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University Attended and Degrees Received:

University of Georgia	English History	Ph.D.
University of Georgia	U.S. & French History	M.A.
University of Georgia	U.S. History	A.B.

Academic Honors:

Graduate: Teaching Assistant, University of Georgia
Phi Alpha Theta Officer

Undergraduate: Cum laude in History, Phi Beta Kappa,
Phi Kappa Phi, Phi Alpha Theta
Sigma Delta Pi

Publications:

Most Recent Publications:

“White Oak Plantation: The Art and Mystery of a Nineteenth Century Georgia Backcountry House,” in Neighboring Voices: The Decorative Arts of Our Southern Cousins, Fifth Henry D. Green Symposium of the Decorative Arts [2013].

“Note,” in Fifth Henry D. Green Symposium of the Decorative Arts [‘13]

“Note,” in Fourth Henry D. Green Symposium of the Decorative Arts [12]

“Note,” in Third Henry D. Green Symposium of the Decorative Arts [‘11].

“Sketches” in the Kentucky African American Encyclopedia. UPK, 2015.

Books, Monographs, and Articles:

The Big Sandy (Lexington, KY, 1979).

Bowling Green: A Pictorial History (Norfolk, 1983).

Bowling Green-Warren County: A Bicentennial History (Bowling Green,

KY, 1999).

The Kentucky Board of Nursing: 75 Years of Protective Caring
(Frankfort, KY, 1989).

Kentucky: State History (Newton, MA, 1988).

Women Who Made A Difference (Lexington, KY, 1989: New Books for
New Readers Series).

Western Kentucky University: The First 100 Years, 1906-2006 (Prospect,
KY, 2006).

“Mary Breckinridge and The Frontier Nursing Service,” **The Register of the
Kentucky Historical Society** 76(July, 1978).

“Perusin’ the Pennyrile: Sadie Price, 19th Century Botanist,” **Filson Club
History Quarterly**, 65 (July, 1991).

“A True Woman’s Sphere” Motherhood in Late Antebellum Kentucky,”
Filson Club History Quarterly 66 (July, 1992).

“The Woman’s Movement in Kentucky,” **Kentucky Journal** X (Jan., 1998).

“Tom Clark: Local Historian”, John E. Kleber, ed., **Thomas D. Clark of
Kentucky: An Uncommon Life in the Commonwealth** (Lexington, KY, 2004).

Other Selected Publications:

“Roots: The Red Cross in Bowling Green,” **Red Cross Newsletter** (July,
1981).

“A Salute to the Theatre in Bowling Green,” **Capitol Arts Souvenir Program**
(Bowling Green, KY, 1981). Reprinted in expanded form as “The Theatre in
Kentucky,” **Heritage News** (August, 1983).

“Victorian Kentucky: Years of Yearning,” **Growing up Victorian:**
Resources for Secondary English (Bowling Green, KY, 1983). Reprinted
in **The Circuit Rider** 14(November, 1991).

“Transportation in 19th Century Kentucky,” **Reflections of the Past:**
Archival and Other Supplementary Resources for the Classroom
(Frankfort, KY, 1986).

“What’s the Angle? . . . Video and Educational Challenge of the 1980s,”
Schools & Video (Bowling Green, KY, 1986).

**“Kentucky’s New Woman and the Years of Yearning, 1889-1914,”
Corsets, Croquet and Crusades (Frankfort, 1989).**

**“The Big House at Wendover,” *Frontier Nursing Service Quarterly Bulletin*
68 (Spring, 1993).**

**Sketches in *The Kentucky Encyclopedia* [1992], *The Journal of Southern
Culture* [1989], *American Legislative Leaders* [1999], and *The Virginia
Encyclopedia of History* [2004].**

**Sketches in the *Bowling Green, KY Daily News* [approximately 50
“Bicentennial Bits.”**

**Book Reviews in *The Filson Club History Quarterly*, *The Georgia
Historical Review*, *The Journal of Southern History*, *The Register
of the Kentucky Historical Society*, *The Virginia Magazine of
History*, and the *Daily News of Bowling Green, KY*.**

**Electronic Source: “History of Warren County, Kentucky”
www.wku.edu/Library/200Years/cntyhist.htm (March 1998).**

Teachers’ Guides:

**A Teacher’s Guide to the Kentucky Story (Lexington, KY,
1983), joint authorship.**

**Hand-Me-Down History: Local Resources for the Classroom
(Bowling Green, KY, 1986), co editor and contributor.**

**Pioneer Life in South Central Kentucky: A Guide for
Teachers (Bowling Green, KY, 1988), joint authorship.**

**There are several additional Teacher’s Guides available on
TOP SCHOLAR, Western Kentucky University Libraries.**

Scholarly Papers and Critical Commentaries at Professional Conferences:

**Since the late 1970s, I have participated in some 65 conferences at the
National, regional, and state levels, including the National Oral History,
Southern Historical Association, the Duquesne Forum, Appalachian
Studies, the Missouri Valley, Popular History and Culture, Carolina
Symposium on British Studies, Victorian Studies, Ohio Valley, MESDA’s
Gordon Conference, Shakertown Roundtable, Eastern Kentucky History
Center, Kentucky-Tennessee American Studies, and others.**

Recent Workshops:

2004 Kentucky Historical Society Teacher Workshop

- 2004** Book Discussion Leader, KY Humanities Council
2004- 7 Teacher Workshops, GRECC
2005 4 Teacher Workshops, KY Humanities Council
2011 The Civil War: 150 Years Later, University Libraries

Public Service Speeches

Member of the KY Humanities Council Speakers Bureau, 1987 to Present. A list of presentations is available on request.

Each year I give a number of speeches to local and state civic and professional organizations and school groups. Topics on request.

Other Professional Activities:

Manuscript evaluator for the Filson Club History Quarterly, Register of the Kentucky Historical Society, The Journal of Southern History, The University Press of Kentucky, The University of Georgia Press, The University of Tennessee Press, and The Kent State Press.

Oral History Projects' Consultant, 1977-

Trustee, University of the South, 1990-2004.

Kentucky Council of the Arts Grants, 1990, 1991, and 1992.

Kentucky State Law Day Chair, 1982.

**President, Kentucky Association of Teachers of History, 1989-92.
Editor of KATH Newsletter, 1992-1995.**

Executive Board, Kentucky Historical Society, 1988-92.

Executive Board, Kentucky Friends of Public Archives, 1990-02.

Advisory Board, Kentucky Oral History Commission, 1990-92.

President, Phi Kappa Phi, WKU Chapter, 1987-88; 1996-97; 2001-02.

Awards and Honors:

WKU Distinguished University Professor, 2002-07.

WKU Faculty Excellence Award for Public Service, 1988.

Potter College Excellence Award for Public Service, 1987, 1988.

WKU Libraries Faculty Award, 1988.

WKU Women's Alliance Award, 1990.

WKU SGA Citizens Award for the Spirit of Leadership, 1995.

BG-WC Human Rights Commission Women's First Award, 1998.

Golden Key, 2001.

Professional Organizations:

Southern Historical Association

Southern Association of Women Historians (life)

Southern Association of British Studies (life)

The Filson Club

The Kentucky Historical Society

KATH

Research in Progress:

The Decorative Arts in Kentucky

Harry Innes: Early Kentucky Jurist

The Alexanders of Georgia: An Antebellum Family

Heroes of the Hardwood—literacy book