

COVID-19 Edition

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Letter from the Chair

Greetings KCA Members,

Many thanks to all of you who participated in our Fall 2020 virtual meeting. We had a wonderful turnout, with over 40 members participating in the virtual training session on disaster planning and preparedness. The mix of asynchronous, pre-recorded videos paired well with the small, break-out virtual rooms. This proved to be a good combination of self-paced learning and an opportunity to connect with fellow colleagues across Kentucky. The virtual conference and training were made freely available thanks to funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities Preservation Assistance Grant. The pre-recorded content is still available for viewing by visiting <https://www.myriad.consulting/kca-trainings-2020>



Danielle Spalenka
KCA Chair, 2020-2021

The KCA Spring 2021 will once again be in a virtual format and will be held May 6-7, 2021. It has been over a year since we've been able to connect in person, so our theme for this virtual conference is "Status Update." We hope a more open format allows for members to connect and provide various updates from fellow KCA members. Possible topics include:

- How have priorities shifted during the past year?
- What projects have you been able to start or complete?
- Innovative/Creative approaches to remote reference services
- Innovative/Creative approaches to remote instruction
- Creative approaches to boosting morale, mental health, and work/life balance

Proposals may be traditional panels, individual presentations, or a lightning-round format. The KCA Board may create 30–50-minute panels of individual presentations that have a common theme. The CFP will close March 31, 2021. You can access the CFP by going to <https://forms.gle/FHaRRMQUtLSuGzX39>

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As a KCA member, you are eligible to run for office on the executive board, and we will soon be soliciting nominations for the position of vice chair and member-at-large. If you or anyone you know is interested in serving on the Executive Board, let us know by emailing myself (danielle@filsonhistorical.org) or Megan Mummey (megan.mummey@uky.edu) by April 9. We are happy to provide information about what the duties entail.

The images of winter – of dark days, of hunkering inside from the cold – share so many parallels to what we’ve experienced in this pandemic winter. Just as we hit the darkest days of the winter, we saw a surge in cases that far exceeded what we saw in the spring. But as we start to see signs of spring, we are seeing signs of hope – millions being vaccinated, cases dropping. There is so much that can be said of these unprecedented and historic times we are living through, but I simply wish you are all doing well, that you are being safe, and that one day soon we can safely meet in person after so much time apart.

All the best,
Danielle Spalenka

Call for Board Nominations

Are you interested in serving on the KCA Board? Consider nominating yourself (or someone you know) for one of the following positions:

- Vice Chair
- Member-at-Large

Each position is a three-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 should be sent to Danielle Spalenka (danielle@filsonhistorical.org) or Megan Mummey (megan.mummey@uky.edu) **by April 9**. Election information to follow.

Membership

Membership renewal begins on May 1, 2021! Find the renewal form on the last page of this newsletter!


Find additional [KCA Governance](#) information on our website.

2020 Fall Meeting Recap

Submitted by: Cathrine Giles


The KCA Fall Meeting went virtual in 2020! On November 20, Kentucky archivists gathered to participate in a remote learning workshop provided by Myriad Consulting. KCA members and non-members alike had the opportunity to attend this workshop to discuss institutional disaster planning and emergency preparedness efforts thanks to a grant awarded to the Filson Historical Society from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Frances Harrell, an independent archives professional, was the facilitator for this event. Prior to the workshop, Frances provided pre-recorded presentations about building communities for resilience and disaster planning basics. These were an excellent foundation to the workshop ahead.



Why do we care about community?

- ☐ Community ties – lateral, reciprocal relationships – can be the difference between recovery and loss in an emergency
- ☐ As mission-based organizations, we have services and knowledge that can support our communities after a disaster
- ☐ Archives steward records that can help community members rebuild their lives – legal documents and other evidence necessary during recovery
- ☐ Mitigating loss as a community is easier than doing it alone



Disaster!

Attendees were divided into small group discussions led by Frances, KCA Chair Danielle Spalenka, KCA Past-Chair Rebecca Pattillo, KCA Vice Chair Megan Mummey, and KCA Newsletter Editor Cathrine Giles. Each group reviewed different disaster scenarios: water damage outside working hours, power outage during an August weekend, and an F2 tornado.

Everyone in each group considered and discussed their concerns, resources, and steps to take for each scenario. Given the variety of institutions represented, these varied in scale but proved to be a good thought experiment that allowed colleagues to share ideas, real examples, and current processes.

