Greetings from the Chair

by Paul Kelton

Exciting changes are occurring in the Department of History at the University of Kansas. Most obviously, we have revived the practice of sending an annual newsletter, which has been embarrassingly defunct since fall 2005. We apologize for the lack of communication and will make our relations with our alumni, emeriti, and friends a top priority. Since the fall 2005, we have moved into our new offices on the third-and-half floor of Wescoe, and more faculty now have window offices, or what one envious member of the English Department calls our “luxury sky-boxes” overlooking the Wakarusa Valley. Please feel free to stop by and visit the department when you are on campus, although do give a call for directions because, as you can imagine, finding the third-and-half floor can be rather difficult.

Over the past four years, we have experienced significant personnel changes in our faculty and staff. Professors Jay Alexander, Surendra Bhana, John Sweets and Norman Saul have fully retired. Sadly, Professor Lloyd Sponholtz passed away during the fall 2008 semester. Lloyd’s enthusiasm for teaching and his students and his positive attitude have been an inspiration to all of us. He is sorely missed. We have added five excellent new faculty members: Jake Dorman, Yang Lu, Sheyda Jahanbani, Adrian Lewis, and Roberta Pergher. These individuals enhance our expertise in African-American, pre-modern China, U.S. international, military, and modern European history. We also are searching this year for an Associate or Assistant Professor of Middle Eastern History and are hopeful for more hires in this area to build a new field of undergraduate and graduate study of this vitally important region of the world. Our office staff has changed as well. Nancie Lockwood has retired and moved to Corpus Christi, Texas, while Amanda Contreras joined us in 2007 and has taken over the role as undergraduate coordinator. Lastly, we have a new chair. I took over the position on an interim basis at the beginning of the last academic year after Bill Tsutsui took the position of Associate Dean of International Studies within KU’s College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. I began a regular term on July 1, 2009. It is my privilege to serve a dynamic and collegial department that remains ranked in the top 25 history programs among public research universities. I look forward to enhancing our relationships beyond Wescoe. As a department we are eager to renew our connections with all of you who have taken classes with us and moved onto life outside of KU. Please feel free to contact us and let us know what you are up to.

Pivotal Events in History Program

The History Department is pleased to announce the initiation of its “Pivotal Events in History Program.” With this program, we will host an annual event devoted to particular historical turning points. These events will be open to our alumni, friends, students, and general public to attend. They will be held annually, usually in the fall, and will be generally devoted to a historical event which has an important anniversary. To that end, we will devote our first program in the fall 2010 to the U.S. presidential race of 1860, in commemoration of the sesquicentennial of Abraham Lincoln’s election. Our very own Professor Jonathan Earle is working on a book on this topic and will give a public talk on the subject. Professor Earle will entertain...
questions from the audience, and there will be a reception afterward open to all attendees. We will send out a notice of this event early in the fall 2010 semester, and we hope that many of you can attend.

Future programs are yet to be determined. And we want your help in selecting topics that would be of interest to a broad audience. One possibility is a program on the John F. Kennedy assassination, which we could hold in 2013 on the 50th anniversary of that tragic event. We hope that our programs will become more elaborate, involving teaching sessions, guest speakers, and open discussions. We hope that you all will attend our inaugural event in fall 2010, and we also would appreciate your financial support for the program. With your help, we can bring in guest experts, sponsor research on topics to be discussed, and host social functions open to attendees. To make a donation to support this program, please send in the form on the last page of this newsletter and write “Pivotal Events in History Program” as the fund to which you wish to contribute, or visit our website (http://www.history.ku.edu/donate/) where you will find a link to this special program and other funds that benefit the Department of History and its students.

REfLECTIONS FROM THe NEwEST MEMBER OF OUR DEPARTMENT

BY ROBERTA PERGHER, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF HISTORY

My favorite feature on campus is the hill. Every morning I walk by the stadium, through the trees, by the lake, up the hill. The brisk walk fills me with a deep appreciation for the beauty of KU’s campus. The hill and vista offer a small reminder of my home mountains in the Italian Alps, the hikes in the summertime and the swift rides down white slopes in winter.

