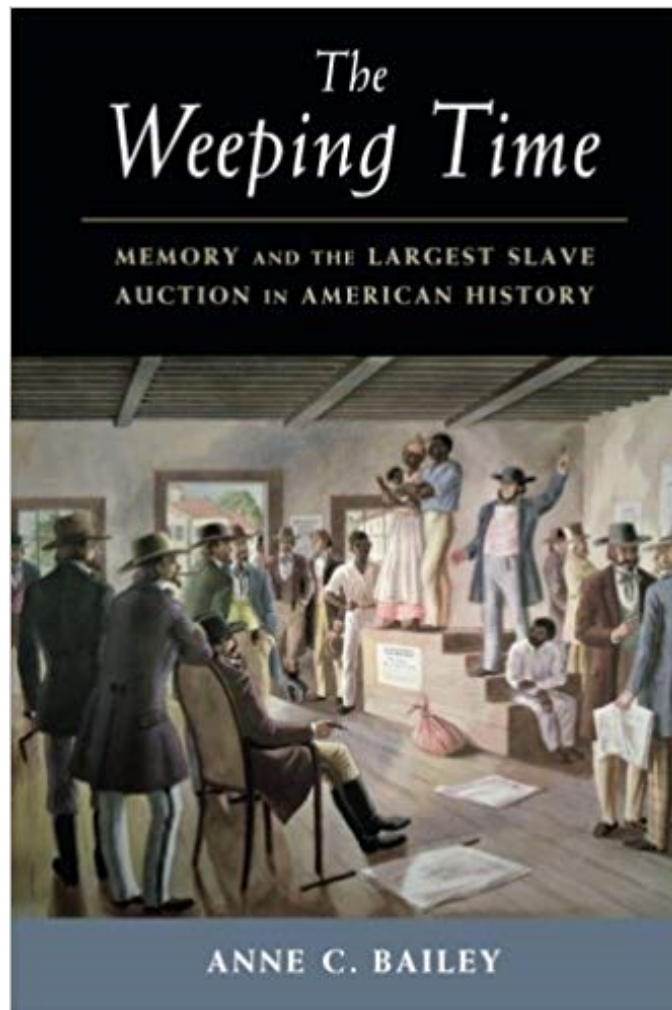




## **Award for Advocacy**

**Dr. Anne C. Bailey**

In 1859, at the largest recorded slave auction in American history, over 400 men, women, and children were sold in Savannah, Georgia, by the Butler Plantation estates. Anne C. Bailey's (State University of New York, Binghamton) book, *The Weeping Time: Memory and the Largest Slave Auction in American History* (Cambridge University Press, 2017), is one of the first to analyze the operation of this auction and trace the lives of slaves before, during, and after their sale.





## Award for Advocacy

### Georgia Public Library Service

The Georgia Public Library Service's publication, *Georgia Treasures: Exploring Your Genealogy, History and Culture at Public Libraries*, is a 16-page, full-color booklet, showcasing the genealogy and local history resources found in numerous public libraries across Georgia. The booklet, available at public libraries across the state, helps bring to light both the physical materials that comprise these important collections, but also the digitized items available through the Digital Library of Georgia.



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia; representatives of GLPS, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).



## **Award for Advocacy**

### **Dr. R. B. Rosenberg**

For the past decade, Dr. R. B. Rosenberg of the Clayton State University History Program has been methodically utilizing the unique resources of the Georgia Archives to document and record information about those Georgia residents who served in the military and died during World War I. Specifically, he has made use of the Adjutant General's Death Cards from the World War I Service Summary Cards and Knight's World War I Casualties scrapbooks to document in spreadsheet format the available information for each listed casualty.

Dr. Rosenberg generously shared his research to supplement the information being compiled by the Georgia WWI Centennial Commission's *Georgia Memorial Database*, which is a searchable database of Georgians who died during World War I. As of now, over 30 percent of the names in the Commission's *Memorial Database* are due solely to Dr. Rosenberg's research documentation from the Georgia Archives.



