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APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OR COMMISSION NOV 14 2012

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT YOUR INFORMATION TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION.

By Application, Nueces County, Texas

A RESUME MUST ACCOMPANY THE APPLICATION, BUT IT DOES NOT SERVE AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR COMPLETION OF THIS APPLICATION. CONSIDERATION WILL NOT BE GIVEN TO APPLICANTS WHO DO NOT HAVE A COMPLETED APPLICATION AT THE TIME THE APPOINTMENT IS PLACED ON THE AGENDA.

For what Board or Commission are you applying? Nueces County Historical Commission

PERSONAL INFORMATION			
Name	Dr. Mark Robbins		
Home Address	221 Doddridge St.		
Phone	(401) 447-3105	Work Phone	(361) 698-1370
Email Address			
Residence in Nueces County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Precinct 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Precinct 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Precinct 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Precinct 4		
Current Employer	Del Mar College		
Dates of Employment	FROM 08/2009		TO present
Previous Employer	Brown University		
Dates of Employment	FROM 08/2004		TO 05/2009
EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND			
High School & Location	Okemos High School, Okemos, MI	Year of Graduation	2000
College & Location	Univ. of Michigan (BA) & Brown University (AM & PhD)	Year of Graduation	2009
CERTIFICATIONS			
Type of Certification		Expiration Date	
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PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS/POSITIONS HELD (INCLUDE PRESENT APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, ADVISORY BOARD OR COMMITTEE)			
Name of Organization	Member, Nueces County Historical Commission	Dates of Service	2010-
Name of Organization	Member, Corpus Christi Landmark Commission	Dates of Service	2010-
Name of Organization	I am also a member of a number of historical associations & societies	Dates of Service	2002-
COUNTY BOARD OR COMMISSION INFORMATION			
Explain why you are interested in serving on this Board or Commission and what experience you bring that would assist in decision making and future actions of this Board or Commission.			
<p>I am dedicated to helping connect residents of Nueces County to our local history through public history projects, historical markers, and partnerships with local organizations and educational institutions. As a member of the Nueces County Historical Commission, it has been my privilege to take leadership roles on projects ranging from an archeological dig at Artesian Park to the study and maintenance of an historic Hispanic farm labor cemetery in Petrolina. I have also taken supportive roles on a variety of other projects, including maintaining the NCHC archives and helping to compile data on the condition of existing historical markers. Additionally, I have involved students in some of these projects and draw on my work on the Commission to deepen my students' understanding of local history.</p> <p>I am well qualified to continue to serve on the Commission. I hold a PhD in American History from Brown University, and am currently an Assistant Professor of History at Del Mar College. Before coming to Del Mar, I previously taught history at Brown University, The University of Rhode Island, and the Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth. In addition to my teaching and work in the community, I am an active member of my professional field. I regularly present my research at conferences, give invited lectures in the community, and have published a number of articles and reviews on a variety of topics in American history.</p>			
Have you served on any board, commission or committee in Nueces County?			
<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES If you answered yes, please list position and dates of service.			
I am a current member of the Nueces County Historical Commission since 2010. I am also on the Corpus Christi Landmark Commission (since 2010).			

Do you or an immediate family member* have any professional or financial relationship that may present a potential conflict of interest for this board, commission or similar body? (i.e., employment, contracts, financial investment)

NO YES

If you answered yes, please explain below.

Do you or any immediate family member* have or have had any pending legal matters related to Nueces County or any board, commission or similar body within Nueces County?

NO YES

If you answered yes, please explain below.

THREE (3) PROFESSIONAL AND/OR PERSONAL REFERENCES

Name	Dr. Teresa Klein	Daytime	
Occupation	Associate Professor of Psychology, Del Mar College	Phone	(361) 549-2165
Name	Dr. Kimberly Hill	Daytime	
Occupation	Assistant Professor of History, Del Mar College	Phone	(361) 698-1146
Name	Dr. Paul Gottemoller	Daytime	
Occupation	Assistant Professor of Political Science, Del Mar College	Phone	(217) 855-1821

I hereby certify that the foregoing answers are true. I further certify, should I be **considered for appointment** to a board, commission, advisory board or committee I will disclose in this application whether I am an employee of the governmental entity of which I seek appointment, I will disclose all appointments that may result in conflicting loyalties, and I will disclose if a family member is an employee of the governmental entity that I seek appointment. Also should I be **appointed** to a board, commission, advisory board or committee, and should a conflict of interest exist or develop with regard to a specific matter, I will disclose the conflict of interest upon discovery and recuse myself from the deliberations and action involved. Conflicts of interest include, **but are not limited to:** a direct or indirect financial interest by myself or a member of my family, and other interest, which impairs my ability to participate fairly in the deliberations and actions in question.

