

DRAFT Schedule

Fifth Annual Midwestern History Conference

Thursday and Friday, May 30-31, 2019

Pew Campus, Grand Valley State University

Grand Rapids, Michigan

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Subject to change at the discretion of conference organizers

Room numbers to be determined

**Check-In and Breakfast (May 30, 8 AM – 8:55 AM);
Midwestern History Association Business Meeting**

Hager-Lubbers Exhibition Hall

GVSU DeVos Center E

401 Fulton St. West

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Morning Plenary (May 30, 9 – 10:15 AM)

Introduction

Erik S. McDuffie,

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Flownover States:

The View from the Middle of Everywhere

Kristin Hoganson,

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

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First Panel Session (May 30, 10:30 AM – Noon)

Division and Decline: Small Midwestern Cities During the Long 1970s

Chair: James Connolly, Ball State University

No New “Moses”: Housing Segregation and the Death of Progressivism in Dayton, Ohio, 1969-1980

Eric Michael Rhodes, Miami University of Ohio

Factors Influencing Residential Settlement Patterns of African Americans in Toledo, Ohio, 1970-2010

Kevin McGruder, Antioch College

The Concerned Latins Organization: The Pursuits of a ‘Sleeping Giant’ and Its Failure to Cross the Color Line

Emiliano Aguilar, Northwestern University

Model Cities and Modern Environmentalism in Carbondale, Illinois

Greg Carter, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

“Everyone Has a Wilder Story”: Laura Ingalls Wilder, the Midwest, and Historical Research

Chair: John E. Miller, South Dakota State University

Everyone Has a Wilder Story

William Anderson, Laura Ingalls Wilder Home Association, Mansfield, Missouri

My 30-Year Affair with Laura Ingalls Wilder

John E. Miller, South Dakota State University

Not as a Child and Not from the Midwest: My Path to Wilder Research

John J. Fry, Trinity Christian College

First Panel Session (May 30, Continued)

Historians' Perspectives on Small-Town Life in the Midwest

Chair: Matthew D. Hintz, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

The Etiology of a Conspiracy Theory of History: A Small Iowa Town Reacts to Tragedy

Edgar V. Epperly, Luther College

“A Simple and Vital Design”: Painting the Small Midwestern Town

Andy Oler, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

I Moved Back Home and Want to Tell You About It: Rediscovering Small-Town Life in the Midwest

Joe Otto, Iowa State University

Isolation and Connection in the Northern Midwest, 1848-1949

Chair: Peter Krats, University of Western Ontario

The Upper Peninsula and the Reporter: The 75th Anniversary of John Bartlow Martin's *Call It North Country*

Ray E. Boomhower, Indiana Historical Society

Planes, Trains, and Automobiles, Plus Telegraphs, Telephones, and Radios: Connection, Security, and Winter on the Northern Plains, 1920-1949

Daniel J. Fischer, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

Demolishing a Myth: Trapped in the Lake Superior Basin in the Winter

Russell M. Magnaghi, Northern Michigan University

“Buried Up Here in the Wilderness”: The Canadian Labor of American Harvesters on the Northern Plains, 1890s-1920s

Nathan Tye, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

First Panel Session (May 30, Continued)

Midwestern Histories of Antislavery and Escape

Chair: Jennifer K. Stinson, Saginaw Valley State University

Our Godly Duty: American Covenanters and the Abolition and Antislavery Movement in the Midwest

Rochelle E. Danquah, Wayne State University

Native Americans and the Underground Railroad: Evidence from the Midwest

Roy E. Finkenbine, University of Detroit Mercy

A Legal History of Enslavement and Escape in Territorial Spaces

Michelle Kaiser, University of Nebraska – Lincoln

Ohio, Evangelical Religion, and the Merging of the Antislavery Movement: Joshua R. Giddings, Salmon P. Chase, and their Remarkable Crusades Against Slavery

Douglas Montagna, Grand Valley State University

Murder and Justice in the Reconstruction Midwest

Chair and Comments: Christopher Phillips, University of Cincinnati

Midwestern Vigilantism: The Lynching of Whites in Indiana in the Reconstruction Era

Richard F. Nation, Eastern Michigan University

The Centennial Serial Killer: Rape and Murder in the Midwest

Krista Kinslow, Boston University

Madness, Murder, and Method: Interpreting Mangrum the Man-Devil

A. James Fuller, University of Indianapolis

First Panel Session (May 30, Continued)

