LOCATED ON INDIANA UNIVERSITY’S BLOOMINGTON CAMPUS, the historic Raintree House (also known as the Millen House) has been the OAH headquarters since 1970. Built in 1845, the house is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.
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We continue an upward trajectory made possible by committed leadership, sound management, and a vital and productive OAH membership.

I am pleased to report to members and friends of the Organization of American Historians that we continue an upward trajectory made possible by committed leadership, sound management, and a vital and productive membership.

Thanks to staff, board, and member support, the association is in prime position to explore and implement innovative, creative approaches to ensuring that current and prospective members find in OAH a welcoming, professional home among colleagues and peers. During FY 2013-14, OAH achieved a number of successes.

— The 2013 Annual Meeting in Atlanta had record numbers, with more than 400 papers submitted, 232 sessions, 1,871 attendees. Registration for the April event grew by eight percent compared to 2012-13.

— For the fifth consecutive year, OAH ended its fiscal reporting period with a financial surplus.

— The 2013-14 election closed February 1 with a record number of votes. In fact, it was the largest participation rate since we began keeping voting records 11 years ago. The data indicate 1,820 members (27.8 percent) voted compared to 1,760 members (or 25.6 percent) during the previous year. The turnout was good, especially since the average voting rate among members of professional associations is 24 percent.

— On national issues, OAH members worked closely with the National Coalition of History to participate in legislative deliberations and actions related to the National Women’s History Museum. Our voices were heard regarding composition of the museum’s board and in a case for U.S. Department of Education support for history and civic programs through supplemental grants. To ensure OAH leadership continues to be apprised of opportunities for engagement in emerging issues and debates in Washington, the OAH Executive Board established a new Government & Research Committee.

— OAH programs and projects have many dimensions. Work with the National Park Service (NPS) continues; in the last year, we collaborated on 38 ongoing and 10 new NPS projects. Our international programs in China, Japan, and Germany continue, with renewed support for the Germany residency program. The Jurich Nickliss Prize for the best book in women’s and/or gender studies was established, as was the President’s Travel Fund to help graduate students and recent PhD recipients attend the OAH Annual Meeting.

— Slowed by the demise of Teaching American History grants, OAH’s Distinguished Lectureship Program is recovering. Lecturers gave presentations in 28 states.
Activities and achievements are a direct match to OAH’s mission, which is to promote excellence in the scholarship, teaching, and presentation of American history and encourage wide discussion of historical questions and equitable treatment of all practitioners of history.

— Although OAH membership had increased over the past several years, there was a slight decline in 2013–14. As a result, the executive board and staff are exploring new ways to develop and implement fresh approaches to member recruitment and retention.

— Development of the Career COACH (Creating Opportunities for Advancing our Community of Historians)* Web pages, combined with past OAH President Albert Camarillo’s initiative to encourage sponsored memberships for students, helped grow student membership from 922 to 1,029, an 11.6 percent increase. In recognition of this achievement, OAH was awarded the Innovative Membership Program award by the Indiana Society of Association Executives (ISAE) at its annual STAR Awards program in December.

— Having an effective, engaging Web presence is vital for retaining existing members and recruiting new ones. A project to redesign and redevelop the oah.org Web site resulted in a 19.82 percent increase in unique page views (up from 91,113 to 109,174) and a 36 percent increase in individual page views (up from 297,738 to 404,957).

— A key retention effort resulted in an initiative to create a new magazine focusing on membership’s professional needs. After careful deliberation, the OAH Magazine of History ceased publication. Responding to market research showing a significant number of members placed great value on an OAH magazine, the executive board entered into deliberations for a successor publication. A new concept was conceived, with a prototype of The American Historian magazine making its debut at the Atlanta convention in April.

— OAH’s The Journal of American History continues to deliver a high level of excellence in every issue, providing a foundation for intellectual discovery and community among American historians. It is received by members in 62 countries. Some articles received national press attention. In addition, negotiations with Oxford University Press on a more favorable contract were completed.

— OAH marketing efforts continue to focus on the value of being an OAH member, including several new benefits, like discounts on JSTOR’s individual JPASS, stays at Historic Hotels of America®, and on many Oxford University Press products.

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With your help, we can position OAH as a valued, mutually beneficial community of American historians for many years into the future. Let us know your thoughts regarding how we should pursue that goal. I hope you’ll help us brainstorm—individually, in committees, and in groups—about ways OAH can remain a strong and robust community of those who share a deep and intense commitment to the understanding of American history. We welcome your ideas!
Our members have enjoyed deep connections with like-minded individuals who are passionate about American history for decades.

