

Southwest Oral History Association Summer 2019 Newsletter

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Co-Presidents' Column

by Marcia Gallo & Juan Coronado, Co-presidents

Dear SOHA members:

We write our last column as Co-Presidents hoping you are doing well and carrying on your endeavors as oral historians, community activists, scholars, students, and active members of society. On what is for us a bittersweet occasion, we believe that all of our work and efforts remain more important than ever as our society struggles with the mounting misinformation that produces racial and gender intolerance and inequality, xenophobia, and extremist and violent behaviors. We find ourselves in what is possibly the most politically divided era since the U.S. Civil War; your efforts help bridge the information and historical gaps that maintain an informed populace while growing the knowledge base. We stand with you as you continue your work in the field of oral history and in your communities.

And we hope to see many of you in person in Salt Lake City in October. SOHA is actively engaged in helping to plan and promote the Oral History Association (OHA) 2019 conference, to be held October 16 through 20 at the Sheraton Salt Lake City Hotel. When the SOHA Board agreed to be a top sponsor at OHA 2019, we decided to forego our own annual conference this year*. Instead, similarly to the OHA 2016 conference in Long Beach, SOHA-labeled sessions will help fill the conference program. SOHA also will

present our Annual Mink Award and introduce our 2019 Scholarship and Mini-Grant recipients on Saturday October 19, 2019 at a dinner reception at the conference.

As an added benefit, SOHA members can register for OHA 2019 at discounted rates. To do so follow this link:

https://www.oralhistory.org/ohaconference-registration-for-sohamembers/

In closing, we want to thank you for your support during the past two years of our co-presidency. We have been humbled to have such great honor and responsibility bestowed upon us. As Past Presidents starting July 1, we will continue to support SOHA's endeavors and dedicate ourselves to the expansion of oral history. Please continue to support SOHA and its new leadership.

See you soon,

Juan D. Coronado

Marcia M. Gallo

*We are making plans now for our 2020 SOHA Annual Conference, which likely will be held in Las Vegas in March. Please contact SOHA if you would like to join the Planning Committee, suggest speakers, or help with publicity.

Register for #SOHAatOHA2019



See page 4 for your member rate at the Oral History Association Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah! Please use the provided link with discount codes to ensure your preferred rate by the deadline. Membership renewal information available on page 7.



Conference Tours of Big Cottonwood Canyon and more announced on the <u>OHA site</u> along on page 3 of this newsletter!

Community Celebration

by Jennifer Keil, 1st Vice President



CSU, Fullerton university president
Framroze Virjee at the 50th COPH Reception

We celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Lawrence de Graff Center for Oral and Public History in May. It was an occasion to recognize the pioneering work of university historian Larry de Graff and Arthur A. Hansen. I had the opportunity to participate in the oral history panel that included former students, narrators, and project directors. The session was titled, "Talking Back: 50 Years of Oral History" followed by "Open History: Public Project Past and Future." CSU Fullerton university president, Framroze Virjee, provided welcoming remarks at the Golleher Alumni House.



"Talking Back: 50 Years of Oral History" Session at CSU, Fullerton

COPH specializes in offering public history applications to the spoken word. The undergraduate and graduate classes provided with field work opportunities. courses Often, scheduled in advance for said exhibition opportunities such as the community history class that will capture women's suffrage movement memories. Dr. Brown-Cornel is coordinating these interviews for the future exhibit at CSUF. COPH Director Dr. Benjamin Cawthra will be instructing a public history practicum class that will curate the interview from labels to installation for the suffrage centennial at the Fullerton Arboretum opening in August 2020. As a inductee into the History Department Alumni Council, I hope to program internships, coordinate encourage conference attendance, and fundraise scholarship opportunities for students so they can receive additional archival experiences.

COPH was instrumental to the success of SOHA's 2018 conference which was held in Fullerton, CA. We are currently working with COPH Director, Dr. Natalie Fousekis, the OHA President on the 2019 joint conference in Salt Lake City. If you are looking for an opportunity to participate in the 2019 program, please consider submitting a poster. I am serving on the conference marketing committee. Please use #OHA2019 and #SOHAatOHA2019 on all social media platforms. We would like to increase our network and connect with more practitioners in the field.

