

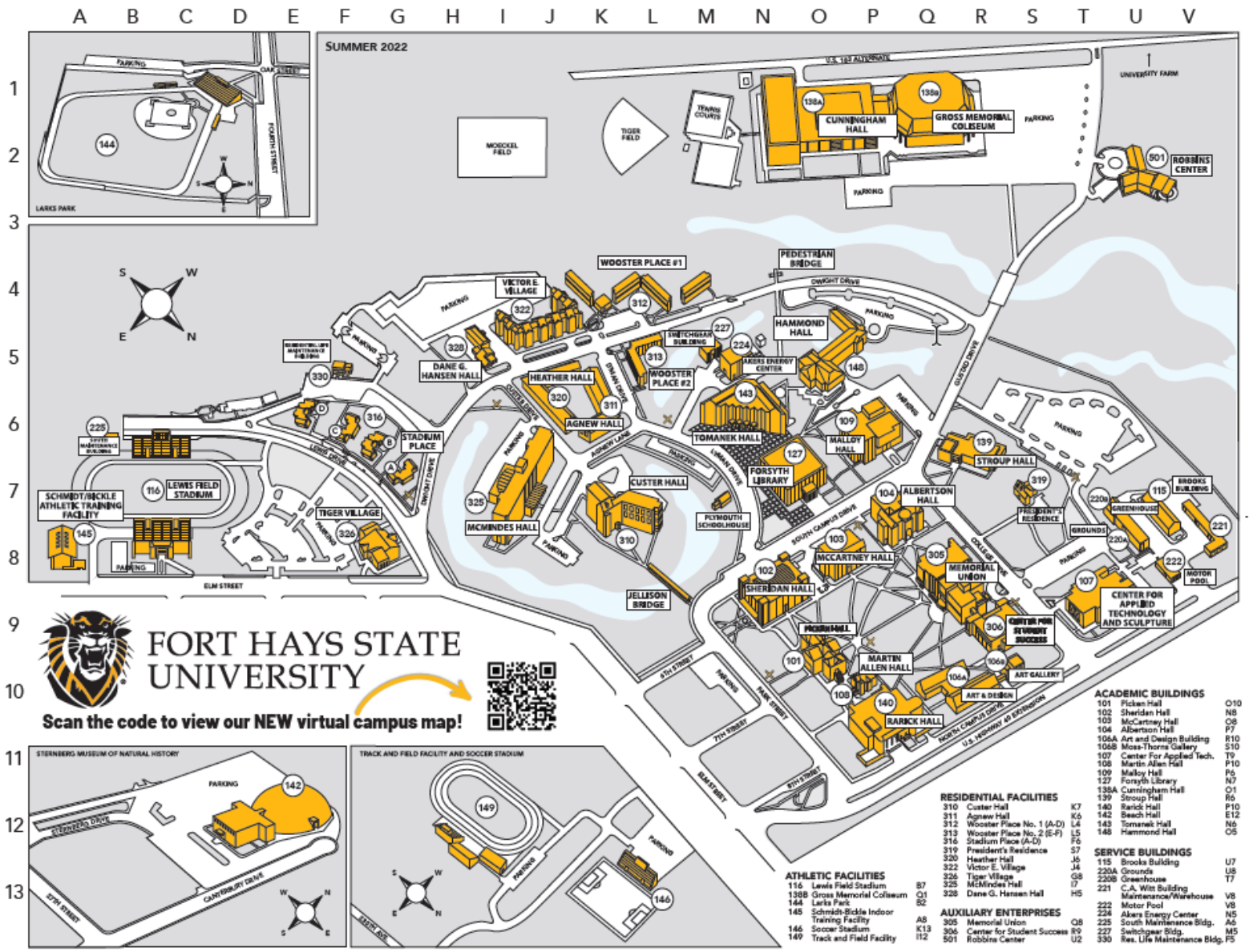


Kansas Association of Historians
95th Annual Conference
March 22-23, 2024
Fort Hays State University, Hays, Kansas

Hollie Marquess, KAH President
Kansashistorians.org



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Fort Hays State University map: <https://www.fhsu.edu/visitors/Campus-Map/>

Parking is off Gustad Dr. in the lot behind the President's residence (#319 on this map) on Friday. Anywhere marked "Visitor" is also good for parking. Although signs in the designated lot say that you need a parking pass, Campus Police have cleared us to park there. On Saturday, parking is open.

