

# West Virginia Archives and History

## Annual Report Fiscal 2011-2012

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**A**rchives and History maintains the Archives and History Library and the West Virginia State Archives; administers the highway marker program to designate historical sites; and provides support services and technical assistance to state, county, and historical organizations and institutions. Under the *Code*, the director of Archives and History serves as secretary to the citizen advisory Archives and History Commission and as staff to the Records Management and Preservation Board.

### **Mission**

The mission of Archives and History is to collect and preserve West Virginia's public records and historical materials, to make these records available to the public and private sectors, and to disseminate historical information through publications and programs, so as to enrich the lives of past and present residents and future generations.

### **Highlights**

- online photo gallery created
- 980 new books and pamphlets, 766 state documents and 1,461 pages printed from documents in electronic form, and 94 rolls of microfilm added to collections
- 912 people attended evening programs in Archives and History Library
- transcript of Sid Hatfield trial in Mingo County donated to State Archives
- Quick Quiz pages accessed rose 32 percent
- Records Management and Preservation Board awarded grants totalling \$237,826 to support projects in 32 counties
- statewide county records preservation project assisted more than 12 counties
- Archives and History YouTube page received 15,863 views
- 3 highway historical markers refurbished and 11 new/replacement markers erected, covering 12 counties

As in the previous fiscal year, Archives and History focused on outreach to both existing constituent groups and prospective patrons in fiscal 2011-2012. Web offerings continued to expand, the library continued to schedule evening programming twice a month, and the third annual Archives and History Showcase was held on December 5, 2011. This year's theme was "A Capitol Affair," and architectural drawings, photographs, letters, audio-visual clips, and other materials dealing with West Virginia's state capitol building, dedicated in 1932, were on display. The *Charleston Gazette* carried a front-page article on the Showcase on December 5, while both WOWK-TV and WSAZ-TV shot footage during the evening event and interviewed the director and assistant director.

**Library**

The Archives and History Library experienced few changes during the 2011-2012 fiscal year. Toward the end of the year, Archives and History created an exhibit in the library on the Hatfield-McCoy Feud using resources available in the collections. This exhibit was developed as a result of the heightened interest in the feud that resulted from programming on the *History Channel*. Also toward the end of the year, a major shift of books in the closed stacks area took place in order to address the over-crowded conditions in certain call numbers and to allow for future expansion. At the same time, some non-regional books were moved from

the reading room to closed stacks, and a few titles, most outdated reference books, were weeded.

<b>Archives and History Library Genealogy Series, 2011-2012</b>		
July 14	<i>Soldier of the Union</i>	Ken Hechler
Aug. 11	<i>Slaves and Free People of Color in Western Virginia, 1800-1861</i>	Greg Carroll
Sept. 8	<i>The Genealogy of West Virginia's Leading Coal Producing County</i>	Alex Schust
Oct. 13	<i>Can Genealogy Kill You?</i>	Nancy Sparks Morrison
Nov. 10	<i>Making the Most of Your Computer as a Resource</i>	Kitty Baughan Cole
Jan. 12	<i>West Virginia Glass in the State Museum</i>	Jim Mitchell
Feb. 9	<i>Property Research for Genealogy and History</i>	Don Teter
March 8	<i>Newspaper Archive Database</i>	Susan Hayden
April 12	<i>Lessons Learned by a Lay Person about the Joys and Frustrations of Genealogical/Historical Research</i>	Dr. Charles Ledbetter
May 12	<i>Into the Crucible: The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad and the Black Industrial Worker in Southern West Virginia, 1870-1900</i>	Dr. Cicero Fain
June 14	<i>History of the Kanawha Valley and Fort Lee</i>	Gilbert Casto

The library received several book donations during the year. Among them was a large collection of Civil War and West Virginia genealogy and history books donated by John F. Clendenen of California. Considerable progress was made in reducing the cataloging backlog in the book collection.

At mid-year, the West Virginia Archives and History Library worked with the West Virginia Library Commission to prepare for an upgrade to the Voyager catalog. The upgrade included a new public online access interface and moving the database to a new, off-site server. Staff compiled examples of bibliographic records from the existing database, which could be

checked against the new database after the upgrade and server move. During the compilation process, it became clear that some catalog entries had not transferred when records were moved from the old VTLS catalog to Voyager during the 2007-2008 year.

In the current upgrade, however, the librarian's check of the hundreds of examples compiled by staff showed no loss of additional bibliographic records.

The special evening programs, usually held on the first Tuesday and second Thursday of each month, continued (see boxes opposite and right). Unlike in 2010, when the library hosted three events in the same week of December—Showcase, Tuesday lecture, and Thursday lecture—no Tuesday or Thursday programs were scheduled for December 2011, and the month was reserved for the Showcase. In February 2012, however, in addition to the regularly scheduled programs a third presentation took place on February 23, when Raamie Barker discussed “Bobby Kennedy and West Virginia’s 1968 Presidential Primary.” The lecture

programs and Showcase remained popular, attracting 912 people to the library during the past year.

### Archives and History Library Workshop/Lecture Series, 2011-2012

July 5	<i>Decorating Carr China</i>	Jim Mitchell
Aug. 2	<i>The Resurgence of Anikituhwa: Language and Cultural Revitalization among the Eastern Band Cherokee</i>	Travis Henline
Sept. 6	<i>History of the West Virginia State Park System</i>	Robert Beanblossom
Oct. 11	<i>Slavery in the Ohio and Kanawha River Valleys</i>	Dr. Philip Sturm
Nov. 1	<i>The West Virginia State Police: The First Two Decades</i>	Merle Cole
Jan. 3	<i>Memoirs as History</i>	Dr. Bob Barnett
Feb. 7	<i>J. R. Clifford and the Carrie Williams Case</i>	Tom Rodd
March 6	<i>Civil War Sites in West Virginia</i>	Bethany Canfield
April 3	<i>Presidential Whistle Stops in West Virginia</i>	Bob Withers
May 1	<i>Every Blood-Stained Mile: The Building of the Norfolk and Western in West Virginia</i>	Jack and Kay Dickinson
June 5	<i>Malden and the Salt Industry</i>	Larry Rowe

### Web Site

The Archives and History Web site remained an important area of outreach activities in fiscal 2011-2012. Staff added 67 audio-video clips, 6,876 image files, 2,038 html/PDF text files, and 1,378 database records. Among the items added were Veterans Memorial biographies (72), Quick Quizzes (9 new quizzes/90 questions), finding aids for several collections, and new records in the Golden Horseshoe Winners, Collections, State Government Documents, and Periodicals databases.

