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Welcome! After a long hiatus, the Department of History Newsletter is back. And it’s better than ever because the internet was invented while we were away. :) Now, we can send information far and wide, keeping current students, alumni, retired faculty, and others well informed about our activities and achievements. As you will see from what follows below, History at Baylor is thriving. In addition to the great work the department has always done turning out well-rounded B.A. and M.A. students, we are now producing Ph.D. graduates who are taking positions in history departments across the country. Meanwhile, our faculty offer a wider range of course topics than ever before, all the while churning out books and articles that shape the scholarship in the fields of their expertise. Our students see the world through Study Abroad, and compete across the country in Phi Alpha Theta research paper contests and MOAS. We host top scholars for our Edmondson Lectures, Women’s History Month, and Black History Month, and this semester had a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist lecture on religion in China. We’re teaching history, promoting history, and writing history.

I think you’ll agree, Lights Shine Bright in the Baylor University Department of History. Stay in touch and drop by when you can.

Dr. Barry Hankins
Chair, Department of History
Professor of History

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THE CORNER

UPCOMING EVENTS & DEADLINES

Fall 2018

October — November
Baylor Registration for Spring 2019 courses

1-3 November
Baylor Homecoming
On Saturday, watch the parade outside Carroll Library with history faculty, students, alumni, and families!

27 November
Phi Alpha Theta New Member Induction Ceremony
PAT members & history faculty invited! Tidwell 205, 5:30pm

1 December
Applications Due for Baylor History M.A. and Ph.D. Programs

Spring 2019

February (date TBA)
Black History Month Annual Lecture

1 February — 8 March
Accepting Applications for History Dept. Undergraduate Scholarships

14 February
Phi Alpha Theta Spring Book Sale, Tidwell Lobby

February — March
Current History Majors Vote for History Professor for Robert Reid Award for Outstanding Teaching

21 March
Women’s History Month Annual Lecture

April (date TBA)
Phi Alpha Theta Applications Due

6 April
Premiere Day at Baylor for Prospective Students

April (date TBA)
Baylor Green & Gold Weekend
Events & Snapshots from Fall 2018!

History Majors & Minors
Baylor History Undergraduate Program

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Undergraduate Program Update

As a result of the 2008 recession, the number of students majoring in History at Baylor declined precipitously from a high of 235 in the 1990s to under 100. These declines were not unique to our department but rather indicative of a national slide in the discipline. In short, in economic hard times, fewer students (or their parents) believe that a major in history will pay the bills. I am pleased to report that in the past five years, our numbers have been creeping up and this fall stand at 125. In addition, another 69 students have chosen history as a minor. But we are not satisfied with these numbers. Department chair Barry Hankins has set an ambitious goal of 250 history majors by 2020 and has a committee headed up by Dr. Julie deGraffenried to develop a marketing campaign designed to carve out a higher profile for our department on campus in an effort to reach our lofty goals. They call themselves "The Dream Team," and already this fall we are reaping the benefits of their energy and creativity.

In addition, the History Department (again with Dr. deGraffenried doing most of the heavy lifting) succeeded in having a new course HIS 1300: The United States in Global Perspective added as a requirement for virtually all students in the College of Arts and Sciences beginning in Fall 2019. Previously, we have lost the opportunity to teach significant numbers of students, either because they transferred in survey-level history credits through Advanced Placement or Dual Credit courses, or they were in degree programs that allowed them to opt out of history. We believe that offering multiple sections of this course each semester as part of the College's revised core curriculum will give our talented teaching faculty a greater opportunity to remind students how exciting the study of history is. We anticipate many conversions to the history major or minor in the semesters to come and will keep you posted in future newsletters.

Finally, we will soon be trotting out two 15-hour concentrations in Women’s and Gender History and Military History for majors, minors, and any other eager undergraduates. The first of these options was initially spearheaded by Dr. Beth Allison Barr, while the second has been the handiwork of Drs. Jules Sweet and David A. Smith.

These are but a few of the exciting happenings in the Department of History. We would also love to know what our alumni are up to, so be in touch.

