

The Quarterly Newsletter of the History Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication

## **40th Birthday Session:**

### Past Chairs Recall Division's History

By John Coward
Tulsa

Three past History Division chairs reflected on four decades of scholar-ship and collegiality as the Division celebrated its 40th birthday at the San Francisco convention.

David Paul Nord (Indiana), Jean Folkerts (North Carolina-Chapel Hill), and Nickiann Fleener (Utah) recalled the Division's early days, when the Division was small and AEJ (as it was then known) held its conventions on college campuses.

Nord, who headed the Division in 1983, recalled that he was "installed" as Division secretary by members in the University of Wisconsin Diaspora, including John Stevens and Don Shaw. This connection, Nord said, made him "a member of a self-per-

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petuating elite," a sentiment that he said helped give rise to the American Journalism Historians Association as a rival organization.

AJHA was based largely in Southern schools, while the leadership of the History Division was from Northern institutions, Nord said.

Today, Nord said, both organizations have thrived, and they play complementary roles. Many members of the History Division also belong to, and are active in, AJHA.

Nord said his goal in the early 1980s was to push journalism history outward toward three constituencies: mainstream U.S. history, mass communication theory and research, and professional journalism.

In all three areas, Nord said, journalism history had been too insular.

Thirty years later, however, journalism history has not developed in the ways he had hoped, Nord said. The



By W. Joseph Campbell *American* 

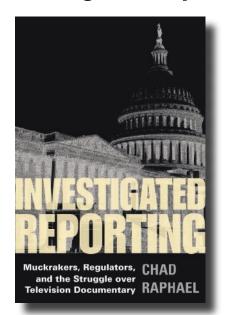
Burnishing our online presence, and keeping the site updated, represents one of the 10 goals and objectives the Division is pursuing in 2006–07.

The goals are listed in their entirety on page 5, incorporated into the minutes of the 2006 members' meeting in San Francisco, where we celebrated our 40th anniversary, ratified a new set of bylaws, and recognized the student and faculty authors of outstanding research papers.

Maintaining and even bolstering the high quality of our research also is an important goal for 2006–07—a goal that includes encouraging senior scholars to submit research papers for prospective presentation at next year's convention in Washington, D.C. Owen V. Johnson of Indiana, a former History Division chair, set a notable example along those lines at

#### An excerpt

### **Investigated Reporting Wins Book Award**



A study of the turbulent relationship between regulators and investigative television documentaries won the 2006 History Division Book Award at the AEJMC convention in San Francisco.

Chad Raphael's book, Investigated Reporting: Muckrakers, Regulators, and the Struggle over Television Documentary, was published in 2005 by the University of Illinois Press.

Raphael, who teaches communication at Santa Clara University in California, was presented with a plaque and a \$500 check at the Division's members meeting on August 3.

The following is a brief excerpt from Investigated Reporting, published with the permission of the author and the University of Illinois Press.\*

Classical liberal theorists of the media's role in democracy, from John Locke to Thomas Paine, saw journalism's primary mission as serving as a watchdog on government, by checking abuses of power, exposing corruption, and

giving citizens the information they need to manage public affairs. The inheritors of this vision often hold up investigative reporting as the best example of the media's ability to maintain government's accountability to the public. In this view, investigative journalism is also the main reason to free the media from regulation, which inevitably threatens to mute journalistic criticism of government. This book examines the spread of investigative reporting on American television in the 1960s and early 1970s and the government backlash it attracted. At this time, officials turned the tables on journalists by investigating the fairness and accuracy of muckraking reports more often and more extensively than at any time in television's history. I find that the roles of journalists and officials were more complicated, and interesting, than liberal theory leads us to expect. Investigative reports were largely shaped by official forces rather than simply acting as a check on government, and regulation in many ways served the cause of investigative journalism rather than hampering it.

