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Call for Award Nominations

Nominations deadline for all awards:

June 1, 2016

Send nominations to:

Academy Executive Committee at acchistory@case.edu

Hourglass Award

The Hourglass Award of the Academy of Accounting Historians is presented annually to an individual who has made a demonstrable and significant contribution to knowledge through research and publication in accounting history. The judging panel will echo the tradition of openness and flexibility associated with the Award and will emphasize the importance of contribution as the fundamental criterion. To that end there is no restriction as to who may make a nomination, the country in which the nominee is resident, or the paradigms and methodologies employed in the nominee's work. Nominators are asked to supply a 200-word (maximum) statement summarizing the reasons why the nominee should be considered, full contact details of the nominator and nominee and a list of relevant contributions and any other relevant documentation supplied by the nominee who has agreed to be nominated.

The Vangermeersch Manuscript Award

In 1988, The Academy of Accounting Historians established an annual manuscript award to encourage scholars new to the field to pursue historical research. An historical manuscript on any aspect of the field of accounting, broadly defined, is appropriate for submission.

Eligibility and Guidelines for Submissions

Any accounting faculty member, who holds a full-time appointment and who received his/her masters/doctorate within seven years previous to the date of submission, is eligible to be considered for this award. Coauthored manuscripts will be considered (if at least one coauthor received his/her master/doctorate within the last seven years). Manuscripts must conform to the style requirements of the *Accounting Historians Journal*. Previously published manuscripts or manuscripts under review are not eligible for consideration. A cover letter, indicating the author's mailing address, the date of the award of the masters/doctoral degree, and a statement that the manuscript has not been published or is not currently being considered for publi-

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cation should be included in the submission packet. Submissions should be sent as a Word attachment via email.

Review Process and Award

The committee will evaluate submitted manuscripts on a blind-review basis and select one recipient each year. The author will receive a \$500 stipend and a plaque to recognize his/her outstanding achievement in historical research. In the case of coauthored manuscripts, only the junior faculty member(s) will receive prizes. The winning manuscript will be published in the *Accounting Historians Journal* after an appropriate review. The award will be given annually unless the committee determines that no submission warrants recognition as an outstanding manuscript.

Barbara D. Merino Award for Excellence in Accounting History Publication

This newly established annual award is to recognize the author of the best book on an accounting historical topic published in a given year. Beginning in 2013, an annual award in the amount of \$1000 has been made to the author of the best book published in current or preceding two years, i.e. 2014 through 2016. The winning publication will be based upon the selection of an awards committee established by the leadership of the Academy.

The Alfred R. Roberts Memorial Research Award

This newly established award is named in honor of Dr. Alfred R. Roberts, second President and long serving Secretary of the Academy, and provides grants for research which seek to support the 35 goals identified by Professor Emeritus Richard Vangermeersch as to accounting history research, as identified in the April 2012 issue of the Accounting Historians Notebook. Grants will be awarded to Academy members for the actualization of ideas to increase the scope of the history of accounting. Written proposals including specification of scope, purpose, deliverables and timetable, should be presented to the committee for review and approval.

The Innovation in Accounting History Education Award

The intent of the Innovation in Accounting History Education Award is to encourage innovations in accounting history education. The award is presented to an individual(s) who has developed and implemented an innovative technique/method for incorporating accounting history topics into undergraduate or graduate accounting courses.

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Examples of innovative techniques/methods include, but are not limited to:

- Developing a case, video, audio or course syllabus, etc, that can be used to integrate accounting history topics into accounting courses; or
- Presenting a seminar/condensed course on an accounting history topic.

To be eligible, the innovation must have been used in a course that the applicant has taught or is currently teaching. Electronic submissions should include the following items (as applicable):

- A description of the innovative technique/method;
- Submission of the case, video, audio or other innovation, as appropriate, and teaching notes;
- Identification and description of the course or seminar in which the innovation was used; and
- An explanation of how the innovation has enriched the accounting course being taught.

The Margit F. and Hanns Martin Schoenfeld Scholarship

The Academy of Accounting Historians annually awards an individual or individuals as the recipient or recipients of the Margit F. and Hanns Martin Schoenfeld Scholarship. The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage and support research on the history of accounting by doctoral students and recently appointed accounting faculty. The scholarship was initiated by the generous gift of Dr. Hanns Martin Schoenfeld and the late Dr. Margit Schoenfeld in recognition of their belief in the importance of historical scholarship to accounting education and research.

A monetary award is available to support research on a doctoral dissertation, or develop publications proceeding therefrom by a recent PhD graduate. Qualifying research topics should address the history of accounting. Projects of an international nature and those pursued by scholars whose first language is not English are particularly invited. Applicants must be currently enrolled for a PhD by research, or have completed a PhD by research within the last five years.

Applicants should submit a full curriculum vitae and a statement (containing a maximum of 1,000 words) which discusses the doctoral research undertaken on the history of accounting, the stage reached and how the award would prove beneficial to the applicant. A short statement from a supervisor should also be submitted in the case of applicants currently enrolled for a PhD.

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Thomas J. Burns Biographical Research Award

The Academy of Accounting Historians annually honors an individual as the recipient of the Thomas J. Burns Biographical Research Award. The Award is given for outstanding biographical research in the discipline of accountancy. The award includes a plaque and a financial award. Dr. Thomas J. Burns, for whom the award is named, was a long-time professor at Ohio State University and a past president of the Academy of Accounting Historians. Self nominations are acceptable. Nominations should be accompanied by a paragraph or more detailing why the nominee should be a candidate for the award. The award can be for a single publication or for a lifetime of biographical work.

The Best Manuscript Award

At the beginning of each year, the editor of the AHJ chooses 1st, 2nd and 3rd place recipients of the Best Manuscript Award from the previous year's journals. The 1st place recipient(s) receives a plaque and a check for \$300, the 2nd place recipient(s) receives a check for \$100 and the 3rd place recipient(s) receives a check for \$100.

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University of Mississippi to House Reproduction of Kenneth MacNeal's Scrapbook

Kenneth MacNeal is widely known for his 1939 book, *Truth in Accounting*, which was strongly critical of generally accepted accounting principles and advocated market value accounting. He kept a massive scrapbook in connection with that work and with a critical article he was commissioned to write for *Fortune* magazine, which was yanked just prior to publication. He believed that Price, Waterhouse and the AIA had pressured *Fortune* not to publish it. The article was critical of auditors in the wake of the famous McKesson & Robbins fraud. Stephen Zeff used the scrapbook as a basis for his article, "*Truth in Accounting: The Ordeal of Kenneth MacNeal*," in the July 1982 issue of *The Accounting Review*. In the 1960s, MacNeal had loaned Zeff the scrapbook, and before returning it to him made a microfilm record of the contents, now on CD. MacNeal's scrapbook is a trove of his correspondence, reviews of his book, his speeches, and drafts of his articles. Recently, Royce Kurtz, AICPA Research & Instruction Librarian and Associate Professor, University of Mississippi, agreed to include the reproduction of the scrapbook in the J.D. Williams Library.