Dr. James M. SoRelle
Undergraduate Program Director

Check out our Spring 2019 Courses Brochure!
www.baylor.edu/historycoursedescriptions

Spring 2019 History Courses
Student Spotlight:
David Marchese, Baylor in Washington, D.C. Internship

Class of 2019
Major: History
Minors: Political Science and Legal Reasoning & Analysis

This semester I am partaking in the inaugural Baylor in Washington D.C. Semester Program. I am currently interning at the U.S. Department of Justice in the Voting Section of the Civil Rights Division. I am conducting legal and factual research regarding ongoing administrative reviews, investigations, and litigation. Furthermore, I am assisting in election monitoring coverage. The Voting Section has enforcement responsibility for the Voting Rights Act of 1965, the Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act of 1984, the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act of 1986, the National Voter Registration Act of 1993, the Help America Vote Act of 2002, and certain civil provisions of the Civil Rights Acts that relate to voting. To carry out its mission, the Section brings lawsuits against states, counties, cities, and other jurisdictions to remedy denials and abridgments of the right to vote.

Student Spotlight:
Amelia Tidwell, Baylor in Austria & Baylor in Great Britain Study Abroad Programs

Class of 2021
Major: History & Political Science
Minor: German

I studied abroad twice with Baylor, taking all history classes both trips. In 2017 I joined the Baylor in Austria program in the beautiful town of Salzburg. Even though the program was catered to music majors, there were two history classes that worked with my major and were particularly interesting to me—I got to study modern world history and learn about Hitler and the Holocaust IN AUSTRIA. No matter what class you’re in, it was a small group so everyone took excursions together. We had a variety of trips, from a sobering visit to Mauthausen to the breathtaking scenery of the Salzkammergut to the excitement of seeing the Vienna Philharmonic live, and I got

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Students Spotlights: Continued

Amelia Tidwell, Baylor in Austria & Baylor in Great Britain

to enjoy my music-major peers break out in Sound of Music songs every time we stumbled upon a location from the movie. We also got a long travel weekend in which we were able to do whatever we wanted. I toured Dachau, then lightened the rest of my weekend by traveling Bavaria and visiting every castle built by the Fairytale King, Ludwig II. To top it off at the end, we got to learn how to make Apfelstrudel from an Austrian chef! Austria was a magical place filled with incredible food, wonderful people (and you can stay in a host home with them!), and jaw-dropping views. And our class schedule was perfectly designed for spending afternoons touring our little towns and nearby places. I highly recommend this trip!

Baylor in Great Britain was a different experience, since we were based out of the heart of London and stayed in dorms. The UK is a place packed with history though, and I got to tromp around the countryside learning about medieval castles for one history credit and I took a readings course on ancient world history for the other. This trip has a ton to offer, and it’s hard to fit it all in! There are three planned travel weekends, and I went to the one in Prague—the city is spectacular! My other two free weekends I took trips to see friends, one to drive around the coast of Scotland (a must-see) and the other to the Isle of Man in the Irish Sea (it’s gorgeous!). Again, you have free afternoons to go where you please and train and subway passes to get you there. I suggest you make a list of places all over the UK to visit, but plenty of people stuck to the city as there is no shortage of things to do there!

Whether you’re needing classes for your major, core classes, or just something for an elective credit, studying abroad is an incredible way to spend your summer and take care of those credits at the same time. It doesn’t matter if the program seems perfectly catered to you—get in touch with the program directors to find out what sort of trips they do, what credits can work for you, and take advantage of the chance to travel every day and explore this beautiful world!
History Majors & Minors
Scholarships & Opportunities

History Department
Scholarships Available!

Applications accepted between February 1 and March 8, 2019 for 2019/2020 scholarships:
www.baylor.edu/history/scholarships

Congratulations to our 2018/2019 Scholarship Winners!

David F. Marchese
George Michael Stuart Scholarship in History

Kyle Martin
Kevin Hal-Reynolds Scholarship

Samantha Baham
Lavonia Jenkins-Barnes Endowed Scholarship

Madison Fernandez
John M. Roberts Scholarship

April Love
James W. Vardaman History Scholarship

Andrea Parker
Gene and Mary Richardson Endowed Scholarship Fund in Honor of Dr. James and Elizabeth Vardaman

Andrew Pritchard, Ryan Reynolds, Amelia Tidwell, and Parker Wooden
Guittard-Verlander-Voegtle Endowed Scholarship Fund in History

Study Abroad!