Problematic Coalitions and Competing Interests: WWI-Era Women and Wartime Labor

Chair: Jo Ellyn Clarey, Greater Grand Rapids Women's History Council

Tracking Factory Girls Before, During, and After WWI: A Case Study from Grand Rapids, Michigan

Julie Tabberer, Grand Rapids Public Library

“WANTED – Girls, Bring Overalls”: Two Angles on Wartime Working Women

Katelyn VerMerris, West Virginia University

Money and Maternalism: The Pressures of War and Battles for Reform

Anna Stoutenburg, Cornerstone University

Sectional Divide and Civil War in Midwestern History

Chair: Nicole Etcheson, Ball State University

Ohio Newspaper Coverage of John Brown's Raid on Harper's Ferry

Ty Graham, Youngstown State University

Ohio's Internal War: Civil War Politics in the Buckeye State

Brian Schoen, Ohio University

“Western” Youths: The Midwest in the Memoirs of Sherman, Sheridan, and Grant

Alexander K. Smith, Concordia Seminary

“Buchanan and Free Soil”: Conservative Free Soilism in Indiana Before the Civil War

Andrew Wiley, Cumberland University

First Panel Session (May 30, Continued)

Unvanishing Indians: Survivance and Cultural Persistence of Anishinaabeg Kinship Networks in the Nineteenth-Century Great Lakes

Chair and Comments: Justin M. Carroll, Indiana University East

Plants and Persistence: Medicinal Herbs and the Endurance of Anishinaabe Culture in Michigan and Ontario

Michael J. Albani, Michigan State University

Frontier Nationalism in the Literature of Juliette Magill Kinzie and Major John Richardson

Aaron Luedtke, Michigan State University

Sovereignty, Kinship, and Land: Anishinaabe Women and the 1826 Treaty of Fond du Lac

Emily MacGillivray, Northland College

Where the Midwest Ends and the Plains Begin: A Conversation about *The Interior Borderlands: Regional Identity in the Midwest and Great Plains* (Center for Western Studies, 2019) (Roundtable)

Chair: Jon K. Lauck, University of South Dakota

Michael Mullin, Augustana University

Mara Cohen Ioannides, Missouri State University

Gleaves Whitney, Hauenstein Center at Grand Valley State University

David Pichaske, Southwest Minnesota State University

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Afternoon Plenary (May 30, 1 – 2:15 PM)

Introduction

Ted Frantz, University of Indianapolis and President,
Midwestern History Association

Wendell Willkie:

The Mid-Twentieth Century's

Remarkable Civil Libertarian and Visionary Internationalist

David Levering Lewis,

New York University

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Second Panel Session (May 30, 2:30 – 4 PM)

Agricultural History in the Midwest

Chair: Peter Krats, University of Western Ontario

Beyond the Farm: Settling the Cutover Region of North Central Minnesota, 1890-1918

John Byczynski, Western Michigan University

How Corn and Pork Helped Create the Midwest

Cynthia Clampitt, Independent Scholar

Caging Potato Fields: Carceral Agriculture in Marengo, Illinois, During World War II

Samuel Klee, Saint Louis University

Battleground Midwest

Chair: Erik S. McDuffie, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

“Call Me African”: The Diasporic Dreams, Journeys, and Feminism of Christine Claybourne Johnson, 1909-1999

Olivia Hagedorn, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Beyond the Bounds of the Law: Black Women and the Informal Economy in Interwar Chicago

Tessara Dudley, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Imagining Sport and Citizenship in the Midwest: News Coverage of Traveling African American Ballplayers Abroad

Brian Campbell, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Prison Rebellions, Prison Reform, and the Fracturing of Wisconsin’s Political Culture, 1970-1976

Ian Toller-Clark, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Second Panel Session (May 30, Continued)

Being Midwestern in the Nineteenth Century: Regionalism in the Nascent Midwest (Roundtable)

Chair: Jon K. Lauck, University of South Dakota

Sara Egge, Centre College

Andrew Klumpp, Southern Methodist University

Jennifer K. Stinson, Saginaw Valley State University

Brady Winslow, Texas Christian University

Banks, Booms, and Big-Box Stores: Business and Commerce in Midwestern History

Chair: Andy Oler, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

From Cows to Credit Cards: How Citibank's Arrival Transformed Sioux Falls

Michael J. Mullin, Augustana University

Seeing is Believing: Land-Hunting Tours and the Midwestern Real Estate Boom of the 1830s

