

Editor's Notes

I want to thank all the scholars who submitted their work to *Essays* over the last year. *EEHB* received 23 new submissions since April 2013. We also had seven submissions still pending from last year. Of these 30 papers, a decision was reached on 25 (with the other five still pending). Five papers were accepted, and appear here, while the remaining 20 were rejected, for an acceptance rate of 20 percent. The average time between submission and initial decision was 45 days, in keeping with our goal of getting back to authors as quickly as possible.

The editors are pleased to announce the creation of a new annual award tied to the journal—The James Soltow Award for Best Paper Published in *Essays*. ***This will come with a \$1,000 cash prize*** and will replace the current award structure we have in place.

The Economic and Business History Society is also pleased to announce the creation of two new awards that will be tied to papers presented at the organization's annual conference: The Fred Bateman Award for Best Paper Presented at the Economic and Business History Society Conference, and The Lynne Pierson Doti Award for Best Paper Presented by a Graduate Student at the Economic and Business History Society Conference. ***Each of these awards will come with a \$500 cash prize.***

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EBHS PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2013

By Ranjit Dighe, EBHS President, 2012-2013

The 2014 EBHS Conference in Baltimore, Maryland on May 23-25 was a great success. We had over 100 registrants and 83 papers presented, including a stellar keynote speech by Louis Galambos of Johns Hopkins, which is reprinted in this volume. Participants came from four continents, and local participation was strong as well.

The conference was held in the spectacular Grand Historic Venue, formerly a Masonic temple. For our annual field trip, the group took a tour of Oriole Park at Camden Yards. Other excursions included an Orioles game, crab cakes at Lexington Market, and dinners at top-rated area restaurants.

We are greatly indebted to the State University of New York at Oswego and the University of Buckingham for their financial support, including the beautiful conference program prepared by SUNY Oswego Publications; Olli Turunen for the new EBHS website; our vendors: Cambridge University Press, The Johns Hopkins University Press, The Liberty Fund, Pickering & Chatto, and The University of Chicago Press; Lauren Flaig and Sharon Tietjens of the Tremonts; d. Morales of Visit Baltimore; our student assistants, Tim James and Christine Magruder; and all of our panel chairs and discussants.

I hope to see you at our 2014 conference in Manchester.