Dear TOHA Friends: See below for news concerning
★ upcoming events and deadlines
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UPCOMING EVENTS 2014

Saturday, March 8, 2014, 10:30 a.m. to Noon
TOHA JOINT SESSION WITH TEXAS STATE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION
Executive Salon 5, Wyndham Riverwalk Hotel, San Antonio, TX
“Education as Community Service: Voices of Black Women Community Leaders”
Lynn Burlbaw, chair and commentator
Linda J. Black, “Informal Education and Female Leadership: A Historical Study of the Life of Christia Daniels Adair”
Early registration for TSHA continues until February 3. Schedule, registration, and hotel on information available at https://tshasecurepay.com/annual-meeting/.

Saturday, April 5, 2014, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
TOHA THIRD ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX
Hosted by SFA’s Department of History, with support from the East Texas Historical Association
Program chair: Eric Gruver
Papers and panels highlighting some of the state’s best and most interesting oral history projects
Presentation of the Hendrickson Award for Best Journal Article
Award luncheon honoring Lois E. Myers with the Charlton Lifetime Achievement Award

April 9 & 16, 2014, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
GETTING STARTED WITH ORAL HISTORY
Online, interactive oral history workshop offered by Baylor University Institute for Oral History
Six hours of instruction on two consecutive Wednesdays, access to a host of useful resources
Cost: $75.00

DEADLINES FAST APPROACHING

January 17, 2014
BAYLOR COMMUNITY ORAL HISTORY GRANT APPLICATIONS
An annual grant up to $2,500 to support a Texas nonprofit group’s oral history research
For information and application, visit www.baylor.edu/oralhistory.

January 20, 2014
ORAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING PROPOSALS
Madison, Wisconsin, October 8-12, 2014
“Oral History in Motion: Movements, Transformations, and the Power of Story”
TOHA’S BARNES COMMUNITY HISTORY AWARD NOMINATIONS

Committee members: Perky Beisel, Jaclyn Jeffrey, and Lynn Burlbaw
See the TOHA community awards page at http://www.baylor.edu/toha/index.php?id=29362 for details.

JOB OPENING AT BAYLOR UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE FOR ORAL HISTORY:

Baylor University Institute for Oral History invites applications for the position of Oral History Senior Editor and Collection Manager, a full-time, non-tenure track, research faculty position to begin as early as June 1, 2014. Founded by Baylor University in 1970, the Institute for Oral History is a nationally recognized research program in oral history methodology. To learn about our scholarship, collections, and initiatives, visit http://www.baylor.edu/oralhistory.

POSITION: Oral History Senior Editor and Collection Manager
QUALIFICATIONS: Master's degree in humanities, social sciences, or appropriate interdisciplinary field
RESPONSIBILITIES: As the Institute’s primary editor, this position manages processing of oral history interview recordings for preservation and access, including supervision of editorial staff, administration of the Institute’s database, creation of metadata, supervision of transcribing, auditing, abstracting, and editing of transcripts, and coordination of access services for transcripts and recordings. The Senior Editor and Collection Manager also monitors, evaluates, and implements technology strategies and oversees the digitization of analog recordings.
In addition, the position assists the Director with planning and administering research projects, grant proposal writing, and special programming and publications. The successful candidate will be an active participant in professional development through research, professional presentations, training workshops, and publications on topics related to the areas of responsibility and through attendance and active memberships in the Oral History Association and Texas Oral History Association.
RANK AND SALARY: Commensurate with experience and qualifications.
SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. To ensure full consideration, complete applications must be submitted by 02/21/2014.
APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Please submit a letter of application, current curriculum vitae, transcripts, and letters of recommendation from three individuals. Submit all materials electronically to http://apply.interfolio.com/24217.

Chartered in 1845 by the Republic of Texas, Baylor University is the oldest university in Texas and the world’s largest Baptist University. Baylor’s mission is to educate men and women for worldwide leadership and service by integrating academic excellence and Christian commitment within a caring community. Baylor is actively recruiting new faculty with a strong commitment to the classroom and an equally strong commitment to discovering new knowledge as Baylor aspires to become a top tier research university while reaffirming and strengthening its distinctive Christian mission as described in http://www.baylor.edu/profuturis/. Baylor is a Baptist university affiliated with the Baptist General Convention of Texas. As an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity employer, Baylor encourages minorities, women, veterans, and persons with disabilities to apply.

