

# The Kentucky Archivist

Newsletter of the Kentucky Council on Archives

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#### Letter from the Chair

Dear KCA members,

While more specific details will be forthcoming, mark your calendars for Friday, May 25, 2018, when we will be having our Spring Meeting, "Gathering Strength: Internal Connections, Advocacy, and Engagement," at the beautiful Kentucky Historical Society in Frankfort, Kentucky. One of the most challenging issues in many archives is how to gain support and publicity within the institution. How do we engage those we work with and raise awareness of what we have to offer? It will be a time to get together and discuss our successes, as well as the challenges



Edna Fugate

we have encountered. In addition to learning more about engagement, the Spring meeting is the time for the KCA business meeting, and we will be voting on four positions on the Board: Vice-Chair, Webmaster, and two Members-at-Large. We encourage all members to attend and participate in the election process.

Thanks,

**Edna Fugate** 

## Treasurer's Report

Happy Spring, fellow KCA members! We had a great KCA membership turnout in 2017 with 88 members. Help us match our 2017 membership numbers by paying your dues online or via check today! You can pay dues via PayPal: <a href="http://www.kyarchivists.com/membership/">http://www.kyarchivists.com/membership/</a>

Our bank balance as of 3/31/2018 was \$9,515.85 (including interest) and our PayPal balance is \$829.54 making our Total Funds \$10,345.39. As always, feel free to contact me with any questions.

Deana Thomas KCA Treasurer, 2017-2020



#### Final Call for Board Nominations

There is still time to join the slate of nominees for the positions of Vice Chair, Member-at-Large, and Webmaster. The membership elects board members at the spring business meeting and new terms take effect immediately after. Each position is a 3-year term. For Vice Chair, the elected representative will serve as Chair during the second year and Past Chair in the third year. In order to serve on the board, you must be a KCA member in good standing. Board members are expected to attend business meetings, as well as KCA events. The board facilitates the operations of the organization, plans membership meetings and events, and advocates for the professional interests of its members. Nominations can also be added from the floor during the Spring business meeting.

Please send nominations to Edna Fugate, <a href="mailto:ednafugate@upike.edu">ednafugate@upike.edu</a> by April 27, 2018.

#### **Vice Chair Nominees:**

Rebecca Pattillo is the Metadata Librarian for Archives and Special Collections at the University of Louisville, where she maximizes discovery of the department's digital materials via metadata creation, maintenance, and review, as well as implementation of policies and streamlined workflows. She is also a Consulting Research Associate for the Frederick Douglass Papers Edition at Indiana University-Purdue University of Indianapolis (IUPUI). Prior, she worked in the Library and Archives Department of the Indianapolis Museum of Art, the Collections Department at the Indiana Historical Society, and at the National Council on Public History. She received an M.L.S. and an M.A. in Public History from IUPUI in 2016. Representative of her dual master's in public history and library sciences, she is interested in community archives, accessible digital collections, and imparting the importance of multicultural collections to create a more accurate and inclusive historical record.

#### **Member-at-Large Nominees:**

Kevin Klesta currently manages the records and archive of Louisville Metro's Air Pollution Control District which includes the environmental files for over 1,800 companies stretching back to the District's inception in 1945. His priorities focus on the long-term preservation of electronic records, interpreting retention policies, and facilitating public access to the District's records. Previously he worked at the State Archives of North Carolina as their Metadata Archivist, and at the University of Akron where he managed a World War II archive concentrated on the B-26 Marauder and the men who flew them. Kevin received his M.A. in History from the University of Akron in 2012.

#### **Webmaster Nominees:**

Megan Mummey has volunteered to serve a second term as Webmaster.

Find additional <u>KCA Governance</u> information on our website.

#### KDLA and SHRAB News

Submitted by: Cathrine Giles

#### Save the Date!

Save the date for the annual Kentucky Archives Institute on July 20, 2018, sponsored by the Friends of Kentucky Public Archives, Inc.!

#### **KDLA Exhibits Now Available as Virtual Collections**

The Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives (KDLA) recently unveiled new exhibits located just outside the Capitol Rotunda. These exhibits allow the public to see a rotation of historic documents, photographs, and other materials from KDLA's archival collection. KDLA is very grateful to the Friends of Kentucky Public Archives, Inc., for their donation of funding for the display cabinets. Staff monitor the exhibits closely for signs of light damage and track temperature and humidity readings.

