

Annual Report for Calendar Year 2014

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For any institution, reaching the age of 175 is a major milestone, one worthy of a grand celebration. So it is with great satisfaction that I am able to report that the Georgia Historical Society celebrated its 175th anniversary by enjoying the best year in its long and distinguished history. Attendance at events, fund raising, and the number of people we served exceeded all previous records and we expanded our outreach, presence, and facilities in new and exciting directions. In terms of education and research—the twin pillars of our mission—the Society continued to grow, offering teachers, students, researchers, and the general public access to the ever-expanding body of scholarship being produced by historians in universities and colleges across the nation. By offering these fresh insights into the past, we helped the people we served to gain a new understanding of the present and prepared them to make decisions that will shape the future of our nation and the world.

Financially it was a highly successful year. The institution met or exceeded all its fundraising goals and net assets grew by nearly \$1 million. At the end of the fiscal year on June 30, 2014, net assets were \$13,812,144 as opposed to \$12,816,440 in 2013, representing an 8 percent increase. The endowment fund on June 30, 2014, stood at \$8,040,125, up from the previous year's total of \$7,017,283, an increase of over \$1 million. For the fifth year in a row, GHS received Charity Navigator's coveted four-star rating, placing us among an elite group of national not-for-profits whose financial practices exceed industry standards. Indeed, only 4 per-

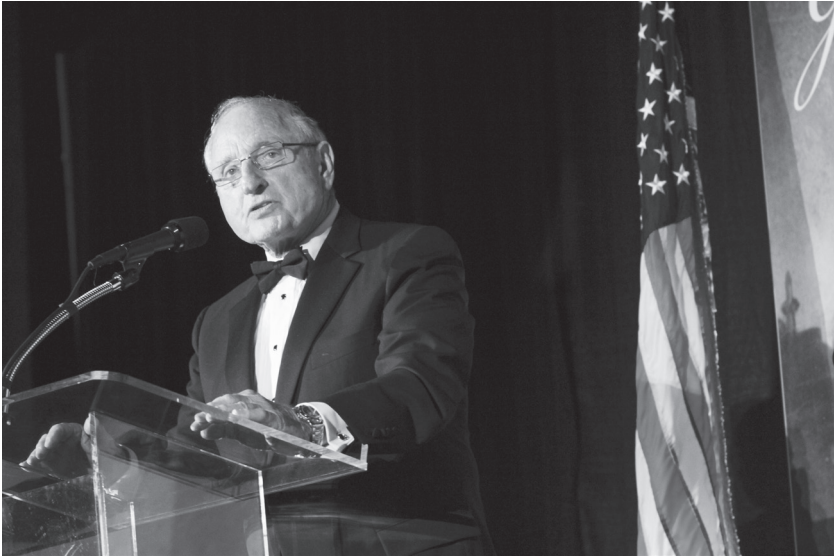


At the 2014 Annual Meeting, GHS members elected Robert S. Jepson, Jr. (pictured here with GHS Distinguished Fellow Ed Ayers, left, and Todd Groce, center) as chairman of the Board of Curators.

cent of all organizations in the United States reviewed by Charity Navigator receive the top rating for five consecutive years.

GHS kicked off its celebration as the South's oldest continuously operated historical organization at the 175th annual meeting on April 30, 2014. The event was held in the historic 1833 sanctuary of Savannah's First Baptist Church, a fitting location that served as the site for many of the Society's annual meetings prior to the construction of Hodgson Hall after the Civil War. That evening the members elected Robert S. Jepson Jr. and Vince Dooley chairman and vice chairman, respectively, putting into place an unbeatable leadership team. Dr. Ed Ayers, president of the University of Richmond and one of the most renowned Civil War scholars in the nation, gave the keynote address and was inducted as the inaugural Distinguished Fellow of the Society.

The celebration continued in June with a 175th anniversary special issue of *Georgia History Today* focusing on the long and



Coach Vince Dooley was elected vice chairman at the 2014 Annual Meeting. He is pictured here introducing Georgia Trustee Billy Payne at the 2014 Trustees Gala. *Photo by Russ Bryant.*

distinguished history of the institution and giving a sneak peek at plans for the future. Another 175th anniversary publication, *Georgia History in 25 Objects*, was published as a special insert in the September issue of *Georgia Trend* magazine. Featuring twenty-five objects from the GHS collection that told the story of the state's history, from the compass used by Georgia founder James Oglethorpe to lay out the city of Savannah to the apron worn by Home Depot co-founder Bernie Marcus, this special publication went to more than fifty thousand *Georgia Trend* subscribers who collectively represent the business and political leadership of the state. The Society has designed a special 175th anniversary logo to be prominently displayed on all publications, collateral, and press releases (see cover of this report).

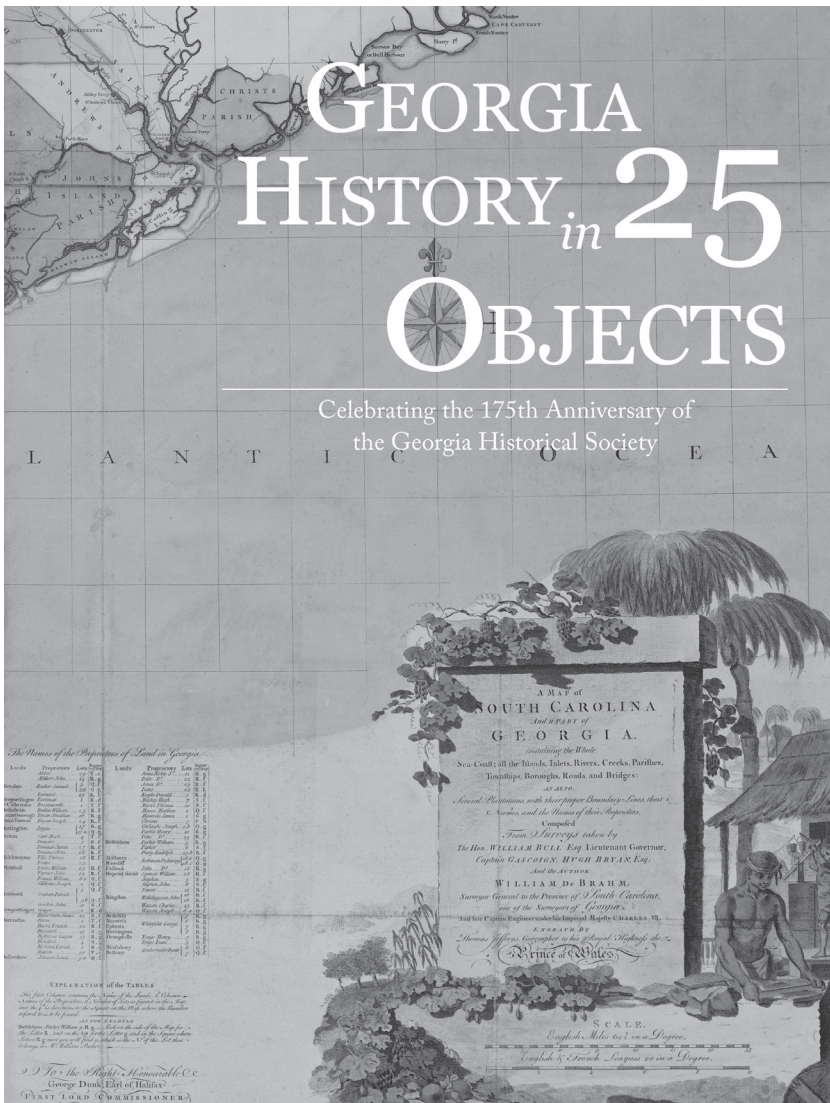
The year 2014 was also a banner one for the *Georgia History Festival*, the Society's signature school-age education program. Under the leadership of co-chairs Vince Dooley and Ellen Bolch, the event raised a record \$826,000 for education and research and served approximately fifty thousand students and teachers across the state. Over a two week period, the *Festival* offered various educational opportunities, including the Georgia Day Parade, the