History majors and minors can take history, electives, and other courses abroad! Baylor has several Baylor Bears Abroad programs and is partnered with many others — check out the list at: www.bearsabroad.baylor.edu.

Plus, several of our faculty are currently involved in study abroad programs including Baylor in St. Andrews, Argentina, Austria, Maastricht, and Great Britain!

History Majors & Minors, have you done an internship, studied abroad, presented at a conference, or are working on a history honors thesis? Let us know! Contact the Department of History at Emily_Leavitt@Baylor.edu.

We want to hear about and share your stories!
Phi Alpha Theta Snapshots from Fall 2018!

Top: Phi Alpha Theta Grad School Panel feat. Anabel Burke, MA Student, with Drs. Barish, Sweet, and Poor (p.c. Emily Leavitt)

Middle: 1) Dr. David Smith moderating the Q & A with Ken Burns at the Beall Russell Lecture Series in the Humanities (p.c. Julie deGraffenried) 2) PAT hosted Movie Monday and Ken Burns Movie Marathon in preparation for the Ken Burns lecture.

Bottom: 1) Phi Alpha Theta Fall Book Sale and 2) Dr. deGraffenried and Anabel Burke (p.c. Emily Leavitt).
The Tau Beta Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta at Baylor plays an active role in the Department of History, serving as a history honors society for academic excellence and as a leadership organization. Phi Alpha Theta hosts a number of events during the year and offers opportunities for professional development and academic support with conferences and PAT scholarships. This fall, in conjunction with filmmaker Ken Burns’ Beall-Russell lecture at Baylor in October, PAT hosted a Ken Burns Movie Marathon in Tidwell and sponsored his “Defying the Nazis: The Sharps’ War” at the Waco Hippodrome for Movie Mondays.

**Interested in joining?** Membership requirements include having a 3.3 GPA in 12 completed hours of history credit and a 3.0 GPA overall (you do not have to be a history major or minor to apply!). Graduate students applying must have a 3.5 GPA in History and completed 30% of residence requirements for their degree. We generally count BIC courses as well as three hours of any AP or transfer credit towards the 12 hours.

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Learn more about Phi Alpha Theta here:

**Baylor Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta**
www.baylor.edu/history/phialphatheta

**National Organization Phi Alpha Theta**
www.phialphatheta.org

**27 November, 2018**
Phi Alpha Theta New Member Induction Ceremony
PAT members & history faculty invited!
Tidwell 205, 5:30pm
Fall 2018

MOAS update

Baylor’s Model Organization of American States (MOAS) is 1 - 3 hours of History or Political Science credit that involves learning about Latin America and representing as a team a country at a MOAS conference with anywhere from 10-40 schools from across the U.S. and the globe. This fall’s team will be competing at the ESMOAS Program Academic Conference on November 1 - 3, 2018 in San Marcos, TX and representing Haiti, Jamaica, and the Dominican Republic!

Interested in learning more about MOAS? Contact Dr. Joan Supplee, faculty advisor.

History Majors in the McNair Scholars Program

This year marks the first cohort of the McNair Scholars Program at Baylor, and we’re proud of our history majors and faculty mentors involved in the program! The McNair Scholars Program “helps prepare low-income, first generation and other underrepresented students in acquiring the knowledge, skills and capacities necessary to successfully navigate a path to a Ph.D. program following graduation from Baylor.” Find out more about the McNair Scholars Program here: www.baylor.edu/mcnairscholars. History majors include Ryan Reynolds, Kaleigh Reid and Bella Mahler and faculty mentors include Drs. Stephen Sloan, Andrea Turpin and Bracy Hill.
Class of 2018

Congratulations to our
Spring/Summer 2018 History Major Graduates!