Mark Robbins

Signature

11/12/2012

Date

****Immediate family member definition: wife, child, spouse of child, mother, father, aunt, uncle, grandparent***

UPON COMPLETION, THE FORM MAY BE SUBMITTED BY EMAIL TO THE COUNTY JUDGE BY CLICKING THE EMAIL BUTTON AT THE TOP OF THIS FORM (loyd.neal@co.nueces.tx.us). YOU MAY ALSO ATTACH YOUR RESUMÉ BEFORE SENDING THE EMAIL. ALTERNATIVELY, YOU MAY PRINT THE COMPLETED FORM, ATTACH RESUMÉ AND MAIL TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

901 Leopard Street, Suite 303
Corpus Christi, Texas 78401

Mark Walter Robbins, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of History
Department of Social Sciences
Del Mar College

Contact Information:

Mark Robbins
221 Doddridge St.
Corpus Christi, TX 78411

Phone: 401-447-3105

Education:

Ph.D. in History Brown University, 2009

Dissertation: "Awakening the 'Forgotten Folk': Middle Class Consumer Activism in Post-World War I America." Thesis Committee: Mari Jo Buhle (chair), Robert Self, Elliott Gorn

Main research fields: Social and cultural history, consumer activism, consumer culture, the U.S. "middle class" and labor history

Preliminary Examination Fields:

- 1.) U.S. Labor and Working Class History (Mari Jo Buhle)
- 2.) Early American History (Gordon Wood)
- 3.) Southern African History (Nancy Jacobs)

A.M. in History Brown University, 2004

B.A. in History University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, 2003 (awarded with high honors and high distinction; minors in Applied Statistics and Anthropology)

Teaching Experience:

Del Mar College (fall 2009-)

Assistant Professor

United States to 1865

United States since 1865

Brown University (2004-2009)

Visiting Instructor/Teaching Fellow

History of American Consumer Movements

Teaching Assistant

Twentieth Century China

Southern African History

U.S. Civil War and Reconstruction

Twentieth Century Africa

Politics, Culture and Society in the U.S. since 1945

University of Rhode Island (summer 2006)

Adjunct Instructor

History of Sub-Saharan Africa
Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth (2003-2007)
Instructor
Great Cases in American Legal History
Teaching Assistant
Great Cases in American Legal History
Okemos Public Schools (MI) (2003)
Substitute Elementary and Secondary School Teacher

Other Academic Employment:

AP Reader, U.S. History Exam, 2011
Writing Center Associate, Brown University Writing Center, 2005-2009
Research Assistant, project on race and education in late 19th and early 20th century America (for Prof. Tracy Steffes), summer 2008
Reference Archivist Assistant, Bentley Historical Library at the University of Michigan, 2001-03

Publications:

