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Personal Born April 12, 1948, in Grand Rapids, Michigan; married to Deborah L. Geelhoed, September 4, 1971; children, Marc Edward, b. November 18, 1977; Beth, deceased, November 3, 1980; Steven Dwight, b. April 13, 1989.

Education Ph.D. Ball State University, 1976
M.A. Central Michigan University, 1972
B.A. Hope College, 1970

Experience Professor of History, 1992-Present (Department Chair, 2004-2010; Assistant Chair, spring, 1988; Interim Director of Graduate Studies, fall, 2010)
Director, Center for Middletown Studies and Professor of History, 1992-2004 (Acting Director, 1991-1992, acting director, January-June, 2013)
Associate Director, Office of Academic Research and Sponsored Programs, 1988-1990 (Acting Director, 1990-1991) and Associate Professor of History
Associate Professor of History, 1986-1992
Visiting Professor of American History, Westminster College, Oxford, U.K., spring, 1987
Research Historian, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, University of Pennsylvania, 1981-1982; September-February, 1982-1983
Assistant Professor of History, 1981-1986

Teaching

Adjunct faculty member in History, Villanova University, spring, 1982

Director, Carmichael Residential Instruction Project, 1975-1981

HONRS 199, Inquiries into Contemporary American Civilization

HONRS 390, Honors Colloquium in American Civilization

HIST 310/510, Introduction to the History of Business in the United States

HIST 320, Laboratory Course in American History

HIST 413/513, The United States, 1945-Present

HIST 153, The World in Recent Times, 1815-Present

HIST 203, The United States, 1900-Present

HIST 440, Capstone Course in History

HONR 499 Honors Thesis and Creative Project

ICS 640, The Information and Communication Industry

I am also a member of the Graduate faculty in the History Department, the Honors College faculty, and the faculty of the Center for Information and Communication Sciences.

Publications

Books

Diplomacy Shot Down: The U-2 Crisis and Eisenhower's Aborted Mission to Moscow, 1959-1960. Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2020.

With Michael Szajewski and Brandon Piescko, *Ball State University, 1918-2018.* Charleston: Arcadia, 2018.

Bump Elliott, The Michigan Wolverines and Their 1964 Championship Football Season. Jefferson, NC: McFarland Publishers, 2014.

Editor, *On the Western Front With the Rainbow Division: A World War I Diary,* by Vernon E. Kniptash. Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2009.

With Anthony O. Edmonds, co-editor, *The Macmillan-Eisenhower Correspondence, 1957-1969.* Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2005.

With Anthony O. Edmonds, *Eisenhower, Macmillan, and Allied Unity, 1957-1961*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2003.

With Anthony O. Edmonds, *Ball State University: An Interpretive History*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2001.

Football at Ball State University, 1924-2001. Chicago: Arcadia, 2001.

Muncie: The Middletown of America. Chicago: Arcadia, 2000.

Margaret Thatcher: In Triumph and Downfall. New York: Praeger, 1992, with the assistance of James Hobbs.

With Millicent Anne Gates, *The Dragon and the Snake: An American Account of the Turmoil in China, 1976-1977*. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 1986. This book was re-published in 2015, in hard-cover and e-book, in September, 2015, by the University of Pennsylvania Press in commemoration of its 125th anniversary.

Charles E. Wilson and Controversy at the Pentagon, 1953 to 1957. Detroit: Wayne State University Press, 1979.

Articles and Book Chapters (selected)

“The Game That Turned Around the Michigan-Ohio State Rivalry,” *Michigan History*. Vol. 98, No. 6 (November-December, 2014), 55-59.

“ ‘Oh, She’s A Rather Rough War, Boys, But She’s Better Than No War At All’: The Meuse Argonne Offensive and the Diarists of the Rainbow Division,” in Edward Lengel, ed., *A Companion to the Meuse Argonne*. (New York: Wiley-Blackwell, 2014), 194-211.

“Rainbow Soldier: Vernon Kniptash and World War I,” *Traces of Indiana and Midwestern History* (May 2006), 16-25.

“The Enduring Legacy of Muncie as Middletown,” in Eric Lassiter, editor, *The Other Side of Middletown* (Walnut Creek, CA: Alta Mira Press, 2004), 27-47.

With James J. Connolly, “The Small City Experience in the Midwest: An Introduction,” *Indiana Magazine of History*, Vol. XCIX, Number 4 (December 2003), 307-10.

