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Three new members of Board of Directors announced

At its 2015 national convention in Oklahoma City, the American Journalism Historians Association announced the election of three new members to the organization's board of directors.

Bowling Green State University's Kathy Bradshaw, Iowa State's Tracy Lucht and Eastern Kentucky's Pam Perry joined the ranks of the members charged with stewarding the AJHA following a vote of members gathered for the 34th annual national convention. Bradshaw feels privileged to serve in her new role.

"I'm thrilled to have the opportunity to serve on the board of a great organization," Bradshaw said.

"AJHA provides tremendous support to its members, and I'm lucky to have the chance to contribute."

Like Bradshaw, Lucht cited a desire to give back to the venerable organization as her primary motivation.

"This organization has done a lot for me professionally, and I am eager to give back," Lucht said. "It is my hope that AJHA will continue to expand its membership while demonstrating its value to current members. In particular, I hope to continue the work others have been doing to emphasize the importance of history and to help our members achieve their professional and institutional goals."

Similarly, Perry credits AJHA with helping her professional career and aims to service the organization that aided in her own endeavors.

"I want to serve on the AJHA board simply because it is the single most significant organization in my professional life," Perry said. "I owe so much to the members who helped me as a graduate student to

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find a place and a voice. They've also helped me transition from graduate student to budding scholar. I simply want to give back a portion of that which I have received.”

Founded in 1981, the American Journalism Historians Association seeks to advance education and research in mass communication history. Members work to raise historical standards and ensure that all scholars and students recognize the vast importance of media history and apply this knowledge to the advancement of society. For more information on AJHA, visit <http://www.ajhaonline.org>.

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