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About the Authors

Erika Carroll, author of "Potions, Poisons and ' Inheritance Powders' : How Chemical Discourses Entangled 17th Century France in the Brinvilliers Trial and the Poison Affair," graduated magna cum laude from Chapman University this past May with a BA in both History and in French. She previously served as the historian for the Alpha Mu Gamma chapter of Phi Alpha Theta from 2010-2011 and served as president during this past 2011-2012 term. In the summer of 2011 Erika traveled to Paris, France in order to conduct research at the Bibliothèque Nationale de France. She has presented condensed versions of this paper at both the Alpha Mu Gamma Conference and the Phi Alpha Theta Southern California Regional Conference in 2012.

James Chrislip, author of "Firepower Kills: The Evolution of French Infantry Tactics at Verdun," graduated from Chapman University in May 2012 with degrees in history and French, with departmental honors. This paper was presented at the Southern California Conference for Undergraduate Research at Mt. San Antonio College in November 2011, the Fourth Annual Alpha Mu Gamma Conference at Chapman University in March 2012, and the Phi Alpha Theta Regional Conference at Cal State Fullerton in April 2012. Much of the research for this project was undertaken at the Musée de la Memorial in Verdun and the Service Historique de l' Armée de Terre in Vincennes, France. In the fall, he will be working in the city of Dreux, outside Paris, as part of the French Embassy's Teaching Assistant Program in France. He plans to pursue military history in graduate school.

Alexandria Dinges, author of "Three Countries, One People: How the Volga Deutsch Survived the West," graduated from Chapman University in May of 2012 with honors in History. She was secretary of Chapman University's chapter of Phi Alpha Theta from 2011-2012. Her desire to research this small, agriculture, foreign community in Kansas was inspired by her heritage. This paper was presented at the annual Southern California Regional Phi Alpha Theta Conference at Cal State Fullerton in April 2012 and the Annual Alpha Mu Gamma Conference in March 2012. She interned with a small, local historical publisher throughout her career at Chapman University and hopes to continue pursuing a future in publishing and history.

Hayden Dingman, author of "' Tin Soldiers and Nixon Coming' : Musical Framing and Kent State", graduated summa cum laude from Chapman University with a BA in History, a BFA in Film Production and a minor in English. His love of music led him to the topic of music that stemmed from the Kent State shootings in 1970. Hayden was able to conduct an interview with Gerald Casale, a founding member of the group Devo, who was standing merely 15 feet from Allison Krause when she was shot. This past January, Hayden received a grant to visit Kent State University in Kent, Ohio. He has presented condensed versions of this paper at the Alpha Mu Gamma Conference, the Phi Alpha Theta Southern California Regional Conference as well as the conference "Nixon: His Life and Times" at the Nixon Library.

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Jason Hiller, who authored "Shaken, not Stirred: Markus Wolf's Involvement in the Guillaume Affair and the Evolution of Foreign Espionage in the Former DDR," graduated with the class of 2012 from Chapman University with a degree in history and a minor in German. Jason transferred to Chapman in 2011 and realized that his passion for reading history books could be turned into much more. His understanding of the German culture helped him to pursue his passion for espionage during the Cold War. Jason's paper was presented at the 2012 Southern California Phi Alpha Theta Conference at Cal State Fullerton. He will work to do research for political candidates before returning to complete his PhD in History.

Molly Iker, author of "Hard Times in the Big Easy: The Medical, Social, and Political Effects of the Yellow Fever Epidemic of 1853 in New Orleans," will graduate from Chapman in May 2013 with degrees in History and Piano Performance. She is a member of the Schweitzer Chapter of Mortar Board, Phi Alpha Theta, and the Chapman University Honors Program. She received grants enabling her to travel to Louisiana to conduct primary research at Louisiana State and Tulane Universities. In addition to presenting this paper at the Alpha Mu Gamma Conference and the Phi Alpha Theta Southern California Regional Conference, Molly also presented at the 2011 Southern California Conference for Undergraduate Research and the 2012 Western Regional Honors Conference in Albuquerque, NM. In the fall, she will apply to graduate programs in Public History and Historic Preservation, in hopes of becoming a conservator of historic artifacts and buildings.

Turner Jacobs, author of "'To associate ourselves with the men of Ulster:' A gendered history of Ulster's Solemn League and Covenant, 1910-1920," graduated from Chapman University in 2012 with a BA in European History as well as a BFA in Television and Broadcast Journalism. After conducting his thesis research in Belfast, Turner resolved to further pursue his passion for history. He intends to obtain a PhD in history with the hope of working as an historical consultant for film and television, which would combine his academic and creative interests.

Alix Oswald, author of "The Reaction to the Dred Scott Decision," graduated from Chapman University with a Bachelor of Arts in History with a United States emphasis, and a minor in Art History. In April of 2012, she presented an abridged version of this paper at the Phi Alpha Theta Southern California Regional Conference held at Cal State Fullerton, where she won the second place prize for best undergraduate paper. In the fall she will be moving to Scotland to pursue a Master's in American History at the University of Edinburgh.