We hear a lot about the ever-evolving world of social media these days as the number of social media channels continues to grow. What do sites like Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Pinterest, Google+, tumblr, Instagram, flickr, Vine, Tagged, and others have in common? Facilitating individual and collective connections between you and your current, former, and potential colleagues, acquaintances, and friends of the OAH.

When I think about professional connections, it’s clear OAH members have enjoyed deep connections with like-minded individuals passionate about American history for decades. Certainly, that was the case long before 2004, when a bright Harvard sophomore named Mark Zuckerberg launched what would become known around the world as “Facebook” (an effort that has made him worth an estimated $33 billion and the 16th richest person in the world).

Ultimately, many of our members have become personal friends—even family—through long-standing affiliations with the OAH. In that regard, the value of the association has not changed.

— In 2013–14, we explored new ways to build and strengthen connections by ensuring members like you view OAH as a valuable resource. Through a new Web-based OAH members portal, our online membership directory has proven to be a convenient, streamlined source for connecting with colleagues.

— The entire oah.org site remains a work in progress, with plans for new and improved features to be added over the coming year, like more teaching resources, blogs, and community-building tools.

— Looking ahead, we plan to pursue new opportunities to hear from you about what’s most important to you as a member, including feedback about OAH publications like The American Historian. What types of information and articles are most useful and interesting to you? How can we improve other member services and benefits?

— Programs in China, Japan and Germany will continue to bring U.S. scholars in contact with international scholars from around the world. Value-added member benefits, like the OAH awards program, will enable members to collectively recognize the work of distinguished scholars as well as up-and-coming graduate students and history researchers.

— How will we continue building strong connections? We will rely on consistent, strategic utilization of existing OAH tools and communication channels like the Web site, a variety of print and digital publications, educational programs and lectures,
of those who participated in the “Freedom Summer” 50 years ago.

We are also grateful to Alexandra M. Nickliss, a long-time OAH member who generously endowed a new OAH prize for the best book in women’s and/or gender studies. The inaugural recipient will be announced during our 2015 Annual Meeting in St. Louis.

Thank you for staying connected to OAH. Thanks, too, for helping keep the association strong by renewing your membership and helping us attract new members, including young scholars who bring fresh perspectives to the profession. Through your research, you are enhancing the understanding of American history.
FINANCIAL OVERVIEW
Treasurer’s Report & Audited Statements
JAY GOODGOLD

OAH ended FY 2013–14 with operating revenues of $2,780,416 and expenses of $2,778,313, resulting in a small surplus that helps position the organization for a balanced budget as it enters FY 2014–15. These figures do not include contributions made to prize funds or gross revenues from National Park Service projects. Staff continue to perform excellent work within budget constraints to further the OAH mission.

PUBLICATIONS
The Journal of American History (JAH)
A significant enhancement of our relationship with Oxford University Press (OUP) has been finalized and a new five-year contract signed.

— The contract calls for an increase in our profit-sharing agreement by one percent. While this amount may seem relatively small, the leverage of an increased subscription base, which is Oxford’s goal, should yield a greater increase in OAH revenue beyond that amount.

— The guaranteed minimum payment from OUP will also increase, augmenting OAH cash flow and giving OUP an added incentive to increase sales in subscriptions and advertising.

— Overall, this renewed contract is an important step forward for both organizations as we expand digitally and internationally. Oxford continues to send OAH staff monthly updates on key subscription data and revenue trends.

— Ensuring the continued excellence of the Journal of American History remains OAH’s top priority and all critical financial resources are allocated to journal operations. The Journal’s financial position remains solid and FY 2013–14 revenues of $1.08 million were on track with annual budget projections. Expenses were

— Overall, the Journal remains fiscally responsible. The new five-year OUP agreement will facilitate continued expansion of the Journal’s reach.

The American Historian (TAH)
The magazine’s financial goals remain on target with projections.

— Revenue from its first year of operation was slightly better than anticipated due to expenses that were less than expected.

— An important aspect of the magazine’s potential is the ability to garner advertising revenue to offset production expense. The magazine’s preview issue contained almost $3,000 in paid advertising. We will continue to explore

Staff continue to perform excellent work within budget constraints to further the OAH mission.
Over the past several years, there has been an increase in prize fund assets to slightly over $700,000. While OAH has realized capital appreciation for its prize money, the creation of the Montgomery, Merrill, and President’s Travel Funds has had a major impact on the fund’s overall asset base. As noted earlier, OAH receives $5,000 from Oxford University Press for unrestricted prize fund use. These monies go to prize funds that individually may be temporarily unable to award monies to annual recipients. In summary, OAH’s financial ability to support the journal and other mission-critical programs is solid. Although there are several budgetary issues we will continue to monitor—including The American Historian’s ability to grow the membership base, Oxford’s work with our subscription base, and upward trends with the NPS and DLP, we continue to expect balanced operating budgets moving forward.