It was those swift rides down that brought me from my small town in northern Italy to the United States. As an undergrad, I received an athletic scholarship for alpine skiing to the University of Denver. Serving as varsity athlete, then assistant coach, my efforts in collegiate athletics were crowned by a national team championship in 2000. So yes, I cannot wait to walk up the hill when covered in snow!

My studies for the PhD at the University of Michigan attuned me to a life with less frostbite and more books. But the pace of professorial life— with new classes to teach, many conference papers to pen and present and a book to write— still demands the discipline of an athlete!

I came to Lawrence following a year as a postdoctoral fellow at the European University Institute in Florence, Italy. I work on things Italian, though I consider myself a historian of modern Europe, since I like to think about developments that took place across the continent, and beyond, in the European empires of the late 19th and 20th century.

My recent work looks at Italian expansion under fascism. Did the fascists want an empire, with different peoples enjoying a comfortable place under Italian leadership – as in Roman times? Or did they want an expanded nation, composed of pure Italians, with other peoples forcibly Italianized or pushed out of the territory? I argue that not only were answers surprisingly varied even well into the regime – but also that the same dilemmas emerged in the nation’s multiethnic borderlands in the North as in their newly conquered colonies in Africa.

As I walk up the hill, I’m excited to be working with wonderful colleagues and passionate students. I cannot wait to accompany them down it on graduation day. Rock Chalk, Jayhawk!

REQUIRED READING: THE REVOLUTIONS OF 1989

BY NATHAN WOOD, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF HISTORY

Twenty years ago the Communist regimes in East Central Europe suddenly gave up the ghost. Though many could hear the death rattle for some time, few, including the brave oppositionists who most directly challenged the regimes or the Western experts who analyzed those states and societies, could have possibly imagined the swift and surprisingly peaceful way in which it happened. By the end of the year there had been a peaceful transfer of power in Poland, Hungary, East Germany, Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria, and a bloody, yet restrained coup in Romania. Television viewers reveled in the joyous scenes at the Berlin Wall and shots of Václav Havel and Alexander Dubček waving to crowds in Prague, and were shocked with the Christmas Day execution of the Romanian dictator Nicolae Ceaușescu by his own elite guard. Some of the most significant triggers of the overall collapse – the June 4th elections in Poland, in which Solidarity candidates soundly defeated their Communist opponents, or the opening that summer of the Hungarian border to Austria thus allowing East German vacationers to escape to West Germany – may not have created such iconic images, but were vitally important. The elections in Poland were overshadowed by an eerie alternative response to pro-democracy protests in another Communist state: the Tiananmen Square massacre,
which occurred on the same day. Twenty years later, the outcome of those different responses in East Central Europe and China – in which both societies have embraced the free market, but only one has embraced democratic government – invites further reflection on the meanings of 1989. For the East Central European perspective, I offer three excellent texts as “required reading” and one “optional” text:

“Required Reading”:
Timothy Garton Ash, *The Magic Lantern: The Revolution of ’89 Witnessed in Warsaw, Budapest, Berlin, and Prague* (Vintage, 1999 [1990]). [An engaging account, by a reporter and analyst who was there among the oppositionists as the regimes fell.]

Robin Okey, *The Demise of Communist Eastern Europe: 1989 in perspective* (Hodder Arnold, 2004). [A more sober, but insightful account by another Englishman, this time with the benefit of nearly 15 years hindsight.]


“Optional”:
Constantine Pleshakov, *There is No Freedom without Bread! 1989 and the Civil War that brought down Communism*, (Farrar, Strauss and Giroux, 2009). [A revisionist account that stresses support for communism in Eastern Europe and complex internal struggles for power in each state, rather than the simplistic story of the masses versus the regimes.]

**More Than Basketball**

**By Scott Palmer**

(BA 1989)

Although basketball championships and football bowl victories are frequent sources of pride for university alumni, as a graduate of the Department of History I know that KU’s most important achievements do not take place on the hardwood or the field but in the classrooms and offices atop Mount Oread. It is there that our public university fulfills its central mission of fostering learning, scholarship, and creative endeavors among students and faculty alike.