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Work on “Child of the Rebellion: An Archives and History Sesquicentennial Project,” including additions to the timeline and a weekly sesquicentennial question, continued. An annotated bibliography of books and pamphlets on West Virginia and the Civil War that are available in the Archives and History Library was added to the sesquicentennial project. Students from Dr. Billy Joe Peyton’s Fall 2010 “Introduction to Public History” class at West Virginia State University provided short biographies of 47 delegates to the Richmond Convention from western Virginia, and his Fall 2010 “Historical Studies” class in Marshall University’s Humanities graduate program at the South Charleston campus prepared biographies of 113 statehood leaders. One student also transcribed 32 biographies of members of the first West Virginia Legislature that were printed in the *Wheeling Intelligencer*, 1863-1864.

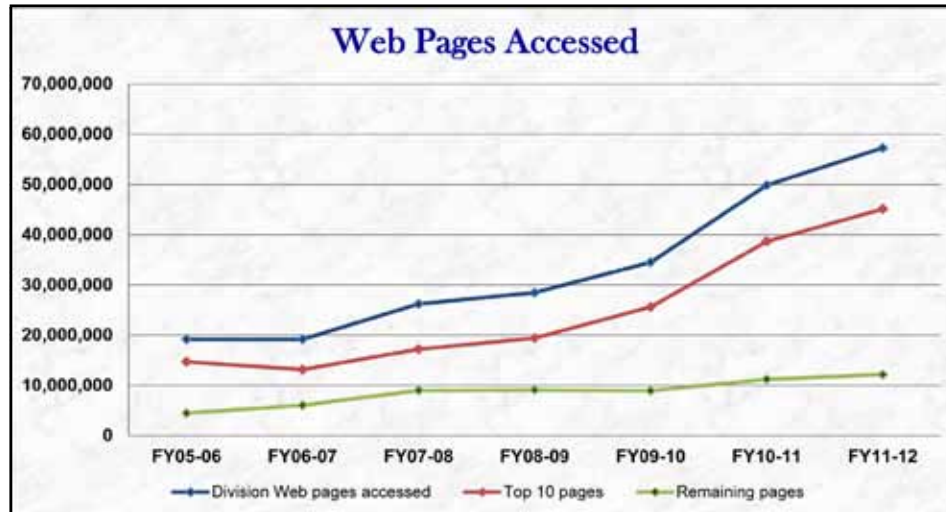
In August 2011, a substantial expansion of Archives and History’s instructional offerings for teachers was made with the addition of new lesson plans and images. Lesson plans were developed using materials from the Web site, such as “On this Day in West Virginia History,” and pages on Civil War and statehood, the 1960 Democratic presidential primary in West Virginia, and school integration. Also added for teacher use were several graphs, charts, and maps. These materials are available through the Teacher Resources page at <http://www.wvculture.org/history/teacherresources.html>.

Also in August 2011, the Archives and History Web page became the primary source for information on Culture and History’s History Bowl competition, with the exception of the live streaming of the state tournament matches handled by the division webmaster. In addition to utilizing some components of the earlier division-managed pages, staff created a section on Archives and History’s Web pages that includes not only information on upcoming activities but also on past History Bowl matches. History Bowl is available at <http://www.wvculture.org/history/historybowl.html>.

In May 2012, a new feature, the Photo Gallery, was created. This page contains images that have been on display in the Archives and History gallery off the Great Hall. At present, the page contains images from seven past exhibits: John Brown, Schools, 1960 Primary, Civil War 1861, Pic of the Week, Mountain State Forest Festival, and Civil War 1862. The Photo Gallery is available at <http://www.wvculture.org/history/gallery/photogallery.html>.



Use of online resources continued to increase. Bandwidth for Culture and History’s Web site grew by nearly 66 percent while the number of pages accessed grew by nearly 15 percent



from the previous year. As it has since it went online in August 2005, the Vital Research Records continued to dominate the list of ten most accessed pages. Similar to previous years, the Quick Quizzes appeared on the list seven out of twelve months and took the top spot three months in a row, from January to March 2012.

Also breaking into the top ten in May 2012 was an article on the Hatfield-McCoy Feud. Another item, identifiable only as an image “gallery” page—there are about one dozen galleries, one of which is the Hatfield-McCoy Feud—was in the top ten as well. Usage of the division’s Web site skyrocketed in late May as a result of Hatfield-McCoy programming on the *History Channel*. Bandwidth for Culture and History’s Web site, which had been under 10 GB for a typical day, hit 71 GB on May 29 and surged to nearly 240 GB on the 31st. Bandwidth remained high in early June, as a result of which bandwidth for the first six months of 2012 equalled that of the preceding twelve-month period.

On the Vital Research Records project, much of the 2011-2012 fiscal year was spent in the review and awarding of a technology contract to expand the project to include wills, naturalization records, and military discharges. At the same time, discussions continued with the Genealogical Society of Utah to plan what records would be included and how to prepare them. As the



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births, deaths, and marriages continued to be one of the most popular features on the Web site, efforts to clean up problems such as maiden and married names in the surname field and double names in the first name field continued, and the public provided valuable assistance in locating and correcting indexing errors of all types. Groups of records that for some reason were not initially indexed were identified and work began on them. In addition, staff spliced together digital images in which a double-page entry was only appearing as the left-hand page because the left and right pages were originally microfilmed separately, meaning that the right-hand page needed to be joined to it to show all the pertinent information. For the coming year, statewide delayed birth records will be added as well as some of the wills, naturalization, and discharge records.