Registration- Friday 11:00 am - 5 pm, Saturday 8 am-noon in Rarick Hall (711 Park St. - #140 on the campus map)

2023 KAH Schedule

Friday

Tour 12-2pm

Session 1 at 2:30-3:45pm

Session 2 at 4:00-5:15pm

Social Hour 5:30-6:00 pm at Thirsty's, 2404 Vine St.

Dinner 6:00 -7:00 pm at Thirsty's

Keynote 7:00 – 8:00 pm at Thirsty's – Dr. Nicole Perry

Saturday

Breakfast 7:00-8:00 am at the Foundry in Rarick Hall

Session 3 at 8:00-9:15 am

Session 4 at 9:30-10:45 am

Session 5 at 11:00 am -12:15 pm

Lunch 12:30 -1:30 pm at Thirsty's

Business Meeting 1:30-2:00 pm at Thirsty's

Walking Tour
Friday, March 22, Noon to 2:00

Led by Dr. Jim Leiker and Adam Conkey
Meet in front of the Ellis County Courthouse at 13th and Fort.

Session One
Friday, March 22, 2:30-3:45 pm

**1.1 Through Hell to the Midwest: Holocaust Oral History
from the Fortunoff Archive**
122 Rarick Hall
Panel Chair- Hollie Marquess, Fort Hays State University

- Amber Nickell, Fort Hays State University
- Sarah Keiss, Fort Hays State University

1.2 Women and Families in the West
123 Rarick Hall
Moderator- Amber Alexander– University of Nebraska -
Kearney

- “Wild Wild Rumors: The Historical Sensationalizing of American Outlaw Women in the Wild West”
 - Megan Householter, Fort Hays State University
- “Against the Current: How Omaha Women used Education, Land, and the Law to Resist Assimilation”
 - Andie Huebner, University of Nebraska - Kearney

**1.3 Roundtable: The US History Survey: From Two Halves
to Three Thirds?**
149 Rarick Hall

- Tim Miller, Labette Community College
- Chris Childers, Pittsburg State University
- Kevin Thomure, Fort Scott Community College
- John L.S. Daley, Pittsburg State University

1.4 Global Connections
155 Rarick Hall
Moderator- Kris Lawson, Pittsburg State University

- “Eustace the Monk, Farter, Pirate”
 - Nathan Hoy, Jr., Fort Hays State University
- “Uncovering Meaning from Myth: Examining Anglo-Kalinago Traumatic Encounters of Colonial Antigua”
 - Erik Noren, Tabor College
- “An Irishman Walks into a Bar: Father Theobald Mathew and the Rise of Irish Temperance”
 - Austin Cramer, Fort Hays State University

Session Two

Friday, March 22, 4:00-5:15 pm

2.1 Reforms and Reformers

122 Rarick Hall
Moderator- Kevin Thomure, Fort Scott Community College

- “Innocent Victims or Vile Women?: Kansas and the Age of Consent Reform Campaign, 1885-1920”
 - Ann Vlock, University of Nebraska - Lincoln
- “‘I Have Another Home – in Kansas!’: Charlotte Perkins Gilman, the Kansas Suffrage Movement, and the Creation of ‘Women and Economics’”
 - Chase Billingham, Wichita State University
- “A Woman’s Battle Against Prohibition: How Pauline Morton Sabin Took on the Eighteenth Amendment”
 - Whitney Lynn Befort, Fort Hays State University

2.2 Environmental History

123 Rarick Hall
Moderator- Tai Edwards– Johnson County Community College

- “‘All the wilderness...is called by the Indians the Moschettoe Country’: The Nature of Encounter in the Lake Superior Watershed”
 - Hayden L. Nelson, University of Kansas
- “Dr. Albert Yeager and the Quest to Bring Tomato Plants to the Plains”
 - Jeremy Gill, Hays Public Library
- “Artificial Lake-Building, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and Continuous Dispossession in the 20th Century”
 - Claire Cox, University of Kansas