Chairman emeritus Howard Morrison (right) received the John Macpherson Berrien Lifetime Achievement Award at the 2014 Annual Meeting from president & CEO W. Todd Groce.

Colonial Faire and Muster, Super Museum Sunday, and in-class presentations, all focused on the story of Georgia's founding and the life and contributions of Georgia native Flannery O'Connor, the 2014 featured historical figure. In addition to these programs, GHS held a special screening of the John Huston film *Wise Blood*, based on O'Connor's novel, and a program by William Sessions, editor of O'Connor's *A Prayer Journal*. In addition, GHS added a new set of content-rich online teacher resources; published an original book for classroom use entitled *Then and Now: Flannery O'Connor, Every Day Life*; and partnered with the *Savannah Morning News* to develop and deliver three thousand copies of the Newspapers in Education insert.

The *Georgia History Festival* concluded with the Trustees Gala on February 15, 2014, and the induction by Lt. Governor Casey Cagle (standing in for Governor Nathan Deal, detained in Atlanta responding to the second major snow storm that season) of phi-



As part of its 175 anniversary celebration, GHS partnered with *Georgia Trend* magazine to publish *Georgia History in 25 Objects*—all from the GHS collection—as a special insert in the September issue.

lanthropist and Home Depot co-founder Arthur Blank and Augusta National chairman and 1996 Olympic Games organizer Billy Payne as the newest Georgia Trustees.



These second-grade students marched in the Georgia Day parade in February, just three of the fifty thousand students and teachers from across the state served by the *Georgia History Festival*. Photo by Russ Bryant.

In addition to the exciting programs for students listed above, GHS education staff continued to create content-rich resources for teachers. The GHS Educator Web Guide was completed during 2014, offering K-12 teachers tools for improving the quality of classroom instruction by making better use of the many resources on the GHS website. Funded by a \$150,000 grant from the DuBose Family Foundation, the guide builds on earlier digitization projects and offers quick access to historical markers, digitized primary sources, photographs, and artifacts, segments of *Today in Georgia History*, and even *New Georgia Encyclopedia* articles—all organized by subject. Another resource created last year, the Civil War 150 Website, (<http://civilwar150.ghslearn.com/>), is an updated ancillary website designed to be a lasting online legacy of the Society's activities during the national commemoration of the Civil War 150th anniversary. The website includes materials created for the 2010 NEH-funded workshop "The American Civil War at 150: New Approaches" and the Civil War 150 Historical Marker Project. In addition, a new interactive online exhibit about the CSS *Georgia*, a Confederate ironclad that protected the river approaches to Savannah, was also developed.



Billy Payne, Augusta National chairman and 1996 Atlanta Olympics organizer (left) joined Home Depot co-founder and Atlanta Falcons owner Arthur Blank (right) the newest Georgia Trustees, inducted at the 2014 Trustees Gala. *Photo by Russ Bryant.*

In the area of public education and heritage tourism, GHS concluded one major historical marker-based project and launched two new ones during the past year that rely heavily on this traditional form of public history, but with a new twist. During the months of November and December, the Civil War 150 Historical Marker Project was completed with the installation of two new historical markers on William T. Sherman's March to the Sea. Dedicated on the 150th anniversary of the beginning and ending of the so-called Savannah Campaign, these markers—one in Atlanta where the March began and one in Savannah where it ended—provide an interpretive overview previously lacking for the approximately fifty existing markers installed decades earlier by the State of Georgia along the route of the March.

As with the other markers created as a part of this award-winning project, the text for the March to the Sea markers was based on modern scholarship, which demythologized the event and thus generated considerable interest even beyond the boundaries of the state. These markers were the focus of a major article in the *New York Times* about changing perceptions of Sherman and his March to the Sea, and an essay I was invited to write entitled, "Rethinking Sherman's March," which was published as a part of the *New York Times* series on the Civil War and later reprinted in the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*. The intense public discussion



C-SPAN cameras captured the dedication of a new marker on the March to the Sea in Savannah in December 2014.

surrounding these markers was reminiscent of that generated nearly four years earlier over the marker about the “Burning and Destruction of Atlanta.” As in 2011, GHS was once again at the forefront of a national conversation about the meaning of the Civil War and how the conflict should be remembered, which is precisely what public history institutions should be doing if we expect to fulfill our mission to educate the public and promote a civil society.