In other Internet activity, Archives and History's YouTube page had 15,863 views during the 2011-2012 fiscal year. Staff uploaded 30 videos, bringing the total number available as of June 30, 2012, to 85. The available videos include nearly all of the Archives and History evening programs, so that people who do not live nearby can still take advantage of these learning opportunities. Staff also continued to update Archives and History's Facebook page, which is "liked" by more than 1,200 people.

### Collections

*Hatfield et al*, tried in Mingo County. The trial of Hatfield and 22 other defendants, indicted for murder of Albert Felts during the 1920 Matewan Massacre, took place from January to March 1921. The defendants were either acquitted (the case with Hatfield) or the charges were dropped.

Other collections received include 2 boxes of Mineral County Circuit Clerk case files, 1866–1932; 15 volumes of records for the Ball Funeral Home of Williamson, 1922-1992; 6 boxes of minutes, scrapbooks, photographs and other materials for the Mutual Improvement Club of Ronceverte, 1893-2009; and a large quantity of artwork, negatives, slides, and blueprints for various state parks, 1923-1995. The State Archives also added 86 volumes to its yearbook collection. (See the

In 2011-2012, West Virginia Archives and History received an incomplete set of transcripts, jury selection, and witness statements for the case of *State of West Virginia v. Sid*

### Archives and History Statistics

<u>Archives Patron Services</u>	<u>Total</u>
Library Patrons	5,964
Library Microfilm Users	584
Library Reference Calls	1,230
Electronic inquiries/responses	17,813
Library Tour Groups	14
Research Letters Answered	321
Photo research requests	130
Patron prints	
5x7	53
8 x 10	113
11x14	8
16 x 20	2
Patron digital prints/files	295
Retouched prints/digital images	327
News station moving images requests	45
Microfilm duplicated for other libraries	191
Civil War Medal Inquiries (e-mail) etc.	66
Medal applications received	31
Medals mailed	27
Donor contacts	27
Highway markers ordered	11

accession list at the end of the report for a complete list of additions to the West Virginia State Archives collections in 2011-2012.)

Electronic copies of speeches and press releases for Governor Joe Manchin were received, and staff printed out the hundreds of pages of material to add to the gubernatorial papers received during the previous fiscal year. Logan County and Webster County voter registration cards were prepared for microfilming. Finally, the project to scan Historic Preservation slides was finished; once accompanying database records are completed, these will be made available online.

**Audiovisual Archives**

Moving images from the audio-

visual archives continued to be added to the Web site. Clips added during 2011-2012 include a few stories from 1965, ranging from a piece about Miss West Virginia beauty contestants in Charleston to an interview with John Hurd about Republican Party finances; scenes in Jackson County filmed by Don Flesher around 1950; and clips about Jerry West in 1959, 1960, 1971, and 1974. Clips from Archives and History’s Tuesday and Thursday evening programs in the library were also made available on the Web site, with longer versions prepared for uploading on YouTube. Also added to YouTube in 2011-2012 were selections on the replacement of steam engines with diesel and the West Virginia Turnpike, both from “A Date with West Virginia” (1956); footage on early aviation from the Lanty Ballengee Collection; and World War II mobilization footage from “From Every Mountainside . . . Let Freedom Ring.”

<u>Collections Cataloging/Processing</u>	<u>Total</u>
Scanned photos (other)	0
Film processed	13
Photos copied	105
Contact Sheets	17
Archives Prints/Electronic images	163
Donation letters (books, other misc.)	57
Microfilm rolls	
16mm	0
number of images, 16mm	0
rolls, 35mm	102
number of images, 35mm	88,382
Microfilm rolls duplicated	
16mm	0
35mm	85
Microfilm rolls received	94
State Documents Received	766
pages of electronic files	1,461
Books Cataloged	980
<u>Web Site</u>	
Daily Trivia responses	12,087
Database records added	1,378
Digitized images added	6,876
HTML/PDF files added	2,038
<u>Records Management Board</u>	
Phone calls/electronic inquiries	808
Site visits	38
County records auth. for disposal (cu. ft.)	702
Grant reports processed	65
<u>Inter-agency Support</u>	
Library photocopies	3,721
Records phone calls/electronic inquiries	12
Records site visits	4
State records auth. for disposal (cu. ft.)	686
<u>Intra-agency Support - Photos</u>	
Exhibits	
8x10	141
Digital files	124
Historic Preservation	
Digital files	14
Goldenseal	
Digital files	60
Museum	
8x10	16
Digital prints	252
Gratis prints/digital	91
Total intra-agency images	698

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In the Fall of 2011, WOWK-TV, which was preparing to move its headquarters from Huntington to Charleston, contacted the State Archives about depositing more video tapes. By the end of June, approximately 2,700 tapes for the years 1995-2008 had arrived. To create space for this material, staff began moving the incomplete United States Congressional Serial Set and identifying those government reports containing reference to West Virginia.

More than 100 rolls of microfilm were produced in filming 35 newspapers—21 weeklies, 13 dailies, and 1 monthly. Although the issues filmed had a date span of 1986-2012, most of the newspapers were from the 2010-2012 period. This project continues to reduce the backlog of newspapers housed in the collections area and to preserve them in the more durable microfilm format. In order to assemble as complete a run as possible for filming, Archives and History continues to seek copies of missing issues.

The large-scale project of duplicating newspapers from Archives and History's microfilm negatives for the West Virginia and Regional History Collection that began at the end of last fiscal year continued. Covered in this project are weekly and some daily titles from 2001 to the present.

