## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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## PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS AND EXPERTISE

- Development and marketing of heritage- and nature-based tourism attractions.
- Study, documentation, and interpretation of 20<sup>th</sup> Century U.S. military history and material culture.
- Visitor interests, expectations, and perceptions relative to heritage and cultural resources focused sites.
- Museum/historic site management, operations, collections management.

#### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. Texas A & M University, College Station, TX, 1989.

> Major: Recreation Resources Development; emphasis: Cultural Resources Management.

Dissertation Title: An Empirical Assessment of Museum Member Motivations.

M.S. Slippery Rock University of PA, Slippery Rock, PA, 1982.

Major: Recreation Resource Management; emphasis: Park Planning.

Thesis Title: The Erie Extension Canal Recreation Area – A Developmental

Plan.

B.S. Slippery Rock University of PA, Slippery Rock, PA, 1980.

> Major: Recreation Resources Management. Emphasis Areas: Accounting and Geography.

Honors: Dean's List; Rho Phi Alpha.

## SPECIALIZED TRAINING/EDUCATION/CERTIFICATION

- 1987 Graduate, American Association for State and Local History Regional Workshop (St. Paul, MN), "Care of Two-Dimensional Collections," 1987. Focused on collection policy development, arrangement, and conservation of archival material.
- 1985 Graduate, Winedale Museum Seminar, 1985. Conducted by the Texas Historical Commission. Major Areas: Museum Administration and Management.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- **Recipient -** Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries' annual "Special Projects, Category #2, Under \$100,000" award for the exhibit titled "Bulloch County's Military Heritage A Commemorative & Educational Exhibit for Southeast Georgia." Selected via a juried/peer review process.
- **Recipient -** The "OMSA Gold Medal Exhibit Award" award conveyed via juried review by the Orders and Medals Society of America (OMSA), August, 2007.
- **Recipient -** The "Best Texas Themed Exhibit" award conveyed via juried review by the Orders and Medals Society of America (OMSA), August, 2007.
- **Recipient -** The Georgia Southern University Award for Excellence in Service.
- **Recipient -** The College of Health and Human Sciences Award for Excellence in Service.
- **Recipient** "Outstanding Volunteer Service Award" from Statesboro Convention and Visitors Bureau.
- **Recipient** \$1,500 GSU Museum Curator's Compensation Award in recognition of the creative production titled *World War II The World in Flames* (a series of World War II interpretive/commemorative exhibits). Awarded by Curators Committee, Georgia Southern University Museum.
- **Recipient -** Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries' "1995 Special Project of the Year" award for the "World War II- The World in Flames" museum exhibit series. Selected via a juried/peer review process.

## PROFESSSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**2015- PROFESSOR,** Georgia Southern University,

**Present** Recreation and Tourism Management Program, School of Human Ecology.

Promotion effective August 1, 2015.

Graduate College Faculty Member, Fall 1997.

2013-2017 PROGRAM COORDINATOR, Recreation and Tourism Management

Program, School of Human Ecology, Georgia Southern University,

June 2013 to May 2017.

**2003-2009 PROGRAM COORDINATOR,** Recreation and Tourism Management

Program, Department of Hospitality, Tourism, Family and Consumer Sciences, Georgia Southern University, August 2003 to May 2009.

**1996-2014 ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR,** Georgia Southern University,

Recreation and Tourism Management Program, School of Human Ecology.

Appointed as Member, Graduate Faculty, Spring 2004.

Re-approved as Associate Member, Graduate Faculty, Fall 1997.

**1991-1996 ASSISTANT PROFESSOR,** Georgia Southern University,

Department of Recreation and Sport Management, August 1991 to

June 1996. Promoted and tenured, June 1996.

Approved as Associate Member, Graduate Faculty, Fall 1994.

**1989-1991 ASSISTANT PROFESSOR**, Iowa State University,

Department of Physical Education and Recreation Management,

August 1989 to June 1991.

Appointed as Associate Member, Graduate Faculty, Fall 1989.

1986-1989 CURATOR AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Admiral Nimitz Museum, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department,

Fredericksburg, TX, May 1986 to August 1989.

Responsibilities included planning, leading, organizing, and control functions required for the management of a historic park museum. Annual visitation 100,000; indoor and outdoor facilities. Supervised a staff of sixteen with two

staff in the curatorial department.

1987-1988 RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Texas A& M University, Department of Recreation and Parks,

January 1987 to May 1988.

Designed and administered a marketing survey to 2000 members of the San Antonio Museum Association as a contracted research project (\$5,000). The study was focused on evaluating the Association's provision of services. Collected and interpreted data regarding market segmentation, use patterns,

program evaluation, and motivations for membership.

## **1983-1986 TEACHING ASSISTANT**, Texas A & M University,

Department of Recreation and Parks, August 1983 to May 1986.

Responsible for lecturing, leading group discussions, advising students, and developing and grading tests for two courses. Had complete teaching responsibility for four semesters.

# TEACHING: Courses taught at Georgia Southern University, Fall 1991 to Present

- 1. REC 150 Leisure in Society
- 2. REC 151 Introduction to Recreation
- 3. REC 353 Supervision in Recreation
- 4. REC 358 Recreation Practicum
- 5. REC 365 Outdoor Recreation
- 6. REC 376 Museum Collections Management
- 7. REC 398 Issues in Historic Site Management
- 8. REC 451 Research Methods in Recreation
- 9. REC 453 Public Relations
- 10. REC 475 Museum Resources Interpretation
- 11. REC 476 Museum Resources Administration
- 12. REC 851 Recreation Administration
- 13. REC 854 Cultural Resources & Heritage Tourism Planning
- 14. REC 893 Directed Independent Study
- 15. RECR 1530 Introduction to Recreation
- 16. RECR 2330 Computer Applications in Recreation & Sport Management
- 17. RECR 2530 Leadership & Programming in Leisure Services
- 18. RECR 3335 Introduction to Tourism Management/Tourism Management
- 19. RECR 3336 Heritage Tourism
- 20. RECR 3430 Conference and Event Planning
- 21. RECR 3530 Attraction & Tourism Management Field School
- 22. RECR 4430 Financial & Legal Dimensions of Recreation
- 23. RECR 4430/SMGT 4437 Legal Aspects of Recreation and Sport
- 24. RECR 4435 Managing Recreation Organizations
- 25. RECR 4530 Marketing Recreation Services
- 26. RECR 4536 Evaluation and Research
- 27. RECR 4630 Professional Development
- 28. RECR 4790 Internship
- 29. RECR 4830 Advanced Conference & Event Planning
- 30. RECR 6030 Selected Topics in Recreation and Sport
- 31. RECR 7237 Recreation Management
- 32. SMGT 7335 Sport Law and Risk Management
- 33. RECR 7830 Directed Individual Study