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## **Award for Local History Advocacy**

### **Andrew Bramlett**

Andrew Bramlett was honored with the Award for Local History Advocacy, for the Kennesaw Historical Society Lecture Series: *Kennesaw Historic Cemetery*, *Kennesaw Mountain History*, and *A Brief History of Kennesaw, Georgia*.

Twelve-year-old Andrew Bramlett is enthusiastic about sharing Kennesaw's rich local history. He is Vice President of the Kennesaw Historical Society; served as Centennial Ambassador for Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park where he also volunteers and serves as a tour guide; has published fact-finding material about the city's historical cemetery; presented briefings to the mayor and city council; created the script for a walking tour; created a presentation about the history of Kennesaw Mountain; and assisted with a myriad of projects in the city.



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## **Award for Local History Advocacy**

### **Johnette Brook)**

Johnette Brooks (Decatur) was honored for organizing the First Annual Annie Veal Brooks Memorial African-American Heritage & Diversity of Georgia Symposium, for compiling a spreadsheet of World War I colored troops, and for her nomination of Ludie Clay Andrews, R.N. in the Georgia Women of Achievement. Ms. Brooks has helped raise public awareness and brought recognition to past African American achievements through her efforts.



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia; Award Winner Johnette Brooks, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).



## **Award for Local History Advocacy**

**James W. Cofer, Jr.**

James W. Cofer, Jr. (Snellville) researched and wrote the first comprehensive history of Snellville, Georgia, *200 Years of Snellville History*. This book documents many important aspects of the community including the Native American period, early settler families, churches, schools, business and industry, military heroes, medical community, city governance, minority families, sports, and community organizations.



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## **Award for Local History Advocacy**

### **Bruce T. Gourley**

Dr. Bruce T. Gourley (Manhattan, MT), was awarded the price for Local History Advocacy for his book, *A Journey of Faith and Community: The Story of the First Baptist Church of Augusta, Georgia*. The book is the story of how an outcast and disadvantaged people of faith grew into a large and influential Southern congregation while striving to remain true to a Christ-centric heritage of freedom of conscience, religious liberty for all, and church state separation.



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia; Award Winner Dr. Bruce T. Gourley, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).



## Award for Local History Advocacy

### A. Louise Staman

In her book, *Restoring Lost Times: Savannah's Anna Colquitt Hunter*, A. Louise Staman of Savannah provides a comprehensive profile of the 93 years of life of this remarkable woman, from Anna Colquitt Hunter's birth on January 21, 1892, in Anniston, Alabama, through her death on January 28, 1985, in Savannah, Georgia.



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia; Award Winner **A. Louise Staman**, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).





## **Award for Local History Advocacy**

### **Tattnall County Archives**

The Tattnall County Archives strives to protect and preserve valuable and irreplaceable historical documents and artifacts from Tattnall County history and to make these historical resources available. The contribution this Archives makes to records preservation and community involvement demonstrates the power a small group of dedicated volunteers can have in educating their local community and preserving its records.



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia; accepting on behalf of the Archives, Janisse Ray, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).



## **Award for Excellence in Archival Program Development by a Local Government Repository**

### **Atlanta Housing**

In 2014, Atlanta Housing hired its first archivist, and developed, a collection policy and processing manual. Records were arranged and described following best practices and standards. Processed records were reboxed using archival materials. The archives moved to a secure, climate monitored space. Today the Atlanta Housing archives hosts outreach activities and provides regular reference hours, serving researchers and students locally and across the United States. These records are now part of a program that will ensure their preservation as a vital source of Atlanta's history for many years to come.



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia; accepting on behalf of the Atlanta Housing Authority Meredith Torre, Archivist, Atlanta Housing Authority, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).



## **Award for Excellence in Archival Program Development by a Local Government Repository**

### **Flagpole Digitization Project**

In 2014, the Athens-Clarke County Public Library and the Digital Library of Georgia embarked on a unique digitization project with Flagpole Magazine. The collaboration would mark the first time the DLG worked with a newspaper still in publication to license the free distribution of its in-copyright archive, which runs from 1987-2013 and documents the history of the Athens music community. The project resulted in the digitization of over 43,000 newspaper pages and the creation of a set of benchmarks and guidelines for use by DLG in future such newspaper collaborations.