### **Highway Markers**

During the year, 3 markers were refurbished, and 11 were replacement or new markers. These markers were distributed across 12 counties in the state. Following is a list of markers refurbished in the 2011-2012 fiscal year:

*Beallair*—Jefferson County  
*State Capitol*—Kanawha County  
*State of Maryland/Mineral County*—Mineral County

Following is a list of new and replacement markers ordered in the fiscal year:

*Oakwood Mine Complex* (private sponsor)—Fayette County  
*Capon Lake Whipple Truss Bridge* (private sponsor)—Hampshire County  
*Bathsheba Bigler Smith* (private sponsor)—Harrison County  
*Shinnston Tornado* (private sponsor)—Harrison County  
*Forks of Coal Missionary Baptist Church* (private sponsor)—Lincoln County  
*Carswell Mine Complex* (private sponsor)—McDowell County  
*Dr. Loomis' Grave*—Preston County  
*Battle of Scary Creek*—Putnam County  
*Jimtown/Phillips Cemetery* (private sponsor)—Randolph County  
*Stalnaker Cabin Site and Cemetery* (private sponsor)—Randolph County  
*Jordan's Chapel*—Summers County



**Records Management**

The statewide county records preservation project staff continued to travel back and forth to county courthouses to collect and return deed books. Over the course of the year, staff digitized 714 deed books, microfilmed 583, and digitized 220 from microfilm for more than one dozen counties. The purchase of new equipment increased production, with staff able to scan smaller books more quickly. Staff also spoke to county officials in several other counties about the project.

The statewide county records preservation project was featured in “Project Helping to Preserve Boone County’s History,” by Fred Pace, an article in the February 1, 2012, edition of the *Coal Valley News*. Boone is one of the counties for which the project digitized records during the year. The newspaper reporter interviewed the two staff members who work directly with the project and included a picture of them at the courthouse in Madison.

In the ninth round of grants, thirty-seven counties were awarded grants totaling \$398,480 for projects scheduled to begin on July 1, 2012. Several of the grants were for \$15,000 or more, with the largest (\$28,000) being to Summers County for the purchase of moveable track shelving for the circuit clerk’s and county clerk’s records. The smallest grant was \$614 awarded to Roane County to encapsulate and rebind original linen farm maps in the county clerk’s office. A grant ceremony was held in the governor’s reception room in March, and the Records Management and Preservation Board hosted a reception for the recipients in the Great Hall of the Culture Center afterwards.

Records Management and Preservation Grants 2011-2012	
County	Granted
Barbour	\$5,000.00
Berkeley	\$3,000.00
Boone	\$10,000.00
Cabell	\$5,000.00
Clay	\$9,691.00
Fayette	\$9,918.00
Gilmer	\$5,000.00
Grant	\$20,000.00
Hampshire	\$5,000.00
Hancock	\$20,000.00
Hardy	\$3,636.00
Harrison	\$5,000.00
Lincoln	\$3,206.00
Logan	\$3,636.00
Marion	\$5,409.00
Mercer	\$11,880.00
Mineral	\$10,000.00
Mingo	\$10,000.00
Monroe	\$6,257.00
Morgan	\$9,000.00
Pendleton	\$7,482.00
Preston	\$2,616.00
Putnam	\$6,000.00
Randolph	\$5,000.00
Ritchie	\$13,009.00
Roane	\$4,500.00
Summers	\$5,000.00
Tucker	\$9,000.00
Upshur	\$5,454.00
Wayne	\$5,000.00
Wetzel	\$9,700.00
Wirt	<u>\$4,432.00</u>
Total	\$237,826.00

**Archives and History Commission**

Created in 1977 to replace the West Virginia Antiquities Commission, the Archives and History Commission is the citizen advisory group for the Archives and History, Historic Preservation, and Museums sections of the Division of Culture and History. It consists of 21 members. Of that number, 13 are voting members from around the state who are appointed by the governor and, under the *Code*, must include representation from the professions of archaeologist, architectural historian, archivist, historian, historical architect, librarian, and museum specialist. During the 2011-2012 year,

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4 of the 13 positions were vacant, and Jack Dickinson submitted his resignation effective with the end of his term on June 30, 2012. The terms of the remaining 8 members expired between June 2010 and June 2012, although they can continue to serve unless replaced.

Also voting members (ex officio) are the presidents of the West Virginia Historical Society and the West Virginia Historical Association. Ex officio non-voting members consist of the director of the West Virginia Geological and Economic Survey, the president of Preservation Alliance of West Virginia, Inc., the state historic preservation officer (the commissioner of Culture and History), and the directors of Archives and History, Historic Preservation, and Museums. The Archives and History director, who serves as secretary to the commission, keeps minutes of commission meetings and handles notifications and mailings for those meetings.

The Archives and History Commission holds three regular meetings a year. On September 30, 2011, the commission met at the Heritage Inn in Petersburg. The January 27, 2012, meeting was held at the Culture Center, and the June 1, 2012, meeting was held at Blackwater Falls State Park Lodge in Davis. In addition, a special meeting via conference call was held on December 2, 2011, to re-award grant funds of the Historic Preservation Office.

### **Culture and History Internal Support**

Archives and History continued to play a substantial role in the division's West Virginia History Bowl, which tests eighth-grade students on their knowledge of history, art, preservation, and cultural topics, in its third year in 2011-2012. Regional competitions at the eight RESAs (Regional Education Service Agency) of the state's educational system were held in February and March 2012, and the number of participating teams continued to grow, with 105 teams from 65 schools in 40 counties competing. The winning and runner-up teams from each RESA were eligible to participate in the state competition, which brought sixteen teams to the Culture Center on April 24. In the championship round of the double-elimination tournament, Suncrest Middle School from Morgantown defeated Herbert Hoover Middle School from Charleston. One of Shady Spring Middle School's teams placed third, while one of Cameron High School's teams place fourth. As in previous years, Archives and History's assistant director handled planning for the division, several staff assisted with the regional and statewide competitions, and the library served as one of the competition venues for the statewide tournament.

Archives and History continued to provide support to other sections within the Division of Culture and History. The darkroom photographer provided 60 digital images for *Goldenseal* magazine, published through the Communications unit, 265 prints and digital images for exhibits, and 268 for the Museums Section. Through arrangements made by the division, Archives and History also provided 91 gratis images to individuals in other state offices.