## TEACHING: Courses taught at Iowa State University, Fall 1989 to Summer 1991

- 1. LS 201 Introduction to Leisure and Recreation
- 2. LS 270 History and Philosophy of Leisure and Recreation
- 3. LS 284 Foundations of Leadership in Recreation
- 4. LS 383 Practicum in Leisure Studies
- 5. LS 436 Travel and Tourism
- 6. LS 463 Budget and Finance
- 7. LS 483 Internship in Leisure Studies

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- ➤ Tourism Leadership Council (TLC)
- ➤ National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA)
- ➤ Georgia Recreation and Parks Association (GRPA)
- > Southeast Festivals and Events Association
- ➤ Travel and Tourism Research Association (past member)
- > Southeast States Chapter, TTRA (past member)

#### SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY

## Works in Progress:

Bigley, J.D. General Sink's Awards Odyssey – Documenting the Decorations of a Career Soldier. For submission to the Journal of the Orders and Medals Society of America.

Bigley, J.D. *Celebrating Too Soon – Unraveling the Mysteries of the Carentan Silver Star Ceremonies*. For submission to the <u>Journal of Military History</u> or as a peer-reviewed book.

## **Completed Works:**

# Peer-reviewed Creative Productions, Exhibits and Research:

# 2011-2012 "Bulloch County's Military Heritage – A Commemorative & Educational Exhibit for Southeast Georgia."

Served as Project Director in the research and production of an exhibit designed to interpret the impact of our nation's major conflicts on Bulloch County and its residents. The exhibit's scope (American Revolution to the Global War on Terror) required extensive research, writing, and the location of selection of graphics; this work was conducted during calendar years 2011and 2012. Sources included traditional library and archival resources, utilization of trustworthy internet-based resources (e.g., Digital Library of Georgia), and interviews with veterans. Important outcomes relative to preserving and interpreting the region's cultural heritage include documentation and dissemination of a) a history of the local National Guard unit, b) the identification and public commemoration of service personnel who died while in service, c) study and public recognition of women and African-Americans who served in early 20<sup>th</sup> century conflicts, and d) collection and study of military artifacts with Bulloch County resident provenance. Design team/collaborators were Dr. Brent Tharp (Ph.D., Associate Director) of the Georgia Southern Museum and Mr. Santanu Majumdar (MFA, Graphic Design & Production) Assistant Professor, Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art, Georgia Southern University. The exhibit was selected by the Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries via a peer-review/juried process as winner of the annual "Special Projects, Category #2, Under \$100,000" award.

2007

Conducted research, design, and construction of an artifact study based interpretive exhibit detailing the numismatic characteristics of World War II era Silver Star medals and the award of one such medal to a specific soldier. Exhibit was presented at a competitive peer-reviewed exhibition at the annual convention of the Orders and Medals Society of America (OMSA). *Exhibit was titled "Hullabaloo, Caneck, Caneck – A Texas Aggie's Silver Star.*" Exhibit was evaluated as the "Best Texas Themed Exhibit" and received the OMSA "Gold Medal Exhibit Award" (two separate awards). Juried/Peer Reviewed.

2004 Research and edited historical motion picture film to produce "Silver Star Medal Award Ceremony, 101st Airborne Division, June 20, 1944, Carentan, France." Required National Archives (College Park, MD) based research to locate original footage, photographs, and corroborating documents. Original footage consisted of approximately 5 reels of film spliced in random sequence relative to the chronology of the original event. My work involved creating clips and reordering them based on corroborating evidence to produce the first historically accurate motion picture film of the event. This edited version served as basis for presentations and interviews that

were **conducted during June 2004 field research in Normandy, France. On advice of** campus attorney, this work has been copyrighted. It has not been published or commercially produced. It has been, and will continue to be, disseminated to appropriate research institutions (e.g., the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Museum) and researchers.

2003-2000

Principal Investigator for a \$270,000 multi-year project that required the inventory and assessment of tourism resources located in the bi-state, 10 county Lower Savannah River Basin. Based on resource inventories, field studies, and public meetings, conceptualized and produced a Master Plan for the development and promotion of nature-based businesses in the Lower Savannah River Basin. Design and production work included supervision of GIS technicians for creation of original maps and charts, collaboration with Georgia Southern University Geography and GIS faculty, collaboration with landscape design faculty at Clemson University for production of site plans, creation of a customized planning process model for implementation by local organizations, production of three PowerPoint based presentations for promotional purposes, and the production of two technical reports. Work funded via grants, in-kind support, and release time.

1998

Principal Investigator in the production of a regional history and ecology focused <u>Site Interpretation System</u> for the 66-acre LeConte Woodmanston Plantation (Liberty County, GA). The System consists of 28 wayside exhibits and interpretive signs that address a series of interpretive themes. Conducted research, wrote text appropriate for exhibit-type interpretation; secured period images; conceptualized, commissioned, and supervised production of original artwork; produced ¾ scale mock-up exhibit panels; secured vendor for production of exhibit panels (\$15,600 contract); served as liaison between Georgia Southern University, LeConte Woodmanston Plantation, and vendor on fulfillment of production contract. In collaboration with Dr. Larry Mutter (Department RSM, GSU) and Ms. Gail Whalen (LeConte Site Manager). Research, design, mock-up work conducted April 1998 to December 1998; vendor production supervision January 1999 to project completion in January 2000.

1996

Co-Investigator in the research, design, and production of a 10 panel (4' x 7' panels) traveling museum exhibit titled *The LeConte Family and Woodmanston Plantation*. Exhibit was designed to serve as the main educational resource in the Woodmanston Plantation Visitor Center. In collaboration with Mr. Walter W. Meeks (Director, Fort Stewart Museum).

1995 - 1992 Curator, three major museum exhibits with regional focus.

In collaboration with the American Legion Post #90 (Statesboro, GA) and the Bulloch County (GA) Historical Society, researched, designed, and produced a series of three individual traveling museum exhibits commemorating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of World War II and involvement of regional residents in the war. Exhibits were designed to travel to regional museums, public buildings, and shopping malls. A major component included oral history research methodology in interviews of local veterans and the use of those first-hand

accounts to interpret the larger events of the war. Exhibit titles as follow.