William Wagner, University of Colorado Denver

A Midwest Retailer: Understanding the Midwest through Target

Johnathan Williams, Boston University

The Midwest: How the Heartland Made America (Documentary Film Preview Screening and Discussion)

Dan Manatt, Democracy Films

Second Panel Session (May 30, Continued)

The Intellectual History of the Midwest: A Conversation about *Mapping Midwestern Minds* (Wisconsin Historical Society Press, forthcoming) (Roundtable)

Chair: Justin Clark, Indiana Archives and Records Administration

Ray E. Boomhower, Indiana Historical Society

Allan C. Carlson, Hillsdale College

William Kostlevy, Brethren Historical Library and Archives

David Pichaske, Southwest Minnesota State University

Michael Steiner, California State University, Fullerton

Gleaves Whitney, Hauenstein Center at Grand Valley State University

Midwestern Anticommunism and Conservatism After World War II

Chair: Greg Carter, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Objectionable: The Cincinnati Committee for the Evaluation of Comics and the American Anti-Comics Movement, 1940-1956

Evan R. Ash, Miami University of Ohio

A Composite Profile of Midwestern Republican Congressional Leaders, 1951-2018

Philip A. Grant, Jr., Pace University

Saving the World from Eleanor Roosevelt: Marguerite Dice, the Minute Women of the USA, and the Countersubversive Midwest

Erin M. Kempker, Mississippi University for Women

Heartland Stories: Remembering Immigration to the Rural Midwest After World War II

David Zwart, Grand Valley State University

Second Panel Session (May 30, Continued)

Midwest Indian “Survivance” Strategies

Chair and Comments: Susan Sleeper-Smith, Newberry Library and Michigan State University

All and More Than Was Owed: The Making of Indigenous Debt and Midwestern Capitalism, 1820-1860

Joshua Wachuta, Loyola University Chicago

Fighting Settler Colonialism: The Blackbird Family on Both Sides of the Great Lakes Border

Theodore J. Karamanski, Loyola University Chicago

Exhibiting Sovereignty: Activism in Great Lakes Tribal Museum Exhibits and Programming

Meagan McChesney, Loyola University Chicago

Midwestern Midcentury Modern: Understanding, Preserving, and Accessing Architectural Records (Roundtable)

Jordan Ryan, Indiana Historical Society

Maire Gurevitz, Indiana Historical Society

Second Panel Session (May 30, Continued)

Questionable Areas for Inclusion in the Midwest

Chair: Bruce Bigelow, Butler University

Southern Indiana: Midwestern or Border Southern?

Bruce Bigelow, Butler University

Trotting Down to Egypt: Southern Illinois as a Distinct Subregion of the Middle West

Randy Mills and Ryan L. Fletcher, Oakland City University

The Dairy Belt of Southern Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, 1850-1880: Midwest or New England Extended?

Gregory Rose, The Ohio State University at Marion

Midwestern Outlier or Cultural Shatterbelt? (Re)considering Oklahoma's Regional Affiliation

Timothy G. Anderson, Ohio University

Uncovering and Contextualizing Histories of Women in Indiana and Iowa

Chair/Comments: Coreen Derifield: East Central College

Carrie Chapman Catt: Contextualizing Controversy

Crystal Brandenburgh, Iowa State University

Belles, Baubles, and Beneficence: Using Diaries to Discover and Document the Women in the History of Muncie and Delaware County, Indiana

Melissa Gentry, Ball State University

"A Struggle Between the Progressive and the Reactionary Elements": Evaluating the Indiana Federation of Women's Clubs' 1915 Presidential Campaign

Jackie Swihart, Indiana University – Purdue University Indianapolis

Break, with Hearty Food (May 30, 4:15 – 5:15 PM)

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Evening Plenary (May 30, 5:30 – 6:45 PM)

Introduction

Sara Egge, Centre College and President-Elect,
Midwestern History Association

“So tired of the F and the O”:

**The Trope of the “First and the Only” and the Semiotics of Identity,
Place and Belonging in Midwestern History**

Anna-Lisa Cox,

The Hutchins Center for African & African American Research,
Harvard University

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FINAL EVENT OF DAY 1 (May 30, 7 – 8:45 PM):

**Evening Get-Together with Hearty Food
and MHA Award Announcements**

(Cash Bar)

Grand Rapids Brewing Company

Barn Room and Game Room

1 Ionia Ave. SW

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BEGINNING OF DAY 2

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Nicole Etcheson, Ball State University

Who is an American?

