

# TOHA NEWS

## March 2014

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Dear TOHA Friends: See below for news concerning

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### UPCOMING EVENTS 2014

**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.

*Pre-registration is not required for the conference, but reservations for the luncheon must be made by this coming Friday, March 28. E-mail [toha@baylor.edu](mailto:toha@baylor.edu) or call Lois Myers at 254.710.6285 to save your place.*

Program schedule and SFA campus map available at <http://www.baylor.edu/toha/index.php?id=95955>.

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**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.

*Deadline for registration is this Wednesday, March 26.*

Learn more at <http://www.baylor.edu/oralhistory/index.php?id=64470>.

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**May 2-3, 2014**

#### **TEXAS HISTORY DAY**

**Bullock Museum & University of Texas, Austin**

TOHA judges will view documentaries created by junior and senior high school students with significant oral history content and award the best entries. To volunteer as a judge, contact Lois Myers, at [lois\\_myers@baylor.edu](mailto:lois_myers@baylor.edu) or call her at 254.710.6285.

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### NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Stewart Caffey**, TOHA life member and former TOHA board member, sends news that he has published a book recounting stories about the twenty universities he has attended (in addition to his BA and MA degrees) during his long teaching career. Stewart taught in the public schools of Comanche for thirty-one years and enhanced learning in his classes through a model writing program based upon oral history research. His students created and published the results of their oral histories in twelve volumes of *Comanche County*. After retirement, Stewart moved to Abilene, where he continued being active in historic preservation. Now he and his wife live in Lubbock, happily surrounded by children and grandchildren.

Todd Moyer, Director of the **UNT Oral History Program**, University of North Texas, reports that he was contacted by Mr. Phil Hoyt of Tulsa, the son of a retired rice farmer who was (according to Mr. Hoyt) instrumental in the development of that industry on the Gulf Coast, in hopes that he could record an interview with his father, who lives in Lampasas. The UNT Oral History Program does not collect oral histories on the subject of Texas agriculture per se, so they won't be able to do the interview. Is there a program (or a grad student, or someone else) out there for whom this would be a fit? Mr. Hoyt would prefer that the interview end up in a university archive, but he is willing to entertain the possibility of engaging an independent oral historian. If interested, please contact Mr. Hoyt directly at 918-245-7409 (H) or 918-596-9830 (O).

A new book from Oxford University Press titled *Listening on the Edge: Oral History in the Aftermath of Crisis*, co-edited by another TOHA life member brings insight into the latest applications of oral history methodology to international topics of crisis and disaster. Editors Mark Cave and **Stephen M. Sloan**, director of the **Baylor University Institute for Oral History**, provide the framing pieces on the implications for oral history practice evidenced in thirteen focal essays related to oral history projects on crisis and disaster. Essays highlight eyewitnesses of wars, human rights violations, and both man-made and natural disasters in places made well-known by recent headlines, including Bosnia, Rwanda, Ciudad Juárez, Iraq, Afghanistan, New York City, New Orleans, China, and Virginia Tech. Look for this title to become one of the seminal works for oral history research in the twenty-first century.

**Jaelyn L. Jeffrey**, TOHA's first newsletter editor thirty years ago, has retired from teaching anthropology at TAMU-Laredo and returned to her roots in Waco, where she is diving into volunteerism with international organizations that assist the hungry and fight poverty and homelessness. She has reconnected with the **Baylor University Institute for Oral History** and is helping gather interviews on last year's West fertilizer plant explosion. TOHA welcomes her back, too, as a member of our board of directors.

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## **OHA OFFERS SCHOLARSHIPS TO ATTEND 2014 ANNUAL MEETING IN MADISON, WI**

Scholarship deadlines for the Oral History Association's annual meeting October 8-12, 2014, are coming up later this spring. OHA offers an international scholarship, presenter's scholarship, and non-presenter's scholarship. TOHA members who have applied for and received these scholarships in the past found them an excellent way to attend the meeting and become part of the national organization. OHA encourages applications from a diverse group of people who might contribute to the association's annual meeting and welcomes scholarship applications from students, K-12 teachers, community practitioners, and international participants. For more information about the OHA scholarship program, go to: <http://www.oralhistory.org/annual-meeting-scholarships/>

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## **INTERNATIONAL ORAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION MEETING IN BARCELONA IN JULY**

For those interested in attending the IOHA meeting in Barcelona, July 9-12, 2014, the program committee has posted information about registration and accommodations at a new conference website: <http://www.ub.edu/historiaoral.barcelona2014/>.

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## **CFP: EAST TEXAS HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION FALL MEETING**

The East Texas Historical Association invites proposals for papers and sessions for its annual fall meeting to be held in Nacogdoches from October 2-4 on the campus of Stephen F. Austin State University at the Baker Pattillo Student Center. Topics that cover all aspects of East Texas' regional heritage and history receive some preference, but any proposal that deals with Texas history is welcome. The Association prefers the submission of complete sessions (presider and three presenters or presider/commentator and two presenters), but individual submissions are also encouraged.

For session proposals, please include the names, physical addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses of presider/commentator and presenters, along with a session title, titles of presentations or topics, and no more than a one-page summary of each presentation. Individual proposals should also submit individual

information. The Association welcomes innovative formats for sessions, including discussion panels, poster presentations, or forums, as well as traditional paper presentations.

The East Texas Historical Association, headquartered on the campus of Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches, is committed to the preservation and enhancement of East Texas' great historical heritage. For more information visit our website at [easttexashistorical.org](http://easttexashistorical.org). or phone at 936-468-2407.

Deadline for Submission: May 1, 2014. Presenters will be notified of acceptance by June 3, 2014. Please make all submissions electronically. Send proposals to: Program Chair Mary L. Scheer at [mary.scheer@lamar.edu](mailto:mary.scheer@lamar.edu).

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## **SOUND HISTORIAN INVITES REVIEWERS & ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS**

*Sound Historian* features articles on multidisciplinary topics that apply oral history in any appropriate subject, as well as articles on the practice, theory, or application of oral history.

- ★ Book Review Editor Nancy K. Berlage would like to hear from TOHA folks who will commit to reading and reviewing books on oral history topics for the journal. Contact Dr. Berlage at [nkb11@txstate.edu](mailto:nkb11@txstate.edu).
- ★ Editor Dan K. Utley invites your manuscript submissions for future issues of the journal. Article submissions are welcomed from students as well as veteran scholars. Manuscripts should be 15-20 pages, double-spaced throughout, including quotations, footnotes, and works cited. In matters of style, refer to *The Chicago Manual of Style*, 16th Edition.

Submit the original manuscript in a Microsoft Word version as an e-mail attachment and send it to [dkutley@txstate.edu](mailto:dkutley@txstate.edu). The journal editor and members of the editorial board, all experienced Texas oral historians, will then review your manuscript and determine if it is eligible for publication or if it needs additional work. Once the article is accepted for publication, the editor will provide instructions concerning electronic submission of the revised manuscript.

Send e-mail submissions or inquiries to: SOUND HISTORIAN, Dan K. Utley, Editor, Department of History, Texas State University, [dkutley@txstate.edu](mailto:dkutley@txstate.edu). For phone inquiries, call 512/940-0317.

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## **RENEWAL TIME IS NOW!**

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](mailto:lois_myers@baylor.edu) or call here at 254.710.6285.

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