

# TOHA NEWS

## Fall 2014

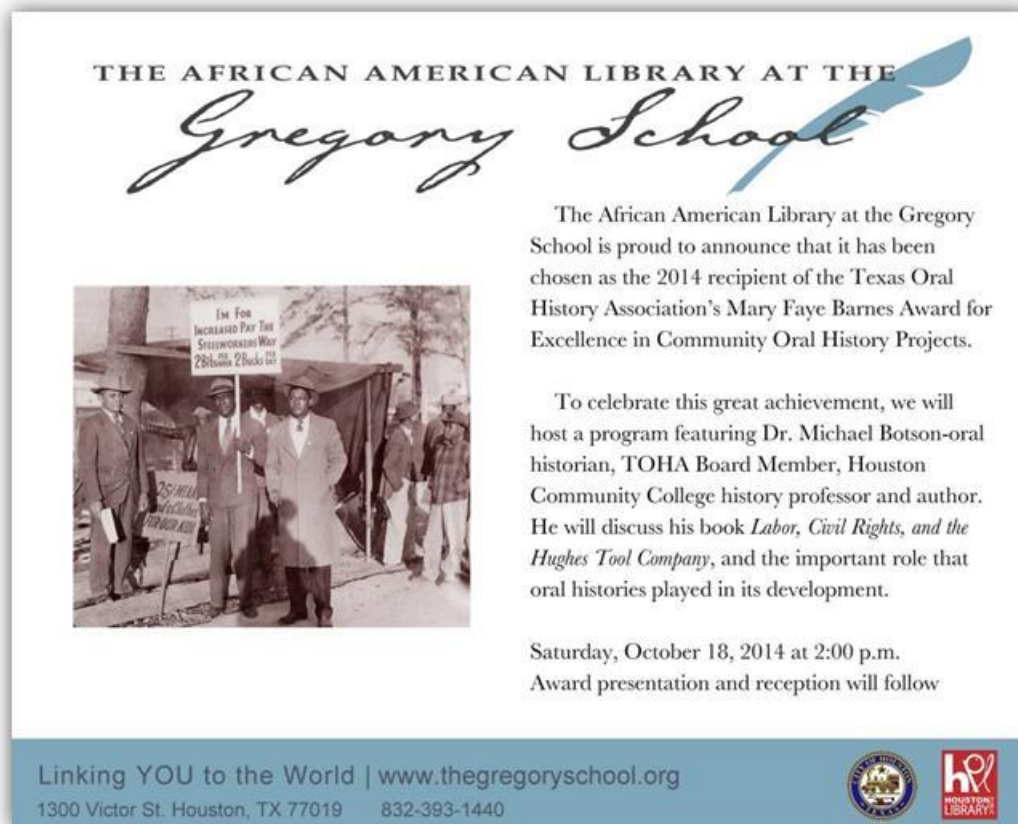
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### LECTURE & BARNES AWARD PRESENTATION HOUSTON, OCTOBER 18

TOHA members and friends are all invited to a reception honoring the latest recipient of our Mary Faye Barnes Award for Excellence in Community Oral History Projects, The African American Library at the Gregory School, in Houston. Highlighting the event will be a lecture by TOHA Board member Dr. Michael Botson, who will talk about his book *Labor, Civil Rights and the Hughes Tool Company* and discuss the importance of oral histories. See the invitation below for this special event at the Gregory School, 1300 Victory Street, in Houston, on Saturday, October 18, at 2:00 p.m.





THE AFRICAN AMERICAN LIBRARY AT THE  
*Gregory School*

The African American Library at the Gregory School is proud to announce that it has been chosen as the 2014 recipient of the Texas Oral History Association's Mary Faye Barnes Award for Excellence in Community Oral History Projects.

To celebrate this great achievement, we will host a program featuring Dr. Michael Botson—oral historian, TOHA Board Member, Houston Community College history professor and author. He will discuss his book *Labor, Civil Rights, and the Hughes Tool Company*, and the important role that oral histories played in its development.

