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I'm the Specialist Professor of Public History in the Monmouth University Department of History and Anthropology and the primary point of contact for the University's public history minor. My regularly taught classes include Intro to Public History, Oral History, Museums and Archives Management Basics, and Exploring History and Heritage Sites: Preservation, Interpretation, and Management. I run the Department's social media and newsletter, and the Monmouth Memories Oral History Program. I also serve as the campus coordinator for the National History Day program, and the faculty advisor for the History and Anthropology Club.

I'm proud to be the current President of Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region, and have served for many years as the editor for *New Jersey Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal*, a joint venture of the NJ Historical Commission, Rutgers University Libraries, and Monmouth University. I am a trustee of the NJ Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Foundation, the Ocean County Historical Society, the Monmouth County Historical Association, the InfoAge Science and History Museums at the Camp Evans National Historic Landmark, and Preservation NJ. I serve on committees for the NJ Historical Commission, NJ Studies Academic Alliance, and Princeton Preservation Group. I also work regularly with other public history organizations such as the Monmouth County Park System, Monmouth County Historical Commission, Middlesex County Office of Culture and Heritage, National Guard Militia Museum of NJ, and more.

I worked as a command historian at the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command, Fort Monmouth, NJ from 2004-2011.

EDUCATION

Master of Arts in United States History January 2007, Monmouth University West Long Branch, NJ

Bachelor of Arts in History and Political Science January 2005, Monmouth University West Long Branch, NJ

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Specialist Professor of Public History, Department of History and Anthropology July 2015 – present, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ

- Courses Taught:
 - o Introduction to Public History
 - Oral History

- o Museum and Archives Management Basics
- o Exploring History and Heritage Sites
- o NJ History
- o The Vietnam Era
- o Business and Economic Development of the United States
- History and Hollywood (First Year Seminar)
- o Western Civilization in World Perspectives I
- o Western Civilization in World Perspectives II
- o U.S. History II
- o Internship Advising
- o Thesis Advising

Instructor of History, Department of History and Anthropology

September 2014 - June 2015, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ

- Courses Taught:
 - o History and Hollywood (First Year Seminar)
 - o Business and Economic Development of the United States
 - o Western Civilization in World Perspectives I
 - Western Civilization in World Perspectives II
 - Internship Advising
 - o Thesis Advising

Adjunct Instructor, Department of History and Anthropology

September 2007 - May 2009; September 2012 - May 2014, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ

- Courses Taught:
 - o Business and Economic Development of the United States
 - o Western Civilization in World Perspectives I
 - Western Civilization in World Perspectives II
 - o U.S. History II

Faculty Writing Assistant, Writing Services

Fall 2013 - Spring 2014, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ

- Assisted students with all aspects of the writing process, from brainstorming to final edits
- Advised students on the use of MLA, APA, Chicago, and other appropriate formats
- Completed hard copy and digital student assessments in a timely fashion

SERVICE TO MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY

- Supervise the Public History Minor
- Coordinate NJ History Day at Monmouth University
- Organize/conduct the Monmouth Memories Oral History Program
- Create/maintain the Department's social media presence (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube)

- Produce the Department newsletter, *The Sextant*
- Serve on the Planning Committee, Biennial Conference on Race
- Advise the History and Anthropology Club
- Coordinate visiting exhibits
- Coordinate alumni outreach, to include regular Career Panels
- Attend Monmouth County Archives and History Day annually; as well as other community events

PAID PUBLIC HISTORY EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Oral Historian (part-time; project based), Harrison Township Historical Society

January 2022 - September 2022, Harrison Township Historical Society, Mullica Hill, NJ

• Conduct 20 interviews documenting the September 2021 Mullica Hill tornado, edit all transcripts, and write and deliver a lecture based on interview findings

Curator (part-time; project based), U.S. Army

August 2020- May 2021, U.S. Army, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst

• Lead curator on an exhibit outlining the history and heritage of the 174th Infantry Brigade

Research Associate (part-time; project based), Monmouth County Park System

March 2015- October 2015, Monmouth County Park System, Lincroft, NJ

 Conduct research, to include establishing an oral history program, to assist in the creation of a largescale public exhibit interpreting the history of the Navesink Military Reservation in Atlantic Highlands, NJ

Historian (starting rank of GS-05 Student Trainee; ending rank of GS-13 Supervisory Historian)

March 2004 - May 2011, U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command, Fort Monmouth, NJ

- Advised the Commanding General and staff on lessons learned/historical perspectives
- Conducted and transcribed oral history interviews
- Maintained a working archive, to include cataloging, preservation, and digitization of materials
- Wrote monographs and articles to preserve and publicize the Command's history
- Processed approximately 400 research requests per year
- Prepared exhibits and public events to showcase the Command's history
- Coordinated tours of local historical sites for the Commanding General and staff
- Maintained the history of all memorials and monuments on Fort Monmouth and coordinated new memorialization actions
- Maintained and continuously updated the historical website and blog
- Created and presented dozens of lectures internally (within the Command) and externally (within the community)
- Fulfilled public affairs roles as needed, to include producing videos, interfacing with the media, and providing tours of the post
- Supervised staff and interns and assisted in their hiring and evaluations