**1995** - World War II - The World in Flames: The Final Victory - VE and VJ Day. Selected via peer review process as "The Special Project of the Year" by the Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries, 1995.

1994 - World War II - The World in Flames: D-Day Remembered.

1992 - Georgia Goes to War - The Bulloch County Experience.

## **Publications, Peer Reviewed/Refereed:**

- Bigley, J. D., Lee, C. K. N., Chon, J. N., Yoon, Y. N. (2010). Motivations for War Related Tourism: A Case Study of DMZ Visitors in Korea. *Tourism Geographies*, 12(3), 371-393.
- Weddell, M., Bigley, J. D. (2009). The Battle of the Beaches: The Jekyll Island Redevelopment Debate. *e-Review of Tourism Research (eRTR)*, 7(5), 97-113.

  <a href="http://ertr.tamu.edu/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=577%3Avolume-7-issue-5-october-2009-applied-research-note-1&catid=97%3Avolume-7-issue-1-3-2009&Itemid=54">http://ertr.tamu.edu/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=577%3Avolume-7-issue-1-3-2009&Itemid=54</a>
- 2009 Bigley, J. D. (2009). Ferreting Out the Netherlands Orange Lanyard: The Promises and Pitfalls of Web-Based Resources. *Journal of the Orders and Medals Society of America*, 60(5), 22-26.
- Bigley, J.D. and L. Mutter (2003). *An Amenity Assessment Model for Evaluating State Park Tourism Assets*. Visions in Leisure and Business, Winter 2003. 20 (4): 18-40.
- 2000 Attle, S. and J.D. Bigley (2000). *Interstate Highway Travelers, Timeshares, and Coastal Resorts Are They Related?* Visions in Leisure and Business, Spring 2000. 19 (1): 4-12.
- Bigley, J.D., D.R. Fesenmaier, and W. Roehl (1994). *An Approach to Identifying Motivations for Membership in Leisure Service Delivery Organizations*. Journal of Park and Recreation Administration, 12 (2): 1-18.
- Bigley, J.D., M. Lane, D. R. Fesenmaier, and W. P. Stewart (1991). *Meeting Members' Expectations: A Case Study*. Curator, 34 (3): 210-221.
- Bigley, J.D. (1987). *Marketing in Museums Background and Theoretical Foundations*. Museum Studies Journal, 3 (1): 14-21.

## **Publications, Editorial Review:**

- Bigley, J.D. (2002). The Savannah River Ecotourism Project: A Public and Private Sector Collaboration Aimed at Rural Economic Development via Nature-Based Tourism. Southern Economic Developer, Volume 11, Number 1 (Spring 2002): 10-12.
- Bigley, J.D. (1999). Beyond Athletics Utilizing local Cultural Heritage Resources in Recreation Programming. Recreation and Parks in Georgia, Spring 1999: 23-25.
- Bigley, J.D. (1997). *Federal Recreation Areas in Georgia*. <u>Recreation and Parks in Georgia</u>, Summer 1997: 19-26.
- Bigley, J.D., ed. (1997). An Illustrated History of the LeConte Woodmanston Rice Plantation and Botanical Garden. Monograph (20 pages) published by the LeConte-Woodmanston Foundation, January 1997.
- Bigley, J.D. and R. Ziegler. (1995). A Grateful Nation Remembers Bulloch County's World War II Roll of Honor. Monograph (25 pages) published by the Bulloch County Historical Society, May 1995.
- Bigley, J.D. (1995). *The Economic Impact of Cultural and Historic Resources in Georgia*. <u>Southern Economic Developer Southeast Georgia Economic Review</u>, 5 (2): 19-23.
- Bigley, J.D. (1991). *Living History and Battle Reenactments The Dilemma of Selective Interpretation*. <u>History News</u>, professional journal of the American Association for State and Local History, 46 (6): 12-18.
- Bigley, J.D. (1990). An Empirical Assessment of Member Motivations in the Museum Setting. <u>Visitor Behavior</u>, 4 (4): 9.

## **Publications, Technical Reports:**

- Bigley, J.D. (2003). *Tourism Product Development Request for the Lower Savannah River Alliance*. Assembled a complex application package (60+ pages with maps) for submission to Georgia Department of Industry, Trade, and Tourism for assistance in development of nature based tourism infrastructure on Lower Savannah River. Application was selected via competitive review process for presentation to the Georgia Tourism Product Development Council, May 15, 2003.
- Bigley, J.D. and Mutter, L. (2003). A Framework for Future Planning and Decision Making The Lower Savannah River Alliance for Nature Based Business Development. Summary of organizational development and concept planning work for development of nature-based tourism infrastructure in the Lower Savannah River Basin.

- Bigley, J.D., Mutter, L. and Davis, J. (2003). Strategies for Creating a Savannah River Recreational Greenway in Allendale (SC) and Screven (GA) Counties. Master plan for establishing a greenway on abandoned US Highway 301 roadbed adjacent to Savannah River in rural Georgia and South Carolina.
- Bigley, J.D. (2002). Visitors to The Mighty Eighth Air Force Heritage Museum and Their Economic Impact in the Savannah Region. Summary report of visitor demographic, marketing, and economic impact related findings derived from visitor survey designed and conducted from February 1, 2002 through September 30, 2002.
- Bigley, J.D., S.P. Attle and L. Mutter. (1999). A Report on the Assessment of Tourism Assets at State Parks in Regional Service Delivery Areas 7 & 12 and Recommendations Regarding the Development and Promotion of Those Assets. Written for Georgia Department of Natural Resources via funding from the Bureau of Business Research and Economic Development.
- Bigley, J.D. and S.P. Attle. (1998). Visitors to the Mighty Eighth Air Force Heritage Museum and Their Economic Impact in the Savannah Region.

  Series of four periodic reports for the period December 1, 1996 to May 31, 1998 with a project summary report.
- 1998 Bigley, J.D. (1998). Site Management and Interpretation Plan for the LeConte Woodmanston Plantation Part II Site Development and Operations. Produced for the LeConte Woodmanston Foundation.
- Bigley, J.D. (1997). 1997 Coastal Georgia Tourism Survey of Interstate 95 Travelers. Conducted for the Coastal Georgia Regional Development Center, Brunswick, GA, November 1997.
- Bigley, J.D. (1997). Site Management and Interpretation Plan for the LeConte Woodmanston Plantation Part I Interpretive Programming. Produced for the LeConte Woodmanston Foundation.
- Bigley, J.D. (1995). *The Economic Impact of Institutional Members of the Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries*. Conducted for the Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries, January 1995.
- Bigley, J.D. (1995). *The Economic Impact of the Coastal Museum Association (Savannah, GA) Descriptive and Summary Statistics*. Conducted for the Coastal Museum Association, January 1995.
- 1990 Bigley, J.D. (1990). *Evaluation of the 1990 Pufferbilly Days Festival*. Visitor evaluation study conducted for the Boone, IA Chamber of Commerce.