Sahir Amlani
Carlton Barnett
Robert Beaton
Jeffrey Cavanaugh
Matthew Cloud
Sarah Davis
Ashtyn Dewalt
Antonio Dominguez
Jillian Elolf
Levi Gilcrease
Nathaniel Hamilton
Abby Harris

Catherine Kimball
Taylor Kniphfer
Michael Lopez
Angus Marshall
Jack McAfee
Ryan McGary
John Merritt
Mark Miller
Memona Niazi
Preston Paul
Spencer Pirnik
Christian Simpson

Alumni Spotlight: Taylor Kniphfer

Taylor Kniphfer is a Ph.D. student in history at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. He graduated from Baylor with a B.A. in History (2018).

What is a favorite memory from your time as an undergraduate?
“My favorite memory has to be the first time I met Dr. Jeff Hamilton in November 2013. This was while I was still looking at colleges and I came to Baylor to meet Dr. Hamilton, who was the chair of the Department of History at the time. The conversation I had with him was the most captivating I had yet had in my life and it was what convinced me—along with Baylor’s commitment to Christian education, the people at Baylor, and the beauty of the campus—that Baylor was where I needed to be. Therefore, though it was technically before the official start of my undergraduate career, it is my favorite memory because it made all the other memories possible. Few memories from Baylor could be dearer to me... though the four months spent studying abroad in Aix-en-Provence, France are up there as well.”

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How did you get interested in history and museum studies?
“ My interest in history dates back to high school and AP European History. Our teacher, Nathan Barber, really brought the class alive and sparked everyone’s interest in history. Majoring in history at Baylor was fulfilling in many ways. The history major taught me to think, write, and read critically, which are lifelong skills that never leave a person. American History in the 1960s, taught by Dr. SoRelle, is the class that has stayed with me the most. The politics and worldwide events of the sixties have a bearing on our current lives, and with Lyndon Johnson having some influence in Bell County, the class has become even more relevant. Baylor’s Masters in Museum Studies program was a good fit for me after graduation. The program has a good reputation for giving students a holistic museum degree, which I appreciate. Faculty like Dr. Julie Holcomb and Dr. Kenneth Hafertepe, both stalwarts in the museum field, really encourage student growth and development throughout the program. I would advise students to consider majoring in history for several reasons. First, learning to think, write, and read critically are lifelong skills that apply to any job post-graduation. Second, contrary to popular belief, there are a wide range of options for history students after graduation. For all students, I encourage you to persevere through challenges big and small. If you practice perseverance in the small things, you will persevere through big things, as well.”

How has studying history at Baylor helped prepare you for graduate school? What advice would you give to students interested in grad school?
“ Baylor helped me tremendously in my preparation for graduate school. It was at Baylor where I first learned how “to do” history in a sense of developing a hypothesis and using evidence to test it. It was also at Baylor that I learned how to master the historiography of particular subjects as well as how to best find and collect the research needed to produce works of scholarship. Above all, it was at Baylor that I learned a maxim which I think applies to every historian: the beauty of being a historian is spending one’s time among other historians, whether at conferences or just grabbing a coffee one day on campus.”
“My advice for those seeking to pursue graduate school is this: only go if it fires your interest. Graduate school is difficult and I can tell you I’ve already had many long days. But if it is a subject that you cannot take your mind away from, then go after it. You owe it to yourself. Just be prepared for those long days and nights, though they will be worth it in the end.”

What is your area of research/what are you currently studying?
“My area of research is Medieval Britain, primarily England, during what is termed the long fourteenth century (1272-1422). I study the political history of the period, primarily the influence of kingship and certain kings on both government and the country at large. I also study the nobility, warfare, and the social and legal aspects of the period.”

What are your post-graduate school aspirations?
“My greatest aspiration is to become a Professor of History on a tenure track position at a university, where I will be able to publish, teach, and attend academic conferences.”