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia; accepting the award, representatives of the Flagpole Digitization Project, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).





## **Award for Excellence in Archival Program Development by a State Institution**

### **Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College**

In January of 2018, ABAC engaged the services of the curator of its Museum of Agriculture & Historic Village to stabilize, preserve, rehouse, catalog, and begin to digitize the collection. The Curator and two Rural Studies student interns found a vault containing hundreds of boxes of material on shelves and covering the floors, and thousands of loose pages, along with artifacts and various discarded materials.

The team spent the next couple of months going through every box, stabilizing the contents, pulling metals out, and properly reboxing records. Using University System of Georgia Approved Records Retention Schedules, they cataloged and arranged the records and then moved them to storage where they will stay during the renovation of the library. The most significant records are currently undergoing digitizing.



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia; representatives of Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).





## **Award for Excellence in Archival Program Development by a State Institution**

### **Digital Library of Georgia**

In 2017, the Digital Library of Georgia (DLG) began its subgranting program to broaden partner participation. Designed to provide smaller organizations experience with grant proposal development and a low barrier to entry, the program provides applicants with digitization services costing up to \$5000. DLG provides applicants with office hour support to help them frame their proposals.

Applications are reviewed by a panel consisting of representatives from the Georgia Public Library Service, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council, Georgia Humanities Council, Georgia Council for the Arts, and representatives from the larger DLG partner community. Awardees' holdings are exposed widely as all project metadata is included in the DLG portal and the Digital Public Library of America (DPLA).



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia; accepting on behalf of the Digital Library of Georgia, Nicole Lawrence, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).



## **Award for Excellence in Documenting Georgia's History**

**Staci L. Catron, Mary Ann Eaddy, and James R. Lockhart**

The book, *Seeking Eden: A Collection of Georgia's Historic Gardens* by Staci L. Catron (Atlanta), Mary Ann Eaddy (Decatur), and James R. Lockhart (Stone Mountain) promotes an awareness of, and appreciation for, Georgia's rich garden heritage. Updated and expanded here are the stories of nearly thirty designed landscapes first identified in the 1933 publication, *Garden History of Georgia, 1733–1933*. *Seeking Eden* records each garden's evolution and history as well as each garden's current early twenty-first-century appearance, as beautifully documented in photographs. Dating from the mid-eighteenth to the early twentieth centuries, these publicly and privately owned gardens include Colonial Revival gardens, Country Place–era landscapes, rock gardens, historic town squares, college campuses, and an urban conservation garden.



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia; Mary Ann Eaddy, James R. Lockhart, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).



## **Award for Excellence in Documenting Georgia's History**

### **Maurice J. Hobson**

Dr. Maurice J. Hobson (Georgia State University) in his book, *The Legend of the Black Mecca: Politics and Class in the Making of Modern Atlanta*, traces the rise of the black elite and the bargains they made for prosperity, telling the story of the city's transition, while keeping Atlanta's poor and working-class communities at its center. Through archival records, including sources at the Georgia Archives, Atlanta History Center, and Auburn Avenue Research Library Archives, this book tells a history essential to understanding Atlanta's transition from regional to world-class city while commercially branding itself as the most progressive city in the American South.



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia, Award Winner Dr. Maurice J. Hobson and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).



## **Award for Excellence in Documenting Georgia's History**

### **Jim Jordan**

Author Jim Jordan (Okatie, SC) recounts the flamboyant and reckless life of Charles Augustus LaFayette Lamar, who was largely responsible for the voyage of the *Wanderer* in 1858 and the transport of 487 Africans to the United States as slaves in the first part of his book, *The Slave-Trader's Letter-Book: Charles Lamar, the Wanderer, and Other Tales of the African Slave Trade*. The second portion of the book consists of Jordan's edited and annotated printing of Lamar's letter-book: 70 letters covering the period from 1855-1861 concerning the slave trade and other subjects.



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia, Award Winner Jim Jordan, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).