- 1988 Bigley, J.D. and D.R. Fesenmaier (1988). *The San Antonio Museum Association Membership Survey*. Presented to the San Antonio Museum Association.
- Bigley, J.D. and B.H. Smith (1986). *The Admiral Nimitz Foundation Where Do We Go From Here?* A development report outlining strategies for increased involvement of museum's support group in the areas of membership programs, gift shop management, publications, computer acquisition, and annual stipends for education programs.
- 1981 Bigley, J.D. (1981). *The Erie Extension Canal Recreation Area A Developmental Plan*. Presented to Mercer County (PA) Tourist Promotion Agency.
- 1981 Shiner, J.W. and J.D. Bigley. (1981). *Handbook for North Country Trail Development in Butler, Lawrence, and Beaver Counties, Pennsylvania*. Presented to National Park Service and North Country Trail Association.

## **Publications, Presentations Published In Conference Proceedings:**

- Bigley, J.D., M. Lane, D.R. Fesenmaier, and W.S. Roehl (1992). *The Assessment of Museum Member Motivations: A Case Study* in <u>Visitor Studies: Theory, Research, and Practice,</u> Volume 4, pp. 72-83.
- Bigley, J.D. and H.B. Springall. (1990). Interpreting Recent History Developing Programs which include Original Event Participants. What's
  Past Is Prologue Proceedings of the 1990 National Association of
  Interpreters Annual Conference (Charleston, SC).
- Bigley, J. D. (1989). *Conducting Surveys in Museums: What You Need To Know*. Proceedings of the 1989 Texas Association of Museums Annual Meeting (Beaumont, TX).
- Bigley, J. D. (1988). *Old Loan Legislation and its Impact on Collections Management*. Proceedings of the 1988 Texas Association of Museums Annual Meeting (Fort Worth, TX).

## **Presentations, Invited:**

Bigley, J.D. (2010). *Unraveling the Oral Tradition Surrounding the Carentan Award Ceremonies*. Presented in Strongsville, OH at the 5th Annual 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division History Convention, July 31, 2010. A conference designed for veterans, popular historians and the general public.

Bigley, J.D. (2009). *Have you heard this one?* 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division Research Notes and Recent Finds. Presented in Philadelphia, PA at the 4th Annual 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division History Convention, July 31, 2010. A conference designed for veterans, popular historians and the general public.

Bigley, J.D. (2008). 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division Silver Stars - The Actions & Men Decorated in the Carentan Ceremonies. Presented in Chicago, IL at the 3rd Annual 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division History Convention, August 9, 2008. A conference designed for veterans, popular historians and the general public.

Bigley, J.D. (2007). *Researching the Awards of LTG Robert F. Sink, USA*. Presented during the "US Medals Research Seminar" in Houston, TX at the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Orders and Medals Society of America International Convention, August 10, 2007.

Bigley, J.D. (2007). *The Awards and Artifacts of LTG Robert F. Sink*. Presented in Cleveland, OH at the 2nd Annual 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division History Convention, August 18, 2007. A conference designed for veterans, popular historians and the general public.

Bigley, J.D. (2006). *The Carentan Silver Star Award Ceremonies – Initial Findings*. Presented in Detroit, MI at the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division History Convention, September 2, 2006. A conference designed for veterans, popular historians and the general public.

"Prise d'Armes Carentan, 20 Juin 1944." Invited by the Carentan, France chapter of the "Friends of the 101st Airborne Division" to present research findings and conduct interviews with war-time residents. Presentation conducted (with two translators) at the Hôtel de Ville, Carentan, France (June 9, 2004) to an audience of thirty-five Carentan residents.

## Presentations, Peer Reviewed or Refereed:

## International/National Conferences:

Bigley, J. D. (2011). Author and presenter (poster), "Rural Tourism Planning as Experiential Learning - A collaborative step toward community prosperity," at the "Initiatives in Tourism Development: Contributing to Community Prosperity" National Extension Tourism (NET) Annual Conference, Charleston, SC. March 9-11, 2011.

Bigley, J. D. (Moderator and Panelist), Peden, J. (Moderator and Panelist), 30th Annual SERR Conference, "Managing Outdoor Recreation at Cultural Resource Sites in Coastal Georgia," Southeastern Recreation Research Conference, Savannah, GA. February 26, 2008.

- Bigley, J.D. (2001). *Notions of Heritage and Cultural Tourism Who Decides What Counts*. Resort and Commercial Recreation Association 21st Annual Conference, Kiawah Island, SC, November 11-14, 2001.
- 2000 Bigley, J.D. (2000). *Perspectives on Heritage Tourism, Resorts, and Commercial Recreation*. Resort and Commercial Recreation Association 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Hershey, PA, November 5-8, 2000.
- 2000 Bigley, J.D. (2000). *The Development of Niche Marketing Strategies for Georgia State Parks*. Resort and Commercial Recreation Association 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Hershey, PA, November 5-8, 2000.
- Bigley, J.D. (2000). Assessment of State Park Tourism Amenities and Niche Marketing Strategies. Second Annual Conference on Sustainable Tourism, Boone, NC, September 8-9, 2000.
- Bigley, J.D. and S.P. Attle. (1999). *Understanding the Behavior of Coastal Interstate Highway Travelers Implications for Coastal Resorts and Time-Share Accommodations*. Resort and Commercial Recreation Association 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Hilton Head, SC, November 12-15, 1999.
- Bigley, J.D. and Attle, S.P. (1999). *Understanding the Behavior of Coastal Interstate Highway Travelers An Exploratory Approach*. Travel and Tourism Research Associate 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Halifax, Nova Scotia, June 7-10, 1999.
- Bigley, J.D. (1997). Visitor Turning at Choice Points: A Case Study on Observing Circulation Patterns in Exhibits. Visitor Studies Association Annual Conference, Birmingham, AL, July 17-19, 1997.
- Bigley, J.D. (1991). *Assessing Museum Member Motivations*. Visitor Studies Association Annual Conference, Ottawa, Canada, August 9, 1991.
- Bigley, J.D. and H.B. Springall. (1990). *Interpreting Recent History Developing Programs which include Original Event Participants*. National Association of Interpreters Annual Conference, Charleston, SC, November 28, 1990.