ANNUAL MEETING
The 2014 Atlanta meeting yielded a noticeable improvement in profitability and financial results with an overall net surplus of $108,369.

— In large part, the change in utilizing conference venues in less costly metropolitan areas was an important factor in this result. Success in Milwaukee (2013 meeting), along with reduced hotel costs in Atlanta and financial support from the OAH President’s Travel Fund for Emerging Historians and the Samuel and Marion Merrill Graduate Student Travel Grants, were also important factors for a financially successful 2014 annual meeting.

— Upcoming annual meetings in St. Louis (2015), Providence (2016) and New Orleans (2017) should give us additional data on our mid-sized city focus.

DEVELOPMENT
OAH fundraising efforts remain close to target goals as $94,000 in contributions was received in the past year.

WAYS FOR MAXIMIZING THIS IMPORTANT SOURCE OF OAH REVENUE
Support from The History Channel also helped subsidize publication of the magazine.

Programs
Over the past few years, challenges regarding the National Park Service and OAH collaboration and the Distinguished Lectureship Program were reported. Thanks to the hard work and efficiency of OAH staff, however, in addition to membership support, both programs saw improved operations in FY 2013–14.

National Park Service (NPS)
— OAH realized a significant increase in net NPS revenue for a total of $116,332, which equates to a 41 percent increase over initial revenue projections of $80,000. Increased revenue and reduced expenses changed a projected loss of $24,000 into a surplus of $21,040 as of June 30.

— There is a backlog of over $1.9 million in outstanding projects. We anticipate revenue of $137,000 for FY 2014–15. While encouraging, the organization must remember individual payment schedules vary considerably and results cannot be extrapolated. Most importantly, the momentum of current and future NPS projects is moving in the right direction.

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The program faced challenges in FY 2013–14 due, in part, to the elimination of Teaching American History Grants. Generating more than $85,000 in revenue, the program operated at a net deficit of -$13,500 despite improvements in revenues and expenses over initial projections.

— Observations of the U.S. Civil War sesquicentennial continue to be a strong market for OAH lecture speakers.

— OAH staff are expanding the program’s reach to include new markets such as genealogical societies and community organizations. Interest from OAH members, along with the continued support from current program participants, demonstrates good promise for the future of the program.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT

Board of Directors
The Organization of American Historians
Bloomington, Indiana

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Organization of American Historians (Organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2014 and 2013, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management’s Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor’s Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor’s judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity’s preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity’s internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Organization of American Historians as of June 30, 2014 and 2013, and the changes in their net assets and their cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Indianapolis, Indiana
October 30, 2014

Crowe Horwath LLP
Independent Member Crowe Horwath International
# Financial Statements

FOR FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 2014 AND JUNE 30, 2013

These pages document highlights from Crowe Horwath’s annual independent audit of the Organization of American Historians. For a complete copy of OAH financial statements prepared by Crowe Horwath over the past two years, please contact us.
## Financial Statements

### FOR FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 2014 AND JUNE 30, 2013

### ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN HISTORIANS

**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

Year ended June 30, 2013

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<th>REVENUES</th>
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<td>85,042</td>
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<td>Lectureship revenue</td>
<td>98,850</td>
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<td>44,321</td>
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<td>207,889</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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<td><strong>Net assets released from restrictions (Note 8)</strong></td>
<td>122,718</td>
<td>(122,718)</td>
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<td><strong>Total revenues</strong></td>
<td>3,119,114</td>
<td>42,826</td>
<td>48,820</td>
<td>3,210,760</td>
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### EXPENSES

Program services:
- Journal of American History | $1,000,098 | - | - | $1,000,098 |
- Other publications | 106,260 | - | - | 106,260 |
- Meetings and conferences | 390,297 | - | - | 390,297 |
- Programmatic committees | 123,399 | - | - | 123,399 |
- Liaison/advocacy | 48,104 | - | - | 48,104 |
- Collaborative projects | 568,178 | - | - | 568,178 |
- Scholars grant programs | 48,221 | - | - | 48,221 |
- Membership services | 333,667 | - | - | 333,667 |
- Other | 36,413 | - | - | 36,413 |
| **Total program services** | 2,652,637 | - | - | 2,652,637 |

Supporting services:
- Management and general | 469,420 | - | - | 469,420 |
- Fundraising | 43,842 | - | - | 43,842 |
| **Total supporting services** | 513,062 | - | - | 513,062 |
| **Total expenses** | 3,165,699 | - | - | 3,165,699 |