“March, 1987: The Foreshadowing of a British General Election,” in Stanislaw Pugliese, editor, *The Thatcher Years: The Rebirth of Liberty?* (Westport, CN: Greenwood Press, 2001). This article was also published in Stanislaw Pugliese, editor, *The Political Legacy of Margaret Thatcher* (London: Politico’s Publishing Ltd., 2003), 86-101.

“Wilbur M. Brucker,” in *American National Biography* (Cary, N.C.: Oxford University Press, 1999), 788-790.

“The Distribution and Diffusion of Power in Middletown: Then and Now,” in Hans Bertens and Theo D’Haan, eds., *The Small Town in America: A Multidisciplinary Revisit*. (Amsterdam: VU University Press, 1995), 77-95. This volume is number 32 in the series, *European Perspectives on America*, published by VU Press.

“Dwight D. Eisenhower, the Spy Plane, and the Summit: A Quarter Century Retrospective,” *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, Vol. 17, No. 1 (Winter, 1986), 95-106.

With A. E. Bracken, “Clio and the Marketplace: Teaching American Business History,” *The History Teacher*, XIV, No.2 (February 1981), 209-222.

“What Was Good for Our Country Was Good for General Motors,” *Michigan History*, 64, No. 5 (September/October 1980), 36-43.

“Executive at the Pentagon: Re-examining the Role of Charles E. Wilson in the Eisenhower Administration,” *Military Affairs*, XLIV, No. 1 (February 1980), 1-7.

Papers and Presentations (selected)

“November 21, 1964, Michigan 10 – Ohio State 0: How Eleven Ohioans Helped Michigan Defeat Ohio State and Win a Big Ten Championship,” 84th Annual Meeting, Indiana Academy of the Social Sciences, October 18, 2013, Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana

With Anthony O. Edmonds, “President Eisenhower and Prime Minister Macmillan,” at “The United States and Great Britain: The Legacy of Churchill’s Atlantic Alliance,” conference sponsored by the Howard Baker Center for Public Policy, University of Tennessee, March 2006.

“The Transatlantic Dialogue of Dwight D. Eisenhower and Harold Macmillan,” Mid-America Conference on History, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas, September 2005.

“Documenting Middletown,” annual meeting of the Midwest Archives Association, Chicago, Illinois, May 2000.

“March 1987: The Foreshadowing of a British General Election,” presented at “The Thatcher Years: Rebirth of Liberty?”, Hofstra University, Hempstead, New York, March 2000.

“The Distribution and Diffusion of Power in Middletown: Then and Now,” annual meeting, The Netherlands American Studies Association, Middleburg, the Netherlands, June 1993.

“Margaret Thatcher, Neil Kinnock, and the Battle of Britain,” Great Lakes History Conference, Grand Rapids, Michigan, April 1988.

“Thomas S. Gates and the Principles of National Security,” presented at the dedication of the Thomas S. Gates Room, Van Pelt Library, University of Pennsylvania, September 1984.

Professional Service (selected)

Department (at various times)

Membership on every standing committee: Advisory Committee; Curriculum Committee; Graduate Programs Committee; Honors, Scholarships, and Recognition Committee; Merit Committee; Promotion and Tenure Committee; Undergraduate Programs Committee

Membership on numerous search committees for hiring of new faculty

Honors College

Member, Dean’s Faculty Advisory Council, 2001-2019

Member and presidential appointee, Search Committee to select the dean of the Honors College, 2016-2017

Member, Search Committee for Honors Humanities

Member, Search Committee for Honors Humanities

Member, Joe and Carol Trimmer Prize for the Outstanding Honors Thesis and Outstanding Creative Project selection committee

Member, Dr. T.M. Anderson Scholarship Selection Committee

College

Promotion and Tenure Committee, 1988, 1998

University

Academic Associate, Atlantic Council of the United States, 1986-Present

Patent and Copyright Committee, 1988-1996

University Research Committee, 1990-1991

Community

Member and Officer, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Muncie, IN, 1975-Present

Coach, Board Member, and Officer, Delta Little League, Muncie, IN, 1985-1989, 1996-2001

Coach, Board Member, and Officer, Delta Babe Ruth Baseball League, Muncie, IN, 1991-1993, 2001-2004

Member and Secretary, Board of Governors, Minnetrista Cultural Center, Muncie, IN, 1996-2001

Professional Memberships

Delaware County Historical Society

References:

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