A number of exhibit images were created for a rotating photo gallery display located in the north wing off the Great Hall, between the library and the entrance to the hallway leading

to the Archives and History offices. In September 2011, an exhibit on the Mountain State Forest Festival replaced the “Pic of the Week” exhibit and remained up until a new exhibit on the Civil War in 1862 was installed in January 2012. Near the end of the fiscal year, an exhibit on recreation in the state was installed.

As was the case the previous year, staff were requested to devote a portion of their Memorial Day weekend to the division’s annual Vandalia Gathering, and one staff member also continued to work with the annual Appalachian String Band Music Festival at Camp Washington-Carver. In September, that staff member also attended the 2011 Grand Master Fiddler Championship and presented the winner of the traditional fiddler contest, sponsored by the division, with the Robert C. Byrd Memorial First Place Fiddle Award. Staff provided assistance to other sections, in particular the Museums Section, as well as to the division.

### **Inter-Agency Support**

Staff provided assistance to several state agencies regarding their records and retention schedules and also responded to requests for information on various topics from state agencies. Staff continued to assist the Department of Education with preparation of the Golden Horseshoe test. Because of changes in the department’s educational content emphasis, in 2011 Archives and History was requested to provide more questions that included maps, graphs, and reading passages. In May 2012, two staff were interviewed by a *Charleston Daily Mail* reporter about the change in the test questions.

### **Outreach**

Archives and History staff were involved in various outreach activities during the year. The Archives Showcase and the monthly evening lecture series and genealogy programs were held in the Archives and History Library. Through division press releases, announcements on the Archives Web site and in *Archives and History News*, and by e-blast, constituents were notified about upcoming library events.

During fiscal 2011-2012, the director gave a number of presentations on Archives and History to historical and genealogical societies around the state, and he also spoke on historical topics, including addressing several groups throughout the year on West Virginia statehood. Other staff spoke on genealogy and history topics on several occasions as well. They also provided historical research assistance and information on Archives projects to members of the media.



*Archives and History staff Greg Carroll presenting an evening program in the library.*

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Archives and History also continued to emphasize outreach to the educational community. The director provided four workshops to Wayne County teachers on the use of primary sources and Archives and History's Web site and gave a presentation to a RESA 7 group. Staff continued to assist the Department of Education with the Golden Horseshoe exam and to participate as judges at the State Social Studies Fair. One staff member also served as a judge for the Division of Highways Historic Essay Contest that was held as part of the mitigation for the Dick Henderson Bridge Replacement Project. Expanded Web resources and the History Bowl, discussed previously, also strengthened ties to the educational community.



The sixteenth annual History Day at the Legislature was held on February 23, 2012. There were 34 History Heroes, and 68 groups registered for display space at the capitol. General Services' lack of tables (apparently the result of ongoing loans to different agencies) resulted in Culture and History staff hauling 15 of the division's tables to the upper rotunda for the day. Also, a last-minute emergency request was made of Director of Arts Jeff Pierson to take photographs of the History Heroes during the ceremony in the theater.

The thirteenth annual Hoot Owl was held in the Archives and History Library on March 30–31, 2012. Thirty-five people attended the all-night event, co-sponsored by Archives and History and the Mining Your History Foundation. Staff and MYHF volunteers assisted researchers in locating materials. Proceeds from the annual event are dedicated to purchase and support the collections of the Archives library.

Archives and History continued to publish the monthly newsletter *West Virginia Archives and History News*. The newsletter is distributed in the Archives and History Library; mailed to 126 West Virginia historical, genealogical, and preservation societies and related organizations; and provided to 49 state archives in the United States, 12 state repository libraries and the Library of Congress. An electronic version also is posted on the Archives and History Web site (<http://www.wvculture.org/history/ahnews/ahnews.html>). Once the electronic version is posted online, an e-blast is sent to notify people on the e-mail list that the latest issue is available. Reference to old cookbooks in several issues of the newsletter and extracts from one, *Confederate Receipt Book* (1863), drew press notice in April 2012, when Julie Robinson of the *Charleston Gazette* visited the library to look at some of the books. Her article, which appeared on April 18, included comments and a photograph of the newsletter editor.

### Archives and History Staff (2011-2012)

Joe Geiger Jr.	director
Bryan Ward	assistant director
<u>Archives:</u>	
Debra Basham	textual records/photograph archivist
Dick Fauss	audio/film archivist
Allen Fowler	special projects, part-time
Ed Hicks	archival photographer
Mary Johnson	historian/archivist
<u>Library:</u>	
Robert Taylor	library manager
Susan Scouras	librarian
Greg Carroll	historian/library assistant
Elaine Gates	library assistant
Terry Lowry	historian/library assistant
Cathy Miller	library assistant
Harold Newman	library assistant
Jaime Simmons	library assistant
<u>Records Management and Preservation Board:</u>	
Denise Ferguson	county records archivist
Kyle Campbell	cultural program specialist (county records preservation project)
Randy Marcum	cultural program associate (county records preservation project)
<u>Support:</u>	
Susan Holbrook	secretary
<u>Veterans Memorial Archives:</u>	
Constance Baston	researcher

**Archives and History Commission (2011-2012)**

Voting members:

Dr. Robert S. Conte, White Sulphur Springs  
Jack Dickinson, Huntington  
Harold Forbes, Morgantown  
Becky Frye, Martinsburg  
Victor Greco, Wheeling  
Dr. Charles Ledbetter, Scott Depot  
Bill Richardson, Delbarton  
Noel Tenney, Tallmansville  
Dr. Joan Walker, Hedgesville

Ex officio voting members:

Fredrick H. Armstrong (president, West Virginia Historical Society), Charleston  
Dr. William S. Arnett (president, West Virginia Historical Association), Morgantown

Ex officio nonvoting members:

Joseph N. Geiger Jr. (director, Archives and History, and secretary to the commission), Huntington  
Dr. Michael Ed. Hohn (director, West Virginia Geological and Economic Survey), Morgantown  
Charles Morris (director, Museums), Charleston  
Jeremy S. Morris (president, Preservation Alliance of West Virginia, Inc.), Wheeling  
Susan Pierce (director, Historic Preservation), Charleston  
Randall Reid-Smith (commissioner, Culture and History), Charleston

