



Thirty-Third Annual Meeting

July 14-17, 2011

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Conference Program

Thursday, July 22

President's Plenary 7:00–9:00 p.m.

Women and Women's Rights in the Early Republic

Presiding: Nancy Hewitt, Rutgers University

Panelists: Marla R. Miller, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Carol Faulkner, Syracuse University
Martha S. Jones, University of Michigan
Sally G. McMillen, Davidson College

Comments: The Audience

Plenary Reception 9:00–10.30 p.m.

*(co-sponsored by SUNY-Brockport and Rochester Institute of
Technology's History Innovation Lab)*

Friday, July 23

Session One 8:30–10:15 a.m.

1. African American Communities and Identity

Presiding: Nikki Taylor, University of Cincinnati

Enslaved Folklore, Friendship, and Masculinity in the Antebellum South
Sergio Lussana, University of Warwick

*Abolitionism and the Construction of Black Identity in the Mid-Hudson
Valley*

Michael Groth, Wells College

*Founding Freedom: African American Pioneers on the Antebellum
American Frontier*

Anna-Lisa Cox, Harvard University

Comments: Nikki Taylor

2. Engendering Faith: The Contested Terrain of Religion and Gender in the Early Republic

Presiding: Bret E. Carroll, California State Univ., Stanislaus
The Friend and Friends: Contextualizing the Intersection of Religion and Gender in the Early Republic

Paul B. Moyer, The College at Brockport, SUNY
Event or Process? Gendered Perceptions of Conversion in the Burned-Over District

Rachel Cope, Brigham Young University
“It Seemed Duty Was Always Calling”: Gender, Religious Duty, and the Companionate Impulse in Mormon Wedding Rituals

Patrick W. O’Neil, University of South Florida
Comments: Bret E. Carroll

3. Challenges of Western Settlement

Presiding: Gregory H. Nobles, Georgia Institute of Technology
Spanish Intrigue and American Separatism in the Old Southwest, 1783-1795

Ken Mueller, Ivy Tech Community College
Geographical Imagination, Nationhood, and the Overland Journey to Oregon, 1835-1850

MacKenzie Moore, University of California, Berkeley
Feeding Kansas: Famine and Relief in Contested Territory
Jerad Mulcare, Harvard University

Comments: Gregory H. Nobles

4. New Perspectives on Anti-Abolition in the 1830s

Presiding: Robert P. Forbes, Univ. of Connecticut, Torrington
“Hail from a Sunny Sky”: Religion and the Anti-Abolitionist Impulse in New England

Joseph Yannielli, Yale University
Between the Letter and the Spirit: Unitarian Biblical Criticism and Anti-Abolitionism in Boston, 1831-1840

Neil Brody Miller, independent scholar

“We do not expect to abolish despotism in Russia, by getting up indignation meetings in New York”: *Conceptions of Union and Civil Society in Anti-Abolitionist Thought*

Albrecht Koschnik, independent scholar

Comments: Robert P. Forbes

5. The American Revolution in Antebellum Memory

Presiding: Mitch Kachun, Western Michigan University

“The value of union”: *Antebellum Commemoration and the Coming of the Civil War*

Thomas A. Chambers, Niagara University

“Worthy of Our Sires”: *Memory, the American Revolution, and the Fourth of July in the Antebellum Urban Midwest*

Adam J. Criblez, Hancock Historical Museum

Comments: Gretchen A. Adams, Texas Tech University

Mitch Kachun

6. Boundary Crossings: Technology and Politics in the Antebellum North

Presiding: Richard R. John, Columbia University

John Randel, Jr.: *Mapping the Early Republic*

Marguerite Holloway, Columbia University

Commercial Collisions: *The New York Steamboat Monopoly and the Political Economy of Competition*

Brian Phillips Murphy, Baruch College, CUNY

Corridors of Communication: *The Telegraph, the Railroad, and the Law in the Antebellum North*

Benjamin Schwantes, Widener University

Comments: Richard R. John



Session Two

10:30–11:45 a.m.