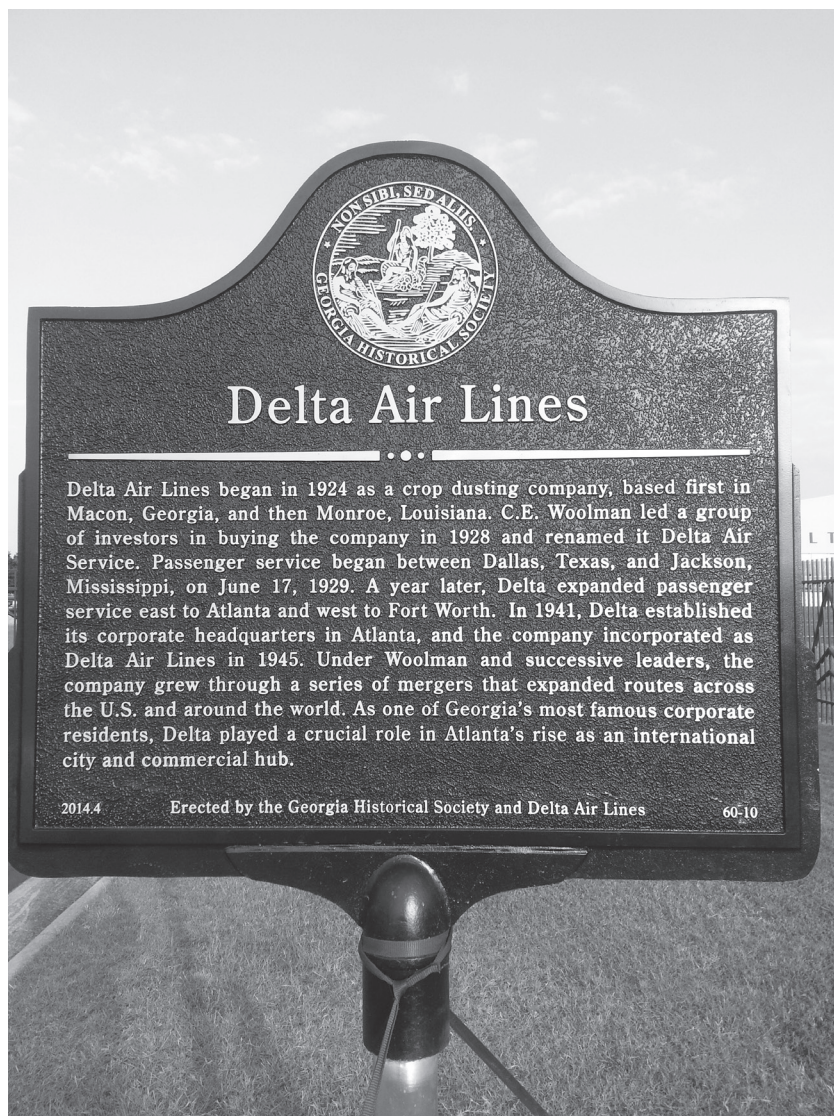
Using the Civil War 150th anniversary project as a model, in 2014 on the 50th anniversary of the landmark Civil Rights Act of 1964 GHS launched the Georgia Civil Rights Trail, a public education program designed to increase tourism and an understanding of the role that Georgia played in the national Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s and 1960s. Developed in partnership with the Georgia Department of Economic Development and the National Center for Civil and Human Rights in Atlanta, the Trail uses a combination of historical markers, online tools such as Google maps for creating self-guided driving tours, and educational and



GHS launched the new Georgia Civil Rights Trail in October 2014 with a marker at the site of the Atlanta student movement on the campus of Clark Atlanta University. ASM and Civil Rights Movement veteran Lonnie King (to the right of marker) spearheaded the marker effort. *Photo by Horace Henry.*

research materials in the GHS archival collection to take visitors and students to the sites where the history of the Movement happened in our state. The project was launched in October 2014 with the dedication of markers on the campus of Clark Atlanta University commemorating the Atlanta Student Movement and nearby Rush Memorial Church, which served as headquarters for the Student Movement. When the initial phase of the project is completed in 2015, the Trail will feature twenty-seven Civil Rights Movement sites across the state, and more will be added as funding allows.

As a part of a new strategic plan that would focus on teaching, collecting, and facilitating research about the key role that business has played in Georgia's development on the national and even international stage, in 2014 GHS launched another project based on historical markers, the Business History Initiative. Participating companies receive a historical marker, a two-page profile in *Georgia Trend* magazine, and a case study developed by the Georgia Council for Economic Education that is made available to K-12 teachers for use in the classroom. The project launched



A new historical marker for Delta Air Lines launched the GHS Business History Initiative in June 2014.

in June with the installation of a historical marker for Delta Airlines upon the 85th anniversary of commercial flight. By the end of the year, two other iconic Georgia companies—Georgia Power

and Southern Company—had become partners with several additional major corporations in the pipeline.

In 2014, the GHS Research Center, home of the oldest library and archives of Georgia history, continued to facilitate the study of our state's and nation's past. This entailed not only providing onsite reference service for thousands of patrons, but also continuing the vital and long-term work of digitizing the four million documents, photographs, and other records in our collection. Through our participation in five major digitization projects, during the past year we created digital records of approximately twenty thousand original GHS documents, making them available online to anyone, at any time, in any place in the world. These digitization projects included "America's Turning Point," a collaboration with the Atlanta History Center and the University of Georgia; "Essentials for Online Access and Education," funded by the National Historical Publications and Records Commission; "Remembering Lincoln," a national project that is collecting archival material about the Lincoln assassination; and a Digital Library of America initiative to digitize major GHS collections. In addition, GHS was invited to participate in a new project, the Runaway Slave Database, which is collecting tens of thousands of records primarily from newspaper advertisements related to runaway slaves in the South during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, creating an invaluable tool for researching southern and African-American history.

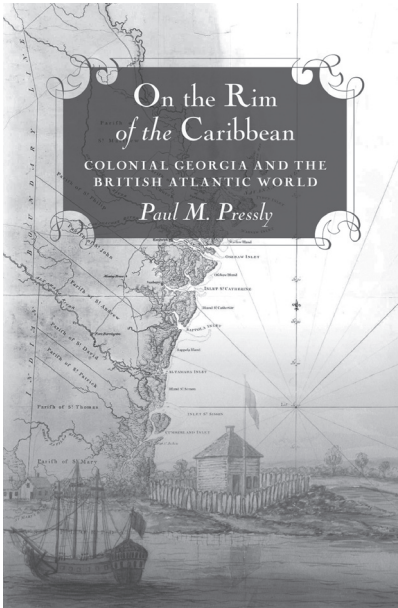
As a result of these digitization efforts, usage of the collection continued to grow steadily. Last year, GHS served nearly sixty thousand researchers from forty-three states, the District of Columbia, and eleven foreign countries, a dramatic increase from twenty years ago when we served fewer than nine thousand patrons. Like every other industry, the archival business is being revolutionized by the demands of online research. Just as most of us prefer to do our banking online rather than visit a branch office, the vast majority of researchers today want immediate online access to original documents as opposed to making the often long and expensive trip to a physical location. This transformation is forcing us to change how we make collections available and enabling us to reach far more researchers from more places around the globe than ever before.



Through GHS's participation in five major digitization projects, during the past year the institution created digital records of approximately twenty thousand original GHS documents, including this lantern slide of World War I soldiers in gas masks by Dr. H.N. Torrey, from the Ossabaw Island and Torrey Family Papers.

No achievement of the past year was more significant or had more potential to revolutionize GHS than the completion of the Society's new administration building, the Jepson House Education Center. Originally built as a home for Savannah mayor Thomas Holcombe in 1856, the eight-thousand square foot, three-story Jepson House is located immediately north of the Research Center and includes a fifteen hundred-square foot carriage house and surrounding gardens. The renovation, which primarily consisted of transforming a private residence into commercial property, began in July 2013 and was completed a little over one year later in mid-August 2014. The president and the administrative and program staff moved into their new quarters during the last week of August, just prior to a visit by Russ Hardin, head of the Robert W. Woodruff Foundation, a major supporter of the project.

The building and a historical marker were dedicated on November 19, 2014, followed by an open house for GHS members. During the dedication ceremony, principal benefactors Bob and



Co-winners of the 2014 Malcolm Bell Jr. and Muriel Barrow Bell Award for the best book in Georgia history.

