



# ISEB 2010



2010



# International Society for Educational Biography

27th Annual Meeting  
Chase Park Plaza  
St. Louis, Missouri  
April 22nd - April 24th



# ISEB

The International Society for International Biography (ISEB) has a threefold purpose:

- to promote the scholarly study of the lives of educators and those whose lives are educative;
- to encourage the exchange of ideas between scholars of education with those from other disciplines who have an interest in the field of education through the common band of educational biography;
- to further the improvement of teaching in education by adding a biographical dimension to the study of pedagogy.

The ISEB publishes a journal, *Vitae Scholasticae*, multiple times a year and holds an annual conference to fulfill these purposes.

By “biography” we include traditional biographical accounts as well as biographical methods, which include narrative, oral history, autobiography, ethnography, auto-ethnography, and self-study. All analytical and interpretative approaches to biographies are encouraged in papers selected for presentations at the annual ISEB conference.

It's never too early to plan for future ISEB conferences! The ISEB annual conference typically takes place either in late April or early May. We hope to see you at our future events.

2011 Menger Hotel, San Antonio, Texas (April 28-30)  
2012 To Be Determined

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## Registration

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Registration for the annual conference is \$160 USD before April 1, 2010 (US funds) and \$180 (US funds) after April 3, 2010 (includes the price of one lunch). The registration fee is separate from membership dues. Dues are \$75 (US) per year and include a subscription to *Vitae Scholasticae*. Dues for graduate students are \$30 (US) but do not include a subscription to the journal. If the journal is desired, full payment of \$75 is required. Additional lunches for friends and spouses are \$45.00. You may visit the ISEB website at [www.isebio.org](http://www.isebio.org) and click on “General Membership” for more details.

## Dining

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Lunch on Friday, April 23 and breakfast on Saturday, April 24 are included in the cost of registration and will take place in the meeting facilities, as designated on the calendar of events for each day.

## **Presentation Arrangements**

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Fees and arrangements for overhead, video, and LCD projectors and screens are the responsibility of the presenters. If two or more presenters use the same equipment on the same day, they may share expenses. Please contact John Hunt, the Program Chair, if you need to know if anyone else has indicated an interest in sharing equipment.

# ISEB

**International Society for  
Educational Biography  
2010 Conference  
Chase Park Plaza  
St. Louis, Missouri**

*Thursday, April 22, 2010*

**12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.: REGISTRATION**

**Chase Park Plaza, just outside the Portland Room**

**12:00p.m. – 12:15p.m.: PRESIDENTIAL WELCOME**

**Chase Park Plaza, Portland Room – Lucy Townsend,  
President, ISEB**

**Presentations: 12:20 p.m. – 1:50 pm**

**Educational Innovators – Forsyth Room**

**Chair: Von Pittman, University of Missouri, USA**

**Gera Burton, University of Missouri, USA – Opening  
“the Great Gate at the Place of Learning”: Charles  
Wedemeyer’s Efforts to Support the Independent Learner.**

**Basiyr D. Rodney, Webster University, USA – The Visual  
Instruction Movement in St. Louis, 1870-2005:  
Implications for Educational Technology in the 21<sup>st</sup>  
Century**

**Educational Innovators (cont.) – Forsyth Room**

**Laura Westhoff**, University of Missouri – St. Louis, USA – Educating for Activism: Myles Horton and the Idea of Highlander.

**Historical Biographies – Portland Room**

Chair: Robert Bérard, Mount Saint Vincent University, Canada

**Billy L. Wayson**, Gordonsville, VA, USA – “Martha Jefferson Randolph: Fashioning a Republican Daughter and Plantation Mistress, 1783-1809.”

**John F. Wakefield**, University of North Alabama – The Second Great Awakening and American Educational Reform: Insights from the Biography of John Milton Gregory.

**Presentations: 1:55 p.m. – 3:25 p.m.**

**Educational Biography Across the Globe – Forsyth Room**

Chair: Martha May Tevis, University of Texas – Pan American, USA

**Mike Boone**, Texas State University – San Marcos – A Positivist Education: Gabino Barreda and Educational Reform in Mexico.