7. Reconsidering the Iroquois in the Early Republic

Presiding: Daniel K. Richter, University of Pennsylvania

Guiding Principles: *Guswenta and the Debate over Formal Schooling at Buffalo Creek*

Alyssa Mt. Pleasant, Yale University

Development, Conservation, and Seneca Sovereignty: The Politics and Ecology of Colonialism in the Early Republic

Matthew Dennis, University of Oregon

The Many Worlds of Eleazer Williams

Michael Leroy Oberg, University of Houston

Comments: Kelly Y. Hopkins, University of California, Davis

8. The “Man Question” in Movements for Woman’s Rights and Sex Reform

Presiding: Nancy Isenberg, Louisiana State University

The Gender of Solitary Vice: Conflicts over Masculinity at Sylvester Graham’s Lectures to Mothers

April R. Haynes, Univ. of California, Santa Barbara

Dueling Masculinities and the Women’s Rights Movement

Jonathan B. Crider, Temple University

Comments: Nancy Isenberg

9. Race, Place, and Citizenship: African Americans and the Contested Terrain of Class in New York and Philadelphia

Presiding: Joshua Greenberg, Bridgewater State College

Remapping the Five Points: African American Community Building in Emancipation-Era New York City

Jennifer Hull, University of Wisconsin–Madison

Responding to Racial Conflict in Antebellum Philadelphia: Networks of African American Women and the Claim for Middle-Class Status

Susan Stanfield, University of Iowa

Comments: Joshua Greenberg

Jennifer Harbour, Drake University

10. The Rod and the Reprimand: Discipline and Childhood in Early America

Presiding: Nancy Zey, Sam Houston State University

Contested Discipline and the Nature of the Child: Corporal Punishment in Antebellum Orphan Asylums

Sarah Mulhall Adelman, Johns Hopkins University

“The Child is Father of the Man” : Childhood, Discipline, and the Formation of Character in the Early Republic

Robyn Potts, University of California, Davis

Comments: Nancy Zey

11. Language, Print, and Culture

Presiding: Jane Kamensky, Brandeis University

Do Farmers Have Culture? Robert Bonner and the New York Ledger

Richard Stott, George Washington University

Niles’ Weekly Register: Masking Political Rhetoric with the Garb of Nationalism, 1811-1820

Kristin Stone, University of California, Davis

The Murderer of Language: Imagining America in the Age of Noah Webster

Tim Cassedy, New York University

Comments: Jane Kamensky

12. Roundtable: The Digital Early Republic

Presiding: Catherine E. Kelly, University of Oklahoma

Panelists: Catherine Denial, Knox College

William H. Howell, Boston University

Thomas G. Knoles, American Antiquarian Society

Lloyd Benson, Furman University

Kathryn Tomasek, Wheaton College, Mass.

Comments: The Audience



Lunch session 1 12:00–1:40 p.m.

(registration required)

**Teaching the Early Republic, Building Scholarly Community:
A Discussion on Undergraduate Teaching Based on the SHEAR-Mellon
Undergraduate Seminars, 2005-2010**

*(co-sponsored by Rochester Institute of Technology's History Innovation
Lab and SUNY-Brockport History Department)*

Presiding: James Brewer Stewart, Macalester College
 Tamara Plakins Thornton, University at Buffalo

Agricultural Reform in New York and New England
 Kelli Huggins, Siena College

Free Black Practitioners and the Rise of the Medical Profession
 Brian Powers, Bowdoin College

Evolution of Racial Attitudes in Philadelphia, 1793-1851
 Wes Skidmore, Mars Hill College

The Americanization of English Methodism
 Rob Worbs, Muskingum College

Comments: James Brewer Stewart

Session Three 2:00–3:45 p.m.

