The Benjamin Quarles History Society kicked off undergraduate efforts to engage with their discipline and community. The society undertook several community service projects like a drive for the House of Ruth collecting sanitary products and clothing, and Clothes Line for victims of Domestic Violence. It also led the Morgan Kwanzaa Celebration and the Black History Month “Library Read for Kids. Among the intellectual activities of the society, Dr. Glenn Phillips delivered a brilliant lecture on Dr. Quarles, as part of the first Annual Benjamin A Quarles lecture. Dr. Quarles’ grandson, Jonathan Quarles Poirzal also gave a talk in his grandfather’s legacy during Black History Month.

Graduate students from the History Department’s four graduate programs created the History, African-American and Museum Studies Graduate Council (HAFRAM GC) in October 2013 to serve as their voice in the department and support their development in several other ways. The “Debra Newman Ham Scholarly Enrichment Grants” in recognition of Dr. Ham’s Unwavering commitment to scholarship and humanity was established at the inaugural meeting. HAFRAM welcomes all Morgan graduate students, retired and current faculty members, and alumni of the department’s four programs to join. Lifetime memberships are also available. For more information contact Leah Gaines at legai1@morgan.edu.

Faculty also participated in collegial discussion of works in progress as part of regular Research Works. Drs. Brunson, Dube, Peskin and Barnes presented parts of their ongoing research projects.

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**Faculty work in progress**

**Dr. Francis Dube** was awarded a Faculty Enhancement Summer Research Grant to conduct supplementary research on the implications of the border on East Coast Fever control in Mozambique and Zimbabwe between 1901 and 1942. He spent two months (June and July, 2013) conducting research on the Paul Cranefield African Agriculture Collection at the University of Iowa Library in Iowa City, Iowa. This research has enabled him to complete his article “East Coast Fever control in central Mozambique and eastern Zimbabwe, 1901-1942,” which has now been accepted for publication in the *Journal of Southern African Studies*.

**Dr. Takkara Brunson** was awarded a Faculty Enhancement Summer Research Grant to conduct research for her book manuscript, *Constructing Afro-Cuban Womanhood: Race, Gender, and Citizenship in Cuba, 1886-1958*. The grant enabled her to consult newspapers at the NYPL Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture and Library of Congress, in addition to the Oblate Sist’s of Providence archive. In addition, she traveled to Havana, Cuba to research the late-nineteenth-century Afro-Cuban press.

**Dr. Lawrence Peskin** is finishing work on *Mathew Carey, The New Olive Branch (1820) and Selected Essays*. This reissue of an important early economic treatise with a new scholarly introduction is scheduled for release by Anthem Press later in 2014.

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**Alumni news**


**Kami Fletcher, Ph.D.** History, Morgan State Univ., 2013, Employed as Visiting Assistant Professor of Interdisciplinary Studies, Towson University.

**Emeka Anaedozie, Ph.D.** History, Morgan State Univ., 2013, Employed as Visiting Assistant Professor of History, Virginia State University.
The Department Congratulates:

December 2013 Undergraduate degrees
Corey Ashmore.

December 2013 Graduate Degrees
Marcus Allen (PhD History, advisor Dr. Peskin)
Emeka Anaedozie (PhD History, advisor Dr. Peskin)
Erica Bullard (M.A., Museum Studies)

Prospective 2014 Graduates (Undergraduates)
Seanai Doores
Brendon Joyner
Joshua Hunt
Wilton Howard
Lauren Nedd
Cara Savage

History Day Awardees

Undergraduate:
Wilton Howard: recipient of the Roland McConnell Scholarship and Achievement Award
Toni Hornes- Sullivan: recipient of the Roland McConnell Incentive Award
Khari McFadden: recipient of the Dr. Lathan A. Windley Memorial Scholarship

Graduate:
Alberta Green Award: Dawan El-Amin (MA candidate)
Alberta Green Award: Simone Barrett (PhD candidate)
Isabel McConnell Award: Mathew Mitchell (PhD candidate)