PUBLIC HISTORY VOLUNTEER SERVICE

Trustee, The Monmouth County Historical Association

March 2022 - present

Chair, Programs Committee, NJ Studies Academic Alliance

September 2021 - present

- Schedule, advertise, and run programs
- Coordinate presentations to NJSAA by award winners and other speakers
- Other duties as assigned

Board of Directors, Preservation NJ

April 2021 – present (Member of the Education Committee from May 2020- present)

- Attend meetings monthly
- Assist with program planning and execution, for example hosting "Q&A with PNI" sessions
- Serve on the education committee
- Write for the newsletter, social media, etc.
- Other duties as assigned

Trustee, The InfoAge Science History Learning Center and Museum

October 2020 – present (Volunteer from March 2004 – October 2020)

- Coordinate events, specializing in the scheduling of active-duty speakers, color guards, and clergy
- Advise on matters of military protocol
- Oversee promotion of events; including social media operations
- Re-start the oral history program
- Advise on the design and installation of exhibits

Trustee, The NJ Vietnam Veterans Memorial Foundation

September 2019- present

- Host monthly "<u>VetChat</u>" web series
- Attend quarterly meetings
- Assist with program planning and execution
- Other duties as assigned

Chair, Marc Mappen Student Research Grant Committee, NJ Studies Academic Alliance

July 2019- present

- Created the inaugural application and scoring rubric
- Announce grant rounds in Fall and Spring
- Receive applications

- Organize judging
- Liaise with winners and NJSAA
- Write and distribute press releases
- Coordinate presentations to NJSAA by winners
- Other duties as assigned

Trustee, The Ocean County Historical Society

December 2018- present

- Attend board meetings monthly
- Organize online lecture series
- Assist with program planning and execution
- Manage social media
- Write for the newsletter
- Other duties as assigned

President, Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region

April 2019 – present (At-Large Board Member from May 2016-April 2019)

- Attend board meetings and conferences
- Assist with program planning
- Provide E-Bulletin editor with news
- Other duties as assigned

State Advisory Board Member, NJ National History Day

February 2016- present

- Attend board meetings
- Plan and host teacher training workshops
- Plan and host judges training workshops
- Plan and host the Monmouth University Regional NJ History Day event

Volunteer, National Guard Militia Museum of NJ

February 2015- present

- Transcribe oral histories in accordance with the standards of the Library of Congress Veterans History Project
- Write narrative excerpts of oral histories for publication on the Museum's website
- Recruit additional volunteers

General Editor, New Jersey Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal (NJ Historical Commission)

Spring 2015-present (Reviews Editor from Spring 2014-September 2015)

- Solicit scholarly articles for publication
- Oversee the peer review process

- Copyedit and format the journal
- Upload the journal to the server

Trustee, Parker Homestead- 1665

November 2016- November 2019

- Attend Board meetings every other Wednesday and as needed
- Assist with program planning
- Manage social media
- Advise on professional best practices
- Other duties as assigned

Executive Council, Brookdale Community College's Center for WWII Studies and Conflict Resolution July 2010- dissolution of board

- Coordinate events, specializing in the scheduling of active-duty speakers, color guards, and clergy
- Advise on matters of military protocol
- Oversee promotion of events

Museum Intern

January 2003 - June 2003, Fort Hancock Museum, Sandy Hook, NJ

- Conducted oral history interviews with Fort Hancock veterans
- Developed a database for tracking Fort Hancock veterans
- Assisted in the maintenance of artifacts and museum displays

PUBLICATIONS: ARTICLES/BOOK CHAPTERS

- "Dr. Walter McAfee: A 'True Role Model'," NJ Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal, Summer 2022 Vol. 8 No. 2
- "The Old Barracks Museum," in On Point: The Journal of Army History, Winter 2022 Vol. 27 No. 2
- "The NJ Vietnam Veterans' Memorial and Vietnam Era Museum," in On Point: The Journal of Army History, Spring 2021 Vol. 26 No. 3
- "Camp Evans," in On Point: The Journal of Army History, Winter 2021 Vol. 26 No. 2
- "Camp Albocondo: Then and Now," in Garden State Legacy, September 2020 Issue 49
- "The Friendly Occupation of Asbury Park," in Garden State Legacy, June 2020 Issue 48
- "Fort Monmouth: US Black Brain Center," in Garden State Legacy, March 2019 Issue 43
- "Tracking Sandy: Monmouth County Remembers," in NJ Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal, Winter 2019 Vol. 5 No. 1
- "COL Albert C. Johnson," in On Point: The Journal of Army History, Winter 2019 Vol. 24 No. 3
- "'The almighty dollar will buy you, you bet/ A superior class of coronet': Biographical Sketches of N.J.'s Gilded Age 'Dollar Princesses," in NJ Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal, Summer 2018 Vol. 4 No. 2