Items on display are changed out every four-to-eight weeks. In January, the first display featured Legislative records and photographs. The February collection in-



cluded documents and photographs celebrating Black History Month. Women's History Month was the focus of the March display. In mid-April, the items focused on the Kentucky Derby. After the Run for the Roses, the May collection will spotlight election-related items. Each new exhibit is featured on our social media outlets.

Virtual collections for each display are also available in the Kentucky State Digital Archives (KSDA). KDLA's use of virtual collections allows Kentucky's citizens an alternative way of viewing the exhibits at the Capitol. Archival items chosen for each display are digitized, processed, and ingested into the KSDA to become permanent content in the digital collections. As part of the KSDA standards, items are sorted into groups based on the original creator of the content.



However, unlike physical objects, digitized items can exist in two places at once. Virtual exhibits are created by grouping links to individual items from various collections. By grouping links for the items in each exhibit, virtual collections allow the public to view distributed items together in one place.

Stop by the Capitol to see these beautiful cases and their unique contents. You can also enjoy these items online at <a href="https://kdla.access.preservica.com/?s=capitol+exhibits.">https://kdla.access.preservica.com/?s=capitol+exhibits.</a>

### KCA Membership News

#### **News from Eastern Kentucky University**

Submitted by: Jackie Couture

#### **EKU Digitizes Records of the KWIC**

Kentucky Women's Intercollegiate Conference (KWIC) was founded in 1970 and held state tournaments in multiple sports from 1971 through 2006. They competed regionally and nationally through the AIAW (Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women) until 1981 when the NCAA established championships for women's sports, beginning the slow but inevitable erosion of KWIC as an athletic conference.

Over the course of the KWIC's history, most Kentucky colleges and universities were members and are represented in the records which consist mainly of tournament materials, meeting minutes, financial records, member applications, photographs, and publications.

Thanks to a generous donation by an early advocate for women's athletics, we have been able to digitize the records of this organization. These records, in conjunction with the AIAW – Southern Region II Records (also digitized), document early efforts to provide women opportunities to compete at the intercollegiate level. Researchers can view the KWIC records online at: <a href="https://digitalcollections.eku.edu/items/browse?">https://digitalcollections.eku.edu/items/browse?</a> collection=75.

#### **World War I Exhibit**

Eastern Kentucky University Special Collections & Archives just unveiled an interactive exhibit to commemorate the 100-year anniversary of the end of the Great War. The exhibit was curated by Gabi (Cook) Zdrojowy '16, Special Collections & Archives student employee alumna. This project provided a hands on learning opportunity for Ms. Zdrojowy who is pursuing a graduate degree in history.





The items selected for the exhibit allow the viewer to look back through what was left behind in the archival record and reflect on the sacrifice of war, experiences at home and abroad, as well as life after the war as told through the eyes of Kentuckians.

The exhibit includes materials ranging from letters and sheet music to school bulletins and newspaper advertisements to a wool olive drab uniform and military paperwork, providing an in-depth view of the war and those who fought and died to end it.

## KCA Membership News, continued

#### **News from University of Kentucky**

Submitted by: Megan Mummey

The National Endowment for the Humanities announced the recipients of the 2018 Humanities Collections and Reference Resources Grant. A project from University of Kentucky Libraries Special Collections Research Center was one of 41 that were selected. The two-year project, entitled "P.S. Write Again Soon": Revealing 200 Years of the American Mosaic through the Wade Hall Collection of American Letters was awarded \$199,148 to process 355 cubic feet of letters, diaries, and personal papers from the Wade Hall Collection of American Letters. Additionally, 50 cubic feet of material will be digitized. Wade Hall, a Kentucky scholar of history and literature, collected materials written by men and women of different ages, races, education, and socioeconomic status, from across the U.S., between the 1750s and the 1960s. The grant will fund a two-year Project Archivist position and will result in over 2,000 finding aids and 80,000 digitized documents.



A small sample of Wade Hall letters on ExploreUK at the Special Collections Research Center. The recently awarded NEH grant will significantly expand the materials available online and for research purposes.