Despite muckrakers' reluctance to advocate collective action in response to the social problems they unearth, investigative reporters' only hope may be to enlist organized political support for their ability to contribute to democracy--the kind of support that allowed regulators to help sow the seeds of the investigative documentaries of the 1960s. Contemporary regulations should



Chad Raphael

focus on nurturing the independence journalistic institutions nonprofit organizations that often serve as sources of investigative reporting. Our aim should be to provide these institutions with the financial and regulatory insulation that will allow them to produce investigative journalism with greater freedom from economic government pressures. Without romanticizing a "golden age" of muckraking on television in the 1960s we can draw a lesson from the time: creating the conditions for robust watchdog reporting on the state and corporations requires more government intervention in media markets, not less . . .

This book has shown that although government forces are often investigative reporters' targets and tormentors, officials and jurists are also often reporters' best sources, collaborators, defenders, and regulatory champions. Investigative journalism will not survive without sustaining the web of relationships with government that ensures this most important kind of news for democracy is funded, distributed, and protected from extinction at the hands of media owners, advertisers, corporate targets, and government itself.

<sup>\*</sup> Copyright 2005 by Chad Raphael. Footnotes from this excerpt have been omitted.

### **Notes From the Chair**

San Francisco with his paper, "Darling Jerry, Darling Mabel, Darling Moran: Ernie Pyle and the Women Behind Him."

I hope to see more research papers from established scholars, as well as continued strong output by graduate students and our emerging faculty stars. Janice Hume of Georgia deserves special mention in this regard: Two graduate students in her special-topics seminar, "Heroism and American Journalism: Press Encounters with Courage," wrote fine papers that were presented at San Francisco. Maintaining and promoting collegial ties with the American Journalism Historians Association, which marked its 25th anniversary this fall, is another of our goals. The Division's three top officers—Vice Chair Debbie Van Tuyll, Secretary John Coward, and myself-were at the AJHA convention in October. And I urge journalism historians to consider attending the annual History Division-AJHA spring conference in New York City next March 24. It's a wonderful, daylong gathering superbly organized by Elliot King, our PF&R chair again this year.

Planning for the Washington convention is underway and we're hoping to organize a pre-conference workshop on tapping the resources of the Library of Congress, an exceptional if sometimes formidable resource for journalism historians. Organizing an offsite there is another of the Division's goals in 2006–07, as is renewing our tradition of organizing high-quality research, teaching, and PF&R panels for the AEJMC convention. To that end, we've submitted several solid panel proposals for the Washington convention and will know which ones are a "go" by early December, at the AEJMC winter meeting in New Orleans. Convention planning takes definitive shape then.

In a very real way, these and other goals for 2006–07 build upon the fi-

ne work of my immediate predecessors as History Division chair, including Dane Claussen, Pat Mc-Neeley, Janice Hume, David Abrahamson, David Davies, and Carolyn Kitch. Claussen, my immediate predecessor, worked tirelessly to encourage high-quality scholarship among journalism historians. And when the Division's original bylaws could not be located, he drafted the set we approved in San Francisco. I like to think of Dane's contributions to the Division as emblematic of the saying, "If you want something done, ask a busy person to do it."

The History Division has been well-served by its leaders in its 40 years. I am honored to have the chance to continue in that tradition.

Recent issues of Clio may be accessed at: www.utc.edu/Out-reach/AEJMC-HistoryDivision/newsletter.html

### Judges in the 2006 History Division Paper Competition

Pat Dooley, Wichita State

John Doolittle, American

These 52 colleagues read and evaluated research papers submitted to the History Division for prospective presentation at the AEJMC convention in San Francisco. Our thanks to them all for their generous service.

