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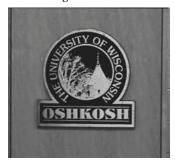
The Academy of Accounting Historians held its 40th anniversary Conference on October 17-19, 2013 in Sage Hall at the University of Wisconsin Campus in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. The conference featured 18 papers and three plenary sessions. The first plenary was a brief introduction to the history of the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh and its College of Business presented by Joshua Ranger, University archivist. The other two plenaries were focused on the Academy, it history and its future.

Yvette Lazkowski and Gary Previts reported on their work with Ed Coffman in updating the history of the Academy from the last history published in December 1998. They presented a short pictorial visit to the administrations of presidents of the Academy from 1999 through 2013. Watch for this work to appear in an upcoming issue of the Accounting Historians Journal.

The second plenary focused on the future of the Academy with presenta-

tions by Richard Vangermeersch concerned with the direction that accounting history research should take and Jennifer Reynolds — Moerle, Academy treasurer, leading a discussion on what the Academy needs to be working on in the future. President elect Massimo Sargiacomo expressed concern about the future of accounting history journals worldwide and Stephanie Moussalli added some observations about the prognosis for the Academy's future.

Dr. Vangermeersch updated his list of 35 research goals published in his "Voices of Experience" interview published in the April 2012 issue of *The Accounting Historians Notebook*.



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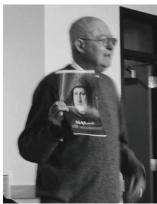
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Added to his list are, at least, the following:

- *36.* Archive your own library
- 37. Get book reviews and/or book essays back into *The Accounting Historians Notebook* and *The Accounting Historians Journal*.
- 38. Have accounting history join the multimedia world. We have exciting stories to tell. Let's do them visually.
- 39. Reintroduce the Academy to all former members to bring them back into our excitement.
- 40. Create a travelling Pacioli show with a designated Pacioli Scholar to utilize Dr. Vangermeersch's Pacioli Collection.
- 41. Have a series in *The Accounting Historians Notebook* on "How I joined the Academy of Accounting Historians"
- 42. Restart the working Paper series
- 43. Someone needs to do research on Japan at the time of MacArthur
- 44. We need to run an undergraduate history contest perhaps in conjunction with Beta alpha Psi
- 45. Include a dissertation review in *The Accounting Historians Notebook*.
- 46. Create a platform for accounting history to get disseminated.
- 47. To be continued.

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