2.3 Local and Regional History

149 Rarick Hall
Moderator- Rachel Schwaller, University of Kansas

- “‘Jack’ Müller (1881-1956): Catholic Church Artist in Kansas During the Twentieth-Century’s First Decade”
 - Cindy Higgins, Independent Scholar
- “Retracing Their Tracks: The Rediscovery and Memorialization Efforts of the National Orphan Train Project”
 - Joanna Lockwood, Fort Hays State University

2.4 Legal History

155 Rarick Hall
Moderator- Daniel McClure, Fort Hays State University

- “Inside the Kansas State Penitentiary in the 1880s: Flavius Weaver and Six Years in Bondage”
 - Nathan Tye, University of Nebraska - Kearney
- “The Harpe Brothers: Frontier Murderers, Post-Revolutionary Culture, and Modern Legacies”
 - Allison C. Johnson, Wichita State University
- “Military Bounty Warrants, Wealth, and the Nation: Shawnee County, KS, as Case Study”
 - Kerry Wynn, Washburn University

Social Hour: Thirsty's, 2404 Vine St., 5:30-6:00pm *alcohol available for individual purchase
Friday Dinner 6:00-7:00 Thirsty's
Keynote Address 7:00-8:00pm Thirsty's
Sponsored by the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences at FHSU

Dr. Nicole Perry

“Policing Sex in the Sunflower State: Lessons from the Kansas State Industrial Farm for Women”

Between the years of 1917 and 1942, over 5,000 women were detained at the Kansas State Industrial Farm for Women under Chapter 205. This state law allowed health authorities to “quarantine” women for no other offense than having a venereal disease, while men were allowed to walk free. In the interwar period, 70 percent of the population at this women’s prison were there under Chapter 205, serving sentences that averaged four months. Chapter 205 was a clear example of state-sanctioned discrimination, yet it was not only men behind this policy. A group of activist women lobbied to create the Farm as one of their first legislative priorities after winning the right to vote in the state. Professional women took over the task of “reforming” the detained inmates once they were at the institution, attempting to instill proper notions of femininity. This presentation will explore the lives of the women involved with this institution—the activist women who lobbied to create the Farm, the professional women who worked there, and the inmates whose freedom was taken away—to raise questions for us to consider today about ethical activism, learning from history, and how to protect women's right to reproductive healthcare.



Nicole Perry is a fourth generation Kansan who grew up in Linwood, Kansas. She is the author of *Policing Sex in the Sunflower State: The Story of the Kansas State Industrial Farm for Women*, published by the University Press of Kansas in 2021. It was named a 2022 Kansas Notable Book through the Kansas State Library and awarded the Armitage-Jameson Book Prize through the Coalition for Western Women’s History. Nicole holds undergraduate degrees in English and Humanities and a PhD in Sociology from the University of Kansas (KU). She currently works as a communications manager with a research center at KU.

Saturday Breakfast Rarick Hall, 7:00 – 8:00 am

Session Three

Saturday, March 23, 8:00-9:15 am

3.1 Germany in the Modern Era

122 Rarick Hall

Moderator- Amber Nickell, Fort Hays State University

- “Banal Nationhood and National Activism: The Role of Colonial Societies in Molding German Imperial Identity”
 - Dylan Schmidt, Fort Hays State University
- “Events of Resistance: Soccer in Nazi Germany”
 - David A Solis, Fort Hays State University
- “Shaping the Past, Crafting the Present: The Manipulation of Historical Memory in the German Democratic Republic's Nation-Building Process”
 - Coy Dewaal, Fort Hays State University

3.2 Cultural History through the Ages

123 Rarick Hall

Moderator- Moderator- Kristen Epps, Kansas State University

- “Appreciating the Antiquarian: Christoph Sedlmaier's Contributions to the Archaeology of the Early Middle Ages”
 - Brent Maner, Kansas State University
- “More than a Sport: Early Developments of Organized Baseball in Lawrence, Kansas”
 - Jude Butler, University of Kansas
- “Confident Displays of Autonomy and Antagonism in 1980s Suburban Teen Film”
 - Daniel McClure, Fort Hays State University