David Abrahamson, Northwestern
Edward Alwood, Quinnipiac
James Aucoin, North Alabama
Maurine Beasley, Maryland
Jon Bekken, Albright
Fred Blevens, Florida International
Kathy Bradshaw, Bowling Green
Lisa Burns, Quinnipiac
Kathy Campbell, Oregon
Joanna Cleary, Florida
David Copeland, Elon
John Coward, Tulsa
David R. Davies, Southern Mississippi

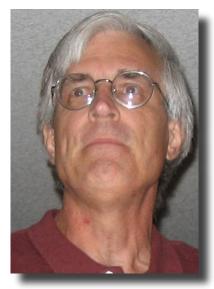
Wally Eberhard, Georgia
Amy Eisman, American
John P. Ferre, Louisville
E. Lynne Flocke, Syracuse
Kathy Roberts Forde, Minnesota—Twin
Cities
Karla Gower, Alabama
Marilyn Greenwald, Ohio
Rob Hardin, Tennessee—Knoxville
Brad Hamm, Indiana

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Carol Sue Humphrey, Oklahoma Baptist
Bill Huntzicker, St. Cloud
Paulette Kilmer, Toledo
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David Nord

field has not fully integrated itself into the mainstream of U. S. history, nor has it taken its place in the world of mass communication theory.

For her part, Folkerts, who was Division head in 1987, said journalism history has made an important contribution to the profession, informing the way students and professionals look at journalistic practice.

Folkerts also recalled the warm welcome she received in the division. She was an outlier, she noted, having come to the field as a woman with an American Studies degree.

Nevertheless, Folkerts said, she felt at home in the Division, thanks to the hospitality of Mary Ann Yodelis Smith, Cathy Covert, Terry Hynes, and others. In the 1980s, Folkerts said, the History Division became a very good place for women.

Folkerts said the study of journalism

history has changed for the better, moving from a focus on professional journalists by journalism professionals to larger issues about the role of journalism within the larger society.

By the 1980s, Folkerts recalled, journalism historians were doing exciting work. She cited one of Nord's articles about the readership of New York Magazine, calling it "a wonderful example" of how journalism historians can combine social and intellectual history, as well as quantitative and qualitative methods.

Fleener, who served as Division head in 1992, spoke of the Division as a kind of village, one in which people visit, come and go. "Like any community," she said, "we don't always agree." Yet these disagreements "keep the juices flowing."

Like Folkerts, Fleener noted the inclusiveness of the division, an inclusiveness that embraced not only gender diversity but a widening concept of history and historical topics.

Fleener also acknowledged several of the division's "founding mothers," including, Marion Marzoff (who was Division chair in 1985) and Maureen Beasley (who was chair in 1989).

They got things done, Fleener said. "Many of us benefited from that," she added.

The session by moderated by Dane Claussen, Point Park, the 2005-06 Division chair.

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Among the Media

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### **Division Minutes and 2006-07 Goals**

History Division Chair Dane Claussen, Point Park, called the San Francisco meeting to order on August 3, noting that this was the 40th anniversary meeting of the History Division.

About 25 members were present. Division Vice Chair W. Joseph Campbell, American, distributed minutes of the 2005 members' meeting, which were approved. Campbell reported that the division received 73 convention paper submissions, a 44 percent increase over 2005. Of the 73 papers, 30 were accepted, an acceptance rate of 42 percent. Just over half of the papers were written by faculty, 16, with the remaining 14 being written by students.

Campbell noted that the overall quality of the papers was high. Stacey Spaulding of Columbia Union won the Division's award for best faculty paper. Other award winners included Julie B. Lane of Wisconsin, who won the Price Award for the top student paper, Lori Amber Roessner of Georgia, who won the second place student award and Kalen M.A. Churcher of Penn State, who won the third place student award.

The authors of the two faculty runners-up papers were Gwyneth Mellenger, Baker, and Kevin Stoker, Brigham Young. Campbell announced that the award-winning papers would be presented at a session Friday night. He asked Spaulding and Lane to present overviews of their papers.

PF& R Committee Chair Elliott King, Loyola of Maryland, said that he plans to put together a panel on the most egregious mistakes journalists have made for next year's conference. He also agreed to continue as PF&R chair in 2006-07.