SOUND HISTORIAN, VOLUME 15, COMING SOON

Volume 15 (2013) of Sound Historian is in the proofing stage. Look for it in the mail soon!

CALL FOR IDEAS: BOOK SERIES ON PRACTICING ORAL HISTORY

Nancy MacKay invites you to submit manuscripts and ideas for books for a new Left Coast Press book series called Practicing Oral History. Books will deal with the practice of oral history within various professional communities, such as Oral History for Educators; or within special interest communities, such as Doing Oral History with Immigrants. See submission guidelines below. Nancy writes, “I'd love to hear from people with just an idea and motivation to write -- doesn't have to be fully formed.”
Nancy, who lives in Berkeley, California, has been a TOHA member since 2006. She considers Texas her second home because her two sons and their families live in Austin. A lecturer in the School of Library and Information Sciences at San Jose State, Nancy has produced several significant contributions to the field of oral history, including the Community Oral History Toolkit and Curating Oral History. Learn more about her work at http://slisapps.sjsu.edu/facultypages/view.php?fac=mackayn.

LEFT COAST PRESS PRACTICING ORAL HISTORY SERIES PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

See these official Left Coast Press proposal guidelines at http://www.lcoastpress.com/prospective_authors.php

Length: 3-5 pages, not including writing sample or C/V.
Description: Make a case for your book idea and tell us why it is needed. Include a chapter outline and 1-2 paragraphs summarizing the topic. Describe the general presentation – narrative, case studies, step by step, etc.
Book structure: describe length, charts, illustrations, and any other production features you’d like to include.
Audience: Who will be the primary and secondary reading audience?
Existing literature: In other words, your book’s competition. Mention similar books by name, and tell why your book will be different, or better.
Timeframe: Include date for first draft, and date for final draft. Be sure to give yourself ample time.
Your qualifications: Include a C/V and one paragraph about why you are qualified to write this book.
Writing sample: Preferably a sample chapter from the book or another piece you have written on the subject.

Send as email attachment to nancymackay@gmail.com. Please type “Left Coast Press Book Proposal” in the subject line.

TOHA ACTIVE @ EAST TEXAS HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION SPRING MEETING

TOHA members will be highly visible at the upcoming ETHA spring meeting, February 20-22, in Emory, TX. Many of us are active in ETHA as officers, directors, or committee members, including Perky Beisel, L. Patrick Hughes, Cynthia Beeman, Kyle Wilkison, JoAnn Stiles, Beverly Rowe, Michael Botson, Milton Jordan, and Jonathan Gerland. Scott Sosebee is the organization’s executive director. At the 2014 spring meeting, Patrick Cox will preside at a session on “Writing the History of Texas,” with a panel including two TOHA lifetime achievement awardees, Ken Hendrickson and Dan Utley. Rebecca Sharpless will preside at a session titled “Civilizers and Preservers: East Texas Women and their Cultures,” which includes a paper by TOHA board member Kay Mizell. Rebecca will also present a paper in a women’s history session “Citizens and Traitors: Unionist Women in Texas Respond to Secession.” TOHA Lifetime Achiever Jim Conrad, who serves on the ETHA program committee, will present a paper on “Freedom Colonies in East Texas.”

Learn more about the meeting at http://easttexashistorical.org/v3/events/springmeeting.htm.

RENEWAL TIME IS HERE!

Renewal notices went out in December. Your prompt response to renew for 2014 is greatly appreciated. If you have questions about your membership or need a renewal form, please contact Lois Myers at lois_myers@baylor.edu or call her at 254.710.6285.

LIKE TOHA ON FACEBOOK

TOHA board member Steven Sielaff has volunteered to keep us all in touch through the TOHA Facebook page. To keep updated, share your news, and network through TOHA, visit www.facebook.com/TexasOralHistoryAssociation.

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Networking with other oral historians is a vital function of TOHA membership. Please send your oral history news and announcements to toha@baylor.edu.