Alice Jepson, along with other major donors such as John McMullan and his family, were recognized for their extraordinary vision and generosity. The \$4.5 million project is the first expansion of the GHS campus in over forty years and has added nearly ten thousand square feet of additional space for planning educational programs and publications. Although it has been occupied for just a few short months, the acquisition of Jepson House has already proven to be a transformational event in the history of the institution and its opening provided a fitting capstone to the 175th anniversary year.

Jepson House was a major component of the “Campaign to Share Georgia History,” a capacity-building campaign launched in 2011 designed to strengthen the Society’s ability to fulfill its mission by providing the institution with the staff, facilities, and new technology necessary to move to the next level. After raising a combined \$7 million for new programming like *Today in Georgia History*, a capital expansion (Jepson House), and new positions such as a director of communications, an education coordinator, and development officer, it was time to begin planning for the next campaign. Ac-



The newly renovated Jepson House Education Center. The building opened in August 2014. *Photography by Richard Leo Johnson. Architecture by Lynch Associates Architects. Interior design by Linn Gresham Haute Decor. Construction by Martin & Zittrouer Construction.*

cordingly a strategic plan developed in 2014 by a team of board and staff led by John McMullan of Atlanta identified the teaching and collecting of business history as a major institutional objective for the next five years. In order to achieve this goal, GHS would need to develop programming focused on business history and begin to actively collect corporate records and the papers of men and women who lead the companies headquartered in our state. The Business History Initiative described earlier was developed and launched as a direct result of this strategic goal.

Moreover, it was decided that a strong endowment would be required in order to provide the long-term financial independence necessary to secure what has been built over the last twenty years and to sustain the institution going forward. By building the endowment, GHS will lay a firm foundation and complete the process of shifting away from government control and funding toward private management and support begun with the voluntary



The Thomas Leverette McMullan Board Room in the Jepson House Education Center. *Photography by Richard Leo Johnson. Architecture by Lynch Associates Architects. Interior design by Linn Gresham Haute Decor. Construction by Martin & Zittrouer Construction.*

state privatization of the GHS Research Center in 1997. To that end, in 2014 the board of curators began work on a new campaign that would add \$12 million to the endowment, dramatically increase revenue through annual giving and other fund raising, and retrofit the former offices on the ground floor of Hodgson Hall into space that will serve the growing archival needs of the Society. Planning for the campaign—including setting a goal, developing the case statement, and identifying a chairman—was slated to continue into early 2015 with an announcement of the campaign launch at the annual meeting on May 28, 2015.

The remarkable achievements of the past year were possible because of the support and hard work of many individuals and groups from across the state. We would like to thank our educational partners, especially the Georgia Department of Economic

Development, Georgia Battlefields Association, the Georgia Humanities Council, the Georgia Council for Economic Education, and the Digital Library of Georgia, for their invaluable assistance in helping us to reach our common mission to improve the lives of all Georgians. I also want to thank our individual donors, members, and corporate sponsors for their continued investment in history education. The names of these champions of education and research can be found listed at the end of this report.

One of the greatest strengths of our institution is the strong board we have built over the last few years. We are fortunate to have attracted many of the top corporate and civic leaders in the state; one could make the case that it is because of them and their business acumen, leadership skills, and influence that we have accomplished so much. Led by Board chairman Robert Jepson, the members of our board gave generously of their time, talents, and resources. It is fitting in our 175th year that we elected to the chairmanship a leader like Bob who has already become a transformational figure in the history of the institution. We are also very blessed to have a living icon like Vince Dooley serving as vice chairman. In addition, board member John McMullan, his wife Marilyn, and their son Ted deserve special thanks for their generosity, which was formally recognized with the Thomas Leverette McMullan Board Room in the Jepson House, named in memory of John's father.

The GHS staff continued to amaze me with their energy, dedication, hard work, and drive to succeed. In particular I want to commend the senior management team, consisting of Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Laura Garcia Culler; Senior Historian Dr. Stan Deaton; Director of Programs, Christy Crisp; Research Center Director, Lynette Stoudt; Director of Communications, Pattye Meagher; and Director of Finance and Administration, Loretta Hoover, for their outstanding achievements this past year. Laura, especially, deserves the highest thanks and praise. Not only did she lead the planning for the most successful *Georgia History Festival* and the fabulous Trustees Gala, but she also served as project manager for the Jepson House renovation, all the while overseeing (as de facto provost) the daily operations of the institution. We were also very proud that Christy was selected to participate in the Seminar for Historical Administration, a prestigious three-week program offered by the American Association



The GHS Board of Curators in Spring 2014. First row, left to right: John Helmken, Kay Hightower, W. Todd Groce, Robert Brown, Robert Jepson, Ellen Bolch, Paul Bowers. Second row, left to right: Vince Dooley, Bill Jones, Dolly Chisholm, Howard Morrison, Reed Dulany, Tommy Hills. Third row, left to right: Clayton Boardman III, John McMullan, Phil Jacobs. Not pictured: Jackie Montag, David Allen, James Blanchard, Sonny Deriso, Thomas Holder, Leah Ward Sears, Bill Todd, John Wallace, Neely Young.

for State and Local History that develops leaders in the field of public history.

In May of 1839, a small group of intellectuals gathered in Savannah (Atlanta was only two years old at that time) to create an organization that would, in their words, “collect and diffuse the history of Georgia and the United States in general.” Seven months later, in December 1839, one hundred charter members petitioned the Georgia General Assembly for articles of incorporation, forging a private-public partnership with the State of Georgia that continues to this day. Since that modest beginning 175 years ago, the Georgia Historical Society has grown into an institution with more than five thousand members, 150 affiliate chapters in seventy-five counties, a campus in downtown Savannah and an office in Atlanta, a \$2.2 million operating budget, an \$8 million endowment, the oldest history-publishing program in the state, and the oldest and most comprehensive collection of Georgia history in the nation.

As we prepare to enter our third century as an institution, the Georgia Historical Society stands on the brink of the most exciting period in its long history. The past twenty years have been characterized by explosive and unparalleled growth, but that is only prologue for the things that are to come. By the time we celebrate our 200th anniversary in 2039, GHS will be an even greater leader on the national stage, educating not only Georgians, but all Americans, about how our shared past created the world we live in today. Reaching that goal will require commitment, hard work, vision, and generosity. It will require an endowment strong enough not only to secure what has been achieved but to open the doors of new opportunities.

History is not a luxury, it is essential. As we gain a clearer understanding of our past through scholarly research and exploration, we have the ability to transform society, to transmit the values of our democracy, and to create a better world for ourselves and our posterity. The Georgia Historical Society is committed to this goal and we need your help to achieve it. Together, as a team of board, employees, members, and donors, we will build an institution capable of leading our state and nation into the uncertain and uncharted waters of the future with what Patrick Henry described as “the lamp of experience” to guide our way.

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John Gaskins Land Grant and Plat with Seal Attached, 1819-1842. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Connecticut Historical Society.