In the chair's report, Claussen said that members were asked to vote by Divisions on a West Coast conference location for 2010. History Division members voted for Denver as their first choice and Portland as their second choice. The 2007 meeting will be in Washington, D.C., followed by Chicago in 2008 and Boston in 2009.

Claussen said the Division's general fund contains \$8,713; the Cathy Covert fund \$5,000; and the Emery Travel fund \$19,000 for graduate student travel.

Carolyn Kitch, Temple, announced the 2006 winners of the Covert Award were Reed W. Smith of Georgia Southern and Thomas A. Mascaro of Bowling Green.

The annual book award went to Chad Raphael for his work, *Investigated Reporting: Muckrakers, Regulators, and the Struggle over Television* Documentary. Raphael accepted the award and spoke briefly about the book. Campbell presented the Division's goals for 2006-2007, which are:

- 1) Seek to maintain, and even bolster, the quality of research papers submitted to the annual AEJMC convention, and specifically encourage senior scholars to submit papers for the 2007 convention.
- 2) Encourage and invite Division members, including senior scholars, to submit articles and essays to the quarterly Clio newsletter.
- 3) Seek to enhance the Division's online presence, and work to achieve a smooth transition to the online submission and judging of research papers for the 2007 convention.
- 4) Seek to organize a meeting of the

Division's recent former chairs, for an informal discussion to coincide with the AEJMC convention in 2007.

- 5) Continue to find ways to highlight the research and contributions of non-tenured faculty who are members of the Division.
- 6) Renew the Division's tradition of organizing high-quality research, teaching, and PF&R panels for the 2007 convention.
- 7) Seek to incorporate into the Division's 2007 convention plans and programs the resources of Washington, D.C., including (but not limited to) the Library of Congress or the National Archives.
- 8) Maintain and promote collegial ties with the American Journalism Historians Association.
- 9) Maintain the Division's traditional support for regional conferences, including the Southeast Regional Colloquium and the joint History Division/AJHA Northeast Conference.
- 10) Make an assessment of the Division's disparate funds, recognizing that two of the funds are tapped each year with no fresh resources being applied to them. Also, seek guidance of the membership about the Division's dues structure.

The new Division bylaws were introduced for acceptance. An earlier version was missing so a new set of bylaws was drafted by Claussen, with help from the Division officers.

#### Submitted by Debbie van Tuyll

Augusta State Univeristy

## **Excepts from the Division's Annual Report**

### Research

Research and research-related issues dominated the History Division in 2005-2006. Our long tradition of excellence continued with competitive paper competitions at the annual and midyear conferences.

The History Division fulfilled its mission this year to provide themes that are relevant across different types of media as well as an intercultural and multidisciplinary forum for historical research in all types of mass communication. This breadth and depth in the division's body of research is the primary "contribution to the field" this year.

History research included a range of methodologies developed with a variety of theoretical viewpoints. Competitive paper topics included such topics as public relations in professional football, department stores' sales of radios, the Canadian women's Christian reform movement, Italian propaganda broadcasts, cigarette promotion in a college student newspaper, and prison newspapers—a real potpourri.

At the annual meeting in San Francisco, authors presented 31 refereed research papers, and four invited research papers. The Division continued our policy of honoring the best faculty and student papers. The Division honored three faculty and three students with awards for research, and the division continued the tradition of providing travel funding for students through the Edwin Emery Travel Fund, as well as complimentary conference

registration, for the top student authors.

The division took the lead in cosponsoring a panel, which was designated as a "teaching" panel but which had more of a research orientation to it, proposed by the Graduate Education Interest Group to examine the role of media history in predicting the future of journalism and keeping media history in mind as we move into the future. This panel, "Media History and the Future of Journalism," followed up on a similar one presented at the 2005 joint Northeast Colloquium of the AEJMC History Division and American Journalism Historians Association.