**13. A Postcolonial Institution? Reconsidering Early National Slavery
and the Founding**

Presiding: Robin L. Einhorn, University of California, Berkeley
A Missed Opportunity? The Founding and the Abolition of Slavery
 Matthew Mason, Brigham Young University

*Revolutionary Promises, Post-Colonial Realities, and Geo-Political
Conflicts: The Growth and Expansion of Slavery in the Early American
Republic, 1784–1820*

 John Craig Hammond, Penn State University, New
 Kensington

Comments: Gary J. Kornblith, Oberlin College
 Robin L. Einhorn

14. Roundtable: What's New, What's Next in Masculinity Studies in the Early Republic?

Presiding: Lorri Glover, Saint Louis University

Panelists: Craig Thompson Friend, North Carolina State Univ.

Lorri Glover

John Gilbert McCurdy, Eastern Michigan University

Ami Pflugrad-Jackisch, University of Michigan, Flint

Nicholas L. Syrett, University of Northern Colorado

Timothy J. Williams, University of North Carolina

Comments: The Audience

15. Trading in Contested Terrain: Land Speculation in an Era of National Expansion

Presiding: Michael Morrison, Purdue University

Power and Public Property: Urban Land Speculation in Washington, D.C., 1790-1802

Adam Costanzo, University of California, Davis

New Land, New Nation: Edward Livingston and the New Orleans Batture, 1803-1819

Lo Faber, Princeton University

"I am . . . well acquainted with that dangerous Syren called Fortune":

Opposition to Land Speculation in the Early Republic

Susan Gaunt Stearns, University of Chicago

Comments: J. Chris Arndt, James Madison University

16. More Than Gossamer: Amphibious American Connections in the Nineteenth Century

Presiding: Charles W. McCurdy, University of Virginia

The Loving Cup: American Expatriates and Anglo-American Rapprochement, 1850-1860

Stephen Tuffnell, Wadham College, Oxford

A Nest of Dragons

Jonathan Sudbury, St. Antony's College, Oxford

The Fraught Jamestown: American Aid to Ireland during the Great Famine

David Sim, Corpus Christi College, Oxford

Comments: Charles W. McCurdy

17. The History of History in the Early Republic

Presiding: Elizabeth Watts Pope, American Antiquarian Society
Colonial History and the Construction of Southern Exceptionalism in the Nineteenth Century

Lindsay DiCuirci, Ohio State University

Daguerreotyping the Past: Landscape Photographs as Historical Documents, 1840-1860

Whitney Martinko, University of Virginia

Inquisition: Religious Tolerance and Motley's Rise of the Dutch Republic

Patricia Roylance, Syracuse University

Comments: Seth Cotlar, Willamette University

18. Medical Practices in Antebellum America: Culture and Controversies

Presiding: Michael Flannery, Univ. of Alabama, Birmingham
Methodist Ministers and Medicine: John Wesley to Lorenzo Dow, 1776-1834

Elizabeth Georgian, University of Delaware

Calomel, "Empirics," and Medical Legitimacy

Dan Allosso, University of Massachusetts Amherst

Habitual Opium Use and Secrecy in Early-Republic America

Elizabeth Kelly Gray, Towson University

Comments: Michael Flannery



Session Four **4:00–5.45 p.m.**

19. The Early Republic in a Global Economy

Presiding: Alan Taylor, University of California, Davis
“Merchants Have No Country”: *The Early Republic and the
Importance of its Dutch Trading Partners, 1789-1820*

 Kim Todt, Cornell University
*Smugglers and Seal Hunters: American China Traders in Spanish
California in the Early Nineteenth Century*

 Michael Block, University of Southern California
Comments: Alan Taylor

**20. The Marital Grounds: The Struggle Over Marriage in Culture and
Politics—A Transatlantic Approach**

Presiding: Jan Lewis, Rutgers University
*Uncovering Coverture: The Anglo-American Roots of Coverture
in the Common Law*

 Catherine Allgor, University of California, Riverside
The Other “Glorious Cause”: *Adultery, Divorce, and the Quest for
Female Independence in the Age of Revolution*