**Records Management and Preservation Board (2011-2012)**

Ottie Adkins, assessor, Huntington  
John Bennett, prosecuting attorney, Logan  
Jerry Berry, county commissioner, Hinton  
Betsy Castle, circuit clerk, Kingwood  
Diana Cromley, county clerk, Point Pleasant  
Betty Harmison, genealogical/historical society representative, Berkeley Springs  
Kenneth Lemaster Jr., sheriff, Martinsburg  
Stephen Shuman, attorney, Morgantown

Ex officio members:

Randall Reid-Smith (commissioner, Culture and History), Charleston  
Steven D. Canterbury (director, Administrative Office of the Courts), Charleston  
designee Matt Arrowood (deputy director, Division of Court Services)  
Kyle Schafer (director, Office of Technology), Charleston  
designee Helen Wilson (C.I.O., Office of Technology)

## 2011-2012 Accessions

### State Government Records

Blueprints. WVU Engineering Research Building, 1987–90. 154 items. Alpha Associates, Morgantown. Ar1838acc

Cultural Center reports. Pedestrian Plaza report, other issues involving roof and grounds, 1984–90. 1 item. Unknown donor. Ar1812acc

Governor's Cabinet on Children and Families. Reports of Dr. Dallas Bailey and America's Promise, 1997–2000. 1 box. Nell Bailey, Huntington. Ar2026

Mineral County. Circuit Court case files, 1866–1932. 2 boxes. Mineral County Circuit Clerk, Keyser. Ar2028

Mingo County. Case file *State of West Virginia vs. Sid Hatfield et al*, transcripts, jury selection, witness statements (originals and photocopies), 1921 January 19–March 16. 15 boxes. John Wells for estate of Llewellyn Wells, Los Angeles, CA. Ar2027

### Manuscripts

Ball Funeral Home. Records of Williamson funeral home, 1922–92. 15 volumes. Marion Cochran, Huntington. Ms2011-078

Blue, Elaine Collection. Plays and poetry by Elaine Blue, 1976–2010. 2 boxes. Elaine Blue, Huntington. Ms2011-126

Camp Washington-Carver. Information on 1997 camp reunion, 1997. 1 folder. Anella Bickley, FL. Ms86-60acc

Cochran, Bonita L. Collection. Correspondence and family history information, primarily Dinwiddie, Duffield, Green and Henry families, ca. 1770s–1980s. 1 box. Drema Stewart, Fayette and Raleigh Counties Genealogical Society, Prosperity. Ms2011-079

Daoust, Marcia Collection. Materials relating to Huntington Area League of Women Voters, UNICEF, 1973–93. 2 boxes. Marcia Daoust, Huntington. Ms2011-077

Legal records and briefs. Bound records of cases from Spilman, Thomas, Battle and Klostermeyer, with annotations and inserts, 1872–1967. 162 volumes. Spilman Thomas, Charleston. Ms2011-127

McQuade, Marion Collection. Materials concerning founder of National Grandparents Day, 1960–2003. 1 box and 1 folder oversized. D. J. McQuade-Lancaster, Chula Vista, CA. Ms2011-098

Mutual Improvement Club of Ronceverte. Minute books, reports, programs and other materials, 1893–2009. 3 boxes. Carol McClung, Mutual Improvement Club of Ronceverte, Lewisburg. Ms2011-097

### Microforms

Microfilm. Mary Ellen Harryman Ruffner Papers, from originals at Library of Virginia, 1763–1959. 15 rolls. Devon Archer Schreiner, Warrenton, VA. Mi2011-128

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### Photographs

Armor Plate Plant. Copy prints of aerials from NARA, 1941 September 22. 3 items. Unknown donor. Ph2011-125

Art Work of Wood County. Unbound set of prints, 1897. 48 items. Unknown donor. Ph2011-075

Barrett Family. B&W and copy prints removed from *History of the Barrett and Related Families of Wood County, WV* Vol. 4 by Michael Wayne Barrett, n.d. 27 items. Transfer from Library. Ph2011-090

Baseball. Team photo (color) of West Virginia Power, 2007. 3 items. Unknown donor. Ph2011-108

Battle of Barboursville. Color prints of reenactment taken by Frank Jordan, 2010 July. 18 items. Frank Jordan, Barboursville. Ph2011-085

Blennerhassett Island. B&W aerial showing confluence of Little Kanawha and Ohio rivers with island in distance, 1970 December 2. 1 item. Unknown donor. Ph2011-099

Carbide. B&W, mostly employees, ca. 1930s. 8 items. Unknown donor. Ph2011-124

Carbide. B&W negatives, ca. 1950s. 22 items. Nancy Rohr, Huntsville, AL. Ph2009-087acc

Chief Logan State Park. Booklet of plans and photos of activities building, late 1980s. 1 item. Bob Beanblossom, DNR Park. Ph2011-118

Civil War. Copy negatives and prints of Civil War officers 13th WV Infantry from album owned by Mary Ann Lewis of St. Albans, ca. 1863–65. 71 items. Unknown donor. Ph2011-086

Civil War. Copy prints of Pleasant J. Miller, Co. B, 17th WV Infantry and Richard M. J. Miller, Co. B, 3rd Cavalry, ca. 1865. 2 items. Delores M. Young, Aurora, CO. Ph2011-112

Coonskin Park. Copy print of musicians Sherm Martin, Delbert Wilson, Bill Roberts and George Phillips performing at park opening, 1950 June 29. 1 item. Georgia DeBlois, Exeter, NH. Ph2011-092

Ferry. B&W of ferry across Little Kanawha River at Elizabeth, ca. 1940s. 1 item. Dick Dorer, Fredericksburg, TX. Ph2011-101

Fire fighting. B&W of forest fire fighting, ca. 1960s. 41 items. Bookworm and Silverfish, Wytheville, VA. Ph2011-105

Fork Spring School. Construction of Greenbrier County school, late 1920s. 1 item. Shirley Bland, Palm City, FL. Ph2011-111