The Division also co-sponsored, along with the American Journalism Historians Association, the Joint Meeting of the American Journalism Historians Association and AEJMC History Division, Fordham University, on March 18, 2006. A total of 42 refereed papers or formal presentations were made at the "meeting," which formerly was known as the Northeast Colloquium. Also included at the colloquium were a panel discussion about conducting research on the Cold War, and Laurel Neff of Northeastern University on "Rebuffing Refugee Journalists: The Profession's Failure to Help Jews Persecuted by Nazi Germany," a presentation related to her paper in the 2005 AEJMC Convention about a similar failure by U.S. journalism schools to help Jewish German journalists obtain teaching positions or even graduate admissions in their schools.

Research was the most frequent topic in the division newsletter, Clio among the Media, which is one of AEJMC's best newsletters. For example, in the Fall 2005 issue, Division Head Dane S. Claussen (Point Park U.) devoted his column to "Conducting relevant, if not 'useful,' research," while Susan Thompson (University of Montevallo) contributed, "Secrets of the Penny Press." In the Winter 2005-6 issue, David Sloan (University of Alabama—Tuscaloosa) contributed the article, "New interpretations of history offer opportunities and pitfalls." That issue also included an excerpt from the book that won the History Division's annual book award at the 2005 convention, Radio and the Struggle for Civil Rights in the South, by Brian Ward (History Department, University of Florida).

In the Spring 2006 issue, former Division Head (1971) Ronald T. Farrar contributed an article, "History Division turns 40," about the 1966 founding of the History Division (and especially its interest in promoting high quality research), and in the same issue, Wally Eberhard (emeritus, University of Georgia) contributed, "The Genealogist and the Historian: Borrowed methodology works for scholarship, too." Claussen devoted his column in the Summer 2006 issue to the scholarship of the late AEJMC president in his, "On James W. Carey." Clio Among the Media and its listserv regularly publish calls for papers, chapters and articles as well as announcements of conferences and research competitions.

## **Teaching and PF&R Activities**

Teaching and PF&R have almost equal weight as our second most important area of activity this year, but because of the support for future generations of teachers, the Division weights teaching second in importance.

The Division continues to provide significant support for tomorrow's journalism history teachers and scholars by providing research awards that include cash prices and travel stipends, complimentary registration at the AEJMC national conference, by publishing articles in Clio Among the Media about research and teaching and by sponsoring and cosponsoring panels at regional and national conventions.

The division took the lead in cosponsoring a panel proposed by the Graduate Education Interest Group to examine the role of media history in predicting the future of journalism and keeping media history in mind as we move into the future. This panel followed up on a similar one presented at the 2005 joint Northeast Colloquium of the AEJMC History Division and American Journalism Historians Association.

Another major teaching panel at the AEJMC conference is "The Getting of Wisdom: What I've Learned, What I've Unlearned," the primary sponsor of which was the History Division, with the Magazine Division as co-sponsor.

Normally, every issue of Clio among the Media contains teaching

information, and this year was no exception. The Division newsletter Clio Among the Media (edited by Debbie van Tuyll, Augusta State University) focused on teaching excellence at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. The Winter 2005-6 issue included the article, "Does 'core knowledge' exist?" by Elliot King (Loyola University in Maryland), about the issue of whether a core body of information and interpretations in mass communication history needs to be and can be taught over time.

The History Division has always emphasized the importance teaching excellence at both the undergraduate and graduate levels, and supports teaching by publishing articles about teaching in Clio Among the Media, the Division newsletter, by sponsoring conference panels and by helping new history teachers/ through our research competitions that provide cash prizes and travel stipends for winners, and by sponsoring panels that promote good teaching and provide opportunities for the next generation of scholars and teachers to meet and learn from the most outstanding scholars in our field.

The division has also continued support and cooperation with other major organizations of media historians, including the American Journalism Historians Association.

Although the Division was involved in substantial activities in PF&R, the Division weights PF&R as third in importance this year. Two panels sponsored or co-sponsored by the History Division at the San Francisco conference concerned important PF&R issues. Competitive papers presented in San Francisco and at mid-year conferences dealt with areas of ethics, free expression, media criticism and accountability, race, gender, inclusion and public service.