What was your favorite history class at Baylor?
“The Reign of Edward II, 1307-1327 with Dr. Jeff Hamilton.”
History M.A. & Ph.D.
Baylor History Graduate Program

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Graduate Program Update

As Graduate Program Director in History, I am so pleased to tell you about the success of our program. From outstanding faculty to outstanding graduate students, our PhD in history is quickly becoming a top graduate program. Our first 6 PhD graduates received 12 job offers and currently all are placed in academic positions. We are probably the only History PhD program currently to boast a 100% placement rate! Collectively last year our students, both MA and PhD, presented 28 conference papers, published 14 articles, and won 21 grants and fellowships—including 3 national fellowships. We are so thankful for the support our graduate program has received from our history alums and look forward to a very bright future.

Dr. Beth Allison Barr
Graduate Program Director

Find out more about our graduate programs at:
www.baylor.edu/history/graduateprograms

M.A. and Ph.D. Applications for the 2019/2020 academic year are due December 1, 2018.

Baylor History graduate students and faculty at the Conference on Faith and History, October 4 - 6, 2018, in Grand Rapids, MI.
Recent Ph.D. placements across the United States.

Our 2018 and 2017 Ph.D. graduates are currently working in full-time faculty positions at colleges and universities.

**Timothy Grundmeier**
Martin Luther College (New Ulm, MN)
Dept. of History
Full-Time Faculty Member

**Elise Leal**
Whitworth University (Spokane, WA)
Assistant Professor of Early American History

**Lynnette Miller**
Anderson University (Anderson, SC)
Assistant Professor of European History

**Paul Putz**
Messiah College (Mechanicsburg, PA)
Lecturer in History

**Brendan Payne**
North Greenville University (Tigerville, SC)
Chair of Humanities Program & Visiting Assistant Professor of History

**Nicholas Pruitt**
Eastern Nazarene College (Quincy, MA)
Chair of Humanities Program

**Scott Anderson**
The University of Mary-Hardin Baylor (Belton, TX)
Adjunct Professor of History

**Jacob Hiserman**
The University of Alabama (Tuscaloosa, AL)
Ph.D. Student
Dept. of History

**Benjamin Leavitt**
Baylor University
Ph.D. Student
Dept. of History

**Anna (Redhair) Wells**
Baylor University
Ph.D. Student
Dept. of Religion

Our 2018 M.A. graduates are pursuing Ph.D. studies or are teaching history at the college level.

**Recent Placements**
Welcome, Dr. Robert Elder!

Dr. Robert Elder joined our Department of History faculty this fall semester. He previously taught at Valparaiso University (IN) and Tabor College (KN) and graduated from Emory University (GA) with his Ph.D. and Clemson University (SC) with his M.A. and B.A.. We asked him a few questions about how he became interested in history and teaching.

How did you get interested in history?
“I grew up in Wichita, Kansas, but my father is from Chattanooga, Tennessee. I realized from very early on that there was something different about the way I was being raised (saying “Yes sir” and “Yes ma’am” for instance) compared to my other midwestern friends. I knew that those differences were somehow related to my father growing up in a place that had a different culture and a different history. I ended up going to college in the South partly to explore that difference. When I got to college in South Carolina I was fascinated by the way that history was just in the air, and by how much people cared about it, how they were willing even to fight about it! You could still clearly see the marks of history, particularly slavery and the Civil War.”

What is your area of research?
“My research focuses on the American South from about 1800 to 1860, encompassing basically the period between the Revolution and the Civil War. I’m interested in the cultural, intellectual, and religious history of the South, in particular the South’s transition to modernity. My first book examines the relationship between honor culture and evangelical Christianity in the South, looking at the ways that the language, structure, and practices of evangelical Christianity, which is often understood as a modern and individualistic form of religious expression, translated to an honor-shame culture rooted in older, communal understandings of human identity. My next book, the one I’m currently working on, is an intellectual and cultural biography of John C. Calhoun, the South Carolina Senator who laid the constitutional groundwork for southern secession and who also infamously defended slavery as a ‘positive good.’”

What was the most helpful advice you have received and would like to pass on?
“Well, you don’t end up with a Ph.D. in history by following good advice. But the good advice I regularly hear, and just as regularly fail to follow, is to get off social media because it’s harmful to our individual and societal well-being. I agree, and I’ve even tried it, but it didn’t take (see first point above).”