The Rise and Fall of the Ku Klux Klan in the Midwest

James H. Madison,

Indiana University Bloomington

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Third Panel Session (May 31, 10:30 AM – Noon)

AIDS and Activism in Indianapolis

Chair: Ted Frantz, University of Indianapolis

Drag Against AIDS: AIDS and the Indianapolis Bag Ladies

Kara Chinn, Indiana University – Purdue University Indianapolis

Afraid of AIDS: The History of AIDS Panic and Subsequent Gay Discrimination in Indianapolis and Indiana through *State of Indiana v. Herb Robbins*

Dalton Gackle, Indiana University – Purdue University Indianapolis

Circle City Strife: Gay and Lesbian Activism in Indianapolis During the Hudnut Era

Sam Opsahl, Indiana University – Purdue University Indianapolis

Environmental History in the Midwest

Chair: Richard F. Nation, Eastern Michigan University

Flooding Foreshock: The Midwestern Roots of Flood Insurance

Brian Rumsey, University of Northern Iowa

Barren Wastelands, Treasure Chest, Bleak Tailings, and “pristine ... uniquely serene biosphere”: Changing Perceptions of the Natural Environment in the Keweenaw Peninsula, Michigan

Peter Krats, University of Western Ontario

Iowa’s Agricultural History, Reconsidered from a River’s Perspective

Joe Otto, Iowa State University

Third Panel Session (May 31, Continued)

Faith, Settlement, and Displacement in Midwestern History

Chair: Linda Clemmons, Illinois State University

Dakota Uses of Christianity Following the U.S.-Dakota War of 1862

Linda Clemmons, Illinois State University

The Great Linwood Park Revivals: Bringing God's Medicinal Hand to the Great Lakes

Matthew D. Hintz, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

On the Margins of the Dutch Empire: International Consciousness in the Rural Nineteenth-Century Midwest

Andrew Klumpp, Southern Methodist University

The Priesthood Shared: Bishop Ray's Theology of Mutual Ministry in the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Michigan in the 1980s-2000s.

Jonathan P. Korpi, Central Michigan University

From Otherness to Assimilation: Attitudes Toward Mormons in the Upper Mississippi River Valley, 1846-1860

Brady G. Winslow, Texas Christian University

Histories of Development in Postindustrial Detroit

Chair: Matthew Daley, Grand Valley State University

Reclaiming the City: Urban Renewal and Policing in Detroit, 1967-1977

Kenneth Alyass, Harvard University

All that Remains: Poletown and the Photography of Bruce Harkness

Elizabeth Clemens, Wayne State University

"We ALL Live Downwind": The Detroit Trash Incinerator and the Battle for Community-Centered Development

Chelsea Denault, Loyola University Chicago

From Factories to Farms: Competing Visions of a New Detroit, 1973-1993

Sian Olson Dowis, Northwestern University

Third Panel Session (May 31, Continued)

Local and Community Archiving in the Midwest (Roundtable)

Chair: Aiden M. Bettine, University of Iowa

Korbin L. Painter, University of Iowa

Rich Dana, University of Iowa

Lindsay Mattock, University of Iowa

Placing Literary Agrarianism in the Twentieth-Century Midwest (Roundtable)

Chair: Paul Murphy, Grand Valley State University

Allan C. Carlson, Hillsdale College

John Linstrom, New York University

David Pichaske, Southwest Minnesota State University

Daniel Rinn, University of Rochester

Populism and Georgism in Midwestern History

Chair: Catherine McNicol Stock, Connecticut College

Lassoing a Nebraska Superstar: The Use of William Jennings Bryan's Fame to Promote Nebraska

Catherine Biba, Hastings College

A Radical in the House: The Early Political Career of Tom L. Johnson, 1891-1895

Michael Megery, University of Akron

"Can the Government Be Any Better Than the People Who Sustain It?": Luna Kellie's Campaign for Plains Populist Reform Through Farmer-Labor Unity, 1890-1900

Ann Vlock, University of Nebraska – Lincoln

Reconsidering Populism in the Old Northwest

Jeff Wells, University of Nebraska at Kearney

Third Panel Session (May 31, Continued)

Varieties of Remembrance and Memorialization in the Midwest

Chair: Libby Tronnes, Bradley University

More Than a Cat, More Than a Friend: Grave Markers and the Human-Animal Bond in Chicagoland Pet Cemeteries