A particularly timely PF&R invited panel held at the convention was co-sponsored with the Council of Affiliates. It was: "Journalists in Jail." Another Research-designated panel, which just as easily could have been labeled a PR&R session, was "History of Advertising to and within the GLBT Community," co-sponsored by the GLBT Interest Group.

The Clio among the Media newsletter also included some professional freedom and responsibility content. For example, in the Winter 2005-6 issue, Head & Program Chair Dane S. Claussen devoted his column to "There's gotta be mass comm history here somewhere." The column concerned the number and scope of AEJMC convention program proposals that offered opportunities for a historical perspective (and perhaps participation by the History Division), yet apparently did not contemplate that possibility.

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## 2006 Paper Awards

Forty faculty research papers were submitted for possible presentation at the San Francisco convention. Of those, 16 (or 40%) were accepted. Thirty-two graduate student papers were submitted. Fourteen (or 44%) were accepted.

Papers for this year's research competition were reviewed recommended in "Iudging the Research Paper Competition Fairly." Judges were solicited via the division's newsletter, Clio among the Media, the division's e-mail listsery and related listservs, such as JHISTORY (on H-NET), as well as personal contact from the research chair. Judges were selected from the division's pool and were allocated based on expertise and research interests. No graduate students were used as judges.

Top convention papers and awards: The top faculty paper was written by Stacy Spaulding, Columbia Union College, and the top student paper and winner of the Price Award was Julie B. Lane, University of Wisconsin—Madison. Authors of the second place papers were Gwyneth Mellinger, a faculty member at Baker University, and Lori Amber Roessner, a graduate student at The University of Georgia.

For the second time in the 22-year history of the Covert Award, judges selected two winners: Thomas A. Mascaro, Bowling Green State University, for "Flaws in the Benjamin Report" and Reed W. Smith, Georgia

Southern University, for "Southern Journalists and Lynching." The award, which was endowed by the late Catherine Covert, goes to the author of an article or chapter in an edited collection that represents the year's best essay in mass communication history. At the San Francisco convention, the winners each received a plaque and a cash award of \$250.

The book award this year went to Chad Raphael, of Santa Clara University, for his book, *Investigated Reporting: Muckrakers, Regulators, and the Struggle over Television Documentary* (University of Illinois Press.). Numerous books were nominated for the award, which the History Division has given since 1981.

### Annual report submitted by Dane Claussen

Point Park, Division Chair, 2005-06



## History Division Officers 2006-07:

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## **Covert Award Winner: Post Script**

#### By Karen List

Massachusetts-Amherst Covert Award Committee Chair

#### P. S. I missed you!

I could not be with you at the recent History Division business meeting, so I want to thank Division Chair Dane Claussen for announcing the winners of the 2006 Covert Award. And I'd like to add a post script to my report via Dane.

First, my own congratulations to

this year's winners, Reed Smith, Georgia Southern University, and Thomas Mascaro, Bowling Green State University. Tom wrote me a gracious letter that I had promised to read at the meeting, which says in part::

"As any of you can imagine, there is no greater reward than

to have one's writing recognized as the best of anything. For me to have my piece selected as co-winner of this year's Covert Award is a genuine thrill. I am truly honored and I accept this recognition with deepest gratitude—to the committee, to AEJMC, and especially to Pat Washburn, editor of Journalism History."

Pat nominated Tom's piece, which appeared in the Summer 2005 volume of Journalism History, and Reed, in an acknowledgement at the beginning of his Journalism and Mass Communication Monographs article, also thanks Pat for his help. Pat was

Reed's dissertation advisor and read his award-winning article before its publication.

So Pat, who faithfully nominates outstanding articles each year, deserves our special thanks and recognition for the pivotal role he plays in publishing some of the best work in our field.