3.3 Intellectual History

149 Rarick Hall

Moderator- Gregory Atkins, Fort Hays State University

- “Afterlives of the Dreyfus Affair: Daniel Halévy’s Literary and Historical Narratives”
 - Eric Brandom, Kansas State University
- “From Asylum to Activism: Tracing the American Psychiatric Survivor's Movement”
 - Erin Adams, Fort Hays State University
- “Baha’i Administration in the 20th Century: Without Benefit of Clergy”
 - Duane L. Herrmann, Independent Scholar

3.4 World War II and Higher Education

155 Rarick Hall

Moderator- John L.S. Daley, Pittsburg State University

- “A Generation Changed: World War II’s Impact on College-Aged Men”
 - Jeana Compton, Pittsburg State University
- “College Military Training Programs During World War II”
 - Wyatt Hensley, Pittsburg State University
- “Universities and Their Importance in the War Effort, 1941-1945”
 - Josie McFall, Pittsburg State University

Session Four
Saturday, March 23, 9:30-10:45 am

4.1 Civil Rights Transformations

122 Rarick Hall
Moderator- Paul Nienkamp, Fort Hays State University

- “Frances Thompson: White Delusions of Black Femininity and Masculinity in the Reconstruction Era”
 - Drew Legere, Fort Hays State University
- “Exodusters and Early Settlement by African-Americans in South Central Kansas”
 - Debra Trock, Independent Scholar
- “Congregational Conversations: Exploring White Baptist Narratives on Racism During the Civil Rights Era”
 - Madison Needham, University of Kansas

4.2 The Plains in the late 19th Century

123 Rarick Hall
Moderator- Chris Childers, Pittsburg State University

- “Late-19th Century Legal Histories from the Great Plains”
 - Donna R. Devlin, Sterling College
- “Kansas Populism: A Quick Rise and Sudden Fall”
 - Ty Scharff, Pittsburg State University
- “‘Cut Up Fine, They Will Think it Grass’: New Midwestern Sources of Humor and Meaning for The Wonderful Wizard of Oz (1900)”
 - Michael Leverett Dorn, Independent Scholar

4.3 The Modern Bureaucratic State

149 Rarick Hall
Moderator- Tim Miller, Labette Community College

- “The Kansas Court of Industrial Relations”
 - Billy Holladay, Kansas Wesleyan University
- “A Stepping Stone to Internationalism: The Neutrality Act of 1937”
 - Hope McNeese, University of Kansas
- “The U.S. Army's Integration of Armor Units into Combined Arms Battalions”
 - Andrew Eric Wright, Sr., Ottawa University

4.4 Living and Dying in Kansas

155 Rarick Hall
Moderator- Juti Winchester, Fort Hays State University

- “Questions and Misconceptions: Examining the Whiteford Indian Burial Site of Salina, KS”
 - Sarah Keiss, Fort Hays State University
- “Unsettled Lawrence: The Long History of Encampment in Lawrence, KS”
 - Rachel Schwaller, University of Kansas
- “John Spearman and John Brown: Blackness and the Legacy of Lawrence, KS in 1970”
 - Ethan Reiter, University of Kansas

Session Five
Saturday, March 23, 11:00 am – 12:15 pm

5.1 Communities During War

122 Rarick Hall
Moderator- Erik Noren, Tabor College

- “Economic Impacts of the Fairmont, Harvard, and Bruning Army Airfields on Nebraska Residents”
 - Amber Alexander, University of Nebraska - Kearney
- “A Campus Mobilized for Deferments: Using ROTC to Avoid the Korean War Draft at the University of Kansas”
 - Jason Paul Oswald, University of Kansas
- “The Vietnam War and Weaponized Masculinity”
 - Savannah Bonilla, Kansas Wesleyan University

