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***Lot's Wife Publishing is a 2006 AASLH Award Winner***

NASHVILLE, TN—July, 2006—The American Association for State and Local History (AASLH) proudly announces that Lot's Wife Publishing of Staunton, Virginia, is the recipient of an Award of Merit from the AASLH Leadership in History Awards for the book, *Virginia's Cattle Story: The First Four Centuries*, written by Katharine L. Brown and Nancy T. Sorrells. Brown, of Staunton, Virginia, and Sorrells, of Greenville, Virginia, are partners, along with Dorothy A. Boyd-Bragg, in the 11-year-old firm of Lot's Wife Publishing. The full-color book (published November 2004), which was co-sponsored by the Virginia Cattlemen's Foundation and the Dairy Foundation of Virginia, also involved the editing expertise of Spottswood, Virginia, history professor Ken Koons; layout and interior design work by Betty Jo Hamilton of Middlebrook, Virginia; and artwork and template design by Cheryl Lyon of Dayton, Virginia.

The AASLH Leadership in History Awards, now in its 61st year, is the most prestigious recognition for achievement in the preservation and interpretation of state and local history. Awards for 2006 represent 84 organizations and individuals from the United States. Award winners will be honored at a special banquet during the 2006

AASLH Annual Meeting in Phoenix, Arizona, on Saturday, September 16, 2006. A generous contribution from The History Channel will once again help underwrite the cost of the awards banquet.

The AASLH awards program was initiated in 1945 to establish and encourage standards of excellence in the collection, preservation, and interpretation of state and local history throughout the United States. The AASLH Leadership in History Awards not only honor significant achievement in the field of state and local history, but also brings public recognition of the opportunities for small and large organizations, institutions, and programs to make contributions in this arena. For more information about the Leadership in History Awards, contact AASLH at 615-320-3203, or go to [www.aaslh.org](http://www.aaslh.org).

The American Association for State and Local history is a not-for-profit professional organization of individuals and institutions working to preserve and promote history. The Augusta County Historical Society, the Frontier Culture Museum, and the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library are local members of AASLH. From its headquarters in Nashville, Tennessee, AASLH provides leadership, service, and support for its members who preserve and interpret state and local history in order to make the past more meaningful in American society. AASLH publishes books, technical publications, a quarterly magazine, and monthly newsletter. The association also sponsors regional and national training workshops and an annual meeting.

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captions: 1. Dustjacket of *Virginia's Cattle Story: The First Four Centuries* by Katharine L. Brown and Nancy T. Sorrells  
2. Nancy Sorrells, left, and Katharine Brown, pose with a couple of the subjects of their award-winning book on cattle in Virginia.