Alexandra Gradwohl, Loyola University Chicago

“An American Monument”: Commemorating the U.S.-Mexico War on the Indiana Soldiers and Sailors Monument

Modupe Labode, Indiana University – Purdue University Indianapolis

Memorials to Presence: American Indian Cemeteries in the Great Lakes Region

Keith Snedegar, Utah Valley University

The “Penny of Poverty” and the “Plenty of Plutocracy”: The Politics of Memorialization in Turn-of-the-Twentieth-Century Detroit

Sean M. Wright, Michigan State University

Women at Work: Labor History in the Rural and Urban Midwest

Chair: Nathan Tye, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Modeling Midwest Values: The Ladies Auxiliary and Social Organizing within the Rural Working Class, 1950-1970

Coreen Derifield, East Central College

Female Agitators: The Women of the 1913-14 Keweenaw Copper Strike

Allie Penn, Wayne State University

Women Waiting: Gender, Violence and Labor as Spectacle in the 1914 Chicago Waitresses’ Strike

Alana Toulin, Northwestern University

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Fourth Panel Session (May 31, 1 – 2:30 PM)

Bridging the Gap: Primary Source Skill Development in Midwestern History Education (Roundtable)

Chair: Meghan Courtney, Wayne State University

Kristen Chinery, Wayne State University

Sarah Lebovitz, Wayne State University

Center and Fringe: Shifting Perceptions of Region, Community, and Geography in Midwestern History

Chair: Michael Steiner, California State University, Fullerton

The “Wild West” in the Midwest: The Interplay of Regional Identities at the Turn of the Twentieth Century

James Connolly, Ball State University

Defining the “Twin Cities” and “Up North”: An Examination of Minnesota’s Rural and Urban Identity

Andrew McGuire, Steele County Historical Society of Minnesota

U.S. Expansion and the Creation of the Middle West in the Nineteenth Century

Andrew Offenburger, Miami University of Ohio

Ideological Borderlands of Place and Belonging in Holland, Michigan

Kathryn Remlinger, Tristan Kittle, Alice Pozzobon, and Richard Vegh,
Grand Valley State University

Fourth Panel Session (May 31, Continued)

Conservatism in the Postwar Midwest

Chair: Jon K. Lauck, University of South Dakota

“Ralph’s Palace”: What a Hockey Rink Can Tell Us about the “New” North Dakota

Catherine McNicol Stock, Connecticut College

From Breweries to the Super-Max: The Making of Carceral Populism in Metropolitan Milwaukee, 1950-2000

Ian Toller-Clark, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

“Do you want a Terry Branstad Party?” Chuck Grassley, Terry Branstad, and the Battle for the Soul of the Iowa GOP

Cory Haala, Marquette University

“A New ‘State of Superior’: The Environmental Movement and Political Fracture in the Upper Midwest”

Camden Burd, University of Rochester

Crisis and Conflict in Small Midwestern Cities, 1919 – Present

Chair: Anthony J. Miller, Miami University of Ohio

“Water, water, everywhere, / Nor any drop to drink”: Flint, Its Water Crisis, and Our Classrooms

Gregory J. Dykhouse, Black River Public School

“A Race War Was On”: The Great Steel Strike of 1919 in Gary, Indiana

Eleanor Hannah, Independent Scholar

Michigan Rising: Long, Hot Summer in the Small City

Jennifer Vannette, Independent Scholar

Fourth Panel Session (May 31, Continued)

Midwestern Voices in World War I and Beyond

Chair: Leon E. Bates, Wayne State University

“I’m as restless as a lion”: Ruth Cutler’s Precarious Adventure in the American Red Cross

Johannes Allert, Rogers State University

Alsace to the Arctic: Michigan in the World War, 1918-1919

Jeff Schultz, Luzerne County Community College

Michigan Polar Bears in Russia: The Undeclared American War with the Bolsheviks

Aimee Shulman, Wayne State University

Lieutenant Colonel Joseph H. Ward, MD, United States Army Medical Corps – Reserves

Leon E. Bates, Wayne State University

Music in Midwestern History

Chair: John J. Fry, Trinity Christian College

The Role of African Americans in Creating South Dakota’s Jazz Culture of the 1920s ... and Beyond