 Lisa Forman Cody, Claremont McKenna College
Comments: Jan Lewis

**21. Progress and Power in State Policy: New York and the Canadas,
1791-1850**

Presiding: Karim M. Tiro, Xavier University
*An Institutional Paradox: The Separate School Controversies in New
York and Upper Canada*

 Allison O’Mahen Malcom, Univ. of Illinois, Chicago
*The Canada Thistle: Progress and the Pestilence of Liberalism across
the Northern Borderland*

 Taylor Spence, Yale University
Comments: Andrew W. Robertson, Lehman College and Graduate
Center, CUNY

22. Views from the Inside: Prisoners and the Penitentiary in the Early United States

Presiding: Myra C. Glenn, Elmira College

To Improve the Soul or Betray the Nation's Faith?: Prisoner Responses to Prison Theologies of Redemptive Suffering

Jennifer Graber, College of Wooster

"Lives of Infamous Men": The Prisoners of the Eastern State Penitentiary

Jonathan Nash, University at Albany, SUNY

Comments: Myra C. Glenn

23. Public Policy and Political Discourse among African American Activists, 1820-1865

Presiding: Jason R. Young, University at Buffalo, SUNY

"In our own boasted land of liberty:" Northern African Americans and the Expansion of Slavery in the Nineteenth-Century United States

Ed Baptist, Cornell University

"That She Could Be a Woman as Well as a Songstress": African American Men, Gendered Activism, and the "Black Swan," 1840-1860

Elizabeth Stordeur Pryor, Smith College

Comments: Hilary Moss, Amherst College

Jason R. Young

24. Government, Law, and Economy: A Roundtable in Remembrance of Richard E. Ellis

Presiding: David H. Kelly, D'Youville College

Panelists: Charles E. Brooks, Texas A&M University
Songho Ha, University of Alaska, Anchorage

M. Ruth Reilly Kelly, D'Youville College

Mark Killenbeck, University of Arkansas

Robert E. Wright, Augustana College, So. Dak.

Comments: John R. Van Atta, Brunswick School



Evening Session 7:00–9:00 p.m.

at the Max @ High Falls site

25. Roundtable: A Social Historian's Millennium—The Work of Paul E. Johnson

Presiding: W.J. Rorabaugh, University of Washington, Seattle

Panelists: Christine Heyrman, University of Delaware
Jonathan Prude, Emory University
Carol Sheriff, College of William and Mary
Harry L. Watson, University of North Carolina
Sean Wilentz, Princeton University

Comments: Paul E. Johnson, University of South Carolina

Reception 9:00-10:30 p.m.

(co-sponsored by Common-place, Oxford University Press, New York University Press, and Cornell University Press)

Saturday, July 24

Session Five 9:00–10:45 a.m.

26. Race, Class and Region in Antebellum Rochester

Presiding: Jeff Allen Tucker, University of Rochester

Narrating Class Conflict in Early Rochester

Paul J. Erickson, American Antiquarian Society

“Among Strangers”: *The North Star and the City of Rochester*

Benjamin Fagan, University of Virginia

Black Life in Frederick Douglass's Rochester

Monique Patenaude, University of Rochester

Comments: Patrick Rael, Bowdoin College

27. Mourning in America: Political Funerals in the Early Republic

Presiding: John L. Brooke, Ohio State University

“One scene of heart-felt sorrow”: *The Funeral of John Hancock and Early Republic Regime Change*

Steven C. Bullock, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

“Testimonials of Grief”: *Political Funerals and the Tour of Henry Clay’s Remains*

