

CURRENT HISTORY

**Award-Winning Historical Collection Now Available Online**

The Oral History Digital Collection at Youngstown State University was named a finalist for a 2002 Award of Achievement by *Northern Ohio Live!* magazine in the IT/Internet Resource category. The Oral History Program at YSU began in 1974 by Professor Hugh G. Earnhart. In its 28 year existence, the program has collected over 2000 interviews with northeastern Ohioans on topics ranging from education to the steel industry to politics. In 2001, the staff of YSU's Maag Library digitized the transcripts and placed them on-line, making them available on the internet.

Anyone wishing to examine these materials can access the collection at [http://www.maag.ysu.edu/oralhistory/oral\\_hist.html](http://www.maag.ysu.edu/oralhistory/oral_hist.html)

**Upcoming Events**

**Tom Johnson: A Century's Retrospective Look  
October 15, 2002, Cleveland State University**

Cleveland State University invites the public to attend a lecture and panel discussion on Tom Johnson, one of the United States' most important Progressive-Era mayors. Panelists will include Dr. Kenneth Finegold, Senior Research Associate at The Urban Institute in Washington D.C.; Dr. Norman Krumholz, Professor of Urban Studies at the Levin College of Urban Affairs at Cleveland State; and Dr. David Goldberg, Professor of History at Cleveland State University. The program will start at 6 p.m. on Tuesday October 15, 2002 at the Dively Room (UR112), Levin College of Urban Affairs, 1717 Euclid, Cleveland State University.

This program, the Walter Waetjen Lecture of the Thomas F. Campbell Cleveland Seminar on the City, is sponsored by the Levin College of Urban Affairs, The Social History and the City Program (SHAC), Cleveland State's Department of History, and the Greater Cleveland Council for the Social Studies.

**Knepper Lecture: "The Pirate and the Gallows: A Tale of Terror"**  
**November 11, 2002, University of Akron**

The University of Akron Department of History is pleased to announce that Marcus Rediker, University of Pittsburgh, will give this year's annual Knepper Lecture. Dr. Rediker's lecture titled "The Pirate and the Gallows: A Tale of Terror" will be based on his upcoming book tentatively titled *Villians of All Nations: Atlantic Pirates in the Golden Age, 1716-1726*, explaining the lives of the seafaring bandits from the "bottom up." The lecture will be held on November 11, 2002 at 7:30 pm in the Martin Center of the University of Akron. This lecture is free to the public and all are welcome.

**Archaeology Lecture Series**

The University of Akron Department of Classical Studies, Anthropology and Archeology and the Archeological Institute of America invite the public to attend their fall lecture series. Guest speakers of national reputation highlight the following internationally-themed programs:

Tuesday October 15, 2002  
Unsolved Mystery of the Agora Bone Well  
Dr. Susan Rotroff, Washington University

Wednesday, November 6, 2002  
The Desert Islands of Ancient Greece  
P. Nick Kardulias, College of Wooster

Wednesday, January 22, 2003  
Ostentation in Marble and Isotopic Analysis at Pompeii: The House of the Vettii  
J. Clayton Fant, The University of Akron

Wednesday, February 5, 2003  
Notes from the Underground: a Byzantine Settlement in Cappadocia  
Robert Ousterhout, University of Illinois (Champaign-Urbana)

All programs start at 8:15 p.m. at Folk Auditorium at the University of Akron. Anyone who desires more information on these lectures may contact Dr. Clayton Fant at the University of Akron Department of Classical Studies, Anthropology and Archaeology at (330) 972-8069.

**Miller Lecture: "Eichman's Ghost"**

**Thursday April 11, 2003, University of Akron**

The University of Akron Department of History is pleased to announce that this year's Sally Miller lecture will be given by Marianna Torgovnick, Professor of English at Duke University. The lecture is entitled "Eichman's Ghost." To quote Torgovnick, "It's from a book I am writing called *The War Complex* about the cultural memory of WWII, with glances forward to the evolving memory in the U.S. of Sept 11<sup>th</sup>." The Miller lecture is scheduled for Thursday April 11, 2003 at 7 pm in the Martin Center of the University of Akron. The lecture is free to the public and all are welcome.