Saturday, October 18, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.  
Award presentation and reception will follow

Linking YOU to the World | [www.thegregoryschool.org](http://www.thegregoryschool.org)  
1300 Victor St. Houston, TX 77019 832-393-1440



The African American Library at the Gregory School's oral history collection includes oral history recordings that highlight the activities, faculty, and structure of the historic black school as well as a glimpse of the everyday lives of African Americans in Houston's Fourth Ward and include alumni, former teachers, former and current residents of Fourth Ward, and prominent African American politicians, business owners and community activists who have had a profound impact or recollection of African American life in Houston. Through these interviews, the viewers will receive a firsthand

experience of African American life in Houston and in the Fourth Ward community. View the award narrative and links to the Gregory School collection at <http://www.baylor.edu/toha/index.php?id=865214>.

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## **2015 TOHA CONFERENCE CALL FOR PAPERS**

**Fourth Annual Conference**

**April 25, 2015**

**Texas A&M University–Commerce  
Commerce, Texas**

### **CALL FOR PAPERS**

The Texas Oral History Association (TOHA), founded in 1983, promotes the use and good practices of oral history research through a variety of programs and publications, including the journal *Sound Historian*. Comprised of individuals representing diverse interests and disciplines, the professional organization will host its fourth annual conference on April 25, 2015, on the campus of Texas A&M University–Commerce in Commerce.

Scholars, educators, students, history enthusiasts, folklorists, family historians, and others are encouraged to submit proposals for papers or sessions to be considered for the program. Topics should include clear evidence of oral history research or provide new insights on the methodology.

Both complete session and individual paper proposals are welcome. Individual presentations must not exceed twenty minutes, and the session format will include opening remarks by a chair, followed by three papers, or by two papers and concluding remarks from a commentator.

Proposals should include the names, affiliations, and contact information of participants, the titles of sessions and papers, and a brief description of the topics to be covered. Please submit your proposals via email by January 5, 2015.

Direct all submittals and inquiries to:

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## **NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BAYLOR INSTITUTE FOR ORAL HISTORY (BUIOH) OFFERS GRANT FOR COMMUNITY-BASED ORAL HISTORY RESEARCH**

BUIOH invites nonprofit organizations in the state of Texas to apply for a grant to facilitate oral history research in their communities. BUIOH seeks to make a difference in one local Texas community per year through this annual grant that includes, in addition to monetary funding, assistance from BUIOH through consultation and training, equipment loans, processing and transcribing, and co-archiving the interviews generated by the local organization. To learn more about the benefits and requirements for the grant, read about previous recipients, and access application materials, see <http://www.baylor.edu/oralhistory/index.php?id=64581>.

### **OHA STATE & REGIONAL FORUM BREAKFAST, OCTOBER 11**

If you are in Madison, Wisconsin, on Saturday morning, October 11, for the Oral History Association annual meeting, you are invited to join TOHA board member Steven Sielaff and secretary-treasurer Lois Myers for a Dutch-treat breakfast in the Dayton Street Grille of the Madison Concourse Hotel at 7:30 a.m. Look for the Texas flag on our table. The forum's purpose is to provide a time for members of state and regional oral history associations and representatives from OHA to network and exchange ideas. We hope to see you there!

### **TOHA MEMBER OFFERS TRANSCRIPTION SERVICES**

TOHA board member Cynthia Beeman is offering transcribing services for oral history recordings. For information, contact Cynthia at [cynthiabbeeman@gmail.com](mailto:cynthiabbeeman@gmail.com) or (512) 517-5855.