The Consulate General of the Republic of Korea in Los Angeles celebrated the centennial of the Korean Declaration of Independence in Seoul on March 1st, 1919. The liberation movement took place when thousands of Koreans rose up in protest against Japanese colonial rule. The consulates office, USC Library, and 70 Degrees hosted an oral history session with the descendants of the pioneers. We met at the Korean National Association in Los Angeles, which was a central meeting location to establish the



Dr. Sunmin Park, Jennifer Keil, Mr. Dong Kim, Dr. Soook Kim, and Joy Kim at the Korean National Association

provisional government. These interviews will be made available via the USC Digital Library. Dr. Sunmin Park and I will be presenting these oral histories at the 2019 OHA conference with Dr. Rosas, a UCI Chicano Studies Professor. I have been working with Dr. Rosas on an archival website and publication.

Please let us know how you'd like to collaborate with us at future meetings or organize a regional workshop. Visit the SOHA Blog, sohanews.wordpress.com, and our social media accounts (@southwestoha) for regional activities.

SOHA SOCIAL MEDIA

Visit our

<u>Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest,</u> and <u>News Blog</u> for more updates!

Community Connections through Oral History

by Farina King, 2nd Vice President



Farina and Louise Rock

Thanks to the support of various organizations including the Southwest Oral History Association, Utah Humanities, Utah State Historical Society, Charles Redd Center for Western Studies, and Northeastern State University Faculty Research Committee, I have traveled throughout the Southwest and Navajo Nation to conduct interviews and work with narrators to develop oral histories about the Intermountain Indian Boarding School. I have strengthened networks and collaborations to continue the project and the related traveling exhibit and forthcoming book about Intermountain Indian student experiences especially for accessibility and engagement with Navajo communities.

The research and oral histories will be featured in a book, which I am coauthoring, tentatively titled "Returning Home: Navajo Creative Works of the Intermountain Indian School," with Dr. Mike Taylor and Dr. James Swensen. We are highlighting the creative works and stories of Navajo student at the Intermountain Indian School. Dr. Mike Taylor will be assessing the students' creative writing such as poetry, and Dr. James Swensen examines the artworks of students. I am drafting the historical context and overarching narrative of the

book. We are also launching a traveling exhibit of the Navajo Intermountain students' stories, creative writing, and art. It started in April 2019 in the Brigham Young University library. We then developed a special traveling presentation about this work for Navajo communities, which we began in May 2019 at the Tse'bii'nidzisgai Elementary School in Monument Valley, Utah. It was an honor and joy to visit with descendants of former boarding school students, Intermountain Indian School alumni, and community in the beautiful lands of Diné Bikéyah. One of the former boarding school students and an oral history narrator, Jesse Holiday, met with us and the elementary school children to share stories of how art "pulled him out" of his struggles during boarding school.

Holiday eventually returned home to Monument Valley to become an art instructor, teaching silversmithing and traditional arts as well as more contemporary styles. Children loved to visit with us and Holiday, showing us proudly their own drawings and depictions of their home in Monument Valley.



Farina and Jesse Holiday

The main exhibit of the "Returning Home Intermountain Student Art and Poetry, 1951-1984" will travel to the Gallup Cultural Center and the Navajo Nation Museum in fall 2019. The oral

histories will be featured in the exhibit and book. Navajo communities and Intermountain alumni explicitly requested that we write a book based on this work. Look out for updates!

Adventures Await for OHA-SOHA 2019 Conference

I have appreciated the opportunity to serve as the Local Arrangements Co-Chair with Jed Rogers of the Utah Division of State History for the upcoming Oral History Association and Southwestern Oral History Association conference in Salt Lake City, October 16-20, 2019. We have a great line-up of activities and tours to join as part of the conference. In honor of the centennial celebrating the ratification of the 19th Amendment and recognition of the 150th anniversary since Utahn women first cast their ballots in the state, come follow the non-profit Better Days 2020 led-tour of women's suffrage sites in Salt Lake City. In another tour option, enjoy a rare opportunity to meet with the Church History Library Director and Chair of the Oral History Working Group for some behind-the-scenes experiences and insights about the vast collections, including many oral history projects, of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (also known as Mormons). Visit and trace histories of injustices and perseverance at one of the infamous Japanese-American internment camp sites, Topaz, where 11,212 men, women, and children were forced to pass through and live surrounded by barbed wire and armed guards between September 11, 1942 to October 31, 1945. Explore the largest island of the Great Salt Lake at Antelope Island State Park and the historic Fielding-Garr Ranch to immerse yourself in the dramatic landscapes of the largest salt water lake in the Western Hemisphere. Please be sure to review these different tours and activities online at https://www.oralhistory.org/annual-

https://www.oralhistory.org/annual-meeting-tours-and-events. Sign up before the availabilities are taken! Register and spread the word for the conference as soon as possible. Go to https://www.oralhistory.org/annual-meeting-registration.