### Change in net assets
- (46,585) | 42,826 | 48,820 | 45,061 |

### Net assets at beginning of year
- 878,503 | 383,647 | 258,451 | 1,500,601 |

### Net assets at end of year
- $831,918 | $406,473 | $307,271 | $1,545,662 |

### ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN HISTORIANS

**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

Years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013

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<th>2014</th>
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<td>$45,061</td>
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<td>Depreciation</td>
<td>22,117</td>
<td>10,680</td>
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<td>Net unrealized gain on investments</td>
<td>(104,451)</td>
<td>(130,730)</td>
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<td>Contributions restricted for long-term investment</td>
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<td>(48,820)</td>
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<td>Other receivables</td>
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<td>Other assets</td>
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<td>Due to Oxford University Press</td>
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<td>Accounts payable and accrued expenses</td>
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<td>Net cash from operating activities</td>
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<td>(40,048)</td>
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<td>Purchase of fixed assets</td>
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<td>(59,790)</td>
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<td>Purchases of investments</td>
<td>(77,233)</td>
<td>(76,265)</td>
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<td>Sales and maturities of investments</td>
<td>80,140</td>
<td>113,305</td>
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<td>Net cash from investing activities</td>
<td>(99,066)</td>
<td>(22,750)</td>
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<th>Cash flows from financing activities</th>
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<td>Proceeds from contributions restricted for long-term investment</td>
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<td>48,820</td>
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<td>Net cash from financing activities</td>
<td>1,050</td>
<td>48,820</td>
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| Net change in cash and cash equivalents | 33,468 | (13,978) |

| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year | 208,790 | 222,768 |

| Cash and cash equivalents at end of year | $242,278 | $208,790 |

Supplemental cash flows information:
- In-kind contributions | $537,900 | $537,900 |
MEMBERSHIP OVERVIEW
Renewal, Recruitment & Benefits

As of June 30, the 2014 OAH membership was 7,399 individuals strong, a decrease of 5.6 percent compared to the same time last year. Retention was also down slightly, with a rate of 76.83 percent compared to 80 percent in 2013.

It is important to note this decrease was due primarily to the elimination of the OAH Magazine of History, which appealed to educators, and the temporary elimination of the educator category of membership. For FY 2014–15, we expect higher than average renewal rates and, with the introduction of The American Historian (TAH), are experiencing an increase in new memberships. All indications, therefore, are that membership numbers will be up substantially during the next annual reporting period.

RENEWAL
The renewal and recruitment campaign began in August, with an e-mail to all members reminding them of the value of membership and encouraging them to renew or join. The campaign totaled nine “touches” or reminders: three distributed via U.S. mail and six by e-mail.

RECRUITMENT
Direct-mail postcards were sent to history educator members and those receiving the OAH Magazine of History over the past six years offering them a complimentary copy of the new TAH. To date, 31 former members requested a copy and there have been two rejoiners. After the December grace period, lapsed members received personal phone calls to remind them of OAH benefits. Non-renewing members received an exit survey in February to collect feedback about their membership experience.

GOALS
Looking toward FY 2014–15, these goals were set:

— Achieve a retention rate of at least 80 percent.
— Grow membership to replace members not retained.
— Work toward a total of 8,000 OAH members.

OTHER ACTIONS
In collaboration with OAH’s Meetings Department, changes in how annual meeting participants register and confirm their attendance were implemented. By including a speaker agreement, we significantly decreased the number of participants who failed to join the organization, which was previously required to present during the meeting. As of Jan. 1, all membership duties returned in-house to OAH staff.
BENEFITS
In FY 2013–14, two new OAH benefits were added and two existing ones were updated.

— Beginning in June, the Journal of American History is now available as a downloadable eBook through the Web-based OAH member services portal.

— The debut issue of The American Historian was mailed in August to all U.S. members, even those who elected to receive electronic publications. It is available in PDF and eBook formats.

— Process changes were made to ACLS humanities eBook subscriptions in order to keep them concurrent with the OAH membership cycle. Members could purchase subscriptions between May and October 31, with the subscription becoming active in November.

— Due to low member utilization rates, the OAH subscription to the premium content from Versatile PhD was discontinued. Moving forward, OAH will update and expand its Web-based OAH Career COACH (Creating Opportunities for Advancing our Community of Historians)* with additional history-specific career information and resources.

Additional benefits and resources for members, included:

— News in American history Web page on oah.org listing funding sources, post-doctoral and fellowship programs, and other industry news.

— Podcasts and audio and video recordings.