John Forsyth Jr. Land Grant and Plat with Seal Attached, 1821-1850. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Connecticut Historical Society.

- Ralph May Military Commission, 1807. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Connecticut Historical Society.
- Colson Family Bible Record, 1879-1927. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Charles E.F. Drake, MD.
- Junior League of Savannah Records, 1920s-2013. 18.0 cubic feet. Gift of Junior League of Savannah.
- Smith and Kelly Company Ledger, 1890-1921. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Gwen and Burnell Russell.
- Morgan County Estate Appraisal, 1859. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Susan M. Wood.
- Henry Dreeson Collection of Chatham County Deeds, 1866-1918. 0.16 cubic foot. Gift of Mike Waters.
- John Couper Stiles Scrapbook of Published Letters on Armed Conflicts, 1912-1917. 0.10 cubic foot. Gift of Michael B. Robinson.
- Juliette Gordon Low Birthplace Collection of Mac Gordon Papers, 1931-1946. 0.5 cubic foot. Gift of Juliette Gordon Low Birthplace, Girl Scouts of the USA.
- Richards Family Photograph Album, 1869. 0.36 cubic foot. Gift of Elizabeth Ford.
- Reverend Canon C.E.B. Harnsberger Collection of Berrien Family Papers, 1855-1962. 0.1 cubic foot. Gift of Carolyn Clay Swiggart.
- Ossabaw Island and Torrey Family Papers (addenda), 1910-1923, undated. 2.53 cubic feet. Gift of Justin P. West.
- Turpentine Leases and Land Deeds, 1909, 1943. 0.1 cubic foot. Gift of Hugh S. Golson.
- Conrad Aiken Poet Laureate Citation and Proclamation, 1973, 1989. 0.1 cubic foot. Gift of Horace Fleming.
- Robert S. Jepson Painting, 1999. 1.38 cubic feet. Gift of Robert S. Jepson.
- Chatham County Wall Maps, 1930, undated. 1.0 cubic foot. Gift of Alice Backus.
- Chatham County Department of Public Health Records, 1912-2003. 4.48 cubic feet. Gift of Chatham County Health Department.
- Irving W. Doty Jr. Genealogy Research Files and Publications, circa 1800-1995. 21.0 cubic feet. Gift of Pat Doty Daniel.
- Albert Armor films of Greensboro, Georgia Area, 1946-1948. 0.1 cubic foot. Gift of Nancy Pickford.
- Rotary Club of Savannah (addenda), 1914-2005. 0.32 cubic foot. Gift of Rotary Club of Savannah.
- Jack Leigh Photographs, 1988. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of James McAlister.

E.C. Anderson Goblet, circa 1869. 0.03 cubic foot. Gift of Terrill C. Hope.
Savannah Slave Sale Receipt, 1836. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Katherine Powers.

John Clark Collection of Chatham County Motorcycle Club and Starland Dairy Photographs, 1933-1948. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of John H. Clark.

Jane Kahn Collection of Photographs, 1885-1962. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Jane G. Kahn.

Frances MacLean Collection of N.S. Savannah Photographs, circa 1962. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Frances Maclean.

Martha and Andrew Thompson Collection of Elijah Calvin Gladden and Charles Hicks, ca. 1862-1998. 0.14 cubic foot. Gift of Martha and Andrew Thompson.

Wood Family Papers and Business Records, 1920-1972 (addenda). 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Carol M. Wood.

Steve Oney Papers (addenda), 2011-2012. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Steve Oney.

Mary E. Reiter Collection on Gordonston, 1928-2003. 3.4 cubic feet. Gift of Mary E. Reiter.

Susan B. Johnson Research Materials on "Savannah's Little Crooked Houses: If These Walls Could Talk," ca. 1990. 1.0 cubic foot. Gift of Susan B. Johnson.

Albert Goette Funeral Home Records, 1926-1952, undated. 1.45 cubic feet. Gift of C. Lynsey Martin.

Max Courson Collection of Research Materials on Foster Sellers, 1990-2010. 2.0 cubic feet. Gift of Maxwell Courson.

Frederick William Mingledorff Jr. Family Papers (addenda), 1943-1945. 0.95 cubic foot. Gift of Frederick W. Mingledorff Jr.

Mark Smith Collection on Thomas A. Smith Jr. and World War II Artifacts, ca. 1940-1989. 5.62 cubic feet. Gift of Mark V. Smith.

Joseph Thomas Mooney Photographs (addenda), circa 1908-1918. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of anonymous donor.

US Bicentennial Stamps, 1976. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Herman H. Mensing.

William Baird Family Papers (addenda), 1961, undated. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of William Baird.

Henry James Osborne Bible, 1841. 0.25 cubic foot. Gift of John Steeves.

Sidney Barnes Photographs, ca. 1940s-1960s. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Stephen J. Smith.

Sue and Jim Rendeiro Collection on 1996 Summer Olympics, 1996. 0.08 cubic foot. Gift of Susan and Jim Rendeiro.

- Jefferson W. Sirmans Tax Records, 1943-1945. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Charles Ellis III.
- Herman Drayton Memoir, ca. 2012. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Martha L. Summerell.
- Blue and White Ceramic Ware, ca. 1880s-1890s. 2.5 cubic feet. Gift of Mary Ellen Ackerson.
- Wood Trunk Made by Savannah Trunk Factory, undated. 1.5 cubic feet. Gift of Cape Fear Museum.
- Central of Georgia Dispatch Records, 1960s. 2.9 cubic feet. Gift of Thomas H. Irion.
- C.H. Carson Letter, 1886. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Buffalo History Museum.
- Heard and Read Family Papers, 1941-1945. 6.0 cubic feet. Gift of Shelley Read Heard.
- Paul E. Seabrook Family Collection, ca. 1880-1970s. 1.0 cubic foot. Gift of Maury McHugh.
- Rebecca Davis Oral History Interviews, 2005-2008. 0.5 cubic foot. Gift of Rebecca Davis.
- "Savannah the Walking City" 16mm Film, 1974. 0.2 cubic foot. Gift of anonymous donor.
- Sterling Movies Savannah Films, undated. 0.03 cubic foot. Gift of anonymous donor.
- "Temple Mickve Israel 265th Anniversary Event" Video Recording, undated. 0.01 cubic foot. Gift of anonymous donor.
- "YMCA: 150 Years" DVD Recording, undated. 0.01 cubic foot. Gift of anonymous donor.
- "The Fabulous Fox" DVD Recording, undated. 0.01 cubic foot. Gift of anonymous donor.
- Thomas C. Johnson Collection of Receipts and Photograph, 1893-1934. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Thomas C. Johnson.
- Lorane H. Minis Marriage and Divorce Documents, Wedding Gown, and Negligee, 1972-1976. 1.17 cubic feet. Gift of Estate of Lorane H. Minis.
- The Georgia Society of Colonial Dames of America 1922 Historic Savannah Calendar, 1922. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Billy E. Carroll.
- Washington Ball Invitation, 1819, and Silhouette of Unidentified Man, 1819. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Robin Brabham.
- Savannah Electric & Power Co. (GA) Transit Trolley Token, ca. 1945. 0.01 cubic foot. Gift of James B. Davis.
- Smith and Garmany Family Papers, 1910-1945. 0.35 cubic foot. Gift of Beatrice Smith Garmany Cox.