## TOHA MEMBER OFFERS PROFESSIONAL INTERVIEW SERVICES

TOHA member and freelance oral historian Dr. Tacey Rosolowski offers consulting and interviewing services for oral history projects, including project development, refinement, and management, as well as interview development, interview services, and interviewer training. For more information, contact Tacey at [trosolow@historycapture.com](mailto:trosolow@historycapture.com) or (832) 566-2180. Visit her web site at <http://historycapture.com>.

## UPDATE (!) OF KEN HENDRICKSON UPDATE

In our summer news, we announced that TOHA Lifetime Award winner and former journal editor Kenneth E. Hendrickson Jr. has moved to Santa Fe, New Mexico. Since that report, Ken has settled at a new address in Santa Fe. You may contact Ken at his cell phone, (940) 867-1600 or write him at 4639 Sunset Ridge, Santa Fe, NM 87504.

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## GOING TO OHA IN MADISON? DON'T MISS THESE TEXAS CONNECTIONS

The Oral History Association will hold its 48th annual meeting in Madison, Wisconsin, on October 8-12. The annual theme is "Oral History in Motion: Movements, Transformations, and the Power of Story." Texans figure prominently every year at OHA, but especially this year.

- ★ The current OHA president is TOHA lifetime member Stephen Sloan, director of the Baylor Institute for Oral History. In addition to presiding over the presidential reception and a fabulous program meeting, Stephen will be found at the author's signing on Friday afternoon with other contributors to the new book, *Listening on the Edge: Oral History in the Aftermath of Crisis* (ed. Mark Cave and Stephen M. Sloan, Oxford University Press, 2014). Stephen will also participate in a roundtable discussion on that work's topic--oral history and crisis--and another panel titled, "An Intricate Waltz: Oral History and the Digital Humanities."
- ★ The University of North Texas Oral History Program, a TOHA institutional sponsor, will be represented by its director, Todd Moye, who is chairing two sessions this year: "Redefining Campus-Based Oral History Programs for the Twenty-first Century" and "Fifty Years Later: Remembering the Civil Rights Movement in Mississippi."
- ★ TOHA co-founder and TCU history professor Rebecca Sharpless will chair a session called "Field Notes: Oral History in Practical Motion," and one of the papers in that session is "100 Radio Segments Later—Practical Lessons Learned," presented by Michelle Holland, editor at Baylor's Institute for Oral History.
- ★ Other participants from Baylor include TOHA Board vice-president Steven Sielaff, who will discuss and show samples of "Implementing OHMS at Baylor University Institute for Oral History" and also will chair the session "Preservation and Curation: Resource Management in Oral History." Lois Myers will chair a session on "Emerging Methodologies in Oral History."
- ★ Texas is also the topic of a paper and a full session. Kristine Navarro-McElhaney, director of the Institute of Oral History at University of Texas at El Paso, will present "What My Community Taught Me about My Community Project," in the session "Who Transforms Whom? Oral History Projects in Mexican/Latino Communities." From the University of Texas at Austin, Maggie Rivas-Rodriguez and a panel of UT students will present their research on "Voices of the Voting Rights Act in Texas."

Find out more about the 2014 OHA program at [www.oralhistory.org](http://www.oralhistory.org)

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## SOUND HISTORIAN INVITES ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS & BOOK REVIEWS

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.

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).

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## **RENEWAL TIME IS NOW—RIGHT NOW!**

If you haven't renewed for 2014, you will miss out on the forthcoming issue of *Sound Historian*, future news on oral history in Texas, and our membership directory. If you are not sure your membership is current, please contact Lois Myers at [lois\\_myers@baylor.edu](mailto:lois_myers@baylor.edu) or call her at (254) 710-6285. Membership forms are available at <http://www.baylor.edu/toha/index.php?id=29341>.

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## **LIKE TOHA ON FACEBOOK**

TOHA board member Steven Sielaff keeps us all in touch through the TOHA Facebook page. To keep updated, share your news, and network through TOHA, visit [www.facebook.com/TexasOralHistoryAssociation](http://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](mailto:toha@baylor.edu).*