We have sought to reach out to community and recognize Indigenous and diverse peoples of Utah and the Salt Lake City region. I am also working on a special session, tentatively titled, "Frybread Stories," to bring in frybread makers to the conference to talk about the stories and meanings of making frybread and tortillas to southwestern tribal nations, especially Navajos. Attendees will have an opportunity to practice and make frybread, while listening to how stories and songs are shared in the process.

We acknowledge that the OHA-SOHA meeting will be held on the traditional lands of Indigenous peoples, who have stewarded the land across countless generations long before the state of Utah was established. According to the Utah Division of Indian Affairs, "Utah is home to eight distinct tribal nations, each with a unique heritage that can be found among the state's many sacred places, and [their lands] expand across Colorado, Arizona, and Nevada": The eight tribal nations include the Confederated Tribes of Goshute, the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah, the San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe, the Northwestern Band of Shoshone Nation, the Skull Valley Band of Goshute, the Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah and Ouray Reservation, the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, the White Mesa Community, and the Navajo Nation. The Salt Lake Valley is the ancestral homeland of many of these peoples. Many diverse peoples have converged there since time immemorial, including but not limited to Ute, Shoshone, and Goshute peoples, whose lives have intersected in the valley. We seek to pay respect to elders and ancestors both past and present as we meet on their homelands for the upcoming meeting. We encourage everyone to learn about the beautiful region of Utah, the conference, and the many great opportunities ahead with the OHA-SOHA 2019 conference there.

OHA Conference Registration for SOHA Members

Southwest Oral History Association Discount Codes :

Early Bird Registration (Until 8/15/19)

<u>Discount</u> <u>Code</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Description</u>
SOHAM EMEB	\$165	For people with institutional support
SOHAIN DSEB	\$145	For people who are independent scholars

Regular Registration (Beginning 8/16/19)

<u>Discount</u> <u>Code</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Description</u>
SOHAM EMReg	\$190	For people with institutional support
SOHAIN DSReg	\$175	For people who are independent scholars
SOHAS TUDEN T	\$50	For students or community practitioners *

- *Student and community practitioner pricing is the same for early bird and regular registration.
- ** Registration for Family Members of Attendees is \$35, and is the same for both members and non-members.

Online Registration Instructions:

 Go to the <u>online registration</u> <u>form</u>. More registration information can be found on our website <u>here</u>.

- Create an account on the site. You do not have to become an OHA member.
- 3. Fill out the registration information. For registration type, select Non-Member. You can also register other people as guests. Please don't use the given discount codes for non-SOHA members.
- 4. Go to the next page, and enter the appropriate discount code. This will give you OHA Member Pricing.
- 5. Continue checking out.
- 6. You will receive an invoice receipt and registration confirmation in your email.

*If you wish to register and pay by check, please use this 2019 Registration form. Please indicate that you are a SOHA Member, and mail to the address listed on the form.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the OHA Executive Office at oha@oralhistory.org.

OHA CALL FOR POSTERS

The Oral History Association is now accepting submissions for a poster session and project bazaar that will be held at the OHA Conference at the Sheraton Salt Lake City Hotel in Salt Lake City, Utah. Proposals addressing the meeting theme, "Pathways in the Field: Considerations for those Working In, On, and Around Oral History" are most welcome, but any timely subject of interest to oral history will be considered. Posters are often used to showcase a completed project, or to communicate ideas about research in progress. The online submission portal is available here. The final deadline for submissions is July 8, 2019, but rolling basis.

Thank you, SOHA!

by Stefani Evans, Nevada Delegate

Thank you for allowing me the great privilege of serving as SOHA's Nevada Delegate this past academic year. I have enjoyed networking with other oral history practitioners throughout Southern Nevada, learning how they capture the memories of the people and places in their areas, and introducing them to SOHA.