- Bernadette Skelding Collection of Adler's Department Store Fire Slides, 1958. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Bernadette Skelding.
- Hodgson Hall Drawing, undated. 0.4 cubic foot. Gift of Candace Lanier.
- Georgia Postcards, ca. 1960s. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Howard County Historical Society.
- Ernest Houseman Collection of Berrien and Burroughs Family Papers, 1767-ca. 1930. 0.75 cubic foot. Gift of Ernest Houseman.
- Edward Molyneux Mausoleum Photos and Cemetery Information, 2014. 0.05 cubic foot. Gift of Deborah H. Staton.
- Jay Dearborn Edwards Unpublished Album of Atlanta Photographs, circa 1890. 0.23 cubic foot. Purchased*.
- Joseph E. Brown Papers, 1881-1908. 0.15 cubic foot. Gift of Dolores Dyson Engle.
- Rotary Club of Savannah (addenda), 2005-2007. 0.5 cubic foot. Gift of Rotary Club of Savannah.
- Robert S. Jepson Portrait, 2014. 0.75 cubic foot. Gift of Robert S. Jepson.
- Thomas Leverette McMullan Portrait, 2014. 0.69 cubic foot. Gift of John F. McMullan.

Archival Collections Processed

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- Herman W. Coolidge Papers, ca. 1790-2003 (MS 2436, 3.11 cubic feet). Gift of Martha B. Coolidge, 2011.
- Lattimore Family Papers, 1910-1963 (MS 2440, 0.9 cubic foot). Gift of Mary (Beth) E. Lattimore Reiter, 2012.
- James E. Hilley Letters, 1931-1967 (MS 2441, 2 cubic feet). Purchased*.
- Hadley B. Cammack Papers, 1917-1985 (MS 2442, 1.5 cubic feet). Gift of Audrey Campbell, 2012.
- Josephine Furlong Papers, 1876-1974, undated (MS 2443, 0.25 cubic foot). Gift of South Carolina State Museum, 2012.
- Currier & Ives Lithograph, "The Fall of Richmond" 1865 (MS 2444, 0.18 cubic foot). Gift of Fred W. Hicks III, 2012.
- Great Dane Trailer Company Records, 1911-2011 (MS 2445, 7.8 cubic feet). Gift of Great Dane Trailer Company, 2012.
- Rome (Ga) Flood Photographs, 1916 (MS 2447, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Varina Buntin, 2012.

- Rainwater Family Papers, 1864-1951 (MS 2450, 0.75 cubic foot). Gift of Launey E. Hiers III, 2013.
- Frank Exley Sawmill Records, 1896-1937 (MS 2451, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Keller H. Barron, 2013.
- Ku Klux Klan Headgear and Certificate, 1929 (MS 2452, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of anonymous donor, 2013.
- Launching of the N.S. Savannah Photograph Album, 1959 (MS 2453, 0.2 cubic foot). Gift of John M. Saylor, 2012.
- Saylor Family Papers 1940s-2011 (MS 2454, 1.16 cubic feet). Gift of Mrs. Dale S. Morgan, 2012.
- Inman Family Business Records, 1919-2011 (MS 2455, 13.5 cubic feet). Gift of Edward H. Inman II, 2013.
- Bernie Marcus Papers, 1970-2009 (MS 2456, 0.4 cubic foot). Gift of Bernie Marcus, 2009.
- Thomas M. Newell Certificate from the United States President, 1814 (MS 2457, 0.14 cubic foot). Gift of Estate of Mildred B. West, 2012.
- Turpentine Leases and Land Deeds, 1909-1943 (MS 2458, 0.1 cubic foot). Gift of Hugh S. Golson, 2014.
- Emma and Lee Adler Papers 1962-2003 (MS 2459, 4 cubic feet). Gift of Emma M. Adler, 2012.
- Elizabeth Cooksey Research Materials on W.J. Usery Jr., 1951-1991 (MS 2460, 0.2 cubic foot). Gift of Elizabeth Cooksey, 2013.
- Georgia Film Office Negatives, 1990-2002 (MS 2461, 7.5 cubic feet). Gift of Georgia Film Commission, 2013.
- Brooks Creedy Collection on Grace T. Hamilton, 1965-1984 (MS 2462, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Kathryn Creedy, 2012.
- Conrad Aiken Poet Laureate Citation and Proclamation, 1973-1989 (MS 2463, 0.1 cubic foot). Gift of Horace Fleming, 2014.
- City of Savannah Resolution, 1976 (MS 2464, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Dorothy W. Courington, 2014.
- James Blanchard Papers, ca. 1970-2009 (MS 2465, 14.75 cubic feet). Gift of James Blanchard, 2009.
- Central of Georgia Railway Stock Certificates and Albany (GA) History, 1858-1897 (MS 2466, 1.32 cubic feet). Gift of David Sherman, 2012.
- Navy League of the United States, Savannah Council Records, 1976-2008 (MS 2467, 3.3 cubic feet). Gift of Navy League of the United States, Savannah Council, 2012.

- United States Proclamation on Brigadier General Casimir Pulaski, 1932 (MS 2468, 0.5 cubic foot). Gift of anonymous donor, undated.
- Chatham County Department of Public Health Records, ca. 1920-2003 (MS 2469, 3.54 cubic feet). Gift of Chatham County Health Department, 2014.
- Sharon Kemper Research Materials on Edward Telfair and Early Nationalism in Georgia, 1982-1998 (MS 2470, 3.86 cubic feet). Gift of Margaret Waters, 2013.
- Lee Alexander Collection of Savannah Little Theater Records, Poetry Society of Georgia Records, and American Association of University Women of Savannah Records, 1934-2007 (MS 2471, 7.36 cubic feet). Gift of Lee Alexander, 2012.
- Jack Leigh Photographs, ca. 1988 (MS 2472, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of James McAlister, 2014.
- William Easterlin Collection of Burke and Jefferson Counties Superior Court Records, 1793-1801 (MS 2474, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of William F. Easterlin, 2012.
- John Gross, Sr. Land Grant and Survey, 1807-1808 (MS 2475, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Carl Aschman, 2012.
- US Army Corps of Engineers Dredge Albany Photographs, 1939 (MS 2476, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of US Army Corps of Engineers, 2012.
- Georgia Chamber of Commerce records, 1944-2009 (MS 2477, 25 cubic feet). Gift of Georgia Chamber, 2011.
- Whitemarsh Island Garden Club Records, 1940-2006 (MS 2478, 1 cubic foot). Gift of Whitemarsh Island Garden Club, 2011.
- Sue Rodgers Collection of Collins Family Papers, ca. 1860-1920 (MS 2479, 0.28 cubic foot). Gift of Sue Rodgers, 2012.
- John J. Potter Family Papers, ca. 1901-2007 (MS 2480, 1.4 cubic feet). Gift of John J. Potter, 2012.
- Felton Farrar Papers, 1935-2000 (MS 2482, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Estate of Felton Farrar, 2013.
- Max Courson Collection on Foster Sellers, ca. 1990-2010 (MS 2483, 2 cubic feet). Gift of Maxwell Courson, 2014.
- Georgia Women's Christian Temperance Union Letter, August 27, 1931 (MS 2485, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Nancy Gilligan, 2013.
- Mark V. Smith Collection on Thomas A. Smith Jr., 1939-2001 (MS 2487, 4.55 cubic feet). Gift of Mark V. Smith, 2014.
- John H. Clark Collection of Chatham Motorcycle Club Photographs, ca. 1933-1948 (MS 2488, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of John H. Clark, 2014.