— Teaching tools such as:
  ▪ The Civil War at 150.
  ▪ U.S. history teaching units.
  ▪ Online supplemental companion material from the Journal authors called “Textbooks and Teaching.”

Why Join the OAH?

Our benefits will help you be a more productive and effective student, teacher, researcher, historian, archivist, and citizen.

— MEMBERS-ONLY PUBLICATIONS. Exclusive access to the Journal of American History, the leading scholarly publication in the field of American history for more than 80 years; The American Historian magazine with a broad focus on topics of interest to members including contemporary debates about public history; the OAH Outlook, a quarterly print newsletter; and OAH Update, a monthly e-newsletter.

— ANNUAL MEETING. Four days of networking featuring the latest in teaching and research resources and technologies, hundreds of educational sessions and workshops, thought-provoking plenary sessions, exhibitors and publishers, city tours, and more.

— ONLINE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY. A secure system to locate colleagues by specialty area and geographic location.

— CAREER RESOURCES. The OAH Career COACH* is an online resource with job listings, links to employment sources, and more.

— TEACHING TOOLS & RESOURCES. Online tools, travel grants, and other resources for secondary and post-secondary teachers. Includes Recent Scholarship Online (RSO) database access. Individual JSTOR subscriptions are also available. Complimentary online subscriptions to Oxford English Dictionary.

— PROFESSIONAL DISCOUNTS. Members-only discounts on OAH annual meeting registration, JPASS access, The Chronicle of Higher Education, Historic Hotels of America®, Community College Humanities Association, American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) Humanities eBook access, group-rate insurance programs, and books and online subscriptions from Oxford University Press.
PROGRAMS OVERVIEW

Distinguished Lectureship Program

The high-quality member (and nonmember) programs and resources offered by OAH continue to be well-regarded and strong. In FY 2013-14, the largest and most established were the Distinguished Lectureship Program, National Park Service Collaboration and the International Residency Program.

DISTINGUISHED LECTURESHIP PROGRAM

Since 1981, the program has served as the OAH speakers bureau for educational outreach and engagement. It also contributes a valuable and steady non-dues source of revenue to the OAH general operating fund.

In FY 2013–14, 70 OAH lectures hosted by colleges, universities, historical societies, museums, libraries, and other groups were delivered to audiences in 28 states. Highlights include:

— Keynote addresses at the annual conferences of the Federation of Genealogical Societies and Historic Hotels of America.

— Teacher workshops in Arizona, Georgia, and New York.

— A community discussion sponsored by the Jewish Community Center of Greater Kansas City in conjunction with a production of "To Kill a Mockingbird."

CIVIL WAR SESQUICENTENNIAL

As the 150th anniversary of the U.S. Civil War continues to be observed, the program experienced steady demand for Civil War historians. A total of 14 lectures were presented at locations including:

— Beloit College
— Boca Grande Community Center in Florida
— Midway Village Museum in Illinois
— New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park
— A graduate student conference at Virginia Tech
— A public history symposium at the University of Virginia’s College at Wise

VIDEO LECTURES

OAH continues to make videos of selected lectures available on the OAH YouTube Channel. Of the 27 videos currently available, the most-watched are:

— Lincoln, the Civil War, and the Constitution
  Mark Neeley, Minnesota History Center, March 2012
  Over 1,500 views

— The Civil War in American Memory
  David Blight, Minnesota History Center, March 2013
  Over 1,100 views

— The Rise of Conservatism in Modern America
  Bruce Schulman, Indiana University, March 2011
  Over 900 views
National Park Service (NPS) Collaboration

Projects completed through OAH’s successful 20-year partnership with the National Park Service (NPS) generally vary in scope of work and duration of timeframe. In general, they tend to fall into the general categories of primary research, historical synthesis, peer review, professional development, and consulting.

In FY 2013–14, OAH collaborated with NPS on 38 ongoing projects, which included ten new agreements:

— Harriet Tubman National Monument Scholar Roundtable
— Illinois and Michigan Canal National Historic Landmark (NHL) Study
— National Latino Theme Study NHL Phase II
— National Asian and Pacific Islander Theme Study Phase II
— Manzanar National Historic Site Administrative History
— National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Grants Project
— Washington National NHL Program Phase II
— Lincoln Home National Historic Site Exhibit Renewal
— Catoctin Mountain National Historic Park Oral History Project
— Saratoga National Historical Park Historic Resource Study

Details about the nature of the OAH and NPS partnership, a complete list of current projects, and a cumulative list of all projects completed in the OAH and NPS partnership are posted on oah.org.

Catoctin Mountain includes nearly 6,000 acres of second-growth hardwood forest thanks to contingents of WPA and CCC workers who were charged with rehabilitating the area in the late 1930s for future recreational use.

