (continuing research).

James A. Schnur— “Cold Warriors in the Sunshine: The Johns Committee’s Assault on Civil Liberties, 1956-1965” (master’s thesis completed).

Chris Sterner— “History of Eckerd (Florida Presbyterian) College” (continuing study).

Ana Varela-Lago— “La Retaguardia de Tampa: Latins and the Spanish Civil War” (master’s thesis completed).

William Watson— “Florida’s Great Freeze and the Citrus Industry” (master’s thesis in progress).

Brent Weisman (faculty)— “Archaeological-Historical Profile of Anclote Key”; “Survey of Tampa’s Afro-Cuban Community and Buffalo Soldier Site”; “Pioneer Settlement Site at Rookery Bay” (continuing study).

Nancy White (faculty)— “Native Americans in Northwest Florida” (continuing study).

*University of West Florida*

William S. Coker (emeritus faculty)— “A History of Sacred Heart Hospital, Pensacola, 1919-1995” (published); “An Illustrated History of Panzacola, 1559-1821,” with Tim Banfell (research in progress).

Jane E. Dysart (faculty)— “Indians in Colonial Pensacola” (continuing study).

*Valdosta State University*

Fred Lamar Pearson Jr. (faculty)— “Spanish-Indian Relations in La Florida” (continuing study).

*Vanderbilt University*

Jane Landers (faculty)— “In Consideration of Her Enormous Crime: Rape and Infanticide in Spanish St. Augustine”; “The French Revolution on Spain’s Northern Colonial Frontier: Rebellion and Royalism in Spanish Florida”; and “Africans in the Spanish Colonies” (published); “Across the Southern Border: Black Society in Spanish Florida” (publication forthcoming); “Female Conflict and Its Resolution in Eighteenth-Century St. Augustine” (research in progress).

*Independent Scholars, Researchers, Consultants, and Local Historians*

Christopher E. Linsin— “The Relentlessly Young: A First Generation Retires to Florida” (publication forthcoming).