I want to introduce and thank Rodrigo Vazquez, who has graciously and enthusiastically agreed to serve as SOHA's next Nevada Delegate. Rodrigo recently graduated from UNLV with a double major in Economics and English and begins his M.A. program in Economics in the fall. He looks forward to learning more about the oral history projects in the places in and around Southern Nevada.

Under the capable guidance of Barbara Tabach, Rodrigo has collected several oral histories as a Latinx Voices team member, and he plans to continue working on the project through the summer and into the next academic year. You will not regret asking Rodrigo about how much the project means to him. TIP: If you and Rodrigo are both enjoying a Mexican meal when you ask him about the Latinx Voices project, do make sure the restaurant serves fresh—not canned—refried beans.

Updates from Nevada

by Rodrigo Vazquez, Nevada Delegate

Hello. I am excited for a more active role in SOHA and look forward to meeting you all in October. I am a firm believer in the power of storytelling, and the transformative qualities that it can have on an individual and on society as a whole. I have witnessed firsthand how stories have a power that cut across cultures and generations.

The Latinx Voices of Southern Nevada team was invited to the Latino Leaders Luncheon Series that was held in Las



Attending the Latino Leaders Network lunch (L-R) were: Nathalie Martinez, Monserrath Hernández, Mickey Ibarra, former Gov. Brian Sandoval, Lauralyn Sandoval, Marcela Rodriguez, Rodrigo Vazquez, Maribel Estrada-Calderón, Claytee White, Elsa Lopez, and Barbara Tabach.

Vegas on March 15, 2019. The stories of success and perseverance shared by business owners and community leaders at the Luncheon celebrated the strides that made by the entire Latinx community. It was Latinx Voices of Southern Nevada team member Marcela Rodriguez-Ocampo, however, whose story resonated with the entire room. She presented on the power and importance of oral histories, and their importance in keeping history and culture alive. I will continue to work towards collecting and protecting oral histories, and I look forward to hearing all of the stories that you have to tell.

Humanities that Claytee garnered multiple grants to jumpstart the Oral History Research Center at UNLV starting in 2003. As Claytee explained, Judith finally had to point out to her that Nevada Humanities could not fund all her oral history projects. To which Claytee flashed her winning smile.

Recognizing Claytee included her years of developing the OHRC and becoming integral to the Las Vegas community in a rash of ways. She currently chairs the board of the City of Las Vegas Historic Preservation

Commission, where she pushes the city to bring the diverse people in Las Vegas to come together to make decisions about their neighborhood.

Requests for Claytee to lend her expertise for a documentary or classroom project, to serve on a committee, and to moderate community discussion panels increases every year. In addition to her resume of that includes hundreds, if not thousands of oral histories, the award recognized Claytee's tirelessness in leading by example for the field of oral history.

The Oral History Research Center and UNLV's Special Collections and Archives at UNLV Libraries were delighted to share in the evening with Claytee as she accepted. Attending the awards dinner with fellow co-workers Stefani Evans and Barbara Tabach, and Maggie Farrell, Dean of UNLV Libraries.

Claytee White receives Nevada Humanities Award

In April, Claytee D. White was awarded Nevada Humanities's Judith Winzeler Award for Excellence in Humanities. Present in the audience was Judith Winzeler to whom Claytee directed much gratitude. For it was under Judith's tenure as Executive Director of Nevada





Tribute to a Friend of SOHA, Wayne Pomeroy

by **Sarah Moorhead**, Former SOHA President

Wayne Pomeroy passed away on April 10, 2019 at the age of 96. Although he was never able to attend a SOHA conference due to health problems, Wayne Pomeroy was a generous friend to SOHA. His first contribution was to sponsor Juan Coronado to attend the SOHA 2014 conference. Wayne was a Silver Star and Purple Heart medal earner and a genuine hero during WWII, and since Juan's presentation was on Latino prisoners of war during the Vietnam War, they had an immediate connection. Juan later took a leadership role, becoming co-president of SOHA. Wayne and Juan were able to meet when Juan was in the Tempe area for the SOHA 2017 conference. Wayne continued to make donations to the SOHA conferences for several years, as his contribution to oral history.