Sarah J. Purcell (with Justin Erickson), Grinnell College

Comments: Erik R. Seeman, University at Buffalo, SUNY

John L. Brooke

28. Roundtable: Reading the Visual in the Early Republic

Presiding: Georgia B. Barnhill, American Antiquarian Society

Visualizing the Early Republic in the Classroom

David Jaffee, Bard Graduate Center

Teaching the Visual Rhetoric of the Antebellum Period: A Solution for the Survey

Lucia Z. Knowles, Assumption College

A Revolution in Print: The Engraved Works of Paul Revere

Nancy J. Siegel, Towson University

Comments: The Audience

29. Slavery and the Evolution of Politics, 1812-1861

Presiding: Stanley Harrold, South Carolina State University

John Randolph, Agonistes: Dissent in the War of 1812 and a New Southern Identity

Aaron Crawford, University of Tennessee

The Slave Power and the 2nd Party System: The Argument for an Abolitionist 3rd Party

Corey Brooks, University of California, Berkeley

Edward Coles, Slavery, and the Erosion of the Politics of Moderation at Mid-Century

Suzanne Cooper Guasco, Queens University of Charlotte

Comments: Pdraig Riley, Dalhousie University

Stanley Harrold

30. Religious Revivals and the Problem of Marriage

Presiding: Lucia McMahon, William Paterson University
“Eunuchs for the Kingdom of Heaven’s Sake” : Marriage and the Challenge of Shaker Celibacy

Kara French, University of Michigan

Balancing Duties: Marriage and World Mission

Emily Conroy-Krutz, Harvard University

Domestic Virtue, Indian Harems, and the Dangers of Sentimental Marriage: Defending Mormon Polygamy after 1852

Amanda Hendrix-Komoto, University of Michigan

Comments: Elizabeth A. DeWolfe, University of New England

31. New Directions in the Early Republic’s Reform Movements

Presiding: Johann N. Neem, Western Washington University
“Beyond the Boundaries of Province or Kingdom” : Transatlantic Philanthropy after the American Revolution

Amanda Bowie Moniz, Yale University

Taking Anti-Reform Seriously: Anti-Sabbatarianism and the Politics of Moral Freedom in Late Antebellum America

Kyle G. Volk, University of Montana

Comments: Reeve Huston, Duke University

Johann N. Neem

Session Six

11:00 a.m.–12:45 p.m.

32. Roundtable: David Ruggles and the Making of Black Radical Abolitionism

Presiding: Douglas R. Egerton, Le Moyne College

David Ruggles: A Black Radical Abolitionist

Graham Russell Hodges, Colgate University

Comments: Leigh Fought, Montgomery College

Richard S. Newman, Rochester Institute of Technology

Stacey Robertson, Bradley University

- 33. Considering Religious Liberty: Theological Conflict, Legal Transformations, International Context**
Presiding: Jonathan D. Sassi, College of Staten Island, CUNY
Disestablishment and the Law of Church Membership in New England
Kevin Butterfield, Washington University, St. Louis
“France Lifts Up Her Lurid Beacon Light”: Early Republic Americans Debating Church and State Consider European Examples
James Kabala, Community College of Rhode Island
The Ghost of Constantine: Jewish and Christian Antiquity and the Politics of Religious Error in Disestablishment
Nathan Rives, Brandeis University
Comments: Christopher Beneke, Bentley University
Jonathan D. Sassi
- 34. Problems with Peace: The Reshaping of American Politics after the War of 1812**
Presiding: Leonard J. Sadosky, Iowa State University
“A Happy Termination for the Benefit of All”? Politics, Slavery, and Federal Compensation for Property Lost in the War of 1812
Craig Hollander, Johns Hopkins University
Fear of a British Planet: American Anxiety about British Hegemony and the First U.S. Mission to China
Dael Norwood, Princeton University
Maine Statehood and the War of 1812
Walter Sargent, University of Maine, Farmington
Comments: James E. Lewis, Kalamazoo College
- 35. Race and Rights in the Antebellum Old Northwest**
Presiding: Pearl Ponce, Ithaca College
The “Black Laws” and the Black Convention Movement in the Old Northwest, 1843-1861
Dana E. Weiner, Wilfrid Laurier University

“A Birthright to Land”: *Black Families, Land Ownership, and State Constitutional Rights in the Old Northwest*