## Regional Conferences:

Bigley, J.D. and M. Weddell (2008). *The Average Man's Paradise; A Closer Look at the Jekyll Island Redevelopment Debate*. Southeast States Chapter of the Travel and Tourism Research Association Annual Research Symposium, Asheville, SC, April 1, 2008.

- Bigley, J.D. and J. G. Peden. (2008). *Managing Outdoor Recreation at Cultural Resource Sites in Coastal Georgia*. Conceptualized content themes, contacted and secured panelists, and moderated this professional panel seminar. 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Southeastern Recreation Research Conference, Savannah, GA, February 26, 2008.
- Bigley, J.D., S. Rose, and P. Moreland. (1995). *Information for Advocacy: How to Estimate the Impact of Your Institution*. (Panel Session). Southeastern Museums Conference Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, October 4-7, 1995.
- Bigley, J.D. (1993). *Museum Members and Their Museum Store Use Patterns*. Southeastern Museums Conference Annual Meeting, Norfolk, VA, October 20-23, 1993.

## State Conferences:

- Wolfe, B., Peden, J., Weddell, M. and Bigley, J.D. (2008). *Lessons from the Edge: Perspectives on Employment Skills*. Educational Session, 2008
  Georgia Recreation and Park Association Annual Conference, Athens, GA, November 4, 2008.
- Bigley, J.D. (1999). *Great Expectations What Visitors Want From Museums and What Is Delivered*. Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries Annual Conference, Americus, GA, January 20-22, 1999.
- 1997 Bigley, J.D. (1997). How People View Your Exhibits Tracking Visitor Circulation Patterns with Video Cameras. Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries Annual Meeting, Savannah, GA, January 15-17, 1997.
- Bigley, J.D. (1995). *The Economic Impact of Institutional Members of the Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries*. Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries Annual Meeting, Jekyll Island, GA, January 25-27, 1995.
- Bigley, J.D. (1993). *Management Planning for Georgia State Parks*.

  Georgia Recreation and Parks Association Annual Meeting, Gainesville, GA, November 1-4, 1993.
- Bigley, J.D. (1991). Who's on First, What's on Second, How Much Do We Know About Our Visitors and Members? 1991 Congress of Historical Organizations, Annual Meeting of the State Historical Society of Iowa, Des Moines, IA, June 7-8, 1991.
- Bigley, J.D. (1990). *Current Leisure Research Issues*. Iowa Parks and Recreation Association Fall Conference, Des Moines, IA, September 1990.

- Bigley, J.D. (1989). *Conducting Surveys in Museums: What You Need To Know*. Session chairman and panelist, Texas Association of Museums Annual Meeting, Beaumont, TX, April 1989.
- Bigley, J.D. (1988). *Old Loan Legislation and its Impact on Collections Management*. The Texas Association of Museums Annual Meeting, Fort Worth, TX, April 1988.

## Presentations, Not Peer Reviewed/Refereed:

- Bigley, J.D. (1998). Planned and led a "Created Session" on the topic of *Interstate Highway Traveler Touring Behavior*. Travel and Tourism Research Association 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Fort Worth, TX, June 7-10, 1998.
- Bigley, J.D. (1995). *The Economic Impact of the Coastal Museums Association*. The Coastal Museums Association monthly meeting, Savannah, GA, April 5, 1995.
- Bigley, J.D. (1994). A Methodology for Assessing the Economic Impact of Georgia Museums and Galleries (Research Proposal). Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries Annual Meeting, Athens, GA, January 25-28, 1994.
- Bigley, J.D. (1990). *The Proposed Iowa Rural Recreation Development Project*. Iowa Parks and Recreation Association Annual Conference, Iowa City, IA, April 1990.
- Bigley, J.D. (1986). A Review of the Historic Research Methodology and a Comparison of Disparate Accounts. Presented at the Graduate Research Seminar, Texas A & M University, May 7, 1986.

## **GRANTS AND CONTRACTS**

- **2010 \$2,550 Faculty Service Grant** from the Georgia Southern Faculty Service Committee. To conduct original research, design and production for the interpretive exhibit: "Bulloch County's Military Heritage A Commemorative & Educational Exhibit for Southeast Georgia." Awarded Fall 2010; related work performed calendar years 2011 and 2012. Dr. Brent Tharpe, assistant project director.
- **\$656.00 Professional Travel Funds Request award** from the Georgia Southern GS Faculty Development Committee. Lead nine RTM majors during participation in educational sessions at Southeast Festivals and Events Conference, Macon, GA. Secured teacher-scholar professional development via educational sessions and interaction with industry professionals. Outcomes

related to development or refinement of courses (RECR 3335, 3430, 4530 and 4790) that impact approximately 120 students per academic year. (February 22, 2010 - March 15, 2010).

- **\$800 Faculty Service Grant** from the GSU Faculty Development and Service Committee. To conduct original research, initial exhibit design and investigate project viability for: *Development and Placement of Exhibits Interpreting the Military Service of Lt. General Robert F. Sink.* Awarded Fall 2005, related work performed Spring, Summer and Fall 2005 and Spring 2006.
- \$140,304 Grant and in-kind support received for the "Southeast Coastal Tourism Enhancement Program A Regional Rural Economic Development Initiative" (\$54,250 ICAPP Grant; \$39,124 College Health & Human Sciences in-kind; \$46,930 regional agency in-kind). Co-authored with Dr. Larry Mutter for refinement and completion of two projects: "A Greenway Planning Model for Southeast Georgia" (Mutter, P.I.) and "A Model for River Basin Tourism Development" (Bigley, P.I.) projects. Served as program administrator.
- **\$2,000 Research Contract.** Awarded by the Mighty Eighth Air Force Heritage Museum (Pooler, GA) to conduct an economic impact and visitor behavior study. Served as sole investigator, May through November 2002.
- **\$106,797 Grant and in-kind support** received for "*Tourism Based Regional Economic Development: A Research Program for AY 2001-2002*" (\$59,250 ICAPP Grant; \$47,547 cash and in-kind matching support from other sources). Co-authored with Dr. Larry Mutter. Served as overall project director to coordinate and execute the following six south Georgia focused tourism research and development projects.
  - 1. Lower Savannah River Nature Based Tourism Development Project (Dr. Bigley, P.I.)
  - 2. A Greenway Planning Model for Southeast Georgia (Dr. Mutter, P.I.)
  - 3. Initiation of an Ogeechee River Ecotourism Project (Drs. Mutter & Bigley, Co-P.I.)
  - 4. Lower Altamaha River Recreation Amenities Mapping Project (Dr. Bigley, Coordinator)
  - 5. Initiation of a Woodbine to Okefenokee Swamp Bicycle Trail Feasibility Study (Dr. Bigley, Coordinator)
  - 6. Consultation with Colonial Coast Birding Festival Committee (Dr. Bigley, Coordinator).
- **\$12,000 ICAPP Grant.** To continue work as the principal investigator and regional liaison for the ongoing *Savannah River Ecotourism Project, Phase II.* Required work with public and private sector representatives from South Carolina and Georgia tourism related organizations located in the lower