As an undergraduate major from 1985 to 1989, I was fortunate to experience the best that KU History had to offer. Captivating lectures, rigorous seminars, and specially tailored independent readings taught by committed teacher-scholars were vital to broadening what were, in retrospect, the rather limited horizons I possessed as a college student. Close engagement with faculty in crafting a senior honor’s thesis sharpened my analytical and communication skills.

The department’s wide range of courses (covering such subjects as Russian culture and history, East European diplomacy, and the intellectual traditions of nineteenth- and twentieth-century Europe) sparked my curiosity and raised my awareness of the relationship between past and present. I gained a deeper appreciation of cultural differences and diversity. This, in turn, motivated me to master a foreign language which made possible the transformative experience of living and studying abroad.

In short, KU’s History Department provided me with a real education about the wider world and myself. Thanks to my studies, I developed the knowledge, experience, and skills necessary for success. I graduated from KU in 1989 inspired and prepared to pursue my chosen vocation as a professional scholar and teacher.

Of course, much has changed since the late 1980s. Both campus and town have grown by leaps and bounds. Wescoe Hall (like many buildings on the Hill) has undergone major renovations. Nearly all of the faculty members who contributed to my education are now retired. All the same, the Department of History maintains its longstanding tradition of excellent mentoring and scholarship. An expanded and more flexible curriculum, award-winning faculty, and opportunities to pursue interdisciplinary work in nationally recognized areas studies programs such as CREES

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continue to provide students with myriad opportunities to broaden their intellectual horizons, cultivate knowledge, and develop critical skills in building the foundations of future success. All this, and NCAA basketball championships, too! Where else but the University of Kansas?

About Scott W. Palmer, Ph.D.

A professional historian and proud KU alum (BA, 1989), Dr. Scott W. Palmer is author of Dictatorship of the Air: Aviation Culture and the Fate of Modern Russia (Cambridge, 2006). He is the recipient of numerous fellowships and grants and is currently at work on his second book, Technology and Culture in Twentieth-Century Russia (to be published by Cambridge). As Director of New Media and Public Programs for the international project “Russia’s Great War and Revolution, 1914-1922” Dr. Palmer is overseeing the development of on-line resources and outreach initiatives which are housed at the University of Kansas. He currently teaches in the Department of History at Western Illinois University.

Looking East

by Paul Sutter (PhD 1997)

One of the few pleasures that accompanied the ordeal of moving my family across the country this past summer was the opportunity to pass through Kansas again with my wife, Julie. We first met in Lawrence almost two decades ago, while I was a Ph.D. student at KU, and our oldest son, Henry Lawrence, is forever marked by our affection for the place. In seeing a few friends and visiting old haunts, I was reminded not only of how much I enjoyed my years in one of America’s great college towns, but also how well served I have been by my graduate training in KU’s History Department.

Our move was itself testimony to the quality of that training. This past March, I accepted a position as an Associate Professor of History at the University of Colorado at Boulder, a dream job given my interests in environmental history and the history of the American West. Indeed, it was those interests that first brought me to KU’s History Department in 1991 to work with Donald Worster, who was then building one of the premier programs in environmental history in the country. But our move was also bittersweet, as I had spent twelve wonderful and productive years in the Southeast. After leaving KU in 1997, I served as a postdoctoral fellow at the University of Virginia for three years, and then as a member of the History faculty at the University of Georgia. As I worked to turn my KU dissertation on the origins of modern American wilderness advocacy into a book (Driven Wild: How the Fight against Automobiles Launched the Modern Wilderness Movement, 2002), I also took an academic interest in the American South, a region that, compared to the West, had been relatively neglected by environmental historians. Building on the model that my KU mentors provided me, I built a graduate program focused on southern environmental history at UGA. I also assumed the editorship of the “Environmental History and the American South” book series published by the University of Georgia Press, and I developed several of my own book projects on southern environmental topics. It was difficult to leave behind what I had built at Georgia, but, ultimately, the draw of the West, still alive from my graduate school days, was hard to resist.