Book Manuscript (undergoing revision): "Middle Class Union: Organizing the 'Consuming Public' in Post-World War I America."
Under Review (revise and resubmit stage): "Transitioning Labor to the 'Lean Years:' The Middle Class and Employer Repression of Organized Labor in Post-World War I Chicago." *Labor History*.
"Bread, Roses, and Other Possibilities: The 1912 Lawrence Textile Strike in Historical Memory." *Historical Journal of Massachusetts* 40 (Summer 2012): 94-121.
Artesian Park and the Layers of Corpus Christi's Urban Past." *Baysider* (August, 2012) (co-authored)
"World War I Comes to Corpus Christi." *Baysider* (April, 2012).
Review of Vanessa May, *Unprotected Labor: Household Workers, Politics, and Middle-Class Reform in New York, 1870-1940* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2011), *Labor Studies* 37 (June 2012): 237-239.
Review of Cordery, Simon. *Mother Jones: Raising Cain and Consciousness* (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 2010), *Labor Studies* 36 (June 2011): 323-325.
Review of Davis, John. *Sacco and Vanzetti: Rebel Lives* (New York: Ocean Press, 2004), *Historical Journal of Massachusetts* 38-2 (Fall 2010): 178-180.
Review of *Sacco and Vanzetti* (documentary) (New York: First Run Features, 2007), *Historical Journal of Massachusetts* 38-2 (Fall 2010): 178-180.
"Students [to be] Lacking History Education," Op-Editorial in the *Corpus Christi Caller Times*, 7a, 8 April, 2010 (discusses the impact of the proposed Texas State Board of Education curriculum changes on student preparedness for college history coursework).
"Emma Goldman" in *American Countercultures: An Encyclopedia of Nonconformists, Alternative Lifestyles, and Radical Ideas in U.S. History*, e.d., Gina Misiroglu. M.E. Sharpe, 2009. 320-322.
Review of Acuna, Rodolfo. *Corridors of Migration: The Odyssey of Mexican Laborers, 1600-1933* (Tucson: University of Arizona Press, 2007), *Southern California Quarterly* 90:3 (Fall 2008): 331-333.
Rodolfo Acuna's response to the review published in *LatinoLA* 11 December 2008.
"Academic Freedom" in *Social Issues in America: An Encyclopedia, Vol. 1*, e.d., James Ciment. M.E. Sharpe, 2005, 14-23.
"American Anxiety and the Reaction of Michigan Agricultural College to the First Red Scare, 1919-20." *American Educational History* 31-1 (Spring 2004): 72-79.

Conference Papers:

Paper: "Defining American Patriotism and Performing Producerism: White Collar Workers and the World War I Youth Garden Campaign." Education for Workers and the Poor. Organization of Educational Historians Conference, Chicago, IL, October 6, 2012.

Chair/Comment: Panel: Education for Workers and the Poor. Organization of Educational Historians Conference, Chicago, IL, October 6, 2012.

Paper: "The 'Flying Squadron' Declares War on the Profiteers: The U.S. Department of Justice High Cost of Living Division and Middle Class Consumer Politics in Post-World War I America." Panel: American Encounters: Political and Economic. Western Social Sciences Association Conference, Houston, TX, April 13, 2012.

Paper: "Organizing Consumers for Uncle Sam and Self: The U. S. Food Administration and the Refiguring of Middle Class Consumer Identity." Panel: World War I and II: Consumer Responses to War. Popular Culture Association and American Culture Association National Conference, San Antonio, TX, April 20-23, 2011.

Paper: "Transitioning Labor to the 'Lean Years': Middle Class Grassroots Politics and the Labor Movement in Post-World War I America." Panel: Postwar Challenges to Labor. Thirty-Second Annual North American Labor History Conference, Detroit, MI, October 21-23, 2010.

Paper: "Images of Immigrants in Southern California Middle Class Consumer Activism, 1914-1922." Panel: California Culture. Southwest/Texas Popular and American Culture Associations Conference, Albuquerque, NM, February 10-13, 2010.

Paper: "Ending the Reign of the 'Milk Barons': The Legacy of Progressive Era Consumer Activism in Post-World War I Los Angeles." Panel: Visions of a Better America. New England Historical Association Meeting, Portland, Maine, April 18, 2009.

Paper: "Performing Hard Work: The 'Wear Overalls' Movement and Middle Class Consumer Activism in Post-World War I America." Panel: Fashion, Appearance and Consumer Identity. Popular Culture Association and American Culture Association National Conference, San Francisco, CA March, 2008.

Comment: Panel: Imagining American Space. Space as A Category of Analysis: New Perspectives, Second Annual Brown University Interdisciplinary Graduate Student Conference, Providence, RI, May, 2006.

Paper: "The Lifeblood of the Movement: American Anarchists on the Periphery and the Dilemma of Centralization." Panel: Revolutionary Ideas and the Actions of Labor. Twenty-Seventh Annual North American Labor History Conference, Detroit, MI, October, 2005.

Paper: "American Anxiety and the Reaction of Michigan Agricultural College to the First Red Scare, 1919-20." Panel: Twentieth Century Campuses: Anxiety, Assimilation, Activism. Midwest History of Education Society Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, October, 2003.