**Samia Costandi**, Ahlia University, Kingdom of Bahrain – Olive Branches in Sunlit Patios: Inroads to the Life and Work of Bayan Nuwayhd Al-Hout, A Palestinian Academic

**Biography and Student Performance – Portland Room**

Chair: Mary Bevel, Webster University, USA

**Setlhom Koloi-Keikitse**, Ball State University, USA – Authentically Speaking: Educational Biography as Influenced by the Experiences of Student Assessment Practices.

**Thalia M. Mulvihill**, Ball State University, USA – Educational Biography Meets Autoethnography: Pedagogical Performances as a Qualitative Researcher.

**Presentations: 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Life Journeys – Forsyth Room**

Chair: John W. Hunt, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, USA

**Martha May Tevis, John W. McBride, and Frances Quintanilla**, University of Texas – Pan American, USA – From Migrant to Teacher and City Commissioner: The Extraordinary Journey of Frances Quintanilla.

**Naomi Norquay**, York University, Canada and **Ellen Wright**, York University, Canada (Panel) – Mapping the Auto/Biographical Through Fragment or Trace. First paper: “Land’s Memory” Second paper: “Running in the Family Body”

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**Religious Lives – Portland Room**

Chair: Joyce Kemuma, Södertörn University, Sweden

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**Robert Bérard**, Mount Saint Vincent University,  
Canada – Biography and Educational Charisms:  
Teaching Orders and their Foundresses.

**Aaron Bruewer**, Ball State University, USA –  
Narratively Speaking: Roman Catholic Educational  
Biographies and Gender. X

**Presentations: 5:05 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.**

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**Artifacts and Access – Forsyth Room**

Chair: Lucy Townsend, Northern Illinois  
University, USA

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**Mary Bevel and Virginia Altrogge**, Webster  
University, USA – How Can a Museum Build  
Community with Adult Learners?

**Friday, April 23, 2010**

**8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.: Executive Committee  
Meeting, Eau Bistro Restaurant**

**Presentations: 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

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**Women's Lives – Forsyth Room**

Chair: Thalia Mulvihill, Ball State University, USA

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**Julia Kathryn Daine**, University of Oklahoma, USA  
– Narrating Lives on the Net.

**Melissa Esh**, Ball State University, USA – Menarche  
Narratives as Educational Resistance.

**Elizabeth Tjaden**, Ball State University, USA –  
Intelligent Humor: A New Education for Women.

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**The Lives of School Leaders – Portland Room**

Chair: Chandrasena Liyana Cabraal, Chicago State  
University

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**Monica Cousins Noraian**, Illinois State University,  
USA – Women's Rights, Racial Equality and  
Education: A Biography of Sarah Raymond, the  
Nation's First Female School superintendent (1874-  
1892).

**Raji Swaminathan**, University of Wisconsin –  
Milwaukee, USA – Narratives of School Leaders on  
Their Journeys Towards Leadership.

**Presentations: 10:05 a.m. – 11:35 a.m.**

**Biography and Culture – Forsyth Room**  
Chair: Samia Costandi, Ahlia University,  
Kingdom of Bahrain

**Angela E. Poole**, Chicago State University, USA –  
**Patricia Hill-Collins**: Objectification of African  
American Women and the Implications for  
Educational Leaders.

**Carol Schultz**, Chicago State University, USA –  
**James A. Banks**: “Father of Multicultural Education”.

**Biography in Higher Education – Portland Room**  
Chair: Mike Boone, Texas State University –  
San Marcos, USA

**Lora Helvie-Mason**, Southern University at New  
Orleans, USA and **Lucy Bailey**, Oklahoma State  
University, USA – On the Road to Tenure: Reflections  
on Identity and Strategy from Two Untenured Faculty  
Members.

**Julie Lochbaum**, Truman State University, USA and  
**Amy Schweizer**, Indian Hills Community College &  
Moberly Area Community College, USA –  
A Co-Curricular Oral History Project at a Liberal Arts  
& Sciences University.

**Von Pittman**, University of Missouri, USA –  
Odyssey of a Tramp Athlete: Tony Cole and the  
Shame of the Bulldogs.

**ISEB Luncheon and General Meeting**

11:45 a.m. – 2:10 p.m.—*Lenox Room*

11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.: Lunch

12:30 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.: President’s Address  
*The Educational Biographer and the  
Deconstructive Dance -*  
**Lucy Townsend**, Northern Illinois University, USA

1:15 p.m. – 2:10 p.m.: ISEB General Meeting

**Presentations: 2:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.**

**Biography in Instructional Settings –  
Forsyth Room**

Chair: Lora Helvie-Mason, Southern University  
at New Orleans, USA

**Chandrasena Liyana Cabraal**, Chicago State  
University, USA – Interpretation of “Difference”: The  
Art of Understanding the Collective Biography of  
School.