Photo courtesy of National Park Service, Catoctin Mountain Park, Maryland.
International Residency Programs

OAH’s international residency programs did well in 2013–14 thanks to support from donors.

CHINA
The Ford Foundation provided a three-year grant to OAH and the American History Research Association of China (AHRAC) to establish a teaching seminar each year in June. The 2014 seminars were held at the American Studies Center at Beijing Foreign Studies University in the People’s Republic of China.

The U.S. recipients were:
— Jon Butler
  Yale University/University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

The Chinese recipients were:
— Yu Dong
  Nankai University
  Hosted at Harvard University
— Li Li
  Xiamen University
  Hosted at Princeton University
— Shi Qinghuan
  Liaoning University
  Hosted at American University

GERMANY
Funded by a grant from the Fritz Thyssen Foundation, the Germany program enables one U.S. historian to spend four weeks teaching an advanced undergraduate/graduate student seminar at the University of Tübingen. Reports indicate the program is a great success and is very popular with students.

The 2014 recipient was:
— Steve Estes
  Sonoma State University

JAPAN
Since 1997, the Japan-United States Friendship Commission has provided a joint grant to the OAH and the Japanese Association for American Studies enabling two U.S. historians to spend two weeks at Japanese universities giving lectures, attending seminars, and advising students and researchers interested in American history. The 2014 recipients were:
— Grace Elizabeth Hale
  University of Virginia
  Hosted by Tokyo Metropolitan University to discuss U.S. cultural history
— Amy Sueyoshi
  San Francisco State University
  Hosted by the University of the Ryukyus to discuss Asian American history and the history of sexuality

The grant also covered the conference and travel expenses for three Japanese graduate students studying in the U.S. to attend the OAH Annual Meeting. They were:
— Ayako F. Hiramatsu
  Johns Hopkins University
— Masaki Komori
  Temple University
— Shuichi Wanibuchi
  Harvard University
PUBLICATIONS OVERVIEW:
Journal, Magazines & Newsletters

During FY 2013-14, OAH developed, produced, and distributed four publications:

1. **Journal of American History (JAH)**
   Quarterly scholarly print and digital journal

2. **The American Historian (TAH)***
   Quarterly print magazine

3. **OAH Outlook**
   Quarterly print newsletter

4. **OAH Update**
   Monthly digital newsletter

**JOURNAL OF AMERICAN HISTORY**
Under the direction of Executive Editor Edward T. Linenthal, journal operations continued to be quite successful. Performance data include:

— 242 manuscript submissions and 623 book reviews were received.

— A new department titled “Metagraph: Innovations in Form & Content” was established to feature scholarship combining traditional text with digital content.

— Seven responses were received to a state-of-the-field essay on sports in American history.

— A new five-year contract with Oxford University Press was negotiated for journal production and printing as well as for future eBook issues.

— A special issue titled “Historians and the Carceral State” was scheduled for June 2015.

— Discussions on how to reinvigorate the David Thelen Award (formerly known as the Foreign Language Article Prize) began.

— The popularity of OAH podcasts continues to grow, with the most reliable available data indicating JAH has 2,100 podcast subscribers. The most popular 2013 titles and the numbers of those who accessed them are:

1. **The Reexamination of the Cuban Missile Crisis**
   7,851 downloads

2. **The World with Us: The State of American Environmental History**
   7,511 downloads

3. **Imperiled Promise: The State of History in the National Park Service**
   6,255 downloads

4. **Moving Beyond ‘Rags-to-Riches’: New York’s Irish Famine Immigrants and their Surprising Savings Accounts**
   4,891 downloads

5. **Why Mass Incarceration Matters: Rethinking Crisis, Decline, and Transformation in Post-War American History**
   4,891 downloads

*Note: The American Historian replaced the OAH Magazine of History during this reporting period.
THE AMERICAN HISTORIAN (TAH)

After 25 years, the OAH Magazine of History was discontinued. To better meet the changing needs, evolving interests, and teaching styles of OAH members, the new and more contemporary TAH made its debut.

Editor William Gillis developed a TAH mock-up and prospectus. A ten-member editorial board (plus three non-voting members) was appointed.

— An 800-circulation preview issue containing ten paid advertisements (more than the final four issues of the old magazine combined) was distributed at the 2014 Annual Meeting. The Donica Group was named TAH’s advertising sales representative of record.

— The quarterly TAH will be published in February, May, August, and November of 2015.

NEWSLETTERS

Both newsletters are produced by staff in the membership department.