From the upstairs deck of our new home, I can see the foothills of the Rockies, only a few blocks to the west. Boulder is a city obsessed with that mountainous terrain, and it is hard not to follow suit. But, just as often, I like to look to the East, out across the high plains, a landscape less often celebrated in these parts, but one to which I feel a certain loyalty as an alumnus of KU. That view provides a heartening reminder that Lawrence is only a day’s drive away.

Taking Care of Business

Administering a department of 36 fulltime faculty, 31 graduate teaching assistants, over 400 undergraduate majors, and over 100 graduate students is no easy task. Thankfully we have an outstanding office staff to take care of business on an every day basis. We appreciate all that they do, and we would like you to get to know them.

Sandee Kennedy, Office Manager.

Sandee joined the department in 1986 and altogether has spent over three decades at KU. She is quick to say that she loves this place and loves her job. The rest of us...
say that she is the one who holds us all together, year after year. She commuted daily from her hometown of Baldwin City for years but has recently moved to the big city of Lawrence. On weekends she enjoys the company of her two married children, six grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. Besides playing with all the kids, she likes to spend her weekends making quilts by hand.

Ellen Garber, Graduate Program Administrator.
A lifelong resident of Lawrence, Ellen has worked at KU since 1968, much of that time—since 1985—ministering to the needs of the students and faculty of the History Department. She is devoted to our many graduate students, who find her a sympathetic and knowledgeable guide to all the requirements they must learn to navigate. She has two sons and four grandchildren, all of whom live in the area. She is also an accomplished artist in stained glass windows and panels.

Amanda Contreras, Undergraduate Coordinator.
Hailing from the far western Kansas town of Ulysses, Amanda moved to Lawrence with her husband, a student at the Medical School. She has been in the department for the past two years and is now in charge of keeping the records on our undergraduates. When she is home, she likes spending time with a camera, especially photographing her two young daughters. She writes poetry and teaches Sunday School.

Amy Lampe, Advising Specialist.
Amy studied English at the University of Nebraska at Kearney and Northeastern University in Boston and now works as undergraduate advisor for the departments of History and English at KU. Her History charges alone number over four hundred majors. When she is not helping those students make decisions about the courses they will take and careers they will pursue, she likes reading, running, and—her special passion—mowing the yard.

Melissa Paradis, Student Assistant.
As departmental receptionist and multi-tasking generalist, Melissa greets everyone who comes into the office with a bright smile. She is a senior in marketing and has worked for the department since last February. She loves to cook and swim. She also is a fan of Australia, after spending a semester at the University of Newcastle. This May she will graduate from KU and enter the business world.

**Don Worster Inducted into American Academy of Arts and Sciences**

LAWRENCE — Internationally renowned historian Donald E. Worster, the Joyce and Elizabeth Hall Professor of U.S. History at the University of Kansas, was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences on Oct. 10 in Cambridge, Mass.

One of the nation’s most prestigious honor societies, the academy recognizes pioneering research and scholarship, artistic achievement and exemplary service to society.

Worster was among 212 new fellows and 19 foreign honorary members elected this year. New members included Mario Capecchi, co-winner of the 2007 Nobel Prize in Medicine/Physiology, and Robert Gates, U.S. Secretary of Defense.

A pioneer in the field of environmental history — the history of the interaction of people and the natural world — Worster has been described as “one of the most eminent environmental historians of the West.”

According to academy records, Worster is the third KU faculty member to be elected to membership. Charles D. Michener, professor emeritus of entomology, was elected to the academy in 1963; and Keith W. Percival, professor emeritus of linguistics, was elected in 1991.

Worster focuses on the emerging field of environmental history — the changing perception of nature, the rise of conservation and environmentalism and especially the ways that the natural world has impinged on human society and provided the context for human life over time. His interests include comparative history especially the United States and Canada, American regionalism (particularly the West), agriculture and the history of science and technology.

In addition to teaching and advising dissertations in environmental history, Worster is author of several books and has received numerous awards for his writing and research.

His most recent books are “A Passion for Nature: The Life of John Muir,” (2008) and “A River Running West: The Life of John Wesley Powell” (2001). Both books were published by Oxford University Press and received Byron Caldwell Smith Book Awards at KU. “A Passion for Nature” received the 2009 Ambassador Book Award, and “A River Running West” received the 2002 Caughey Western History Association Prize and seven more prizes.