- "African American Women in the Public Square: Admiral Michelle Howard," in Hettie Williams' Bury My Heart in a Free Land: Black Women Intellectuals in Modern U.S. History, ABC-Clio Incorporated, December 2017
- "369th Sustainment Brigade," in On Point: The Journal of Army History, Fall 2017 Vol. 23 No. 2
- "The 100th Anniversary of Fort Monmouth," by Floyd Hertweck, Susan Thompson, and Melissa Ziobro, in NJ Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal, Summer 2017 Vol. 3 No. 2
- "COL William Blair," in On Point: The Journal of Army History, Fall 2016 Vol. 22 No. 2
- "Military Bases," in Charlene Mires's <u>The Encyclopedia of Greater Philadelphia</u>, Rutgers-Camden: Mid-Atlantic Regional Center for the Humanities (MARCH), July 2016 (http://philadelphiaencyclopedia.org/archive/military-bases/)
- "The Navesink Military Reservation," in On Point: The Journal of Army History, Spring 2016 Vol. 21 No. 4
- "Adolphus W. Greely," in On Point: The Journal of Army History, Fall 2015 Vol. 21 No. 2
- "The Military and Sweets," in Darra Goldstein's <u>The Oxford Companion to Sugar and Sweets</u>, Oxford: Oxford University Press, May 2015
- "Lieutenant Colonel Reuben Abramowitz," in On Point: The Journal of Army History, Summer 2014 Vol. 20 No. 1
- "Separation and Discharge" and "Personnel Evaluation," in G. Kurt Piehler's <u>Encyclopedia of Military Science</u>, Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE, 2013
- "Skirted Soldiers: The Women's Army Corps and Gender Integration of the U.S. Army during WWII," in *On Point: The Journal of Army History*, Spring 2012 Vol. 17 No. 4
- "Focus: A Far Reaching Voice," in MilSatMagazine, December 2011, 36-41.
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ: From Signal to CECOM LCMC," in Social Science Docket, Summer-Fall 2011
- "The Communications-Electronics Command Life Cycle Management Command tied to Signal Corps," in *Army Communicator*, June 2010 Vol. 35 No. 2
- Ziobro, Melissa, et al, eds. <u>A History of Army Communications and Electronics at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, 1917-2007</u>. Government Printing Office: March 2009. 9780160813597
- "Fort Monmouth, New Jersey," in On Point: The Journal of Army History, Spring 2009 Vol. 14 No. 4
- "AMC CG's family, fort past, connected," in Spectra, February 2009 Issue 2
- "This Manifest Indignity: Hollywood's Portrayal of the Gender Integration of the Armed Forces in the World War II Era," in <u>Performing Difference: Representations of the 'Other' in Film and Theater</u>, University Press of America: 2008
- "William Blair," in Christopher Sterling, ed., <u>Military Communications from Ancient Times to the</u> 21st Century, Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2008

During my time as Command Historian, I published several dozen articles in the Fort Monmouth newspaper, *The Monmouth Message* (printed circulation: 9,000 copies), the Aberdeen Proving Ground newspaper, *The APG News* (printed circulation: 8,900 copies), and the Fort Gordon newspaper, *The Signal* (printed circulation: 14,000 copies). Copies provided upon request.

SELECT DIGITAL PUBLICATIONS

 "Memorial Day Had a Winding Path to Its Current Celebration Date," Two River Times, 26 May 2002, https://tworivertimes.com/memorial-day-had-a-winding-path-to-its-current-celebration-date/.

- "The NJ Vietnam Veterans Memorial and Vietnam Era Museum," *Two River Times,* 24 March 2022, https://tworivertimes.com/the-nj-vietnam-veterans-memorial-and-vietnam-era-museum/.
- "From Monmouth County to the Moon: How Walter McAfee Helped Shape the Space Race," *Two River Times*, 25 February 2022, https://tworivertimes.com/from-monmouth-county-to-the-moon-how-walter-mcafee-helped-shape-the-space-race/.
- "Biography of Cornelia C. Hussey, 1827-1902," *Biographical Database of NAWSA Suffragists*, 1898-1920, Fall 2019, https://www.documents.alexanderstreet.com/d/1010113802
- "Biography of Dr. Mary Gamble Cummins, 1869-1943," *Biographical Database of NAWSA Suffragists*, 1898-1920, Fall 2019, https://www.documents.alexanderstreet.com/d/1010113800
- "Biography of Laura A. Gregg Cannon, 1869-?," *Biographical Database of NAWSA Suffragists*, 1898-1920, Fall 2019, https://www.documents.alexanderstreet.com/d/1010113801
- "A Letter from the President," Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region Blog, 2 May 2019, https://ohmar.org/a-letter-from-the-president/
- "Fort Monmouth," *NJ WWI Stories*, 29 January 2017, http://www.worldwar1centennial.org/index.php/nj-wwi-stories.html
- "School of Rock," Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region Blog, 11 January 2017, https://ohmar.org/school-of-rock/
- "Organizational Heritage: Monmouth Memories Oral History Program," *Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region Blog*, 11 July 2016, https://ohmar.org/organizational-heritage-monmouth-memories-oral-history-program/#sthash.B6ciaHsv.dpuf
- "Oral histories of student veterans at Monmouth University," Oxford University Press Blog, 3 April 2015, http://blog.oup.com/2015/04/oral-histories-student-veterans-monmouth-university/#sthash.VcGYd5sq.dpuf