**David Goodwin**, Missouri State University, USA –  
Teacher Biography and In-Depth Qualitative Research  
in Education: Two Case Examples and Implications.

**Joyce Kemuma**, Södertörn University, Sweden – Is it  
Possible to Use Narratives in Teacher Education? How  
Can I Use Biography in Teaching?

**Publishing Opportunities – Portland Room**

Chair: Lucy Bailey, Oklahoma State University, USA

**Linda Morice and Laurie Puchner**, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville – Writing for *Vitae Scholasticae*.

**Naomi Norquay**, York University, Canada – Writing Book Reviews.

**Presentations: 3:50 p.m. – 5:20 p.m**

**Life Writing for Students – Forsyth Room**

Chair: Basiyr Rodney, Webster University, USA

**Mirra Anson**, University of Missouri – St. Louis – Enhancing Writing Skills for Developmental Writers: Using the Life Narrative as an Instructional Technique.

**John Beineke**, Arkansas State University, USA – Young Adult Literature as a Publishing Venue for Educational Biography.

**Jane Crossley**, Chicago State University – Narrowing the Distance Between Scientific Interest and Scientific Careers in Urban Students.

**The Craft of Biography – Portland Room**

Chair: Linda Morice, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, USA

**Penny Craig**, Ball State University, USA – Rewriting the Writer? Laura Ingalls and Rose Wilder Lane.

**Alberta Morgan**, Ball State University, USA – Writing Down a Life: Women and Journal Writing.

**Louis M. Smith**, Washington University, USA - The Artistry of Editing: Nora Barlow and the Darwin Manuscripts.

**5:25 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**  
**President's Reception**  
(wine & cheese)

**Plaza Room**



***Saturday, April 24, 2010***

**8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.**

**Continental Breakfast, Portland Room**

**8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.**

**Executive Committee Meeting, Eau Bistro  
Restaurant**

**Presentations: 9:35 a.m. – 11:35 a.m.**

**Remembering the Past – Forsyth Room**

Chair: John F. Wakefield, University of  
North Alabama

**Virginia Altrogge**, Webster University, USA –  
Remembrances of a World War II Veteran: 1943-  
1945.

**Olufunmilola Olorunda**, ITT Technical Institute,  
USA – Oral History of Africa: How the Story of Our  
Past Shapes Our Existence

**Deborah A. Stiles**, Webster University, USA –  
Coming to Know My Great-Grandfather by Reading  
His Book, *The Upper Way*.

**Exploring Equity Issues – Portland Room**

Chair: Laura Westhoff, University of Missouri –  
St. Louis, USA

**Yolanda O. Dorger**, West Chester, OH, USA –  
Freire's Bio-Text, Historical Background and  
Statements for the Archaeological Analysis of Freire's  
Idea of Oppression.

**Thomasina F. Hassler**, University of Missouri –  
St. Louis, USA - Critical Autoethnography as  
Dissertation: Where the Rocks are in the Pond

**Benjamin H. Welsh, Jodi Cavanaugh, Kathryn  
Lloyd, Stacy L. Lockhart, and Daphne Wells**,  
Morgan State University, USA – Blinded by the  
Light: Eye-Opening Experiences with White Studies  
at an Historically Black University.

**Presentations: 11:35 a.m. – 12:05 p.m.**

**Looking Back on Educational Careers –  
Forsyth Room**

Chair: Linda Morice, Southern Illinois University  
Edwardsville, USA

**Charlesetta M. Ellis**, Chicago State University, USA  
– Alain Locke: Vignette of a 20<sup>th</sup> Century Renaissance  
Man.

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**Educational Careers Redux – Portland Room**

Chair: Virginia Altrogge, Webster University, USA

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**John W. Hunt**, Southern Illinois University  
Edwardsville, USA – A Hoosier Mentors Generations  
of Doctoral Students in Illinois: The Story of Robert  
L. Buser.