Savannah River corridor. Awarded September 2000, work performed AY 2000-2001.

- **\$10,900 ICAPP Grant.** To serve as a regional liaison for the initiation of the *Savannah River Ecotourism Project* and the Georgia Institute of Technology's Center for Economic Development Services work on the *Altamaha River Tourism Development Project*. Awarded September 1999, work performed AY 1999-2000.
- **\$9,285 ICAPP Grant.** Co-Investigators Dr. Larry Mutter and Dr. Simon P. Attle. To conduct research project titled *The Assessment of Tourism Assets at State Parks in Regional Service Delivery Areas 7 & 12 and the Identification of Target Markets for those Tourism Assets.* Awarded January 1999, work performed Spring and Summer 1999.
- **\$43,700 Grant and in-kind support received** (\$36,700 ICAPP; \$7,000 cash and in-kind LeConte Woodmanston Foundation). For research, design, fabrication, and installation of an eco- and heritage tourism focused *Site Interpretation System* at LeConte Woodmanston Plantation (Liberty County, GA) and to serve as Site Operations Consultant. Authored by Dr. Bigley, Fall 1997; grant awarded Spring 1998; work performed Spring 1998 through December 1998 (in collaboration with Dr. Larry Mutter (GSU) and Site Manager Gail Whalen (LeConte Site Manager); vendor production January 1999 to January 2000.
- **\$3,031 Service Grant** from the GSU Faculty Development and Service Committee. Co-authored with Dr. Simon Attle. To design and conduct original research project titled *A Study of the Visitors to the Mighty 8th Air Force Heritage Museum and Their Economic Impact in the Savannah Region.*Awarded Fall 1996, work performed Fall 1996 through May 1998.
- **\$10,000 Savannah Presbytery Ecology Fund Grant.** Co-authored with Mr. Bron Cleveland, Executive Director, LeConte Woodmanston Foundation. Grant awarded to LeConte Woodmanston Foundation for RSM Department-based project titled: *Proposed Concept for an Ecological and Cultural Resource Field School at the LeConte-Woodmanston Plantation*. Awarded Fall 1996.
- **\$10,000 Contract.** Awarded by the LeConte Woodmanston Foundation to provide student stipends, travel money, and professional compensation for the RSM Department-based project titled: *Proposed Concept for a Natural and Cultural Resource Management Field School at the LeConte-Woodmanston Plantation*, authored by Dr. Bigley. Awarded Fall 1996.
- **1996 \$5,200 Georgia Humanities Council Grant** received via the LeConte-Woodmanston Foundation for production of museum exhibit titled *The LeConte Family and Woodmanston Plantation*. Co-authored the grant with Ms. Beth Radke, LeConte Woodmanston Foundation. Awarded Summer 1996.

1995 \$500 Supplemental Community Service Grant for development of traveling museum exhibits on World War II. Awarded by the American Legion Post #90, Statesboro, March 1995. 1994 \$1,500 Community Service Grant for the development of traveling museum exhibits on World War II. Awarded by the American Legion Post #90, Statesboro, GA, March 1994. 1993 \$2,308 Regional Service Grant for the development of travelling museum exhibits on World War II. Awarded by the GSU Faculty Service Committee, November 1993. 1993 \$512 Faculty Development Grant, Georgia Southern University. Awarded February 1993. 1992 \$500 Research Contract for conducting a statewide survey to determine the economic impact of museums and historic sites; awarded by the Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries. Awarded Fall 1992, study completed April 1993. 1992 \$1,095 Faculty Research Grant, Georgia Southern University. Awarded May 1992. For transcription of original letters written circa 1910 by Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz. 1990 \$1,500 Faculty Research Grant, Iowa State University, Awarded May 1990. To conduct economic impact study for a local festival. 1989 \$22,000 Cash and in-kind support secured for the Admiral Nimitz Museum (Fredericksburg, TX) annual symposium "Submarine Operations During World War II," January - May 1989. 1988 \$7,000 Cash grants and donations secured for the Admiral Nimitz Museum (Fredericksburg, TX) annual symposium "The Yamamoto Mission Retrospective," February - April 1988. 1987 \$5,000 Research Contract secured from the San Antonio Museum Association for conducting a membership marketing survey, September 1987.

#### SERVICE TO GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

**2013-2017 Program Coordinator,** Recreation and Tourism Management Program.

Ongoing Advisor and Mentor, to departmental students enrolled in the Tourism & Community Leisure Services emphasis area.

# Ongoing Various departmental, college and university service roles including but not limited to:

- CBSS Major Review Committee
- CBSS Curriculum Committee Alternate
- Graduate Faculty, member
- CHHS Faculty Affairs Committee, chair and/or member
- SHE Tenure and Promotion Committee, member
- Post Tenure Review Committee, member
- Tenure and Promotion Progress Review Committee, chair and/or member
- Departmental Search Committees, chair and/or member
- Graduate Curriculum Committee, member
- Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, member
- Library Acquisitions Committee, chair and/or member

**2009-2003 Program Coordinator,** Recreation and Tourism Management Program.

**2008/07 Faculty Senate,** Alternate for CHHS.

2006/05 CHHS Faculty Awards Committee, Member.

**Chair,** Departmental Search Committee. Task started August 2003, completed Jan. 2004.

**Chair,** Departmental Search Committee. Task started August 2002, completed Dec. 2002.

Member, CHPS Strategic Planning and Reorganization Committee, Dr. Hardy, Chair. Provided leadership role in work that resulted in strategic realignment of unit as the College of Health and Human Sciences (CHHS) and reorganization of College's units, which enabled (eventual) establishment of The Jiann-Ping Hsu School of Public Health.