— The monthly OAH Update e-newsletter performed well, with open rates averaging nearly 39 percent. Marketing experts vary on the best benchmarking measures for e-newsletters in the field of education, but most cite open rates ranging from 20 to 26 percent as being successful.

— Content in the quarterly print newsletter, OAH Outlook, continues to be well-received.
MEETING OVERVIEW:
2014 Annual Meeting in Atlanta

The 2014 OAH Annual Meeting in Atlanta, held April 10-13, was one of the largest in recent history, with blocks of 21 sessions held daily, a range of plenary sessions, new programming offerings, special performances, receptions, and other functions.

“Crossing Borders,” was the conference theme developed by Alan Kraut, OAH president, along with programming committee chairs Rosemarie Zagarri and Bruce Schulman. Participants explored various complexities surrounding the U.S., a nation peopled by conquest, annexation, and multicultural migration of those who crossed borders. The focus was not necessarily related to geographic separation by rivers, mountains, or seas, but rather sociopolitical constructions of race, ethnicity, class, and gender over the years.

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS
Outcomes included:

— An eight percent increase in paid registrations compared to 2013.

— More than 400 full-session and single-paper proposals were evaluated, resulting in a final program delivering 232 sessions and a number of networking and social events, meal functions, and city tours.

Two new conference offerings were established:

1. THATCamp included a full day of exploring the digital humanities.

2. The “Hey, I Know Your Work” Mentorship Program joined 28 mentors with 34 mentees for coffee and conversation.

Two plenary sessions were held:

1. 1964 at 50: Remembering and Reassessing the Mississippi Summer Project joined project veterans to reflect on the history, lessons learned, and legacy. The session was followed with a performance of a one-man play titled “To Begin the World Over Again: The Life of Thomas Paine.”

2. Historians and Their Publics was followed by a powerful performance from the Albany Civil Rights Institute Singers (founded by original SNCC Freedom Singer Rutha Harris). We thank the Georgia Humanities Council for sponsoring the performance.

EXHIBITORS
More than 60 publishing, university press, and digital service providers purchased exhibit hall booths. The exhibit area featured its first-ever museum display, which included information on the Tuskegee Airmen and a showcase of Georgia State University (GSU) student projects.

SPONSORS
Universities, history departments, publishers, and organizations sponsored the meeting. The largest sponsors were HISTORY®, Oxford University Press, and Bedford/St. Martin’s.
Another initiative during the 2014 meeting was to provide opportunities for service committees and affiliate organizations to solicit sessions and host special events, including endorsements for specific sessions identified as being of particular interest to their special interest groups.

Participants included:
- Agricultural History Society
- American Jewish Historical Society
- College Board
- Coordinating Council for Women in History
- Economic History Association
- Immigration and Ethnic History Society
- Labor and Working-Class History Association (LAWCHA)
- OAH Committee on Public History
- OAH Committee on Community Colleges
- OAH Committee on the Status of LGBTQ Historians and Histories
- OAH Committee on the Status of Women in the Historical Profession
- OAH Committee on National Park Service Collaboration
- OAH Committee on the status of African American Latino/a, Asian American, and Native American (ALANA) Historians and ALANA Histories
- OAH Committee on Disability and Disability History
- OAH-JAAS Japan Historians Collaborative Committee
- OAH Committee on Teaching
- OAH International Committee
- OAH Membership Committee
- Oral History Association
- Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations
- Society for Historians of the Early American Republic
- Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era

Imperiled Promise: The State of History in the National Park Service, a book written by an OAH study team, made its debut at the 2011 Annual Meeting. The group examined historical activities among NPS employees, including history-related preservation, research, compliance, and interpretative work. Pictured above are the book’s authors, who included Anne Mitchell Whisnant (chair of the team), Marla Miller, and David Thelen. The fourth author, Gary Nash, is not pictured.
AWARDS, GRANTS & PRIZES:
Recognizing Achievement in American history

Each year, OAH sponsors or co-sponsors awards, prizes, fellowships and grants to recognize scholarly and professional achievements in American history. It also facilitates delivery of awards and prizes made possible through the generous support from other friends of American history. Awards and prizes are presented each year during the OAH Annual Meeting.

AWARDS

Distinguished members and friends of OAH are often honored with awards given in their names to thank and honor them for their achievements and contributions. In FY 2013–14, OAH made awards to 28 recipients.