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Worster’s earlier writing includes “Rivers of Empire” (1985), which was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize; “The Dust Bowl: The Southern Plains in the 1930s” (1979), which won the national Bancroft Prize; and “Nature’s Economy: A History of Ecological Ideas” (1994, second edition) now available in five languages.

He is former president of the American Society for Environmental History and a member of the American Society for Environmental History, Western History Association and the Organization of American Historians. In 1997, Worster was the first historian to receive a Distinguished Service Award from the Society for Conservation Biology. At KU, he has received a Kemper fellowship for teaching excellence and a Balfour Jeffrey Award for research achievement in the humanities. Over the past two decades he has lectured extensively in Europe, Africa, Asia and Latin America, as well as throughout North America.

Worster joined KU’s history department in 1989 when he accepted the Joyce and Elizabeth Hall Distinguished Professorship in American History. Born in California in 1941, he grew up in Hutchinson and attended KU, where he earned a bachelor’s in 1963 and a master’s in 1964. He received a doctorate in American history and literature at Yale University in 1971.

Founded in 1780, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences is an independent policy research center that conducts multidisciplinary studies of complex and emerging problems. Current academy research focuses on science and technology policy; global security; social policy; the humanities and culture; and education.

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Kate Mallula exemplifies the KU History Department’s most successful undergraduate students. In spring 2009, she graduated summa cum laude with Honors in History, and she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, the country’s most prestigious honor society.

As a student here, Kate undertook a senior honors thesis concerning crime, violence, and religion in India under British colonial rule. Focusing on the early and mid-nineteenth century, she placed her investigation of the so-called “Thuggees” against the backdrop of cross-cultural misunderstandings. In order to accomplish the research necessary for this project, Kate traveled to London to use the extensive resources of the British Library, funded by KU grants. For this work, Kate won the History Department’s coveted Phi Alpha Theta award for the best undergraduate thesis in 2009.

In spring 2010, Kate will set out on a new adventure as an historian, as the holder of a coveted national Fulbright research fellowship. She will travel to Uruguay, where she will investigate the development of the penitentiary system there in the early twentieth century. Kate credits the education she received from KU History faculty members, particularly Professors Tony Rosenthal, Luis Corteguera, and Megan Greene (among many others) for her success. She wrote, “The History Department taught me to write succinctly, craft an argument carefully, and to think creatively about the implications that the past has on our current understandings of our societies and our relationships with others.”

Kate has not yet decided which direction she will follow upon completion of her Fulbright year in Uruguay. She is weighing the options: public policy, law, journalism, or a graduate degree in history. But whatever path she chooses, Kate is committed to the historical discipline. “Studying history has shown me that positive change can and does happen over time,” Kate wrote. She is committed to “using history to answer questions that we still face today.”

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Individual Activities and Accomplishments for 2009

Emeriti

Jim Brundage’s most recent book, The Medieval Origins of the Legal Profession: Canonists, Civilians, and Courts (University of Chicago) received the J. Willard Hurst Prize from the Law and Society Association for the best book on sociolegal history published.


Norman Saul advanced to the rank of professor emeritus in May. His Historical Dictionary of United States-Russian/Soviet Relations was published this year by Scarecrow Press (Rowman and Littlefield). He was also a keynote speaker for an NEH Institute for college and university teachers on “America Engages Russia” at the New York Public Library.
Faculty

Victor Bailey served on the 18-member KU Chancellor Search Committee, which led to the appointment of Chancellor Bernadette Gray-Little. He attended the Rockefeller Foundation Bellagio Center in Italy for a week-long conference on Building a Global Humanities Network.

Joseph Bradley, Professor of History at the University of Tulsa, is currently in the first semester of what we hope will be many more stints as a visiting professor at KU. He published his book Voluntary Associations in Tsarist Russia: Science, Patriotism and Civil Society with Harvard University Press.