PUBLICATIONS: BOOK REVIEWS

- Review of Edward G. Lengel's, "The Battles of Connecticut Farms and Springfield," in *On Point: The Journal of Army History*, Spring 2021 Vol. 26 No. 3
- Review of Sandra M. Bolzenius's, "Glory in Their Spirit: How Four Black Women Took on the Army During World War II," in *The Journal of American Ethnic History*, Summer 2019 Vol. 38 No. 4.
- Review of Paul D. Walker's, "Adolphus Washington Greely: A Man of Indomitable Courage," in *On Point: The Journal of Army History*, Winter 2016 Vol. 21 No. 3
- Review of LTG Clarence E. McKnight, Jr.'s, "From Pigeons to Tweets: A General Who Led Dramatic Changes to Military Communications," in *On Point: The Journal of Army History*, Spring 2014 Vol. 19 No. 4
- Review of Lisa M. Mundey's, "American Militarism and Anti-Militarism in Popular Media," in *On Point: The Journal of Army History*, Summer 2013 Vol. 19 No. 1
- Review of Anna Simon and Ann Hampton's, "Kimberly's Flight: The Story of Captain Kimberly Hampton, America's First Woman Combat Pilot Killed in Battle," in *On Point: The Journal of Army History*, Spring 2013 Vol. 18 No. 4
- Review of Melissa McEuen's, "Making War, Making Women: Femininity and Duty on the American Home Front, 1941-1945," in *On Point: The Journal of Army History*, Spring 2012 Vol. 17 No. 4
- Review of Doris Milberg's, "WWII on the Big Screen: 450+ Hollywood Films, 1938-2008," in *On Point: The Journal of Army History*, Summer 2011 Vol. 17 No. 1

Guest Curator, "Monmouth County, 9/11, and Its Aftermath"

September 2021 - November 2021, Monmouth County Historical Association, Middletown, NJ

• Oversaw a tri-pronged effort to document the impact of 9/11 on Monmouth County, and those who live and work there. This included an exhibit at the historic Taylor-Butler House in Middletown, a film, and an <u>oral history project</u>.

Author, "American Heiresses of the Gilded Age: Dollar Princesses"

October 2019, The Great Courses/Audible.com

• This 5-hour course explores the so-called "dollar princesses," American heiresses who married European men with titles in the years between the end of the American Civil War and WWI.

Guest Curator, "Springsteen: His Hometown"

October 2018- present, Monmouth County Historical Association, Freehold, NJ

• In partnership with the Bruce Springsteen Archives and Center for American Music at Monmouth University, curated a large-scale public exhibit exploring the Bruce Springsteen's relationship with Monmouth County.

Guest Curator, "Tracking Sandy: Monmouth County Remembers"

October 2016- October 2018, Monmouth County Historical Association, Freehold, NJ

• Curated a large scale, crowdsourced public exhibit exploring the impact of Superstorm Sandy on Monmouth County, to include establishing an oral history program.

Co-Curator, "4 Centuries of Monmouth County Women" Monmouth County Archives

December 2018- October 2019, Monmouth County Archives, Manalapan, NJ

• Conduct research, to include selecting artifacts/photographs and writing text, for the 2019 Monmouth County Archives and History Day exhibit titled "4 Centuries of Monmouth County Women." The exhibit catalog is available for download here.

Co-Curator, "New Jersey in Focus: Inventors and Innovators in Monmouth County" Monmouth County Archives

December 2016- October 2017, Monmouth County Archives, Manalapan, NJ

• Conduct research, to include selecting artifacts/photographs and writing text, for the 2017 Monmouth County Archives and History Day exhibit titled "New Jersey in Focus: Inventors and Innovators in Monmouth County." The exhibit catalog is available for download here.

ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Paradoxical Paradise Combs Archives and Memories to Document and Interpret the Untold Past,"
 with Kay Harris, African American Intellectual History Society, Virtual, March 2022

- "When the Community is the Classroom: Archaeology and Public History at the Parker Homestead and Christ Church, Monmouth County, New Jersey," with Dr. Richard Veit, Society for Historical Archaeology Annual Conference, Philadelphia, January 2022
- "Publishing in NJ History," NJ Historical Commission Annual Conference, Virtual, November 2021
- "Paradoxical Paradise: Asbury Park (An African American Oral History and Mapping Project)," Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region Spring Conference, Virtual, April 2021
- "No (repeat no) funds will be available to Traditions Committee': A Case Study in Memorialization Logistics," Society for Historical Archaeology Annual Conference, Boston, 2020
- "People as Places, People in Places" Monmouth University's Sixth Biennial Interdisciplinary Conference on Race, Monmouth University, NJ, November 2019 (Panel Chair)
- "Memory and Oral Histories," Monmouth University's Sixth Biennial Interdisciplinary Conference on Race, Monmouth University, NJ, November 2019 (Panel Chair)
- "The almighty dollar will buy you, you bet/ A superior class of coronet': Biographical Sketches of NJ's Gilded Age 'Dollar Princesses," NJ Historical Commission Annual Conference, Monmouth University, November 2018
- "The Bruce Springsteen Archive and Center for American Music as Learning Laboratory," NJ Historical Commission Annual Conference, Monmouth University, November 2018
- "The Bruce Springsteen Archive and Center for American Music as Learning Laboratory," Bruce Springsteen's Darkness on the Edge of Town: An International Symposium, Monmouth University, April 2018 (Panel Organizer/Chair)
- "Classroom Conduits: Creating and Interpreting Student Oral History Projects," Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region Spring Conference, American University, Washington, DC, March 2018 (Panel Chair)
- "And they had the air raid, and we didn't care. We was still out there cooking that chicken:' Food, Film, and the WWII GI," Mid-Atlantic Popular/American Culture Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA, November 2017
- "A Crowdsourced Commemoration of 'the Great War'," NJ Historical Commission Annual Conference, Rowan University, November 2017
- ""We were from New York and we didn't take any crap from anybody': Harlem and the 369th in WWII," Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region Spring Conference, Columbia University, April 2017
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: the Economic Implications of Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Mid-Atlantic Popular/American Culture Association Conference, Atlantic City, NJ, November 2016
- "The Military Presence in Norman Mailer's Long Branch," Norman Mailer Society Conference, Monmouth University, NJ, September 2016
- "Oral History and Historic Site Interpretation at Battery Lewis," Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region Spring Conference, The Hagley Museum, April 2016
- "This Manifest Indignity: Hollywood's Portrayal of Women at War in the WWII Era," Mid-Atlantic Popular/American Culture Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA, November 2015
- "New Jersey and Race," Monmouth University's Fourth Biennial Interdisciplinary Conference on Race, Monmouth University, NJ, April 2015 (Panel Chair)
- "WWI 'Hello Girls' Help 'Get the Message Through' that Women Have Rights, Too," World War I: Dissent, Activism, and Transformation, co-sponsored by the Peace History Society, Georgian Court College, NJ, October 2014
- "The manner...in which some of these kids act is just appalling to me: Oral Histories of Student Veterans at Monmouth University," Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region Spring Conference, Philadelphia, PA, April 2014

- "'It was important that the soldiers got it first:' Atlantic City's Salt Water Taffy Comforts Generations of Servicemen and Women," Mid-Atlantic Popular/American Culture Association Conference, Atlantic City, NJ, November 2013
- "William Blair: Flying Under the Radar No More," The Society for History in the Federal Government/ Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region Joint Conference, College Park, MD, April 2013
- "Eating it Like a Sissy:' The Often Gendered Reactions to Variations of the Cheesesteak," Mid-Atlantic Popular/American Culture Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA, November 2011
- Moderator, 13th Annual Interdisciplinary Forum on the Vietnam Era (Women's Rights Panel), NJ Vietnam Veterans Memorial and Education Center, Holmdel, NJ, October 2011
- "The Relocation of the U.S. Army CECOM," Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region Spring Conference 2011, Philadelphia, PA, May 2011
- "A National 'Black Brain Center' Nestled in Post-WWII NJ," 25th Annual New Jersey History Conference, Trenton, NJ, November 2008
- "The Simple Headquarters of a Grant or Lee Were Gone Forever:' Gender Integration as an Exigency of Modern Warfare," 5th International Peace History Society Conference, Georgian Court College, NJ, October 2007
- "Team Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance in Southwest Asia," Conference of Army Historians, Arlington, VA, August 2007
- "Pollyanna' Perseveres: An Analysis of the Coping Mechanisms Employed by Women Integrating Into the U.S. Army during WWII," 9th Annual Women's History Conference, Sarah Lawrence College, NY, March 2007
- "Skirted Soldiers' Get the Message Through: An Analysis of the Gender Integration of the U.S. Army Signal Corps, World War II," 15th Annual Women and Society Conference, Marist College, NY, November 2006