Invited Lectures:

"How the Middle Class Became 'The People': Middle Class Consumer Politics in Early Twentieth Century America." Keynote address, Phi Alpha Theta Conference, Texas A&M University – Kingsville, October 21, 2012.

“World War I: The Home Front.” Corpus Christi Museum of Science and History Winter Lecture Series, Corpus Christi, TX, February 21, 2012.

“Labor History: Now and Then.” Coastal Bend Social Forum, Texas A & M University- Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, TX, February 13, 2011.

“An Historical Perspective on the Use of Consumer Culture in Movements for Social Justice.” South Texas Philosophical Society. Corpus Christi, TX, October 15, 2010.

Fellowships, Grant, and Awards:

Humanities Texas Grant (Co-PI for Artesian Park Archaeology and Oral History Project), 2012
Del Mar College Foundation Grant (for Artesian Park Archaeology and Oral History Project), 2012
Humanities Texas Grant (Co-PI for Nueces County Hispanic Farm Labor Oral History Project), 2012
Faculty Grant, Del Mar College, 2011-12
Teacher of the Year nominee, Del Mar College, 2010 & 2012
Travel stipend, Organization of American Historians (CC Workshop, Philadelphia), 2010
Brown University Graduate School Dissertation Fellowship, 2008
Historical Society of Southern California/Haynes Research Stipend, 2008
Robert W. Morse Endowed Fellowship, 2007
Newberry Library Short Term Fellowship, 2007
Herbert Hoover Presidential Library Association Travel Fellowship, 2007
Brown University Graduate School Research Travel Fellowship, 2007
Brown University Graduate School Summer Funding, 2004-07
Brown University Graduate School Conference Travel Grant, 2003, 2005 & 2008
First-Year Fellowship from the Brown Univ. Graduate School and the Dept. of History, 2003
William G. McLoughlin Travel Grant, 2003

Service:

Co-director, Artesian Park Archaeology and Oral History Project, 2012

Co-director, Nueces County Hispanic Farm Labor Oral History Project, 2012

Chair, History Program Review Committee, Del Mar College, 2012-

Peer Reviewer, submissions to the Organization of Educational Historians annual meeting, 2012

Faculty Advising Standing Committee, Del Mar College, fall 2012-

Student Engagement and Retention Standing Committee, Del Mar College, fall 2012-

Cultural Programs Standing Committee, Del Mar College, fall 2010-

Faculty Professional Development Standing Committee, Del Mar College, fall 2010-

Assessment/Weave Coordinator, Social Sciences Department, Del Mar College, fall 2010-

Department of Social Sciences Chairperson Selection Committee, Del Mar College, 2010-11

Commissioner on the Nueces County Historical Commission, September 2010-

Mentor for the Martin Middle School Career Explorers Program, September 2010-

Commissioner on the City of Corpus Christi Historic Landmark Commission, January, 2010-
Vice Chairperson, February, 2012-

National History Day Judge, Texas A & M- Kingsville, 2011 & 2012

Presenter for the Del Mar College Library Friday "History and Film" series: *Abe Lincoln in Illinois*, *The Manchurian Candidate*, *Hope and Glory*, *The Mortal Storm*, *Compulsion*, and *The Great Escape*, 2009-2012

Peer Reviewer for the *Historical Journal of Massachusetts*, 2010

Working group to revise the Key Concepts Exam for U.S. History I, Department of Social Sciences, Del Mar College, 2009-10

Earth Day planning group, Del Mar College, 2010

Co-Organizer: Space as A Category of Analysis: New Perspectives, Second Annual Brown University Interdisciplinary Graduate Student Conference, Providence, RI, May, 2006

Affiliations/Memberships:

Organization of American Historians; American Historical Association; South Texas Historical Association; Bayside Historical Association; American Association of University Professors (officer at large #1); Phi Alpha Theta; UCLA Department of History Visiting Scholar (winter/spring 2007)

References:

Mari Jo Buhle, William Kennan Jr. University Professor of History and American Civilizations Emeritus, Brown University

Phone: 401-863-2131

Robert Self, Associate Professor of History, Brown University

Phone: 401-863-1391

Elliott Gorn. Joseph A. Gagliano Chair in American Urban History, Loyola University Chicago

Phone: 773-508-8535

Nancy Jacobs, Associate Professor of History, Brown University

Phone: 401-863-9342