- Jane G. Kahn Photographs and Newspaper Clipping, ca. 1885-1962 (MS 2489, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Jane G. Kahn, 2014.
- Frances Maclean Photographs of the NS Savannah, 1962 (MS 2490, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Frances Maclean, 2014.
- Sidney B. Barnes, Jr. Photographs, ca. 1940-1960s (MS 2491, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Stephen J. Smith, 2014.
- Central of Georgia Railway Dispatch Records, Budget Reports, and Other Materials, 1962-1965 (MS 2492, 3.35 cubic feet). Gift of Thomas H. Irion, 2014.
- Gordon B. Smith Papers, 1919-2010 (MS 2493, 4.5 cubic feet). Gift of Gordon B. Smith, 2011.
- Cay and Day Family Genealogy Research Materials, 1623-2013 (MS 2494, 3.38 cubic feet). Gift of John E. Cay II, 2013.
- Central of Georgia Railway Personnel Records, ca. 1940-1960 (MS 2495, 1 cubic foot). Gift of W.R. Mallard, 2012.
- C.H. Carson Letter, 1886 (MS 2496, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Buffalo History Museum, 2014.
- A. W. Moller Photograph, Cotton Picking in Georgia, ca. 1895 (MS 2497, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Tutt Library, Colorado College, 2013.
- Henry Dreeson Collection of Chatham County Deeds, 1866-1918 (MS 2498, 0.18 cubic foot). Gift of Mike Waters, 2014.
- Herman N. Drayton Memoir, 2008 (MS 2499, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Martha L. Summerell, 2014.
- David Oppenheim Collection of Audio/Visual Materials of Georgia Music, ca. 1920-1975 (MS 2500, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of David Z. Oppenheim, 2013.
- Mary E. Reiter Collection on Gordonston and Scrapbook, 1922-2004 (MS 2501, 3.43 cubic feet). Gift of Mary E. Reiter, 2014.
- Paul E. Seabrook Family Collection, ca. 1880-1970s (MS 2502, 1 cubic foot). Gift of Maury McHugh, 2014.
- Albert Armor Home Movies, 1946-1949 (MS 2504, 0.12 cubic foot). Gift of Nancy Pickford, 2014.
- Susan B. Johnson Research Materials on *Savannah's Little Crooked Houses: If These Walls Could Talk*, ca. 1990-2007 (MS 2505, 1 cubic foot). Gift of Susan B. Johnson, 2014.
- Henry James Osborne Bible, 1818-1891 (MS 2507, 0.25 cubic foot). Gift of John Steeves, 2014.
- Sue and Jim Rendeiro Collection on 1996 Summer Olympics, 1993-1996 (MS 2508, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Sue and Jim Rendeiro, 2014.

- Albert Goette Funeral Home Records and Photograph, 1925-1969, undated (MS 2510, 1.44 cubic feet). Gift of C. Lynsey Martin, 2014.
- Houlihan and Walker Families Papers, 1910-1999 (MS 2551, 3.5 cubic feet). Gift of Beth A. Kinstler, 2011.
- Savannah Automobile Club Guidebook, Savannah to Atlanta Route, ca. 1909 (MS 2552, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Mrs. Norma Germann, 2013.
- Lee Meyer and Associates Savannah Neighborhood Action Project I Architectural Drawings, 1871-1982 (MS 2553, 0.1 cubic foot). Gift of Lee Meyer, 2003.
- Willimantic Linen Co. Trade Cards, ca. 1881 (MS 2554, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Nashua Historical Society, 2013.
- Jones Family Papers, 1621-2010 (MS 2555, 2.55 cubic feet). Gift of Mack Kitchens, 2012.
- James Moody Photograph by Herman Leonard, 1951. (MS 2556, 0.28 cubic foot). Gift of James D. Battin, 2013.
- Martha Summerell Collection of Photographs, 1910-1962 (MS 2557, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Martha Summerell, 2013.
- John Gaskins Land Grant and Plat, 1819-1842 (MS 2558, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Connecticut Historical Society, 2014.
- John Forsyth Jr. Land Grant and Plat, 1821-1850 (MS 2559, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Connecticut Historical Society, 2014.
- Ralph May Military Commission, 1807 (MS 2560, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Connecticut Historical Society, 2014.
- Colson Family Bible Record, 1879-1927 (MS 2561, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Charles E.F. Drake, MD, 2014.
- Smith and Kelly Company Ledger, 1890-1921 (MS 2562, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Gwen and Burnell Russell, 2014.
- E.R. Richardson Letter, 1936 (MS 2563, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of anonymous donor, undated.
- Stanford Brown Collection of Eighteenth Century Papers, 1776-1790 (MS 2564, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Stanford Brown, 2013.
- West and Murray Family Deeds, 1870-1882 (MS 2565, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Joan M. Sellers, 2012.
- John Couper Stiles Scrapbook, 1914-1917 (MS 2566, 0.10 cubic foot). Gift of Michael B. Robinson, 2014.
- Juliette Gordon Low Birthplace Collection of Mac Gordon Papers, 1931-1946 (MS 2567, 0.35 cubic foot). Gift of Katherine Knapp Keena, 2014.

- Robert Harrod Collection on John Newman Harris, 1906-2013 (MS 2568, 0.5 cubic foot). Gift of Robert Harrod, 2013.
- Richards Family Photograph Album, 1869 (MS 2569, 0.36 cubic foot). Gift of Elizabeth Ford, 2014.
- Rev. Canon C.E.B. Harnsberger Collection of Berrien Family Papers, 1855-1962 (MS 2570, 0.10 cubic foot). Gift of Carolyn Clay Swiggart, 2014.
- Peter W. Walton Estate Appraisal, 1859 (MS 2571, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Susan M. Wood, 2014.
- Edwin J. Feiler Jr. Slides, 1992-1996 (MS 2572, 0.23 cubic foot). Gift of Edwin J. Feiler Jr., 2012.
- Washington Ball Invitation and Silhouette of Unidentified Man, 1819 (MS 2573, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Robin Brabham, 2014.
- The Georgia Society of Colonial Dames of America 1922 Historic Savannah Calendar, 1922 (MS 2574, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Billy E. Carroll, 2014.
- Bernadette Skelding Collection of Photographic Slides, 1958 (MS 2577, 0.05 cubic foot). Gift of Bernadette Skelding, 2014.