Current Students

- Iris Leigh Barnes curated, designed and co-ordinated the exhibit on *Faces of Freedom: The Upper Chesapeake, Maryland, and Beyond* initiative at the Hays-Heighe House to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the adoption of the Maryland Constitution of 1864, which ended slavery in the state. She was awarded a ‘Salute to Excellence’ from the Educational Advancement Foundation of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. The award is designed to recognize those in the community who have made a difference in non-traditional, educational ways to create an environment in which African-American youth can succeed. Barnes was being recognized for her contribution to education through the Hays-Heighe House, The Lillie Carroll Jackson Civil Rights Museum, and through her volunteer work as Executive Director of the Hosanna School Museum.
- Trenda Byrd presented, "Interpreting Black Life and Diverse Community in Early Annapolis: Living History Programs at Historic London Town" at ASALH in Jacksonville FL
- Ebonee Davis presented, "Filling the Blanks at Cedar Hill: History Education at Frederick Douglass National Historic Site, NPS" at ASALH in Jacksonville FL
- Felicia Jamison, MA African American Studies, Morgan State Univ., 2010 - admitted and enrolled for Ph.D. African American Studies, University of Massachusetts, Amherst.
- Samson Ndanyi, MA History, Morgan State Univ., 2013, admitted and enrolled for Ph.D. History, Indiana University, Bloomington.
- Dana Hammond, Ph.D. Candidate, Morgan State Univ., has been awarded the "Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) Fellowship," by James Madison University, August 2014 - May 2015.
Dr. Natanya Duncan has been awarded a 2014 Career Enhancement Fellowship for Junior Faculty from the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation.

Dr. Mary Ann Fay's book, *Unveiling the Harem: Elite Women and the Paradox of Seclusion in Eighteenth-Century Cairo* received the 2013 Honorable Mention Award from the Journal of Middle Eastern Women's Studies. The award was presented at the 2013 meeting of the Association for Middle East Women's Studies in New Orleans. It also received the 2013 Best First Book Award from Phi Alpha Theta!


Dr. Robert Morrow gave a guest lecture at Camden County College, NJ, on Wednesday, October 30 at 7:00 PM, entitled "African Americans in the Korean War: the End of Military Segregation and the Beginning of the Modern Civil Rights Movement." The lecture was part of the Center for Civic Leadership and Responsibility's fall series "Korea: Remembering the ‘Forgotten War’ and its Legacy."

Dr. Glenn O Phillips presented “Interpreting Caribbean Adventist History” at the Fortieth Anniversary Celebrations of The S.D.A. Archives Colloquium, on June 5, 2013 at the SDA World Headquarters, Silver Spring, Md; "Creating a More Balanced View of Caribbean Adventist History” a lecture on October 31,2013 at the SDA World Headquarters, Silver Spring, Md.; “ CARICOM Unity; Myth or Reality” a talk at the MSU Division of International Affairs, 2013 MSU International Week, on November 13, 2013 at MSU 316 Student Center; and “The Legacy of Dr. Benjamin A. Quarles; An Academic Life of Scholarship that Serves” inaugural lecture for Benjamin Quarles Lecture Series on November 21,2013 at Ruth E Sheffey Auditorium, MSU Communications Building.


New faculty introduce themselves...

**Dr. Mark Barnes** is a human geographer whose teaching and research interests lie in natural hazards, global environmental change, urbanization, urban transport systems, the economic development of cities, and urban life. He is a recent graduate of Rutgers University’s Geography Department. His dissertation titled “Adapting a Legacy Transit System to Weather Extremes in the Philadelphia Metropolitan Region” explores the causes and consequences of transit agency responses to hurricanes, snowstorms, heat waves, and so on.

Dr. Barnes is deeply engaged in efforts to develop faithful and knowledgeable leaders. He is involved in efforts to develop a talented pool of geographers of color through the Association of American Geographers’ Enhancing Department and Graduate Education (EDGE) initiative.

The Department bids goodbye to...

**Ms. Clementine Carr**

Ms. Carr retired from Morgan after more than a decade teaching students. A native Baltimorean, Ms. Carr got her MA in History from Morgan, and after a long and distinguished career teaching in the Baltimore City public schools, she made the transition to teaching students at Morgan the intricacies of US history. Indefatigable teacher and endlessly patient, her students raved about her classes. We wish her all the best in her retirement and hope that she will enjoy her golden years, but miss us as much as we will miss her!

**Dr. Arthur Burt**

In early January 2014, our department received the sad news that our senior lecturer and faithful colleague, Dr. Arthur E. Burt had passed from this life. Dr. Burt acquired advanced history degrees from Howard University and the University of Toronto. He spent many years thereafter in his homeland of Jamaica, both as a high ranking government official and as a political candidate of the Labor Party in Jamaica. In 1972 he returned to University teaching in the US first at Howard University and then at Morgan State. His teaching and research included the African diaspora and Caribbean history. Dr. Burt participated enthusiastically in department life and ably advised several students, including serving as dissertation advisor to Dr. Glenn O. Phillips.

Dr. Burt will be long remembered for his dedication to the teaching of Caribbean and African Diaspora history; for his commitment to teaching excellence; for his patience with our undergraduate students who needed additional academic support; for his flawless attendance record; and for the very professional approach he always took in support of every activity undertaken by our Department of History. He was an extraordinary and caring father and husband, brilliant scholar, lecturer, educator, willing administrator, and government official. May he rest in peace.

Glenn O. Phillips