Silvana R. Siddali, Saint Louis University

Comments: David Brodnax, Sr., Trinity Christian College

36. Placing Children and Childhood in Antebellum Reform

Presiding: Steven C. Harper, Brigham Young University

“Little Owners of the Missionary Packet:” The Morning Star and Juvenile Benevolence

David M. Greenspoon, Pennsylvania State University

Saving Mothers and Children: Antebellum Moral Reform and the Battle to Legalize Interracial Marriage in Massachusetts

Amber Moulton-Wiseman, Harvard University

Comments: Alice Taylor, University of Toronto

37. The United States and Hispano-American Independence: Geopolitical Perspectives

Presiding: Samuel Watson, United States Military Academy

Geopolitics and Intrigue: James Wilkinson, New Spain, and Mexican Independence

David E. Narrett, University of Texas at Arlington

The Invasions of Amelia Island, East Florida, 1817: The Influence of Geopolitics in the Early American Republic

David Head, University at Buffalo, SUNY

Comments: David S. Heidler, Colorado State University

Jeanne T. Heidler, United States Air Force Academy

Lunch session 2 12:00–1:30 p.m.

(for graduate students only; registration required)

(sponsored by University of Rochester History Department)

From Dissertation to Publication: Thinking about Your First Monograph

Host: Alan Taylor, University of California, Davis

Session Seven

2:00 – 3.45 p.m.

38. Race and Democracy: Defining Citizenship in the Early Republic

Presiding: Jonathan Earle, University of Kansas

“Be good citizens”: *Black Spirituality in a Democratizing Age, 1808-1829*

Dianne Cappiello, Cornell University

“We Are Americans”: *Black Suffrage and Black Identity*

Michael Lipton, Binghamton University

Comments: David Gellman, DePauw University

39. Circles of Influence: The Development and Extension of the Principles of the Seneca Falls Declaration of Sentiments, 1826-1861

Presiding: Mary M. Huth, University of Rochester

In-Laws and Outliers: The Stanton, Brewster, and Avery Families and the Development of Antebellum Reform in Western New York, 1826-1848

Linda C. Frank, University of California, Los Angeles

After the Convention: The Public Voices of the Signers, 1848-1861

Anne M. Derousie, Women’s Rights Nat’l Historic Park

Comments: Laura E. Free, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

40. Comparative and Transnational Approaches to the Early American Republic

Presiding: Amy S. Greenberg, Penn State University

Transnational and Comparative Approaches to the Early American Republic: Patterns in Republican Nation-Building

Timothy Roberts, Western Illinois University

The Early American Republic and Risorgimento Italy: A Transnational and Comparative View

Enrico Dal Lago, National University of Ireland,
Galway

Reconnecting the Early Republic with the Americas: Comparative and Transnational Perspectives

Carl J. Guarneri, St. Mary's College of California

Cruising the Counter-Revolutionary Atlantic: A Transnational Approach to American Anti-Jacobinism

Rachel Hope Cleves, University of Victoria

Comments: Amy S. Greenberg

41. Dirty Rotten Scoundrels: Criminality and Social Change in the Early Republic

Presiding: Wendy A. Woloson, EBSCO Publishing

George Bommer's Patent Manure

Courtney Fullilove, Wesleyan University

An Aristocracy of Thieves: Troubling Tales, Troubling the Market Revolution

Will Mackintosh, Swarthmore College

Disturbing the Peace: Idle, Worthless Women and the Language of Vagrancy in Early Philadelphia

Jennifer Manion, Connecticut College

Comments: Wendy A. Woloson

42. Managing Space, Managing Bodies in Early Republic Cities

Presiding: Mary Kelley, University of Michigan

Deafness in Black and White: Integrated Education in the Early Republic

Rebecca Edwards, Rochester Institute of Technology

The Rise of Centralized Markets and the Demise of Street Vending: Challenging Legal and Cultural Authority on Antebellum Northern City Streets, 1800-1850