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- Silver Ceremonial Speaking Trumpet Presented to William D. Dixon, 1870. A-1620-004.
- Forty-eight Star American Flag Raised Over Guam During World War II, 1939-1945. A-1991-034.
- Silver Ceremonial Goblet Presented to E.C. Anderson, ca. 1869. A-2481-001.

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PROGRAMS

Educational Outreach

GHS launched “Sophia’s Schoolhouse,” a new educational blog produced by GHS education coordinator Sophia Sineath. The blog

can be found at <http://schoolhouse.georgiahistory.com/>. Posted on the GHS YouTube, SchoolTube, and TeacherTube channels, the blog features videos and traditional blog posts by GHS staff and volunteers. Students in Sophia's Schoolhouse will explore the Georgia Historical Society's vast collection to uncover fascinating stories from our past that help us better understand our present. During 2014, ten new videos were created as part of this project.

"Off the Deaton Path," a blog written by GHS senior historian Stan Deaton, featured eighteen new entries in 2014, including book and movie reviews on a variety of historical subjects.

Lectures

March 13, 2014 – Dr. Erskine Clarke, *By the Rivers of Waters: A Nineteenth Century Atlantic Odyssey*, Savannah

April 30, 2014 – Dr. Edward L. Ayers, "Where Did Freedom Come From? The Civil War at 150," 175th Annual Meeting, Savannah

May 20, 2014 – Rick Atkinson *Liberation Trilogy* public book discussion moderated by Stan Deaton, Savannah

June 5, 2014 – Buddy Sullivan "Southern Timber for Tall Ships: Georgia and the Naval War of 1812," Live Oak Public Libraries' Southwest Chatham Branch, Savannah

2014 Georgia History Festival

A Beautiful Prayer – February 4, 2014 – editor Dr. W.A. Sessions – Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Savannah

Screening of John Huston's Wise Blood – February 6, 2014 – film producer Stratton Leopold (producer/actor *Wise Blood*), and Flannery O'Connor scholar Dr. Bruce Gentry (Georgia College & State University) – Lucas Theatre, Savannah

Colonial Faire and Muster – February 8-9, 2014 – Wormsloe State Historic Site, Savannah

Super Museum Sunday – February 9, 2014 – multiple sites in Savannah and coastal Georgia

Elementary School Banner Competition – open to schools participating in the Georgia Day Parade

Dignitaries Coffee – February 19, 2014

Georgia Day Parade – February 19, 2014 – Savannah

Trustees Gala – February 15, 2014 – Hyatt Regency, Savannah

Flannery O'Connor In-School presentations. Held in elementary schools throughout coastal Georgia in February 2014

Online educational resources highlighting the life and legacy of 2014 GHF Featured Historical

Figure Flannery O'Connor. Available at <http://georgiahistory.com/education-outreach/online-exhibits/featured-historical-figures/flannery-oconnor/>. Made available in print through the *Savannah Morning News*' Newspapers in Education insert.

Books for Schools – published the original volume *Then and Now: Flannery O'Connor, Everyday Life*, exploring the everyday life of citizens in Georgia and the United States from the time of Flannery O'Connor's birth in 1925 to her graduation from college in 1945. The book was donated to thirty-one local elementary schools.

AWARDS

Publication Awards

Malcolm Bell Jr., and Muriel Barrow Bell Award, for the best book in Georgia history: Glenn Eskew, *Johnny Mercer: Southern Songwriter for the World* (University of Georgia Press) and Paul Pressly, *On the Rim of the Caribbean: Colonial Georgia and the British Atlantic World* (University of Georgia Press)

E. Merton Coulter Award, for the best article published in the *Georgia Historical Quarterly*: Lester Stephens, "John Ruggles Cotting and the First State Geological Survey of Georgia," Summer 2013

Service Awards

John McPherson Berrien Lifetime Achievement Award – Howard J. Morrison Jr., Savannah

Sarah Nichols Pinckney Volunteer of the Year Award – Vincent J. Dooley, Athens

History in the Media Award – WSAV, Savannah

Presidential Citation – Victor L. Andrews, Savannah, for a \$1 million planned gift to establish the Society's first endowed position, the Dr. Elaine B. Andrews Historian, named in memory of Victor's late wife.

Roger K. Warlick Local History Achievement Awards

Affiliate Chapter of the Year – Flannery O'Connor Childhood Home Foundation, Savannah

Programs: Bulloch County Historical Society for "The Ole' Scarecrow Statesboro Medicine Show"

Preservation Projects: Georgia College & State University and the Old Governor's Mansion for the preservation of the Sallie Ellis Davis House.

GEORGIA HISTORICAL MARKERS

Markers Approved and Installed

May 17, 2014 – E.D. Stroud: A Georgia Equalization School (Oconee County)

June 29, 2014 – First Bryan Baptist Church (Chatham County)

August 30, 2014 – Willow Hill Elementary School (Bulloch County)

September 19, 2014 – Calvary Episcopal Church (Sumter County)

September 24, 2014 – The Old Governor's Mansion (Baldwin County)

October 30, 2014 – Cooper Pants Factory (Hall County)

November 14, 2014 – Jepson House Education Center (Chatham County)

Georgia Civil Rights Trail Marker Project

September 17, 2014 – The Albany Movement (Dougherty County)

October 16, 2014 – The Atlanta Student Movement (Fulton County)

October 16, 2014 – Rush Memorial Congregational Church (Fulton County)

November 13, 2014 – Savannah Colored Library Association (Chatham County)

Georgia Civil War 150 Historical Marker Project

November 12, 2014 – March to the Sea (Fulton County)

December 11, 2014 – March to the Sea (Chatham County)

December 12, 2014 – CSS Georgia (Chatham County)

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Assets:	Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014	Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013
Cash	\$980,663	\$1,748,013
Investments	\$8,040,125	\$7,017,283
Receivables	\$349,179	\$497,506
Promises to give, net	\$1,183,642	\$1,465,584
Other Assets	\$51,648	\$52,070
Property Plant and Equipment, Net	\$4,586,148	\$3,524,338
	<u>\$15,191,405</u>	<u>\$14,304,794</u>
Liabilities:		
Current Liabilities	<u>\$1,379,261</u>	<u>\$1,488,354</u>
Net Assets		
Unrestricted - Endowment Trust Fund	\$7,078,482	\$6,242,283
Unrestricted - Undesignated	\$5,400,286	\$4,629,402
Temporarily restricted	\$558,376	\$1,169,755
Permanently restricted	<u>\$775,000</u>	<u>\$775,000</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$13,812,144</u>	<u>\$12,816,440</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$15,191,405	\$14,304,794