What is your favorite part about teaching?
“The students! I think one of my favorite experiences in the world is to dig into a really good book with a group of students and hear what they made of the reading. I learn something (almost) every time, and that’s not just a trite platitude. I take the responsibility of selecting readings in my discussion-oriented courses quite seriously. I try to select books that are great examples of historical as well as literary craft and then get out of their way and let the books do most of the work while I serve as a guide or curator to keep us on track. I also really enjoy survey classes. I like lecturing, but definitely not because I like hearing myself talk! I do think there’s a reason that the lecture has been as durable as it has in the history of higher education. A good lecture combines narrative, argument, and anecdote in the same way that good writing does. And like a good sermon, a lecture is both a public but also a deceptively private form of communication. It hits different listeners with different degrees of knowledge, experience, and interest in different ways. That makes it really efficient, as well. The flipside of all this is that I have a somewhat irrational loathing for group work,”

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but that’s probably just the result of being an introvert who was forced to do group work often in college.”

Any other interesting or fun facts we should know?
“My wife, Catherine, and I have four children (two boys, two girls, ages 9, 8, 5, and 2). This means that at the moment I have no hobbies, although I used to go fly fishing quite often. I spent a couple summers in college in New Mexico fishing, something I can’t quite comprehend now. I also grew up in Kansas hunting pheasant. My brothers and I still go every winter.”


History Faculty News

Highlights on awards, presentations, and publications by our faculty this semester!

Congratulations to Dr. Thomas S. Kidd, who is the first James Vardaman Endowed Professor of History, which honors Prof. James Vardaman who passed away earlier this year. Prof. Vardaman taught history at Baylor for over 30 years, and was a beloved professor and Master Teacher. Dr. Kidd is also a Distinguished Professor of History, the Associate Director of the Institute for Studies of Religion, and specializes in early American history and American religious history.

Dr. George Gawrych, Professor of History, published a chapter in the Army University Press series Into the Breach: Large-Scale Combat Operations vol. 6 entitled “Egyptian Engineers: Linchpin in the Suez Canal Crossing Operation of 6 October 1973.” Dr. Gawrych specializes in the Modern Middle East, Islamic World, Late Ottoman Empire, and Modern Military History.

Dr. David A. Smith, Senior Lecturer in History, is frequently featured on the radio series “David and the Arts” on KWBU 103.3 and The Peter Boyles Show, 710 KNUS. Dr. Smith specializes in U.S. History, Military History, and U.S. Presidents.

Dr. Jacqueline-Bethel Mougoué, Assistant Professor of African History, published an article entitled “Gender and (Militarized) Secessionist Movements in Africa: An African Feminist’s Reflections” in the academic journal, Meridians: Feminism, Race, Transnationalism Vol. 17, Issue 2 (Fall 2018): 338-358. Dr. Mougoué also presented “‘When Women Wear Slacks’: Gender and Embodied Nationalism in Cameroon” at the University of Michigan DAAS Africa Workshop on October 9. Dr. Mougoué specializes in women’s and gender history and modern Africa.

Dr. Philip Jenkins, Distinguished Professor of History and Co-Director of the Historical Studies Program in the Institute for Studies of Religion, presented at the Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture on October 25 on “Climate History and the Remaking of Christianity.” Dr. Jenkins also regularly posts on Patheos and other blogs. Dr. Jenkins specializes in 20th century U.S. history and global Christianity.

Dr. Daniel Barish, Assistant Professor of East Asian History, published an article entitled “Empress Dowager Cixi’s Imperial Pedagogy: The School for Female Nobles and New Visions of Authority in Early Twentieth Century China,” in the academic journal, Nan Nu: Men, Women, and Gender in China, Volume 20, Issue 2 (Fall 2018): 256-284. Dr. Barish was also the Program Coordinator for the 2018 Southwest Conference on Asian Studies, hosted at Baylor University on October 19 - 20, and specializes in Late Imperial China, Modern China and Modern Japan.

Several of our faculty presented at the Conference on Faith and History at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan on Oct. 4 - 6, including Dr. Elesha Coffman, Dr. Andrea L. Turpin, Dr. Daniel Watkins, and Dr. Beth Allison Barr, who was the Presidential Plenary Speaker.