## **Award for Excellence in Research Using the Holdings of Archives**

### **Karen Cook Bell**

*In Claiming Freedom: Race, Kinship and Land in Nineteenth-Century Georgia*, Dr. Karen Cook Bell (Bowie State University, MD) begins by examining the meaning of freedom through the delineation of acts of self-emancipation prior to the Civil War. The emancipated African Americans from the rice region understood citizenship and rights in economic terms and sought them not simply as individuals for the sake of individualism, but as a community for the sake of a shared destiny. Bell also examines the role of women and gender issues, topics she believes are understudied but essential to understanding all facets of the emancipation experience. The book is a study of the political and social struggles of individuals as they strived for and claimed freedom during the nineteenth century.



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia, Award Winner Dr. Karen Cook Bell, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).



## **Award for Excellence in Research Using the Holdings of Archives**

### **Gregory Mixon**

Dr. Gregory Mixon (University of North Carolina-Charlotte), was honored for his book *Show Thyself a Man: Georgia State Troops, Colored, 1865-1905*. The book explores the ways in which African Americans in postbellum Georgia used militia service after the Civil War to define freedom and citizenship. Independent militias empowered African Americans to get involved in politics, secure their own financial independence, and mobilize for self-defense.



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia, Award Winner Dr. Gregory Mixon, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).



## **Award for Excellence in Research Using the Holdings of Archives**

### **Ciaran B. Trace**

Dr. Ciaran B. Trace's (The University of Texas at Austin) article, "Sweeping out the Capitol: The State Archives and Politics of Administration of Georgia, 1921-1923," studies the rise of the efficiency expert in the United States in the early twentieth century and its impact on the running of government.

Born in the heyday of the Progressive Era, and aligned with the rise of scientific management techniques, efficiency experts sought to meld modern business methods to public administration, in the process creating a more 'scientific government.' In the early 1920's, Georgia's governor hired a firm to create a study that he hoped would make his case for proper efficiencies and economies in state government. The research examines the impact that the study had on the Georgia Archives at the time.







## **Award for Excellence in the Educational Use of Historical Records**

### **Clayton State University History Program**

The Clayton State University History Program's 2017 senior thesis project focused on the U.S. Food Administration conservation efforts during the First World War. The Clayton State History Program recently redesigned their senior thesis to take advantage of the proximity of both the National Archives at Atlanta and the Georgia Archives. The new thesis process now requires history majors to participate in a two-semester thesis sequence, with students moving through the courses as a cohort. Furthermore, all students are required to use archival sources to complete their theses.



L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia, representatives from the Clayton State University History Program, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).





## **Award for Excellence in Student Research Using Historical Records, Graduate Level**

### **Laura Nelson**

In her Master's thesis for the University of Georgia History Department, *Wilkes Flagg and the Ambiguity of Race in 19<sup>th</sup> Century Middle Georgia*, Laura Nelson recreates the life and times of Wilkes Flagg, a slave whose celebrity gave rise to much myth and legend among both the black and white communities in Milledgeville. Nelson set out to sort fact from fiction to create a case study of a remarkable man with multiple skills and talents. She has been able to recreate one of the fullest and most complex portraits of a single black life under slavery and through emancipation, and to use his story to tell us much about the fluidity and ambivalence of racial status in 19<sup>th</sup> century middle Georgia and beyond.



Pictured L-R: Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer and Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, University System of Georgia, Award Winner Laura Neslon, and Dr. Toby Graham, Chair, Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).



## **Award for Excellence in Student Research Using Historical Records, Grades 9-12**

### **Thomas Bordeaux**

In his paper, “Saving the Shops: the Fight to Preserve the Savannah Railroad Complex.” Thomas Bordeaux (Jenkins High School) presents a thorough overview of the history of the railroad shop’s site, from the era of the American Revolution through the period of its preservation in the 1970s. The essay is a very strong work of local history that ties into the broader context of Georgia’s history as a transportation center and also the history of preservation in our state. The paper, presented at National History Day 2018, finished first at the regional competition, second at the state competition, and it competed at National History Day last June.



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## **Award for Excellence in Student Research Using Historical Records, Grades 9-12**

### **Becky Dorminy**

Becky Dorminy (National Archives at Atlanta, Home School, History), in her National History Day exhibit, “The Heir Apparent: The Three Governors Controversy and the Rise of Herman Talmadge,” details the conflict between the outgoing governor, the newly elected lieutenant governor, and legislatively elected Herman Talmadge, resulting from the death of Georgia Governor-Elect Eugene Talmadge in 1946.