INVITED TALKS

- "I Looked Up and There Was the Sky: The 2021 Mullica Hill Tornado," Harrison Township Historical Society, September 2022
- "Monmouth County, 9/11, and Its Aftermath," The Parker Homestead, September 2022
- "Hello Girls Get the Message Through," The Questors, August 2022
- "Hello Girls Get the Message Through," Morven Museum and Garden, August 2022
- "Fort Monmouth: 1917-2011," InfoAge Science and History Museums, July 2022
- "Hello Girls Get the Message Through," Seabrook Village, July 2022
- "Fort Monmouth: 10+ Years Post-Closure," Monmouth County Genealogy Society, May 2022
- "Basics of Oral History," The Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference (MARAC) NJ Caucus, April 2022
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Dollar Princesses," Wallace House and Old Dutch Parsonage Association, March 2022
- "Hello Girls Get the Message Through," Liberty Hall Museum, March 2022
- "Hello Girls Get the Message Through," InfoAge Science and History Museums, March 2022
- "Women and the US Army," US Army Corps of Engineers North Atlantic Division, March 2022
- "Hello Girls Get the Message Through," Point Pleasant Historical Society, March 2022
- "Hello Girls Get the Message Through," Parsippany Public Library, March 2022
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Dollar Princesses," Eatontown Historical Society, March 2022

- "Basics of Oral History," The Ranney School, February 2022
- "Fort Monmouth and Camp Evans as 'Black Brain Center'," Middletown Public Library, February 2022
- "Fort Monmouth and Camp Evans as 'Black Brain Center'," InfoAge Science and History Museums, February 2022
- "Basics of Oral History," Ocean County Historical Society Student Club, February 2022
- "Home for the Holidays: Family Oral History," Union Public Library, November 2021
- "Monmouth County, 9/11, and Its Aftermath," Monmouth County Historical Association, November 2021
- "Saving Our Stories: Oral History," Haddonfield Quaker Meeting, November 2021
- "Hello Girls Get the Message Through," West Morris Regional High School, November 2021
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Dollar Princesses," Chatham Township Historical Society, October 2021
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Dollar Princesses," Ariel Club, October 2021
- "Hello Girls Get the Message Through," Bordentown Branch of the Burlington County Library System, October 2021
- "Using Oral History in the Classroom," NJ History Day, October 2021
- "Monmouth County, 9/11, and Its Aftermath," Monmouth County Archives and History Day, Lincroft, NJ, October 2021 (Keynote Speaker)
- "Hello Girls Get the Message Through," Middletown Public Library, September 2021
- "Fort Monmouth: 10 Years Post-Closure," Eatontown Historical Society, September 2021
- "Hello Girls Get the Message Through," Ocean County Historical Society, May 2021
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Dollar Princesses," Liberty Hall Museum, March 2021
- "Hello Girls Get the Message Through," Parsippany Public Library, March 2021
- "Camp Albocondo: Then and Now," Ocean County Historical Society, September 2020
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Dollar Princesses," Hawks @ Home series, May 2020
- "Monmouth County's Own Hidden Figures: NJ's Fort Monmouth Once Touted as the 'Black Brain Center' of the U.S.," CHHANGE Symposium, Brookdale Community College, May 2020
- "Ocean County Women and the Vote," Lake Ridge Women's Club, March 2020
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Dollar Princesses," Parsippany Public Library, March 2020
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Dollar Princesses," Monmouth County Park System, "History on Tap" series, March 2020
- "My Hometown: A Song of Collaboration," CoLAB 2020 -An Education & Networking Event for Non-Profit Leaders, Asbury Park, NJ, February 2020
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Dollar Princesses," Pennington Public Library, January 2020
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Monmouth County Archives, October 2019
- "4 Centuries of Monmouth County Women: A Panel Discussion," Monmouth County Archives, October 2019
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Colts Neck Historical Society, October 2019
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Spirit of the Jerseys State History Fair, September 2019

- "Springsteen: His Hometown: An Exhibit Preview," Seaview Village, September 2019
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Women's Club, Little Silver, September 2019
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Women's Club, Wall Township, May 2019
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," The Sandpipers, May 2019
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," 4 Seasons Adult Living Community, May 2019
- "Fort Monmouth NJ in WWI and WWII," Twin Lights Historical Society," April 2019
- "Springsteen: His Hometown: An Exhibit Preview," Point Pleasant Historical Society, April 2019
- "Springsteen: His Hometown: An Exhibit Preview," Middletown Public Library, March 2019
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Moorestown Historical Society, March 2019
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Brick Township Historical Society, March 2019
- "Monmouth County's Own Hidden Figures: NJ's Fort Monmouth Once Touted as the 'Black Brain Center' of the U.S.," Marlboro Free Public Library, March 2019
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Tower Hill Luncheon, November 2018
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ: 1917-2011," Foundations, November 2018
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," Middletown Public Library, November 2018
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," The Questors, November 2018
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," Liberty Hall Museum, October 2018
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Monmouth Museum, October 2018
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Historical Society of Ocean Grove, September 2018
- "If you really want to do something, go for it:' Admiral Michelle Howard and the pioneering women who came before her," Old Baldy Civil War Roundtable, September 2018
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," Moorestown Historical Society, August 2018
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ: 1917-2011," Little Silver Library, July 2018
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Atlantic Highlands Historical Society, June 2018
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Seabrook Village, May 2018
- "Monmouth Racetrack and the Jersey Derby," Point Pleasant Historical Society, May 2018
- "Monmouth County's Own Hidden Figures: NJ's Fort Monmouth Once Touted as the 'Black Brain Center' of the U.S.," CHHANGE Symposium, Brookdale Community College, May 2018
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," New Leaf Tea Room, April 2018
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," NJ Daughters of the American Revolution Annual Convention (Keynote Speaker), April 2018
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Union Landing Historical Society, April 2018

- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Middletown Historical Society, April 2018
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Long Branch Public Library, April 2018
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," Long Branch Public Library, March 2018
- "The Golden Age of Film," Brandywine Senior Living Facility, March 2018
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Lake Ridge Women's Club, March 2018
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Brandywine Senior Living Facility, February 2018
- "Monmouth County's Own Hidden Figures: NJ's Fort Monmouth Once Touted as the 'Black Brain Center' of the U.S.," Monmouth County Library- Eastern Branch, February 2018
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," Ocean County Historical Society, January 2018
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life 'Lady Coras'," The Questors, January 2018
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," Hoboken Historical Museum, December 2017
- "'If you really want to do something, go for it:' Admiral Michelle Howard and the pioneering women who came before her," 1719 William Trent House Museum, November 2017
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," NJ Historical Commission Annual Conference, Rowan University, November 2017
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," Tower Hill luncheon, October 2017
- "The Assassination of President Garfield," Monmouth University Business Council, September 2017
- "The World's Fair: Relevant or Relegated to the Museum?" Brandywine Senior Living Facility, May 2017
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," Battle of the Bulge Veterans of NJ luncheon, April 2017
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," Parker Homestead, April 2017
- "What Do You Believe: Conspiracy Theories," Brandywine Senior Living Facility, April 2017
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," Union Landing Historical Society, April 2017
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: the Economic Implications of Real-Life 'Lady Coras',"
 Point Pleasant Historical Society, March 2017
- "Hidden Figures: African American Scientists at Fort Monmouth and Camp Evans," InfoAge Science History Learning Center, February 2017
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," Eatontown Community Center, October 2016
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," Monmouth University Faculty Lecture Series, September 2016
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," Squan Historical Society, June 2016
- "Musings on Contested Commemorations," Monmouth University Faculty Lecture Series, April 2016
- "Fort Monmouth, NJ, and WWI," Point Pleasant Historical Society, April 2016
- "American Women and Royal Marriages: NJ's Real-Life Lady Coras," Middletown Public Library, March 2016
- Welcome Address, Battle of the Bulge Veterans of NJ luncheon, November 2015
- "Fort Monmouth, Monmouth County, and WWI," Middletown Public Library, November 2015
- "Fort Monmouth, Monmouth County, and WWI," Monmouth County Archives and History Day, Manalapan, NJ, October 2015 (Keynote Speaker)
- "Doing Oral History," Seabrook Village, February 2015
- "Fort Monmouth and the Signal Corps," Atlantic Highlands Historical Society, February 2015

- "Women and the Military during WWII," The World War II Book Club of NJ, September 2013
- "William Blair: Flying Under the Radar No More," Brandywine Senior Living Facility, July 2013
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During my years as the Command Historian at Fort Monmouth (2004-2011), I delivered these types of lectures in the outside community regularly.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Attendee, "When Next is Now: Programming for Young Adult Museum Lovers and Professionals,"
 NJ Association of Museums, Webinar, November 2021
- Attendee, Oral History Association (OHA) 2021 Annual Meeting (Virtual), October 2021
- Poster session co-chair, "Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference Virtual Meeting," Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference, April 2021
- Conference co-chair, Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region Annual Conference, April 2021
- Attendee, "Lessons From the Pandemic: Challenges and Successes in Documenting Oral Histories in a Virtual Setting," Oregon Jewish Museum and Center for Holocaust Education, Webinar, January 2021
- Attendee, "Preserving the History of the Highlands," NJ Highlands Coalition, Webinar, January 2021
- Attendee, "How Are You Managing Through the Pandemic?," NJ Council for the Humanities and NJ Historical Commission, Webinar, December 2020
- Attendee, Oral History Association (OHA) 2020 Annual Meeting (Virtual), October 2020
- Attendee, Association for State and Local History (AASLH) 2020 Annual Meeting (Virtual), September 2020
- Attendee, "Remote Interviewing in the COVID-19 Era," Southwest Oral History Association, Webinar, July 2020
- Attendee, "Collecting in Crisis: Responsive Collecting in a Digital Age," Maryland Historical Society, Webinar, May 2020
- Attendee, "Documenting Disaster: Lessons for Collecting and Interpreting COVI-19 History," New Jersey Historical Commission, Virtual Town Hall, April 2020
- Attendee, "Oral History of Disasters and Pandemics w/ Mary Marshall Clark," Columbia University, Webinar, April 2020
- Attendee, "Preservation on a Shoestring: Creative Solutions for Storage Challenges," Connecting to Collections Care, Webinar, May 2019
- "Teaching Historical Inquiry with Objects," SmithsonianX, May 2018
- Attendee, "Historical Storytelling Through Technology," The National Trust for Historic Preservation, Webinar, January 2017
- Attendee, "History Crash Course: The American Experience in World War I," The American Association for State and Local History, Webinar, March 2017
- Attendee, "Best Practices for Successful Grant Writing," The NJ State Library/NJ Historical Commission," Webinar, March 2017
- Attendee, "Peb Yog Hmoob Minnesota: Sharing Authority and Building Relationships with Your Communities," The American Association for State and Local History, Webinar, February 2017