**2002 – 1992** Faculty Advisor, "Presbyterian Student Fellowship" organization.

**Member**, Departmental Tenure & Promotion Committee. Attle and Gaudet reviews.

2001 College of Health and Professional Studies (CHPS) Representative,
University Task Force for the Establishment of the School of Economic
Development.

**2001 Member,** CHPS Social Committee.

**2001 – 1991 GSU Museum Advisory Board,** provided service in a variety of positions:

- Vice President, GSU Museum Advisory Board
- ➤ Member, Search Committee for Assistant Director
- ➤ Chair, LR Planning and Facilities Committee
- American Association of Museums Accreditation Self-Study Task Force
- Curators Committee

**2000 Chair,** Departmental Pre-Tenure Review Committee. Broach & Burden reviews.

**2000** Faculty Senate Alternate, CHPS.

**2000-1998 Member,** CHPS Newsletter Committee

**1998 CHPS Representative,** COBA Tourism Initiative, Dr. Lynda Hamilton, Director

**1998 – 1995 CHPS Representative,** Faculty Senate Faculty Research subcommittee, Dr. Howard Kaplan, Chair.

1997 CHPS Representative, Faculty Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Academic Freedom, Dr. Debra Sabia, Chair.

**1997-1995 Member,** CHPS Faculty Awards Committee

**Member,** CHPS Dean's Advisory Committee

**1996 – 1992 Curator,** for GSU Museum sponsored military history education exhibits that were designed, installed and maintained at the Department of Military Science (ROTC).

**1993 Curator,** Georgia Southern University Museum exhibit titled "The Selling of World War II."

## SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION AND DISCIPLINE

**Vice President,** Southeast States Chapter of the Travel and Tourism Research Association (SETTRA).

**2010-2007 Board of Directors,** Georgia state representative, Southeast States Chapter of the Travel and Tourism Research Association (SETTRA).

- **2005/04 Past President,** Southeast States Chapter of the Travel and Tourism Research Association (SETTRA).
- **2004 -2001 President,** Southeast States Chapter of the Travel and Tourism Research Association (SETTRA). Provided leadership for the development of strategic plan for the revitalization of the chapter. Strategic Plan implemented June 2002; resulted in formalized partnership with Southeast Tourism Society.
- Moderator, SETTRA / RCRA Research Symposium. Served as coordinator and moderator for the Fall 2002 SETTRA/Resort and Commercial Recreation Association Research Symposium held in conjunction with the Annual Conference(s), Lake Lanier Island Resort. November 10-13, 2002.
- **2000 -2001 Chair,** Research Symposium Committee for the Resorts and Commercial Recreation Association (RCRA). Plan symposium, issue call for papers, lead paper review task, moderate symposium at annual conference.
- **2001-1999 Vice-President,** Southeast States Chapter of the Travel and Tourism Research Association. Assist in planning and leadership of three chapter meetings per year, attend international annual meetings as Chapter representative.
- **Consultation of peers,** *Journal of Interpretation Research.* As Guest Editor, reviewed paper submitted for publication in the journal.
- 1999 1995 Co-Chair, Georgia Recreation and Parks Association Editorial Board. Had 80% responsibility for soliciting, compiling and reviewing copy (news items, feature stories, graphics) for the state professional organization quarterly magazine *Parks and Recreation in Georgia*. Also led editorial board meetings at annual conferences and conduct misc. administrative duties related to magazine publication.
- 1998 Consultation of peers, *Journal of Sport Management*.

  Served as departmental contact person and reviewed a manuscript submitted for publication to the journal. Secured assistance of Drs.

  McCarthy and Attle for review process. February to March 1998.
- 1997 Consultation of peers, provided to Dr. Ted Cable, KSU Dept. of Horticulture, Forestry and Recreation Resources; co-author of Interpretation for the 21st Century, published 1998. Consulted on the development of a chapter titled *Bringing the Past Alive*, which dealt with living history and historic site interpretation. March to April 1997.
- 1994 1993 Conducted survey research for a nonprofit organization, the Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries (GAMG). Designed and administered a mail survey to collect data on economic impact of GAMG institutional members; produced two technical reports for association.

#### SERVICE TO THE REGIONAL COMMUNITY

## 2002-2000 Grant proposal writing for regional tourism development entities.

As an outcome of work funded via Academic Year (AY) 1999-2000 ICAPP Grant, authored a series of grant proposals to secure support for nature- and heritage-tourism based infrastructure planning and development desired by various south Georgia and South Carolina organizations.

2002 – Proposal: "Southeast Coastal Tourism Enhancement Program – A Regional Rural Economic Development Initiative."

Beneficiary: Lower Savannah River Alliance for Nature Based Business Development; Statesboro Bulloch County Parks and Recreation Department.

Proposal Request: \$128,328.

Award: \$140,304 (\$54,250 ICAPP Grant; \$39,124

College Health & Human Sciences in-kind; \$46,930 regional agency in-

kind).

Co-author: Dr. Larry Mutter.

2001 – Proposal: "Tourism Based Regional Economic Development: A Research Program for AY 2001-2002."

Beneficiary: Lower Savannah River Alliance for Nature Based Business Development (Georgia and South Carolina); Statesboro Bulloch County Parks and Recreation Department; Friends of the Ogeechee River (Ogeechee River basin advocacy group).

Proposal Request: \$73,507.

Award: \$106,797 – projects in addition to those proposed were added (\$59,250 ICAPP Grant; \$47,547 cash and in-kind matching support from other sources).

Co-author: Dr. Larry Mutter.

2000 – Proposal: "The Savannah River Ecotourism Project, Phase II."

Beneficiary: Chatham, Effingham, Screven, Burke, Richmond

Counties Georgia.

Proposal Request: \$18,360.

Award: \$12,000 (\$10,000 ICAPP Grant).

**Invited Speaker,** Allendale County (SC) Chamber of Commerce.

Provided power point based program on the Savannah River Nature-Based Tourism Project (October 24, 2002).

**Invited Speaker,** Allendale County (SC) Council Public Meeting. Provided power point based program on the Savannah River Nature-Based Tourism Project for the Allendale County (SC) Council Public Meeting (April 18, 2002).