Water damage outside working hours

Identify a specific space in your building to use for this scenario. At 11:00 pm on Saturday in mid-July, facilities staff have alerted the emergency response coordinator (incident commander) that water has penetrated a closed collections space after hours. A bathroom sink on the top floor of the building was plugged and the faucet was opened. By the time the problem was recognized, water had flowed through ceilings into six spaces on two floors. Water has dissolved and carried components from building materials, but is not believed to be toxic or otherwise contaminated. About 200 ranges of storage furniture have been affected. These include bound volumes, document boxes, and photographs. About 25% of material is soaked. The balance of the affected collection ranges from damp to wet at the edges.

Questions:

- 1) What are your top 2 concerns?
- 2) What supplies or equipment will you need for response?
- 3) What will you need to do first? Second? Third?

Power outage

It is Saturday afternoon in mid-August. Four hours ago your region experienced a major power outage. The region is experiencing record-setting heat and humidity—overnight temperatures for the next week will be in the low 90s. The best estimate for power restoration is Wednesday or later. With no power, all systems, including computer systems, are down. Non-emergency staff are barred from the building, which will be closed to the public until power is restored and all systems reviewed.

Questions:

- 1) What are the potential risks to your collections in these circumstances?
- 2) What supplies or equipment will you need for response?
- 3) What will you need to do first? Second? Third?

KCA Membership News

News from Berea College Special Collections and Archives

Submitted by: Harry Rice and Lori Myers-Steele

Michael and Carrie Nobel Kline Field Recordings Preserved by Berea College and CLIR

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Preserving Appalachian Voices in the Michael and Carrie Nobel Kline Collection: Home

Digital preservation project description and access portal



In 2019-2020, Berea College Special Collections and Archives conducted a Recordings at Risk digitization project to preserve and provide online access to more than 700 audio and video recordings created by folklorists Michael and Carrie Nobel Kline. The focus of the project was to save field recordings made between 1994 and 2006 documenting families and communities in an area that stretches from Parkersburg, West Virginia to the coal region of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

The resulting digital archive (<https://libraryguides.berea.edu/KlineCollectionGuide>) comprises a diverse selection of oral history interviews, personal reminiscences, historical presentations, music performances, and radio programs. These recordings document life experiences in neighborhoods, religious congregations, businesses, factories, mines, farms, ethnic social clubs, singing societies, and music ensembles. Some recordings reflect on Native American life, the Revolutionary and Civil Wars, slavery, the Underground Railroad, later African American experiences, natural disasters, and fading technologies and crafts. Ethnic groups represented include those that are rarely associated with the Appalachian region, despite their long presence here: Jews and immigrants from Asia, Latin America, Southern Europe and Eastern Europe.

All materials in the digital archive are part of a larger collection of folklife and music resources donated to Berea College Special Collections and Archives by the Klines for scholarly study. The preservation process included migrating data off magnetic tape and other recording media and storing digital master and access files on secure servers. Audio Archivist Harry Rice managed the grant project in consultation with Special Collections and Archives staff. To enhance discovery of the data, Hutchins Library director Calvin Gross and colleagues Ann Cinnamon and Jessica Hayden assisted by creating individual item records in the Berea College Library catalog and in OCLC Worldcat.org.

Recordings at Risk is a national regranteeing program administered by the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) to support the preservation of rare and unique audio, audiovisual, and other time-based media of high scholarly value through digital reformatting. The program is made possible by funding from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

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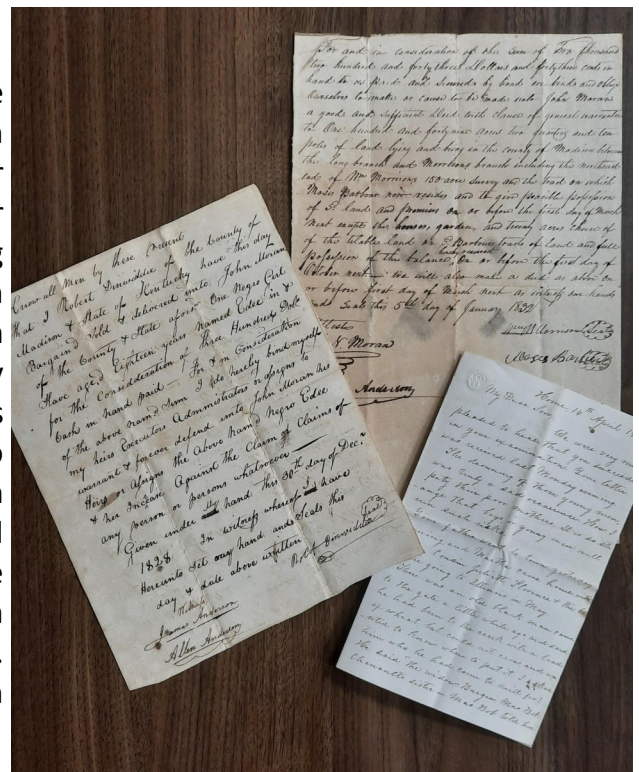
Moran Family Papers Available to Researchers