In fact, Journalism History articles have won the Covert Award four times, all since 1995.

Overall, because of ties the past

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Thomas Mascaro

two years, 24 historians have won the award since it was established 22 years ago to honor Cathy Covert, former Division head and Syracuse professor. These 24 scholars published in 14 different publications. The only ones represented more than once, other than Journalism History, are Journalism Monographs (five awards), the Journal of American (three) and American Historical Review (two). The other publications represented range from Design Issues to Labor History to Business History Review.

In addition to eclectic taste, the

other quality members of the Covert Committee share is a long-term commitment to this work. Two of us, Susan Henry and Carl Burrowes, were Cathy's students, and a third, Terry Hynes, knew Cathy professionally. Nancy Roberts and Bill Solomon, the other members in addition to myself, also have devoted significant time to this endeavor. I have talked with new Division Head Joe Campbell about my desire to maintain this continuity, which I think has served

Cathy's memory and the Division so well, while still infusing new perspectives. Joe suggested that we add to the committee each year the Division head and immediate past head, which means that both Dane and Joe will be joining us this year.

We're delighted to have them—and delighted to have the opportunity to continue to represent Cathy in this way.

In his letter to me, Tom Mascaro also wrote: "I did not know Cathy Covert, but . . . I recognize a kindred spirit when I see one. I'm pleased to have my name appear alongside Professor Covert's for this brief moment.".

All of us on the Covert Committee feel the same as we honor Cathy's memory each year by honoring the best that journalism history has to offer.

# **Calls** for Entries, Papers and Panels

Best Journalism and Mass Communication History Book

The History Division of AEJMC is soliciting entries for its award for the best journalism and mass communication history book of 2006.

The award is given annually, and the winning author will receive a plaque and a cash prize at the August 2007 AEJMC conference in Washington, DC.

The competition is open to any author of a relevant history book regardless of whether he or she belongs to AEJMC or the History division. Authorship is defined as the person or persons who wrote the book, not just edited it. Only those books with a 2006 publication (copyright) date will be accepted.

Compilations, anthologies, articles, and monographs will be excluded because they qualify for the Covert Award, another AEJMC History Division competition.

Entries must be postmarked no later than February 4, 2007.

Three copies of each book must be submitted, along with the author's mailing address, telephone number, and email address, to:

Carolyn Kitch, AEJMC History Book Award Chair, Journalism Dept., Temple University, 2020 N. 13th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19122

For additional information, contact Dr. Kitch at 215-204-5077 or ck-itch@temple.edu.

Joint Spring Meeting

American Journalism Historians Association and the AEJMC History Division

Journalism historians are invited to submit complete papers or abstracts (500 words), research in progress, and proposals for panels for presentation at the AJHA-AEJMC History Division joint spring meeting.

The conference will be Saturday, March 24, 2007, at Kimball Hall, New York University. Registration is \$40.

The conference is particularly interested in innovative research and ideas that will enliven this intimate, interdisciplinary, interesting academic gathering. The conference welcomes submissions from all areas of journalism and communication history from all time periods and encourages scholars from all academic disciplines and stages of their academic careers to participate.

Abstracts should contain a compelling rationale why the research is of interest to an interdisciplinary community of scholars

All submissions must be electronic. Send submissions by Jan. 10, 2007, to Elliot King, Program Organizer, to eking212@gmail.com with a copy to eking@loyola.edu. Participants will be notified of acceptance by Feb. 7, 2007. If you are willing to review submissions or moderate a panel, contact Elliot King at eking@loyola.edu, or 410-356-3943.

The conference is being hosted by the Department of Communication and Culture and the Department of Journalism, New York University.

## Future AEJMC Conventions

2007 AEJMC Convention

Washington D. C.

Renaissance

Aug. 9-12

2008 AEJMC Convention

Chicago

Marriott Downtown

Aug. 6-9

2009 AEJMC Convention

Boston

Sheraton Boston

Aug. 5-8

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