Wayne was descended from one of the four families who led the Mesa Company which founded the City of Mesa, Arizona in 1878. Except for his WWII service and rehabilitation, college and graduate school years, he spent his whole life in Mesa. He founded and ran a successful men's clothing and missionary apparel store and was elected to the Mesa City Council. Wayne became Mayor during the U.S. and Mesa's centennials, from 1976-1980. He was one of Mesa's most progressive mayors, constructing several buildings, including a large community center and a water treatment plant, as

well as encouraging the opening of a children's museum. Wayne engaged the public through initiating City advisory boards and a mayor's youth program, among other accomplishments. Mesa was recognized as an All-American City during his tenure.

When he was reappointed to the City Council in the 1990's, he ensured staffing for the Mesa Room, the local history room in the library. Fifteen years later, Wayne's oral history, which lasted seven sessions, joined the Mesa Room's oral history collection.

Wayne was an uplifting presence until his passing at his home.



SOHA 2019 Scholarship Awardees

Diana Dellinger

Monserrath Hernandez

Maribel Estrada-Calderon

Elisa Lopez

Nathalie Martinez

Marcela Rodriguez-Campo

EVA TULENE-WATT

Lorena Antonio

Forrest Cuch

Wahéhshon Shiann Whitebean

Sarah Newcomb

Jaqueline Keeler

Ash Soltani-Stone

Larry Cesspooch

Sheldon Spotted Elk

Yvette Towersap Tuell

Miranda Haskie

MINI-GRANT

Summer Cherland

Farina King

Dania Alkouli

Healing Garden Book

By Stefani Evans



Columbine. Orlando. Newtown. San Bernardino. Las Vegas. Parkland. Virginia Tech. Christchurch. Pittsburgh. Virginia Beach. These places have forever been scarred by sudden violence. They also have bonded through their collective grief and are quick to share resources with the next place so affected.

The Las Vegas event in 2017 took place at an outdoor concert on casino property; many attendees and deceased were not local residents. Where could they and their families gather with the community to mourn and heal? Two landscape architects and the City of Las Vegas provided the answer: we would create a healing garden in downtown Las Vegas.

The Oral History Research Center at UNLV University Libraries is partnering with Get Outdoors Nevada and the City of Las Vegas to produce a book on the Las Vegas Community Healing Garden—one city's response to mass tragedy.

After briefly describing the event that took fifty-eight lives, injured nearly 900 people, and permanently changed the lives of thousands the book tells how the garden came to be and speaks to the many ways people heal.



Oral histories collected by Claytee D. White and Barbara Tabach through the Remembering 1 October oral history project—of bereaved family and friends, concert attendees, first responders, community volunteers, and others—provide the quotes that give the book its humanity. Powerful images from the garden grace nearly every page, and short themed essays of love, hope, joy, life, and peace provide structure.

Co-editors Stefani Evans and Donna McAleer have just completed the book for the University of Nevada Press; it will be available in September 2019, in time for the second anniversary of the shooting. Among others, SOHA members Claytee ("Love"), Barbara ("Hope"), and Stefani ("Peace") each penned a themed essay.

This contemplative book, Healing Las Vegas, is meant to be opened at random and consumed as needed by the reader—one quote, one page, one section, or one chapter at a time. Proceeds benefit Get Outdoors Nevada, which keeps the fifty-eight grieving families close, coordinates onsite events, and maintains the Las Vegas Community Healing Garden.

http://www.unevadapress.com/books/?isbn=9781948908474

Member Highlights



Wonderful SOHA Historian and colleague Joyce Moore is retiring after 18 years as a processing archivist in UNLV Special Collections and Archives.



UNLV University Forum with Juan Coronado, SOHA Co-president delivered "Giving Voice to Chicano Vietnam War POWs through Oral History" on March 13, 2019 at the Marjorie Barrick Museum of Art / Harry Reid Center. He was a finalist for the 2019 International Latino Book Awards for the non-fiction category. Congratulations, Juan!

Oral History Association author signing will take place on Friday, October 18th in the afternoon after the keynote address in exhibit area. You can email the OHA office to RSVP. Please let OHA Program Associate, Faith Bagley at oha@oralhistory.org,

oha@oralhistory.org, know you'd like to participate. All authors handle money themselves.



From the SOHA Office

Our thanks and good wishes for a successful teaching future to **Vishe Redmond,** SOHA Graduate Assistant for Fall 2018 and Spring 2019.