Processing of the Moran Family Papers (finding aid available at <https://berea.libraryhost.com/index.php?p=collections/controlcard&id=221>) at Berea College's Special Collections and Archives (SCA) has been completed and the collection is now open to researchers. The collection (dated 1805-1953; 5 cubic feet) consists of correspondence, writings, legal and historical documents (including land grants, deeds, and slave bills of sale), photographs, and ephemera of Moran family members of Silver Creek, Madison County, Kentucky.

The Moran family was an early, non-native, settler of the Silver Creek area. John Cleveland Moran (1763-1835) and Elizabeth (Betsey) Ann Barnett Moran (1765-1835), along with other Barnett family members, moved to the area in the late 1700s. Bringing millstones with them from Virginia, they would establish the Barnett Moran's Mill, a water-powered grist mill, on Silver Creek.

John and Betsey Moran's sixth child, Nathan Montgomery Moran (1803-1874), married Mary Jane Anderson (1821-1877) in 1846 and built an estate and farm known as "Stonehedge" or "Moran Castle" at Silver Creek. Like his father, Nathan Moran was a slave owner. At least two individuals enslaved by Moran went to Camp Nelson during the Civil War to fight for the Union. Nathan and Mary Jane Moran had one child, Hugh Anderson Moran (1849-1886) who was active in Richmond area business affairs before dying at the age of thirty-six of tuberculosis.

A portion of the Moran Family Papers contains the writings, photographs, and correspondence of Hugh Anderson Moran II (1881-1977) who, with his mother (Jennie Todd Breck – daughter of Presbyterian minister Robert Levi Breck) and surviving siblings, left Spring Creek for California in early 1887 after the deaths from tuberculosis of his father and two siblings. Hugh Anderson Moran II graduated from Stanford University in 1905 as the first athlete (track) to receive the Rhodes Scholarship and first Rhodes Scholar from Stanford to study at Oxford. Later earning a doctorate in religion from Columbia University and the Union Theological Seminary, Moran was ordained as a minister in the Presbyterian Church in 1908. He went on to serve as a Secretary of the International Committee of the Y.M.C.A. in China from 1909 to 1913. Numerous materials within this collection document Moran's time in China.



In addition to documenting the lives of Moran family members and early Madison County settlers, this collection includes materials – such as correspondence and legal documents – detailing the treatment of enslaved black Americans and the history of slavery in Kentucky.

KCA Membership News

News from Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives

Submitted by: Cathrine Giles, Jennifer Patterson

On February 1, Amy Malventano joined the Archives Services Branch at KDLA as the new Archives Research Room supervisor. Besides assisting patrons with research and reference needs, she will also oversee the research room's daily operations.

Prior to joining KDLA, Amy was an archivist at the American Jewish Archives and was the San Antonio City Archivist. She has experience working as a corporate and special collections archivist. In addition to a comprehensive archival and research skills set, Amy brings strong historical knowledge and perspective to the position.

Amy has a B.A. in History from Texas Lutheran University and an M.A. in American and Public History from Texas State University. Additionally, she is currently a Ph.D. candidate (ABD) in History at the University of Kentucky. Her research focuses include civic reform, cultural landscapes, historic preservation, gender, and the environment. She is a native of South Texas (Somerset) and currently resides in Florence, KY, with her husband Allyn.

Local government agencies receive grants to preserve local records



KDLA recently announced the recipients of the Local Records Grant Program funds to preserve and manage local government records.

The Local Records Program helps to preserve, protect and make available records with continuing archival value and assist local agencies with records management through direct services, training and grant support.

KDLA has awarded two grants statewide totaling \$21,504 of fiscal year 2021 Local Records Grant Program funds. Funds are made available through fees enacted by the Kentucky General Assembly to preserve and retain local public records. Any local government agency may apply for this

grant.

"These grants are important to make sure that permanent local records are preserved and organized so that our citizens have access to them now and in the future," said Lt. Gov. Jacqueline Coleman, secretary of EWDC.