**Pro bono consultation to the Bowen's "Rider Court Fun Park" development project.** Participated in a "proposed tourism attraction development" meeting organized by Dr. L. Furr per request received via Senator Max Cleland's office. Provided tourism development consultation to Ms. Jimmie Chisolm Bowen and Mr. Edward Bowen (March 1, 2002).

# **2000-1998** *Pro bono* consultation (60 hours) to the LeConte Woodmanston Foundation, Inc. (regional nonprofit organization).

Provided historic site development, management, educational program planning, and tourism promotion consultations to the LeConte-Woodmanston Foundation, Inc. (Mr. David Sapp, President). The Foundation was in the process of developing an early 19th century rice plantation and botanical garden in Liberty County, GA.

- Installed a permanent museum exhibit at the Bulloch County Annex (North Main Street). At the request of the American Legion Post#90 (Statesboro) and the Bulloch County Board of Commissioners, designed and installed an exhibit commemorating service the military service of Bulloch County residents. Provided remarks at the November 11, 1998 Veteran's Day Commemoration.
- 1998 1996 Conducted survey research for a regional tourism attraction/heritage center. Designed and administered (with Dr. Simon Attle as co-PI) a survey research project which resulted in a series of three technical reports entitled: Visitors to the Mighty Eighth Air Force Heritage Museum and Their Economic Impact in the Savannah Region. Expenses funded via Georgia Southern University Faculty Development and Service Committee Grant (awarded 1996, \$3,031)
- Conducted regional tourism-based survey research for the Coastal Georgia Regional Development Center (CGRDC). Produced "1997 Coastal Georgia Tourism Survey of Interstate 95 Travelers," a research report based on data collected by the Recreation Research Methods class. Final report written during Fall 1997 by Dr. Bigley. Submitted to Mr. Vernon Martin, Executive Director, CGRDC. Work conducted February to November 1997.

# 1995 - 1992 Curator, three major museum exhibits with regional focus.

In collaboration with the American Legion Post #90 (Statesboro) and the Bulloch County Historical Society, researched, designed, and produced a series of three individual traveling museum exhibits commemorating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of World War II and involvement of regional residents in the war. Exhibits were designed to travel to regional museums, public buildings, and shopping malls. A major component included oral history interviews of local veterans and the use of those first-hand accounts to interpret the larger events of the war. Exhibit titles as follow.

**1995 -** World War II - The World in Flames: The Final Victory - VE and VJ Day. Selected via peer review process as "The Special Project of the Year" by the Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries, 1995.

1994 - World War II - The World in Flames: D-Day Remembered. 1992 - Georgia Goes to War - The Bulloch County Experience.

- 1996 *Pro bono* consultation to Helen M. Goldsmith, Historic Preservation Division, Georgia DNR. Provided consultation on economic impact of museums and historic sites as components of the statewide tourism resource base.
- 1996 Pro bono consultation to Donna Colebeck, Director, Marietta/Cobb Museum of Art. Consultation on pricing and marketing strategies for museum exhibits aimed at attracting 1996 Olympic tourists.
- Pro bono consultation to the Richmond Hill Historical Society.

  Provided site inspection and written report on museum and interpretive development techniques. Referred through the Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries MUSE program.
- 1994 1993 *Pro bono* consultation to The Mighty 8th Air Force Heritage Center, Pooler, GA. Provided consultation on organizational and exhibit development.
- 1993 *Pro bono* consultation to the Museum of Aviation, Warner- Robins, GA. Provided consultation on methods for determining visitor use patterns.

#### SERVICE TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

**Invited Speaker,** Daughters of the American Revolution, Bulloch County Chapter, April 3, 2008. Prepared and provided a presentation on U.S. military decorations.

**1991- Elder,** First Presbyterian Church, Statesboro, GA. Served as chair and/or **Present** member of various church worship and/or operations committees.

**2003-2001 President,** Statesboro High School Cross Country Team Boosters

- **Invited Speaker,** Bulloch County Bar Association. Provided power point based program on the proposed Ogeechee River Nature-Based Tourism Project for the Bulloch County Bar Association Monthly Meeting (April 17, 2002).
- **Invited Speaker,** Statesboro Downtown Rotary Club. Provided power point based program on the Savannah River Nature-Based Tourism Project (February 7, 2002).

1999-1998 **Volunteer Coach**, Statesboro-Bulloch County Parks and Recreation Department, Midget Girls Softball Teams. 1997 Member, Historic Preservation Ordinance Committee, Downtown Statesboro Development Authority. Assisted in the drafting and review of an historic preservation ordinance, Summer 1996 through Winter 1997. 1996 Member, Bulloch County Bicentennial Committee - Subcommittee on Artifacts, Spring 1996 through Fall 1996. 1996 Invited Article, written for The GRTA Bulletin - The Journal of News and Reflections for Georgia Retired Educators (Gainesville, GA; Vol. XV, No. 2, Sept 1996). At request of the organization, wrote an article on the GSU Museum World War II exhibit and artifact collection. Summer 1996 1995 **Invited Speaker**, Statesboro Kiwanis Club Meeting. Spoke on the research being conducted in association with the development of the "World in Flames" exhibits at the GSU Museum, Summer 1995. 1995 **Invited Speaker**, Statesboro Shrine Meeting. Spoke on the research being conducted in association with the development of the "World in Flames" at the GSU Museum. Spring 1995. 1993 **Invited Speaker**, Statesboro DAR Chapter Meeting. Spoke on the research and production of the "Selling of World War II" museum exhibit. Fall 1993. 1993 **Invited Speaker**, Bulloch County Historical Society Monthly Meeting. Spoke on the research and production of the "Selling of World War II" museum exhibit. Fall 1993. 1993 **Invited Speaker**, Presbyterian Men's Club, First Presbyterian Church, Statesboro Monthly Meeting. Spoke on the programming activities of the Admiral Nimitz Museum, Fredericksburg, TX. Spring 1993. 1992 Invited Speaker, American Legion Post #90 (Statesboro, GA) Monthly Meeting. Spoke on the research and production of the "Georgia Goes to War - The Bulloch County Experience" museum exhibit. Spring 1992. 1992 **Invited Speaker**, Statesboro Summit Apartments Residents Monthly Meeting. Spoke on the military history research and interpretation studies being conducted with the Georgia Southern University Museum. Spring 1992. 1992 **Invited Speaker**, Bulloch County Historical Society Monthly Meeting. Spoke on the research and production of the "Georgia Goes to War - The

Bulloch County Experience" museum exhibit. Winter 1992.