## 2018 Spring Meeting



## **Tentative Program Schedule**

9:30a.m On-site Registration

10:00a.m. Welcome by Edna Fugate, KCA Chair

10:15a.m. Presentation

11:00a.m. Break

11:15a.m. Business Meeting, Voting, and Open Discussion

12:00p.m. Lunch

1:00p.m. Presentations

3:00p.m. Tour

4:30p.m. Adjourn

For additional information contact Edna Fugate, <u>ednafugate@upike.edu</u>



## 2018 Spring Meeting, continued

Friday, May 25, 2018 | Kentucky Historical Society, Frankfort, KY

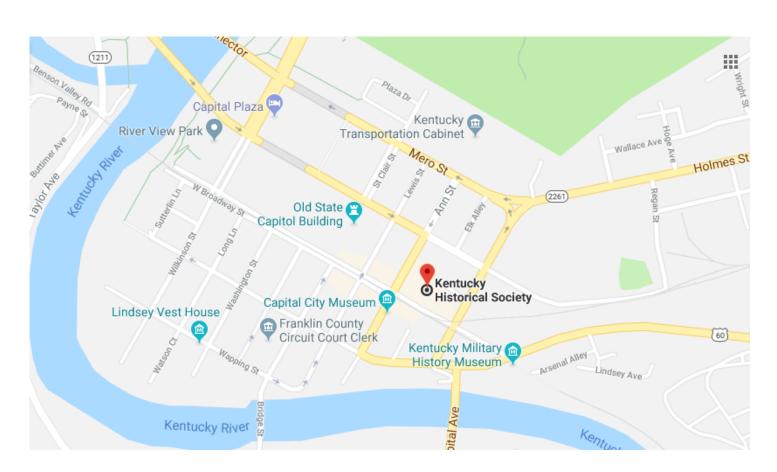
## **Transportation and Parking Information**

Address: 100 W. Broadway Frankfort, KY 40601

https://history.ky.gov/visit/hours-admission/

Parking is available across W. Broadway Street from the main entrance.

#### **Map and Directions**



## 2018 Spring Meeting, continued

## Registration

Please register online by Friday, May 18, 2018 to secure your lunch order.

Onsite registrations will be accepted, but will not include a lunch order. Online registration and payment is a two-step process, go to this link to begin process:

http://www.kyarchivists.com/meetings/spring-2018-meeting

Step #1: Complete Registration Form Step #2: PayPal

(Note: A small percentage-based service fee is assessed by PayPal, \$1 to \$1.50)

	For Registration and Pay	ment by Check and Mail:
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Lu	nch Options from <u>3 Peas ir</u>	n a Pod (please choose one):
□ Turkey Club	$\square$ Ham and Swiss	☐ Chicken Salad Scoop (Gluten Free)
☐ Egg Salad Scoop (Veg	etarian, Gluten Free)	<ul><li>Classic Pimento Cheese (Vegetarian)</li></ul>
☐ Greek Veggie Wrap (V	egetarian): Roasted red peppe	rs, marinated artichoke hearts, crumbled feta, English cucum
bers, red onion, roma tomatoe	es, and green leaf lettuce in a tom	ato basil wrap with red pepper hummus
	Would you like to attend	a tour? 🗆 Yes 🗆 No

If registering by mail, this form and payment must be received by Friday, May 18, 2018; mail to:

**Deana Thomas Kentucky Historical Society** 100 W. Broadway Frankfort, KY 40601



## Membership Form

#### **KCA Dues**

(May 1, 2018 – April 30, 2019)

KCA membership cycle goes from May 1-April 30 and is \$20. Please fill out this form as if it were a mailing label to you. You can email the form to the KCA treasurer, Deana Thomas, at Deana.thomas@ky.gov or you can mail it to her at the address at the bottom of the page. **PLEASE DO NOT USE PERSONAL INFORMATION YOU WOULD NOT WANT ON THE KCA WEBSITE!** We accept registration fees via Paypal, although there is an additional \$1 convenience fee. Please see the membership page of the KCA website to pay your dues electronically (http://www.kyarchivists.com/membership/).

Name:	
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Send dues checks to Deana Thomas Kentucky Historical Society 100 W. Broadway Frankfort, KY 40601

#### Make Checks Payable to Kentucky Council on Archives

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