5.2 Decentralizing Politics

123 Rarick Hall
Moderator- Nathan Tye, University of Nebraska - Kearney

- “‘Jack’ and ‘Dick’: Personalities of the 1960 U.S. Presidential Campaign”
 - Brendan Chapman, Fort Hays State University
- “City Business: Colorado Springs and the Libertarian Party”
 - Greg Atkins, Fort Hays State University
- “Here and Queer: Operation Soap and Toronto's Modern Gay Rights Movement”
 - Isabella Cabrera, Fort Hays State University

5.3 Symbols in Cultural History

149 Rarick Hall
Moderator- Marco Macias, Fort Hays State University

- “Crafting Culture: The Kleiderschrank and Pennsylvania German Ethnicity in the Eighteenth Century”
 - Peter D. Lehman, Hesston College
- “Ex-Votos: How Painted Tin Reflects Daily Life”
Timothy
 - Jay (TJ) Setter, University of Texas at El Paso
- “Debated Beginnings: The Origins of Horse Culture in the American Southwest”
 - John Mack, Fort Hays State University

5.4 African Encounters with Germany

153 Rarick Hall
Moderator- Brent Maner, Kansas State University

- “Assessing the German Genocide of the Herero”
 - Larry Zieammermann, Fort Hays State University
- “African Migrant Students, the GDR, and Propaganda”
 - Matt Davenport, Fort Hays State University

5.5 Teaching the Trails: Public History and the University

155 Rarick Hall

Moderator- Moderator- Darin Tuck, MidAmerica Nazarene University

- “Map Collections, Acquisition, and Engagement”
 - Lon Dagley, MidAmerica Nazarene University
- “Engagement of Historic Trail Systems as Public History”
 - Sage Friedline, MidAmerica Nazarene University
- “Application of Historic Trail Systems Within High Schools”
 - Brett Jackson, MidAmerica Nazarene University
- “Public History and the Role of the University”
 - Darin Tuck, MidAmerica Nazarene University

**Lunch and Business Meeting
Saturday, March 23, 12:30 to 2:00 pm, Thirsty’s**

Save the Date for 2025!

The 2024 KAH Conference will be held March 28-29, 2025 at Pittsburg State University