Jonathan C.D. Clark presented a paper entitled “Tocqueville delenda est” to a meeting of the Tocqueville Forum at Georgetown University. A chapter to this effect will appear in his book The Writing on the Wall. He also published an essay in The Oxford Handbook of Methodist Studies (Oxford University Press).

Katherine R.P. Clark published “Defoe, Dissent and Early Whig Ideology,” in Historical Journal, 52 (September, 2009), presented a paper “Defoe and Enlightenment” at the Samuel Johnson Society Conference, and won a Franklin Research Grant from the American Philosophical Society.


Steven Epstein published a book, An Economic and Social History of Later Medieval Europe, 1000-1500 (Cambridge University Press).

Paul Kelton published “Shattered and Infected: Epidemics and the Origins of the Yamasee War, 1696-1715,” in Mapping the Mississippian Shatter Zone, edited by Robbie Etheridge and Sheri M. Shuck-Hall (University of Nebraska Press, 2009). He also gave a public talk at the Chicago Historical Society entitled “Lincoln, Indians, and the War for the Union.”

Betsy Kuznesof received KU’s Woodyard International Educator Award for 2009.

Elizabeth MacGonagle presented a paper on “Imagining the Past at Great Zimbabwe” at the annual African Studies Association meeting. This work examines intersections between history and memory at UNESCO World Heritage Sites on the African continent.


Eric Rath received a US State Department Ngwang Choephel Fellowship. He led a team of KU faculty and graduate students to a Tibetan region of China to help develop a school for the Tibetan population. He also participated in a Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership exchange program between Kansas and Japanese farmers to promote sustainable, organic farming and rural communities.

Tony Rosenthal taught a new, 8-week course on “Anarchism: A Global History” in Spring 2009. He also organized workshops on “Risk-Taking, Provocation and Control: Teaching Beyond Content” and “Taking the Crooked Path: Alternatives to Graduate School” for KU’s Center for Teaching Excellence and the University Honors Program, respectively.

Bill Tsutsui continues to serve as Associate Dean for International Studies in the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences. In fall 2009, he also served as Acting Director of the newly established Center for Global and International Studies.

Leslie Tuttle’s teaching was recognized by the Committee on the Status of Women and the Emily Taylor Women’s Research Center with the Outstanding Woman Educator Award for 2009 and by a W.T. Kemper Fellowship from the University.

Nathan Wood delivered several papers, including a talk at an international conference in Lviv, Ukraine about press coverage of a sexual murder in Cracow in 1905. An article-length version of this talk has appeared in Polish translation in Zeszyty Naukowe Uniwersytetu Jagiellońskiego: Prace Historyczne [Scholarly Notebooks of the Jagiellonian University: Historical Studies] (Sept. 2009).

Don Worster has kept busy lecturing about his new biography of John Muir (A Passion for Nature), a book that won the English-Speaking Union’s prize for the best biography of the year, the Byron Caldwell Smith prize given by the Hall Center for the Humanities, and the Homecoming Book Award given by Sattle Society of Scotland. In October Professor Worster was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Marta Vicente published “Commerce in Feminine: The Identity of Business Women in Eighteenth-Century Barcelona” in Recerques, one of the most important referee historical journals in Spain. She also co-organized the annual international conference for the Society for Portuguese and Historical Studies which took place in Kansas City in April 2009.

Graduate Students

Kevin Benson completed a series of articles on US Army force development, national security policy and military strategy for ARMY magazine.

Gregory L. Cantwell is serving as a Professor at the US Army War College in Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania, where he is the Director of the Joint Land Component Commander Course. His recently published article “Nation Building: a Joint Enterprise” has been selected for inclusion in a forthcoming book.

Tai Edwards presented portions of her dissertation research at two conferences. She presented “Osage Cosmology and Complementary Gender Roles” at the KU-MU Graduate History Conference and “Osage Gender: Change and Continuity During French and Spanish Colonization” at the American Society of Ethnohistory Annual Meeting.

Mary McMurray continued to work as Project Manager of Children and Youth in History, a three year grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. She presented papers at the Organization of American Historians, Society for the History of Children and Youth, and the American Studies Association.

Debra Sheffer has been promoted to Associate Professor and granted tenure at Park University.