Golden Horseshoe. Winners on capitol steps, group includes Henry Louis Gates Jr., 1964. 1 item. Jerry Grady, Charleston. Ph2011-107

Iraq War. Color photos and CD of photos of Gunnery Sgt. Christopher L. Saunders USMC reservist from Camp Ramadi, Iraq, 2005. 3 items. Transfer from Governor's office. Ph2011-088

Kanawha County schools. B&W copy prints of schools in eastern end of county, ca. 1900–23. 8 items. William R. Hudnall, New Canton, VA. Ph2011-109



Kaufman Memorial Bridge. Color print of dedication ceremony, 2011 June 20. 1 item. Tod Kaufman, Charleston. Ph2011-058

Kimball. Color photos of flooding and aftermath, 2002 May 2-3. 38 items. Sharon and Jonathan Bennett, Kimball. Ph2011-117

Legislative pages. B&W of Randy Kinder, Senator Keith Wagner, Jason Villiers, Timothy Miller and Senator Charlotte Pritt, 1992. 1 item. Cathy Miller, Elkview. Ph2011-083

McDowell County Coal Miners Memorial. Color photos of Bradshaw memorial, ca. 2008. 8 items. Geneva Steele, Paynesville. Ph2011-095

McQuade, Marion Collection. B&W and color concerning founder of National Grandparents Day, n.d. 1 folder (30 items). D. J. McQuade-Lancaster, Chula Vista, CA. Ph2011-098

Mines. B&W photos from fatal accident report for Ronald Kager, Pocahontas Fuel Company Maitland Mine, McDowell County, 1996 January 8. 4 items. Transfer from Ar1884. Ph2011-094

Mutual Improvement Club of Ronceverte. Photos, n.d. 1 box. Carol McClung, Mutual Improvement Club of Ronceverte, Lewisburg. Ph2011-097

Natural Resources. Artwork and negatives for various parks, ca. 1960s. 158 items. Division of Natural Resources. Ph2011-123

Odd Fellows Home, Elkins. Color view from air, n.d. 1 item. John Bennett, Winfield. Ph2011-106

Owens-Illinois Bottle Plant. Copy print of workers at Charleston plant, ca. 1925. 1 item. Pat Caldwell, Charleston. Ph2011-091

Panoramic. Color of West Virginia Labor Solidarity Rally, 1989 June 11. 1 item. Unknown donor. Ph2011-074

Panoramic. Paragon Colliery Company, Yolyn, Logan County, by Ribble; B&W of passenger train in Yolyn; n.d. 2 items. Anna Lusher Bailey, Elkview. Ph2011-073

Politics, murder case. B&W wire photos including Congressman Carl Bachman, ca. 1930s. 12 items. Minneapolis Public Library Special Collections, Minneapolis, MN. Ph2011-115

Portrait. Unknown man by Partridge's Gallery, Wheeling, VA, ca. 1860. 1 item. Mrs. Harry Fredericks, Wheeling. Ph2011-104

Portraits, Jackson, Governor Jacob and First Lady Maria Williard Jackson. Copy prints of paintings, ca. 1880s. 2 items. James H. Dingess, Logan. Ph2011-103

Post Offices. B&W negatives and copy prints of rural post offices, some identified, and horseback carrier, 1950s. 13 items. Nancy Boon, Columbia, MO. Ph2011-082

Postcard. Philippi Covered Bridge, ca. 1930s. 1 item. Sapulpa Historical Society, Sapulpa, OK. Ph2011-121

Postcards. WV House of Delegates chamber, ca. 2000. 4 items. Culture and History. Ph2011-122

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Riverboats. B&W of boats, including Capt. A. D. Butler and pilot David Corben, ca. 1880s–1910. 6 items. Lucy Butler, Winfield. Ph2011-114

Robinett Family. Color copy prints of various family members, 1898–1959. 10 items. Robinett-Jones Family, Ypsilanti, MI. Ph2011-080

Silver Bridge, Governor Marland, John F. Kennedy. B&W prints from television newsfilm, ca. 1953–67. 4 items. Unknown donor. Ph2011-100

Slides. Views mostly of Wood County, some Charleston, Pence Springs, Wheeling, 1989–90. 1 box (296 items). Laura Sparks VandenBosch, Boca Raton, FL. Ph2012-002

Slides. Views of state parks and forests, wildlife, flora, miscellaneous scenes, 1960s–80s. 2 boxes (1,196 items). Division of Natural Resources. Ph2012-001

Smoot Summer School. Copy print of students at Greenbrier County school, 1904. 1 item. Teri Estes, Osceola, MO. Ph2011-096

Sprouse, James. Slides and contact prints (no negatives) of gubernatorial candidate and family, 1968. 26 items. Bill Kelley, Charleston. Ph2011-089

Staggers, Harley. B&W campaign postcard of congressman and family, 1960. 1 item. Joe Geiger, Huntington. Ph2011-093

State Police. B&W of training classes, officers, most unidentified, 1951–59. 37 items. Becky Reger, South Charleston. Ph2011-084

Summers County. Aerial views, 2002 March 30. 14 items. Ed Robinson, Princeton. Ph2011-116

Tabor, Brewster families. B&W of Greenbrier County families, panoramic of Concord College class ca. 1925–26 (moved to panoramics), 1920s–80s. 1 box (113 items). Jo Alice Heck, Huntington. Ph2012-003

Underwood portrait unveiling. B&W negatives of Governor Cecil H. Underwood portrait unveiled at capitol, 2001 August 31. 96 frames. Legislative Services. Ph2011-081

Wheeling. B&W of parade scene, 1968 November. 1 item. Transfer from Historic Preservation. Ph2011-113

Wheeling. B&W of policemen, tour group at U. S. Capitol, n.d. 2 items. Paul Eddy, Wheeling. Ph2011-120

Wheeling. B&W of skyline from across river, Windsor Hotel construction and interior, ca. 1913. 3 items. Harry W. Gee Jr., Wheeling. Ph2011-102

Wheeling. B&W of various scenes, 1919 July 13. 6 items. David D. Lewis, Coral Springs, FL. Ph2011-087