Welcome to **Anthony Graham**, who joins SOHA as GA for Fall 2019 and Spring 2020. A profile of Anthony will appear in our next newsletter.



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: 2019-2021 SOHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

It's that time again, SOHA members: Board nominations are upon us!

Your current Co-Presidents, Juan D.
Coronado and Marcie Gallo, are completing their terms of office as of July 1, 2019. As is the SOHA custom, we are delighted that current 1st Vice President Jennifer Keil has agreed to assume the office of SOHA President. In addition, current 2nd Vice President Farina King is willing to assume the duties of 1st Vice President. Also willing to remain in office are Carlos Lopez, Arizona Representative and Rachael Cassidy, New Mexico Representative. We extend our thanks to all of them. This does not preclude others from being nominated or self-nominated for these important positions.

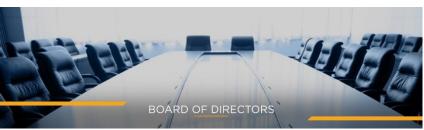
Normally, the SOHA annual meeting is held in the Spring, however, this year we will combine our conference with the Oral History Association, which meets in October. This changes our election cycle somewhat. After July 1, but prior to the election, continuing officers will be acting in their new positions, with the assistance of the current officers, as needed.

Some who have served our organization well for the last few years are stepping aside. We offer our sincere SOHA appreciation to Caryll Dziedziak, (Treasurer), Barbara Tabach, (Secretary) Virginia Espino (California delegate), Stefani Evans (Nevada delegate), Midge Dellinger (Student Representative), and Bridget Groat (Native American Representative).

This means that we now have vacancies for seven positions and welcome nominations and self-nominations. Responsibilities are noted below:

- 2nd Vice President
- Secretary
- -Treasurer
- California Delegate
- Nevada Delegate
- Student Representative
- Native American Representative

Responsibilities:



All Board members are expected to actively participate by becoming familiar with the SOHA constitution, providing brief reports three times annually to the membership via the SOHA Newsletter; attending three annual Board meetings (two via conference call and one in person at the Annual Conference); and engage in planning, promoting, and attending the Annual Conference. Following are specific responsibilities for 2nd Vice President, State Delegates, and both Student and Native American Representatives.

2nd Vice President

Membership oversight:

- develop programs to ensure retention of existing members;
- develop new individual and organizational member recruitment campaigns;
- ensure maintenance of effective membership lists (shared with President);
- welcome new members.

Take leadership role in organizing Annual Conference program (shared with 1st Vice President).

Secretary

- keep accurate minutes of all business and Board of Directors meetings;
- distribute minutes to each member of the Board of Directors within three (3) weeks of the meeting;
- prepare and send notices of regular business and Board of Directors meetings
- receive and maintain all records of the organization during his/her tenure.

Treasurer

- deposit all Association dues, financial contributions, and income into accounts at such banks or other financial institutions as the officers may direct within two months;

- pay all bills of the Association;
- -submit any expenditure over \$250 not in approved budget for prior approval by the officers;
- keep accurate records of monies received and expended and make financial reports at Board of Directors meetings and at the annual business meeting;
- submit an annual budget for adoption by the Board of Directors
- ensure that the president and first vicepresident are signers on the on-line bank account by August 1 after their election.
- update the appropriate government documents, including changes of address and tax returns.

State Delegates

- Outreach to individual members and oral history projects and organizations in geographic area;
- Assist with visibility/public relations and outreach to existing and new members in geographic area;
- Coordinate state meetings, encourage presentations at conferences, including SOHA Annual Conference;
- Generate ideas for further developing SOHA membership in geographic area.

Student Representative

- Outreach to student members via state delegates and other board members (shared with 2nd Vice President), including helping with retention of current student members and developing ideas for recruitment of new members
- Assist in coordinating meetings, presentations at conferences, including SOHA Annual Conference;
- Generate ideas for further assisting students in becoming involved in SOHA.

Native American Representative

- Outreach to indigenous individuals, organizations, and oral history projects;
- Assist in coordinating meetings, presentations at conferences, including SOHA Annual Conference;

- Generate ideas for further assisting indigenous people in becoming involved in SOHA.