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The 2021 Cycle 1 Local Records Grant Program funds have been awarded to the following recipients:

Elkton City Clerk in Todd County - \$12,379

Slaughters City Clerk in Webster County - \$9,125

With four regional administrators working with local officials, KDLA ensures professional archival and records management assistance in county and city offices, school districts and health departments. Local Records Grant funds have supported work in microfilming, preservation, equipment, automated indexing, digital imaging systems and codification of ordinances.

The application deadline for Cycle 1 of FY 2022 is March 31, 2021. More information may be found here:

<https://kdla.ky.gov/records/recmgmtservices/Pages/LocalRecordsProgramGrants.aspx>.



News from the Filson Historical Society

Submitted by: Heather Potter, Curator of Photographs & Prints

The Filson Historical Society is excited to announce the recent hire of Elizabeth Massie for the position of Collections Assistant. Massie's focus at the Filson will be supervising our Special Collections Reading when we re-open to the public and working with our Photograph and Print Collections. Massie recently received her BA in History from the University of Kentucky and is currently working toward her MLIS from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (LEEP). With prior experience as an Oral History Indexer and research intern at the University of Kentucky Special Collections we are excited to have her join our team!

Fund Award

2021 Funds Available: \$500

Purpose: Programming and projects that support professional development, advocacy, or outreach and that broadly benefit Kentucky's archival community.

Application Deadline: April 16, 2021

The Kentucky Council on Archives accepts requests of financial support for programming and projects from archival organizations and KCA members that promote community-wide professional development (i.e. workshops or training), advocacy initiatives, and archival outreach. Requests are evaluated on their contribution and measureable benefits to the Kentucky archival community at large, especially their impact on the broad and diverse KCA membership. Note that funds are not available to offset costs incurred for individual workshop or training attendance such as travel or conference registration.

Letters of request must:

- Specify the amount of funding requested
- Describe the organization and/or individual submitting the request and its history, mission, values, and programs
- Describe the intended use of KCA funding, including event or project elements and location
- Describe the intended audience of KCA funding
- Describe the anticipated outcomes of KCA funding
- Be submitted by April 16, 2021

Upon completion of the project or event, the award winner(s) must submit a brief report to KCA describing use of the funding and the outcomes.

Letters of request should be submitted electronically to the KCA Chair, Danielle Spalenka at danielle@filsonhistorical.org by **April 16th**.

Please note that the following expenses are not eligible for funding:

- Archival supplies
- Food or beverage
- Individual professional development
- Individual membership or registration fees
- Activities or materials of a political nature

Previous funded projects include Kentucky's Local History Trust Fund grant workshops in various Kentucky communities and the Local Arrangements Committee for the Midwest Archives Conference.

The award rubric is available [here](#) and will be used by the Fund Award Committee to evaluate proposals.

2021 Spring Meeting | Call for Proposals

The KCA Board is seeking proposals for its Spring 2021 annual meeting, which will be held virtually May 6-7, 2021.

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The official Team Kentucky source for information concerning COVID-19



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COVID-19 Hotline (800) 722-5725

The COVID-19 hotline is a service operated by the healthcare professionals at the KY Poison Control Center who can provide advice and answer questions. The COVID-19 Hotline (800) 722-5725 can answer general COVID-19 vaccine questions.

For General Inquiries

Please send an email to KYcovid19@ky.gov

Healthcare Provider Guidance

Kentucky's Healthcare Guidance for Healthcare Providers, Labs and Facilities

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Membership Form

KCA Dues (May 1, 2021 – April 30, 2022)

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, Sandra Baird, at Sandra_Baird@georgetowncollege.edu or you can mail it to the address at the bottom of the page.

PLEASE DO NOT USE PERSONAL INFORMATION YOU WOULD NOT WANT ON THE KCA WEBSITE!

We accept membership dues 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: _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

_____ Include my name and contact information on the KCA website membership directory.

_____ Do not include my name and contact information on the KCA website membership directory.

Send dues checks to:

**Sandra Baird
400 E College St.
Georgetown, KY 40324**

Make Checks Payable to: Kentucky Council on Archives

The Kentucky Council on Archives, a professional membership organization, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, or disability and provides, on request, reasonable accommodation including auxiliary aids and services necessary to afford an individual with a disability an equal opportunity to participate in all services, programs, and activities. Persons requiring special accommodation or auxiliary aids must notify a member of the KCA board thirty (30) days prior to a meeting so that the proper arrangements can be made.