Stephen R. Cusulos, Independent Scholar

Midwestern Music: The Federal Music Project, Education, and Scientific Studies

Renée D. Gaarder, Purdue University

The Turkey River’s Sacred Spot: Perle Schmidt and the Memorialization of Antonín Dvořák in Iowa

Marian Wilson Kimber, University of Iowa

Fourth Panel Session (May 31, Continued)

New Research on Midwestern Histories of Gender and Sexuality

Chair and Comments: Jae Basilière, Grand Valley State University

A Sisterhood of Brothers: Transvestite Social Organizing in the Midwest of the 1960s

Robert Hill, Concordia University

Trans-feminine Feminist Politics in the 1970s Midwest: The Transsexual/Transvestite Legal Committee

Joy Ellison, The Ohio State University

Recovering the History of the Latinx Catholic Midwest

Chair: Melanie Shell-Weiss, Grand Valley State University

Making a Migrant Ministry in the Midwest, 1950-1964

Deborah Kanter, Albion College

The Latinx Diaconate Couple: Tracing a Midwestern Catholic Borderlands Narrative

Adrian Bautista, Oberlin College

Fourth Panel Session (May 31, Continued)

Remembering and Forgetting: Settler Colonialism and Indigenous History in the Midwest

Chair: Joshua J. Jeffers, California State University, Dominguez Hills

James Smith's *Account* and the Significance of the Captivity Narrative

William Heath, Mount St. Mary's University

Lessons in Dispossession: One Family's Embrace of Immigrant Settler Colonialism via Frontier Farming in 1820 Illinois

David Horst Lehman, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Archaeology and the Press: Following Newspaper Coverage of the Angel Mounds Historic Site

Hannah J.S. Rea, Indiana University Bloomington

Henry Dodge in the Wisconsin Lead Mine District

Tracey Lee Roberts, University of Wisconsin – Platteville

Symbols and Secrecy: Midwestern Histories of Corruption, Prejudice, and Violence

Chair: Peter Krats, University of Western Ontario

Corrupt Cops: The Assassination of Don Mellett

Eli Bosler, North Dakota State University

"The Black Legion Rides": Anarchic Anti-Semitism in the Midwest, 1932-1936

David Oks, University of Oxford

A Brief History of the Veiled Prophet Society

Devin Thomas O'Shea, Northwestern University

Fifth Panel Session (May 31, 2:45 – 4:15 PM)

Art and Architecture, Philanthropy and Science in Midwestern History

Chair: Eleanor Hannah, Independent Scholar

Tangent Lives: An Architectural and Prosopographic Approach to Cultural Studies

Ronald H.L.M. Ramsay, North Dakota State University

Kenneth and Helen Spencer: A Marriage of Arts and Sciences

Marcella Huggard, University of Kansas

Melba Phillips: Leader in Science and Conscience

Jill Weiss Simins, Indiana University – Purdue University Indianapolis

Buried Treasure: The WWI Registration of American Women for War Work

Chair: Matthew Ellis, Community Archives and Research Center of Grand Rapids

THEN: The Most Detailed, Most Extensive Census of American Women

Sue Caldwell, Indiana Genealogical Society

**NOW: Digging into Details – A Database for the Largest Women’s
WWI Card Collection Unearthed**

Will Miner, Grand Rapids Public Library

STRIKE! Prospecting for Lost Cards

Jo Ellyn Clarey, Greater Grand Rapids Women’s History Council

Fifth Panel Session (May 31, Continued)

Contested Campuses: Tradition, Conservatism, Transformation, and Protest in Midwestern Higher Education, 1940s-1990s

Chair: Paul Murphy, Grand Valley State University

Pedagogical Prairie Power: How BGSU Avoided Violent Student Protest Through Educational Activism

Robert M. Carlock, Bowling Green State University

The Evolution of a Modern Urban Catholic University

Albert Erlebacher, DePaul University

“The College Campus is a Battle Zone Again”: *The American Spectator*, *The Dartmouth Review*, and Conservative Campus Magazines in the 1980s

Daniel Spillman, Oklahoma Baptist University

Disturbing the Grid: Maps and Space in the Midwest

Chair, Emmanuel Falguières, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris

“To Secure the Rising Glory of America”: Settler Colonialism and the Intellectual Origins of the National Land Grid

Joshua J. Jeffers, California State University, Dominguez Hills

A History of the Firelands in Three Maps

Michael Kimaid, Bowling Green State University – Firelands

Embedded in the Grid? What Landownership Maps Can Tell Us of the Social Life of Farming Families