KAH PAST MEETINGS & PRESIDENTS

- 1927: Topeka, Maude Hulse, Topeka High School
1928: Topeka, R.R. Price, Kansas State University
1929: Topeka, J.C. Malin, University of Kansas
1930: Wichita, W.D. Ross, Emporia State University
1931: Manhattan, R.R. Price, Kansas State University
1932: Emporia, John Rydjord, Wichita State University
1933: Pittsburg, O.F. Grubbs, Pittsburg State University
1934: Lawrence, F.H. Hodder, University of Kansas
1935: Emporia, S.A. Johnson, Emporia State University
1936: McPherson, J.D. Bright, McPherson College
1937: Wichita, H.A. Shumway, Butler County Community College
1938: Manhattan, F.L. Parrish, Kansas State University
1939: Topeka, J.C. Malin, University of Kansas
1940: Ottawa, H.E. Conrad, Ottawa University
1941: Topeka, Raymond Welty, Fort Hays State University
1942: Topeka, Ernest Mahan, Pittsburg State University
1943: Postponed, I. Reese, Kansas City Community College
1944: Topeka, A.B. Sagaser, Kansas State University
1945: Postponed, J.D. Bright, Washburn University
1946: Topeka, J.D. Bright, Washburn University
1947: Topeka, R.R. MacGregor, Southwestern College
1948: Topeka, V.X. Sweedlun, Kansas State University
1949: Topeka, J.W. Heaton, Baker University
1950: Topeka, C. Stewart Boertman, Emporia State University
1951: Topeka, George L. Anderson, University of Kansas
1952: Topeka, F.R. Flournoy, Emporia State University
1953: Topeka, Elizabeth Cochran, Pittsburg State University
1954: Lawrence, Charles Onion, Fort Hays State University
1955: Wichita, John Rydjord, Wichita State University
1956: Emporia, William H. Seiler, Emporia State University
1957: Pittsburg, Dudley T. Cornish, Pittsburg State University
1958: Manhattan, Homer E. Socolofsky, Kansas State University
1959: Atchison, Peter Beckman, St. Benedict's College
1960: El Dorado, Edwin J. Walbourn, Butler County Community College
1961: Lawrence, W. Stitt Robinson, University of Kansas
1962: Salina, M. Evangeline Thomas, Marymount College
1963: Emporia, John Zimmerman, Emporia State University
1964: Topeka, Ernest B. Bader, Washburn University
1965: Hays, Eugene Craine, Fort Hays State University
1966: Winfield, C. Robert Haywood, Southwestern College
1967: Wichita, William C. Unrau, Wichita State University
1968: Topeka, Robert W. Richmond, Kansas State Historical Society
1969: McPherson, Raymond Flory, McPherson College
1970: Manhattan, James C. Carey, Kansas State University
1971: Pratt, Thayer H. Carmichael, Pratt Community College
1972: Lawrence, Donald R. McCoy, University of Kansas
1973: Salina, Jeanne McKenna, Marymount College
1974: Pittsburg, Thomas R. Walther, Pittsburg State University
1975: Emporia, Loren E. Pennington, Emporia State University
1976: Baldwin City, Henry Kirk, Baker University
1977: Hays, Leo E. Oliva, Fort Hays State University
1978: Topeka, Marilyn L. Wichers, Washburn University
1979: Wichita, Donald M. Douglas, Wichita State University
1980: Winfield, Roland Mueller, St. John's College
1981: Lawrence, Ambrose Saricks, University of Kansas
1982: North Newton, Keith L. Sprunger, Bethel College
1983: Manhattan, Clyde R. Ferguson, Kansas State University
1984: Atchison, Virginia E. Glandon, Benedictine College
1985: Pittsburg, Robert K. Ratzlaff, Pittsburg State University
1986: Abilene, Mack Teasley, Eisenhower Library
1987: Emporia, Patrick G. O'Brien, Emporia State University
1988: Topeka, Lois Nettleship, Johnson County Community College
1989: Hays, Allan Busch, Fort Hays State University
1990: Wichita, William Richardson, Wichita State University
1991: Winfield / Arkansas City, Philip Schmidt, Southwestern College
1992: Lawrence, Norman Saul, University of Kansas

1993: Topeka, Ramon Powers, Kansas State Historical Society
1994: Great Bend, Linda McCaffery, Barton County Community College
1995: Manhattan, John McCulloh, Kansas State University
1996: Topeka, Virgil Dean, Kansas State Historical Society
1997: Pittsburg, Kelly Woestman, Pittsburg State University
1998: North Newton, Jim Juhnke, Bethel College
1999: Emporia, Samuel E. Dicks, Emporia State University
2000: Wichita, Judith Johnson, Wichita State University
2001: Topeka, William O. Wagon Jr., Washburn University
2002: Hays, Ann Liston, Fort Hays State University
2003: Lawrence, Surendra Bhana, University of Kansas
2004: Hutchinson, Sharon Stephenson, Hutchinson Community College
2005: Overland Park, Reed Whitaker, National Archives
2006: Lindsborg, Bruce Kahler, Bethany College
2007: Abilene, Dan Holt, Eisenhower Library
2008: Independence, Isaias McCaffery, Independence Community
College
2009: Hays, Kim Perez, Fort Hays State University
2010: Kansas City, Mark Corrison, National Archives
2011: Overland Park, John Mack, Johnson County Community College
2012: Salina, Anita Specht, Kansas Wesleyan University
2013: Topeka, Tom Prasch, Washburn University
2014: Wichita, Jay Price, Wichita State University
2015: Emporia, Joyce Thierer, Emporia State University
2016: Baldwin City, Leonard Ortiz, Baker University
2017: Overland Park, James N. Leiker, Johnson County Community
College
2018: Hays, Juti Winchester, Fort Hays State University
2019: Manhattan, James Sherow, Kansas State University
2020: Postponed due to COVID-19 Pandemic, Christopher Childers,
Pittsburg State University
2021: Virtual, Christopher Childers, Pittsburg State University
2022: Wichita, Cheryl Golden, Newman University
2023: Overland Park, Tai Edwards, Johnson County Community College
2024: Hays, Hollie Marquess, Fort Hays State University