Wheeling Symphony. B&W of performers, logo, 1950s–2003. 4 items. Margaret Brennan, Wheeling. Ph2011-119

WWII album. B&W of European scenes, soldiers, damage, 1945. 1 volume (341 items). Unknown donor. Ph2011-076

### Special Collections

Blueprints. West Virginia State Parks, 1923–95. 1,596 items. DNR Parks and Recreation. Sc2010-147acc

Calendar. Wolf Creek Printery, 2010. 1 item. Richard Fauss, Elkview. Sc87-41acc

Clippings. Articles on West Virginia politics, New Deal, murder cases, ca. 1930s. 1 folder. Minneapolis Public Library Special Collections, Minneapolis, MN. Sc2011-115

Drawings. U. S. Steel #9 Filbert coal car dumping facilities, loading facilities, and other drawings, 1958–61. 122 sheets. Kanawha Manufacturing Company, Charleston. Sc2011-129

Kaufman Memorial Bridge. Program and remarks of Senator Joe Manchin as recorded in Congressional Record, 2011 June 20. 2 items. Tod Kaufman, Charleston. Sc2011-058acc

McDowell County Coal Miners Memorial. Listing of names engraved on Bradshaw memorial, 2008. 1 item. Geneva Steele, Paynesville. Sc2011-095

Mutual Improvement Club of Ronceverte. Scrapbooks, guest books, 1957–2006. 2 boxes. Carol McClung, Mutual Improvement Club of Ronceverte, Lewisburg. Sc2011-097

Program. 100th anniversary and rededication, Odd Fellows Home, Elkins and 85th Annual Homecoming, 2010 September 5. 1 item. John Bennett, Winfield. Sc2011-106

Programs. Special masses at Sacred Heart Co-Cathedral, including investiture as minor basilica, 2007–10. 9 items. Debra Basham, Elkview. Sc2008-054acc

Scrapbook. Dedication of Point Pleasant Battle Monument created by Livia Simpson Nye Poffenbarger, 1909 October. 1 volume. Cheryl Rowan, St. Albans. Sc2011-110

Scrapbooks. West Virginia NOW, August 2009–January 2012. 6 volumes. Bettijane Burger, Charleston. Sc97-27acc

Sprouse, James. Newsletter of Sprouse for Governor Club, 1968. 1 item. Bill Kelley, Charleston. Sc2011-089

West Virginia Chess Association. Newsletters, yearbooks, 1942–2008. 2 boxes. Tom Bergquist, Huntington. Sc2012-004

Yearbook. Glenville State *Kanawhachen*, 1924. 1 volume. R. C. Davis, unknown. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbook. Marshall College *Mirabilia*, 1929. 1 volume. Dr. Barbara Snyder, South Charleston. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbook. Marshall College *Chief Justice*, 1986. 1 volume and 14 photos. Dolly Marcum, Crum. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbook. Shepherd College, 1972. 1 volume. Henry Battle, Charleston. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbook. Sherman High *Walhondian*, 1954. 1 volume. Unknown donor. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbook. Sherrard Junior High *Horizons*, 1978; 2 photos of wrestling team. 1 volume and 2 photos. Sherrard Middle School, Wheeling. Sc2005-003acc

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Yearbook. Stonewall Jackson *Jacksonian*, 1986. 1 item. Thomas S. Pring, Charleston. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbook, school materials. Scott High *Scottonian*, 1937; report card, diploma, exposition book, and flowers scrapbook, all from Scott High student Quentin Webb, 1935–37. 5 items. Jeff Jones, Charleston. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. Big Sandy District High, Clendenin, 1926–63. 4 volumes and 1 newspaper. Kim Johnson, Clendenin. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. Broadus Institute Annuals, Salem College *Dirigo*, 1916–17, 1926. 3 volumes. Joseph Marks, Slippery Rock, PA. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. Burnsville Grade School (photocopies), Hinton High *Dart*, Hedgesville High *Eagle*, Parkersburg High *Parhischan*, Shepherd College *Cohongoroota*, 1929–97. 13 volumes. David Parmer, Hinton. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. Charleston High, 1936-37; Morris Harvey, 1939, 1941–42. 5 items. William H. McKee Jr., Charleston. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. Dunbar Junior High, 1963; Dunbar High *Bulldog*, 1965–67; Morris Harvey, 1967–69; Union District and Dunbar High reunion 1999. 8 volumes. Georgia Phillips DeBlois, Exeter, NH. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. Hamlin High *Pied Piper*, 1959, 1973. 2 items. Unknown donor. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. Hampshire High *Pride and Spirit*, 1988, 2005–2006, 2008-2009. 5 volumes. Hampshire High School, Romney. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. Hinton High, Lewisburg High, 1938–93. 10 volumes. Donald Clifford, St. Albans. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. Morgantown High *Memories*, 1919–22. 3 volumes. Catherine McCoy estate via Rich and Laurie Wilson, Delafield, WI. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. Nicholas County High *Nicholasean*, 1923, 1938; *Thirty Years of Our Lives 1948-1978*. 3 items. Susan Landis, Daniels. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. Parkersburg Catholic, 1956; Parkersburg High, 1958–61. 5 volumes. Colene Hile, Mesa, AZ. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. Ravenswood High *Nautilus*, 1966–68. 3 volumes. Jerry Grady, Charleston. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. Report cards and commencement program for Grace Tabor, Greenbrier High, 1914–22. 5 items. Jo Alice Heck, Huntington. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. Tygarts Valley High, 1966; Morris Harvey, 1959; WV Institute of Technology, 1966. 3 volumes. Buffalo Creek Memorial Library, Man. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks. WV Wesleyan, 1970, 1975, 1985, 1995, 2005. 5 volumes. West Virginia Wesleyan, Buckhannon. Sc2005-003acc

Yearbooks, publication. WV State *Arch*, 1967, 2001–2003; Fairmont State *Mound*, 2006; Hurricane High 2011 Fall sports program. 6 items. Greg Carroll, Hurricane. Sc2005-003acc