Emmanuel Falguières, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris

Fifth Panel Session (May 31, Continued)

Milwaukee at Midcentury, 1935-1970

Chair: Tim Gleisner, Library of Michigan

The Cold War Consensus in Milwaukee

Edward J. Longe, Marquette University

The Casa Maria Hospitality House in Milwaukee, 1966-170

Sean O'Farrell, Marquette University

Legislating Open Housing in Milwaukee: How Representative Clement Zablocki Navigated His Constituents' Catholic Ideals and Their Home-Owning Interests in 1968

Adam Petersen, Marquette University

From Milwaukee to Manila: The Regional, National, and International Impact of the Milwaukee Handicraft Project

Allison Robinson, University of Chicago

Perspectives on the Black Hawk War and Its Aftermath

Chair: Sean O'Neill, Grand Valley State University

***Paganya*; or to Cause to Open: Territorial Redefinition in the Northern Iowa Borderlands, 1833-1846**

Kevin Mason, Waldorf University and Iowa State University

Will the Real Black Hawk Please Stand Up?

Margaret Rozga, University of Wisconsin – Waukesha

Their Own Times: Black Hawk, John Reynolds, and Autobiographical Vindication

Michael J. Sherfy, Mount Vernon Nazarene University

Creating Peace and Shadows: How Ho-Chunks Hid 1,200 Fugitive Indians and Mired the U.S. Army During the 1832 Black Hawk War

Libby R. Tronnes, Bradley University

Fifth Panel Session (May 31, Continued)

Literature and Other Artistic Media in the Midwestern Imagination

Chair: Patricia Oman, Hastings College

Creating Yiddishland in Chicagoland: Ceshinsky's Community Bookstore, Jewish Intellectual Space, and Regional Identity in Chicago, 1922-1961

Erin Faigin, University of Wisconsin – Madison

Founding Son: William S. Hamilton, Nineteenth-Century Travel Literature, and Bridging the Gap Between East and [Mid]West, 1817-1848

Patrick Allan Pospisek, Grand Valley State University

Equidistance from Iowa: The Role of the Midwest in the Literary Criticism of James Seaton

Jeremy Seaton, Western Michigan University

Vonnegut's *Slaughterhouse-Five* at Fifty

Gregory Sumner, University of Detroit Mercy

The Pioneer Woman Versus Modernism: Post-1930s Ambivalence Toward an American Nationalist Myth

Patricia Oman, Hastings College

Midwestern Education and Public Health in the Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Centuries

Chair: Jonathan P. Korpi, Central Michigan University

Preparatory Students at Four Ohio Antebellum Colleges

Joseph Filous, Case Western Reserve University

"Crazed by Influenza Germ": Insanity, Suicide, and Murder in the Influenza Pandemic of 1918-1919

Gari-Anne Patzwald, Independent Scholar

Personal Cleanliness in Antebellum Detroit

Kathryn Whitehill, University of Toledo

Fifth Panel Session (May 31, Continued)

Race, Labor, and Struggle in Midwestern History

Chair: Paul S. Neirink, Wayne State University

Deconstructing Migration: Chicanx Advocacy, Bilingual Education, and Work in Central Wisconsin, 1971-1974

Dustin Cohan, University of Wisconsin – Madison

I Shall Remain Where I Am: Louis Morgan Swan Burton Fields

Michelle S. Johnson, Western Michigan University

Laundry Kings and Pioneers in Iowa: Lee Wong, Dick Kole, Edward Fong and Chinese-American Families in Iowa, 1870 to 1976

Anthony J. Miller, Miami University of Ohio

Scholarly Research and Cultural Heritage in Michigan: Collaborations Between Historians, Archivists, and Librarians, and Public-Private Partnerships to Preserve Our Past

Chair: Matthew Daley, Grand Valley State University

Scholarly Research at the Joint Archives of Holland

Geoffrey D. Reynolds, Hope College

Messy and Meaningful: How Collaboration Benefits Historians and Local History Archives in Grand Rapids

Julie Tabberer, Grand Rapids Public Library

Saving the Lost Culture of Michigan

Jack Dempsey, Heritage Michigan

Break, with Light Snacks (May 31, 4:30 – 4:55 PM)

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Closing Plenary (May 31, 5 – 6:30 PM)

The Past, Present, and Future of Midwestern History:

A Panel Discussion

Chair: Jon Lauck, University of South Dakota

Erik S. McDuffie, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

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