- Attendee, "A Place for Everything and Everything in Its Place: Conducting (and Maintaining!) a Collection Inventory" Connecting to Collections Care, Webinar, October 2016
- Attendee, "The American Association for State and Local History Online Conference," September 2016
- Attendee, "Writing for Historical Publications," The American Association for State and Local History, Webinar, August 2016
- Attendee, "Interpreting American Military History at Museums & Historic Sites," The American Association for State and Local History, Webinar, July 2016
- Attendee, "NJ History and Historic Preservation Conference," Seton Hall University, June 2016
- Attendee, "Open Government in the National Archives," National Archives Office of Innovation, Webinar, March 2016
- Attendee, "Reframing the Problem: Caring for Framed Objects in Small Institutions (aka: On a Budget)," The Foundation of the American Institute for Conservation, Webinar, February 2016
- Attendee, "Risk Assessment and Management for Collections," The American Association for State and Local History, Webinar, January 2016
- Attendee, "Risk Management: What's Your Kryptonite?" The American Association for State and Local History, Webinar, January 2016
- Attendee, "The NJ Forum," NJ Historical Commission, Newark, NJ, November 2015
- Attendee, "Cultural Institutions & Emergency Management: Partners in Emergency Response & Recovery" training, Freehold, NJ, September 2015
- Attendee, New Jersey History and Historic Preservation Conference, Mt. Laurel, NJ, June 2015
- Attendee, Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region Spring Conference, Camden, NJ, April 2015
- Course completed, "Scripting the Exhibit," Northern States Conservation Center, online program, 2009
- Course completed, "Board Development 101," Center for Non-Profit Success, online program, 2009
- Course completed, "Records Keeping Management," The Army Distance Learning Program, online program, 2008
- Course completed, "Establishing and Maintaining and Technical Reference Library," The Army Distance Learning Program, online program, 2007
- Course completed, "Care and Identification of 19th Century Photographs," NJ Caucus/Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference, Manalapan, NJ, 2005
- Course completed, "The Basics of Archives," American Association for State and Local History, online program, 2005
- Course completed, "Book Repair: A Hands-on Workshop," Monmouth County Archives, Manalapan, NJ, 2004
- Member, Army Historical Foundation
- Member, National Guard Militia Museum of NJ

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Preservation NJ Award of Recognition, 2022
- Selected for inclusion in To Preserve and Protect: Profiles of People Who Recorded the History and Heritage of Monmouth County, NJ, 2020
- NJ Historical Commission Award of Recognition, 2018

- U.S. Army CECOM Command Sergeant Major's Coin for Excellence, July 2010 and August 2008
- Department of the Army Commander's Award for Civilian Service, June 2010
- U.S. Army Commander's Coin for Excellence, May 2010 and December 2009
- First Place, U.S. Army Materiel Command Keith L. Ware journalism competition, 2009
- Department of the Army commendation for Level 1 Performance, December 2009, June 2008, and April 2007
- Commander's Two Star note for Performance, October and July 2009
- Second Place, U.S. Army Installation Management Agency Northeast Region Keith L. Ware journalism competition, 2008 and 2004
- MU History and Anthropology Department's Outstanding Graduate Scholar in History for the 2006-2007 academic year
- U.S. Army Garrison Commander's Coin and Note, 2006
- Department of the Army Achievement Medal for Civilian Service, 2006 and 2005
- Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Plans Employee of the Quarter, Junior Category, First Quarter Fiscal Year 2006
- Third Place, U.S. Army Installation Management Agency Northeast Region Keith L. Ware journalism competition, 2005
- U.S. Army Garrison Commander's Coin and Note, 2005
- MU Honors Program Award for Scholarship and Career Development, April 2005
- Past Member, Phi Alpha Theta; Pi Sigma Alpha; Phi Eta Sigma; and Lambda Sigma Tau National Honor Societies