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Congratulations to **Dr. Stephen Sloan**, Associate Professor of History and Director of the Baylor Institute for Oral History, for his oral history interview project “Survivors of Genocide” which received the 2018 Elizabeth B. Mason award from the Oral History Association. This initiative includes video oral histories of fourteen survivors of genocide in Bosnia, Cambodia, Darfur, and Rwanda/Burundi that now reside in the state of Texas. The web exhibit for the project can be viewed here: www.baylor.edu/oralhistory/survivors. Dr. Sloan specializes in recent U.S. history and oral history.

**Dr. Julie deGraffenried**, Associate Professor of History, **Dr. Joan Supplee**, the Ralph L. and Bessie Mae Lynn Professor of History, and **Dr. Daniel Watkins**, Assistant Professor of History, attended the 2018 American Historical Association Texas Conference for teaching Introductory History Courses on September 28-29. Dr. deGraffenried specializes in modern Russia, history of childhood and children’s history, visual culture, and childhood and war. Dr. Supplee specializes in Modern Latin America. Dr. Watkins specializes in Early Modern and Modern France, Catholicism, Catholic Missionaries, Intellectual History, and Cultural History.

**Dr. James SoRelle**, Professor of History and Undergraduate Program Director, presented a paper entitled "Getting on the Bus: The Civil Rights Movement and Student Engagement Beyond the Classroom" at the 4th Quadrennial Race & Pedagogy National Conference at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Washington, on September 28. Dr. SoRelle specializes in African American History, 20th Century U.S. History, and Urban American History.

**Dr. Julie Anne Sweet**, Professor of History, presented on Deborah Sampson, a Continental Army soldier during the American Revolution (1760-1827) in Baylor’s Boundary Breaking Women panel on September 13. Dr. Sweet specializes in the American Revolution, military history, and Native American history.

Congratulations to **Dr. Beth Allison Barr**, Associate Professor of History and Graduate Program Director, who was named a 2018 Baylor Centennial Professor and who recently became a Faculty-in-Residence for the Allen/Dawson Halls on campus. Dr. Barr also won the regional September “Of the Month” award for Institutional Faculty/Staff by the National Residence Hall Honorary. Dr. Barr specializes in European Women, Medieval & Early Modern England and Church History.

**Dr. Joseph Stubenrauch**, Associate Professor of History, is currently in Scotland directing the Baylor in St. Andrews Program this fall! Dr. Stubenrauch specializes in Modern Britain, Cultural History, and Evangelicalism.

Dr. Stubenrauch with his daughter, Pip, in Scotland.
Guittard Book Award for Historical Scholarship

Dr. Thomas S. Kidd
2017 award winner

Benjamin Franklin: The Religious Life of a Founding Father
Yale University Press, 2017

Guittard Book Award for Historical Scholarship

Congratulations to Dr. Thomas S. Kidd, the 2017 Guittard Book Award for Historical Scholarship Winner for his book, Benjamin Franklin: The Religious Life of a Founding Father (Yale University Press, 2017).

A dinner reception was held in Dr. Kidd’s honor on Monday, October 29, 2018. The recipients of the graduate Guittard Fellowships and the undergraduate Guittard-Verlander-Voegtle Endowed Scholarships were also recognized.

The Guittard Book Award for Historical Scholarship was established in 2013 to honor the legacy of Dr. Francis Gevrier Guittard, who taught at Baylor University from 1902 until his death in 1950, serving as department chair from 1910 until 1948. This award recognizes a distinguished work of original scholarship in any area of history, written by a current or emeritus member of the faculty of the Baylor Department of History or by any graduate holding a degree in history from Baylor. Book submissions for the 2018 award are due by April 1, 2019.

Find out more information about the book award, Guittard Fellowships and Scholarships, and Prof. Francis Gevrier

Left: Charles Guittard, Mary Guittard Voegtle, and Dr. Tommy Kidd; Right: Amelia Tidwell, Mary Guittard Voegtle, Abigail Higgins, Charles Guittard, and Regina Wenger (p.c. Emily Leavitt).
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