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## **Award for Excellence in Student Research Using Historical Records, Grades 9-12**

### **Mark Gamboa**

Mark Gamboa (Covenant Christian Ministries Academy) presented his website, “Eugene Bullard: The First Pilot to Circumvent Racism,” at National History Day 2018. The project won the Georgia National History Day World War I Senior award for the northwest region. The website details the life of Bullard from his birth in Columbus, Georgia in 1895, to his time as a fighter pilot in France with the Foreign Legion, which was not segregated, and his evacuation to New York during World War II. His story was told in African American newspapers and magazines and inspired others to fly.



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## **Award for Excellence in Student Research Using Historical Records, Grades 9-12**

### **Eleanor McCoy**

Eleanor McCoy (Columbus High School), presented her 10-minute documentary, “From Lieutenant to Rusty: How to Rehabilitate a War Criminal.” at National History Day 2018. This documentary focuses on William Laws Calley, the Army Lieutenant who was charged with the murder of 116 Vietnamese civilians during the massacre at the village of My Lai in March 1968.

The story follows Calley from his court-martial and conviction through his sentence reduction and release in 1974. It focuses on how and why Calley chose to resettle in Columbus, GA and tells of his interaction with his community over the decades.



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## **Award for Excellence in Student Research Using Historical Records, Grades 6-8**

### **Alex Szymanski and Sophie Mullaney**

Alex Szymanski and Sophie Mullaney (Midtown International School) presented their junior group website, “Calling the Shots: Taking a Stand Against the Speckled Monster.” for National History Day 2017.

The website received first place at the regional, state, and national competitions. It shares the story of Atlantan, Dr. William Foege, and his efforts to develop the ring vaccination technique that led to the global eradication of smallpox and the movement towards the eradication of other diseases.



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## **Lifetime Achievement Award**

### **Joe Hungate**

2018 GHRAC Award Winner: Lifetime Achievement Award to Joe Hungate (Snellville), for ongoing volunteer projects for the Thomaston-Upson Archives (2001-present). The chronicle of volunteer projects that Joe Hungate has completed for the Thomaston-Upson Archives is vast. Since 2001, Mr. Hungate has poured hundreds of hours into creating user friendly electronic records. For the past several years, he has devoted much of his energy toward transcribing the Jack Morgan Collection of Upson County Family Genealogies into a searchable electronic file and then researching and adding additional information to the genealogies. Other projects include the transcribing the Upson County Censuses for 1870 through 1940 into a searchable electronic files, as well as the 1880 Census for Taylor County, compiling databases or indices for Upson County Poor School Records, 1834-1871; Upson County Marriages, by Bride and Groom, 1825-1932; Upson County Delayed Birth Certificates; Upson County burials using local funeral home records; cemetery books; local World War II Veterans as well as Gold Star Veterans of WWII; and the J. Harold Smith and J. Burris Smith Plats.



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## **Lifetime Achievement Award**

### **Thomas A. Scott**

2018 GHRAC Award Winner: Lifetime Achievement Award to Thomas A. Scott (Kennesaw State University, retired), for his outstanding career in teaching and scholarship. Dr. Thomas A. “Tom” Scott is Professor Emeritus of History and Campus Historian at Kennesaw State University from which he retired in 2011 after 43 years of teaching. At that time, he was the Director of the Kennesaw State Oral History Program and Co-Director of the Center for Regional History and Culture. He was the recipient of the Kennesaw State College Distinguished Teaching Award in 1994 and the Kennesaw State University Foundation Distinguished Professor Award in 2008. In 2004 he received the Governor's Award in the Humanities.

Five of his undergraduate students won the Georgia Association of Historians/National Archives prize for best undergraduate paper using archival resources. One of four major manuscript collections created by Tom Scott and held by the Kennesaw State University Archives consists of 8 boxes of the Local History Term Papers of his students, 1973 – 2008. Their online finding aid includes hundreds of topics.



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