Erik Barnouw Award
Outstanding programming on television or documentary film concerned with American history, the study of American history, and/or the promotion of American history.
— Honor & Sacrifice: The Roy Matsumoto Story
Lucy Ostrander and Don Sellers, Producers
Stourwater Pictures

Binkley-Stephenson Award
Best scholarly article appearing in the Journal of American History during the preceding calendar year.
— “Citizens of Nowhere: Fugitive Slaves and Free African Americans in Mexico, 1833–1857” (September 2013)
Sarah E. Cornell, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Avery O. Craven Award
Most original book on events leading to the U.S. Civil War, the Civil War years, or the Era of Reconstruction, except for those works covering purely military history.
— A Misplaced Massacre: Struggling over the Memory of Sand Creek
(Harvard University Press)
Ari Kelman, University of California, Davis

Honorable mentions were awarded to:
— Remembering the Civil War: Reunion and the Limits of Reconciliation (University of North Carolina Press)
Caroline E. Janney, Purdue University

Merle Curti Award
Best books published in American intellectual history and American social history.
— The Problem of Democracy in the Age of Slavery: Garrisonian Abolitionists and Transatlantic Reform (LSU Press)
W. Caleb McDaniel, Rice University

— The Internal Enemy: Slavery and War in Virginia, 1772–1832 (WW. Norton & Company)
Alan Taylor, University of Virginia

Walter Johnson, Harvard University

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Friend of History Award
Recognition of an institution, organization, or individual working primarily outside higher education for outstanding support of historical research, public presentation of American history, or OAH business.
— Stephen A. Briganti, President and Chief Executive Officer
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Ellis W. Hawley Prize
Best book-length historical study of U.S. political economy, politics, or institutions in domestic or international affairs from the Civil War to the present.
(Oxford University Press)
Kate Brown, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

John Higham Travel Grants*
Three grants of $500 for attending the joint OAH and Immigration & Ethnic History Society (IEHS) Annual Meeting were presented thanks to generous support from William L. and Carol B. Joyce.
Brandon Kyle Gauthier, Fordham University
— “The Ninth Proviso and the Origins of Braceroism”
Israel Pastrana, University of California, San Diego
Kristina K. Shull, University of California, Irvine

Huggins-Quarles Award
Funding for up to two PhD students of color to defray travel expenses for dissertation research.
Keisha N. Blain, Princeton University
— “Beets Better than Gold: Labor, Race, Nation, and the Politics of Belonging in the Development of Colorado Agribusiness”
Bernadette Jeanne Pérez, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Darlene Clark Hine Award
Best book on African American women’s and gender history.
— Redefining Rape: Sexual Violence in the Era of Suffrage and Segregation
(Harvard University Press)
Estelle B. Freedman, Stanford University

Lawrence W. Levine Award
Best book on American cultural history.
— At the Edge of Sight: Photography and the Unseen
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Shawn Michelle Smith, School of the Art Institute of Chicago

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Best doctoral dissertation on U.S. women’s history.
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Samuel & Marion Merrill Graduate Student Travel Grants*
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Brian Cuddy, Cornell University
Zackary W. Gardner, Georgetown University

Teresa Barnett,
UCLA Library Center for Oral History Research

Richard W. Leopold Prize
Given every two years for best book on foreign policy, military affairs, historical activities of the federal government, documentary histories, or biography written by a U.S. government historian or federal contract historian.
— The Wars for Asia, 1911–1949
(Cambridge University Press)
S.C.M. Paine, U.S. Naval War College

Liberty Legacy Foundation Award
Best book by a historian on the civil rights struggle from the beginnings of the nation to the present.
(Oxford University Press)
Susan D. Carle, American University

Honorable mention was awarded to:
— Sacred Relics: Pieces of the Past in Nineteenth-Century America
(University of Chicago Press)
Louis Pelzer Memorial Award
Best essay in American history by a graduate student.
Alice L. Baumgartner,
Yale University

James A. Rawley Prize
Book dealing with the history of U.S. race relations.
— The Contested Murder of Latasha Harlins: Justice, Gender, and the Origins of the LA Riots
(Oxford University Press)
Brenda E. Stevenson,
University of California, Los Angeles

Mary K. Bonsteel Tachau Teacher of the Year Award
For contributions made by K–12 teachers to improve history education within the field of American history.
— Little Manila Is in the Heart: The Making of the Filipino American Community in Stockton, California
(Duke University Press)
Dawn Bohulano Mabalon,
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David Montgomery Award
Best book on a topic in American labor and working-class history, with co-sponsorship by the Labor and Working-Class History Association (LAWCHA). New award beginning in 2014.
— Freedom’s Frontier: California and the Struggle over Unfree Labor, Emancipation and Reconstruction (University of North Carolina Press)
Stacey L. Smith,
Oregon State University

Frederick Jackson Turner Award
For an author’s first scholarly book dealing with some aspect of American history.
— Standing on Common Ground: The Making of a Sunbelt Borderland
(Harvard University Press)
Geraldo L. Cadava,
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