The History Graduate Student Organization elected Jeremy Prichard as its president.

Mindy Varner worked both as a Japanese content lecturer for three National Consortium for Teaching about Asia seminars, and as a reader for the 2009 AP exam on Japanese language and culture. Her analytical essay on Japan’s seventh-century constitution will be published this fall in a collection of primary sources in world history forthcoming from Milestone Documents.

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Cooper Arnold
Thomas Armpiger
Hope Atchison
Amber Atkins
Eric Bailey
Joy Bancroft
Ladan Bebhahani
Rachel Berkley
Tyler Bindrum
Eric Brown
Jacquelyn Brown
Bradford Bray
William Bruner
Erica Cailleux
Anthony Casale
Andrew Caspermeyer
Steven Clodfelter
Christine Collins
Michael Collins
Douglas Connors
Ryan Covault
Christina Culp
Abigail Cunningham
Alexander Curnes
Todd Davidson
Joshua Decker
Mark Dent
Jessica Dziadura
Matthew Eaton
Lori Elliott
Daniel EnSLey
James Erickson
Emily Eveloff
Brendan Farrell
Lindsey Fink
Kendall Foss
John Gary
Thomas Godsey
Robert Gordy
David Greenwald
Stuart Griffiths
Brian Gronmiger
Kurt Gruner
Melissa Haenchen
Derek Hannawald
Michael Hayes
Derek Heeren
Daniel Herman
Christopher Hickerson
Scott Holcom
Christopher Houle
Abbi Hudlerle
Trevor Ingles
Samuel Jetter
Ezra Johnson
Stefan Johnsson
Kevin Jones
Allison Kim
spencer King
Ryan Lawler
Brian Lee
George Lewis
Travis Lindquist
William Lupton
Adam Luttrelle
Kate Mallula
Nathan Mangold
Abel Martens
Lauren Massey
Chelsi McAlellan
Timothy McCahill
James McDonough
Robert McGraw
Dustin Mead
Sara Mediansky
Susan Melgren
Jesse Merritt
Joel Meyer
Jordan Miles
Nathan Miller
Brandon Minster
Andrew Mohr
Luisa Muradyan
Andres Myers
Emily Nelson
Andres Neubauer
Matthew Norburg
Jason Oliver
David Owens
Marjorie Owings
Kyle Padden
Sean Pederson
Scott Peters
Justin Platt
Jason Pollock
Nicole Potter
Michael Poulos
Kristopher Powell
Candace Premo
Kerry Prout
William Pruett
Nicholas Prunty
Brittany Ramos
Megan Reilly
Bridget Rellihan
Leslie Rhon
Stephen Riegg
Allison Rogers
Christopher Ronnebaum
Andrew Rowl
Trent Santee
Andres Schmidt
Sara Showalter
Zachary Sims
Michael Skogmo
Mary Sorrick
Diana Spathis
Courtney Steele
Eric Stein
David Strachan
David Stutz
Tricia Sweany
Daniel Tamayo
Benjamin Terwilliger
Kesiena Uloho
Christopher Vague
Meredith Vannatta
Jason Vaughan
Carey Walker
Kyle Waters
Dori White
Erin Wold
Abigail Woody
John Woosley
Cody Young

Masters

Tom Barker
Cain Kreimendahl
Cynthia Nitschke
Jeremy Prichard
John Ringquist
John Rosenberg
Stephanie Russell
Christine Sales
Abby Shopper
Kinda Skea
Steven Tucker
Julio Vasquez
Kim Wahaus

PhDs

Maddalena Marinari, “Jewish and Italian Immigrants in the 20th Century US.” Advisor: Jeff Moran
Joe Ryan, “Honors What were they Thinking? Samuel A. Stouffer and the American Soldier.” Advisor: Ted Wilson
Debra Sheffer, “No Sacrifice too Great, Save That of Honor: Hon or, Death & Psychological Combat Trauma in the American Civil War.” Advisor: Ted Wilson

2009 Award Recipients

Undergraduates

David Gates - Nicole Bingham Award
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Graduates

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Stephen Riegg - Undergraduate Research Award
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