Please send your name and contact information and two sentences why you (or the person(s) you are nominating) are qualified and are interested in being on the SOHA Board of Directors by June 28. All submissions will be acknowledged. Nominees must agree to serve. Send to sarahemoorhead@fastmail.fm.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact one of us.

After June 28, the SOHA 2019 Nominating Committee will prepare a slate of candidates, which will be announced on the SOHA website no later than the end of July.

The election will be held at the annual SOHA meeting, which will take place during the upcoming Oral History Association conference in Salt Lake City October 16-20, 2019. Candidates may also be nominated from the floor, however, they must agree to be nominated. It is recommended, but not necessary to be present at the meeting.

Thank you!

Nominating Committee: Chair, Sarah Moorhead (<u>sarahemoorhead@fastmail.fm</u>)

Officers are also available for answers to questions:

Marcie Gallo (marcia.gallo@unlv.edu)

Juan D. Coronado (jdcoo4@gmail.com)

Jennifer Keil (jennifer@7odegrees.org)

Farina King (king64@nsuok.edu)

Mission & Membership

THE SOUTHWEST ORAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION

The Southwest Oral History Association (SOHA) was founded in 1981 to serve practitioners of oral history in Arizona, Southern California, Nevada, New Mexico and contiguous areas.

Through publications, meetings, workshops and special events, SOHA supports and promotes oral history as a method for exploring and recording history, culture, and

current experiences in the Southwestern United States. In this endeavor the association cooperates with other organizations and institutions in the region, and it maintains close ties with the national Oral History Association

Membership in SOHA provides meaningful opportunities for participation in the exchange of information and the discussion of matters of common concern among those interested in oral history throughout the Southwest region.

Membership

ONLINE MEMBERSHIP ACTIVATION/RENEWAL

OFFLINE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Print membership form and mail to:

SOHA

University of Nevada Las Vegas 4505 S. Maryland Parkway Box 455020

Las Vegas, NV 89154-5020

SOHA MEMBERS

SOHA's membership includes professional oral historians, public historians, students, teachers, genealogists, family historians, volunteer interviewers, archivists, librarians, individuals, and community programs interested in oral history. Institutional and community members include oral history programs, universities, libraries, archives, historical societies and museums.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP Annual Meetings

Held in the spring, the SOHA annual meeting offers a variety of experiences valuable to the membership including introductory and advanced workshops, session topics of both general and professional interest, presentation of awards, the annual business meeting and election of officers.

Subscription to the SOHA Newsletter

The SOHA Newsletter, issued three times a year, contains regional news, articles by oral historians about oral history, reviews, trends,

and discussions of oral history concerns at all levels.

SOHA Member Directory Listing

The directory is published and sent to all current members on a biannual basis via E-mail (unless otherwise specified by the individual member).

It is also available by electronic means to current members. It is SOHA policy not to distribute or sell either our membership list or newsletter to other organizations.

Training Workshops and Special Events

Workshops focus on practical approaches and solutions to problems common to the practice of oral history. Other events may include regional tours to places of historic interest, lectures and book reviews.

INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Members are encouraged to become involved in one of the SOHA standing committees (Annual Meeting, Membership, Grants/Scholarships), develop projects, and to expand the potential of the Southwest Oral History community through organizational leadership positions and elected office. SOHA values the energy and ideas that new members bring to the association.

ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES

- 1. Annual Meeting
- 2. Newsletter
- 3. Website Presence
- 4. Scholarships and Grants
- 5. Annual Awards
- 6. Outreach Programs
- 7. Regional & State Programming

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

- 1. Annual Individual \$35
- 2. Student \$20
- 3. Individual Lifetime \$250
- 4. 2-Year Individual Membership \$65
- 6. SOHA Community Partners \$100
- 7. SOHA Corporate Partners \$350
- 8. SOHA Institutional Partners \$350

Membership Dues APPLY only for the calendar year—so join early!

Questions: soha@unlv.edu

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2017-2019 SOHA Officers

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Marcia Gallo, Co-President
Caryll Batt Dziedziak, Treasurer and Past
President
Jennifer Keil, 1st Vice President
Farina King, 2nd Vice President
Barbara Tabach, Secretary and Newsletter
Editor
Joyce Marshall-Moore, Historian
Carlos Lopez, Arizona Delegate
Virginia Espino, California Delegate
Stefani Evans, Nevada Delegate
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