Michelle Branch, University of California, Berkeley

Gender in the Spaces of the City and Schoolhouse: Education in Boston, 1830-1832

Rachel Rimmel, University of Rochester

Comments: Julie Miller, Library of Congress

43. Behind and Beyond the Camera: Rethinking Antebellum Photography

Presiding: Shirley Teresa Wajda, Kent State University

Democratic Representation: The Politics and Aesthetics of Early American Photography

Marcy Dinius, University of Delaware

The Portrait of Mary Botts, or a Picture of Slavery: Photography in the History of Slavery, Race, and Abolition

Mary Niall Mitchell, University of New Orleans

Photography and the Undularity of Light

Laura Saltz, Colby College

Comments: Ann Fabian, Rutgers University

SHEAR Business Meeting 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Presidential Address 6:00–7:00 p.m.

The Significance of the “Global Turn” for the Early American Republic

Rosemarie Zagarri, George Mason University

Presidential Banquet 7:00–9:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 25

Session Eight 9:00 – 10.45 a.m.

44. More Than an Abolitionist: Frederick Douglass and the Impulse for Moral Reform and African American Rights

(sponsored by the Frederick Douglass Institute, University of Rochester)

Presiding: Paul Finkelman, Albany Law School

Frederick Douglass and the Underground Railroad: Passenger, Advocate, Conductor, and Political Asylum Seeker

Jack McKivigan, Indiana U.-Purdue U. at Indianapolis

“Who Will . . . Pay for their Sufferings?” New York Abolitionists and the Campaign to Compensate Solomon Northup

Roy E. Finkenbine, University of Detroit Mercy

“To Bedim and Bedizy”: Frederick Douglass on Temperance, Freedom, and Black Citizenship

Larry E. Hudson, Jr., University of Rochester

Comments: L. Diane Barnes, Youngstown State University

45. Workshop: Poor Women in Early Republic Cities

*(papers will be available by June 20th at the SHEAR conference webpage:
<http://faculty.chass.ncsu.edu/ctfriend/SHEAR1.htm>)*

Presiding: Gloria L. Main, University of Colorado

Poor Mothers and the Boston Almshouse, 1784-1817

Ruth Herndon, Bowling Green State University

Manufacture or Reform? Poor Women at Work in the Philadelphia Almshouse, 1790-1840

Monique Bourque, Willamette University

“Driven to the Commission of this Crime”: Women and Infanticide in Baltimore, 1835-1860

Katie M. Hemphill, Johns Hopkins University

Charred Scars: Common Law and Black Female Arsonists in Richmond, 1840-1845

James Schaefer, Lake Superior State University

Poor Mothers, Stepmothers, and Foster Mothers in Antebellum Charleston

John E. Murray, University of Toledo

Poor Women in Savannah, 1800-1860

Tim Lockley, University of Warwick

Comments: The Audience

46. Mutual Accommodation Societies: American Jews and the Early Republic

Presiding: Leo Hershkowitz, Queens College, CUNY

The Statue of Judah Touro That Was Never Erected

William Pencak, Penn State University

Republican Rabbi: The Worlds of Gershom Seixas

Howard Rock, Florida International University

Comments: Edith Gelles, Stanford University

Michael Hoberman, Fitchburg State College

47. Race, Science, and National Expansion

Presiding: John Lauritz Larson, Purdue University

Making Indians White: The Judicial Abolition of Native Slavery in Post-Revolutionary Virginia

Gregory Ablavsky, University of Pennsylvania

Remains/Removes: Early-Nineteenth-Century Archaeology and Manifest Destiny

Paul Naish, CUNY Graduate Center

Evolution and Ethnology along the Erie Canal

Sean Harvey, Northern Illinois University

Comments: John Lauritz Larson

48. Making Things, Remaking a Nation

Presiding: Christopher Clark, University of Connecticut

“You had better work a pr. of ruffles for General Washington”: Fiber Arts and Nationhood in Post-Revolutionary America

Robyn Davis McMillin, University of Oklahoma

“Association is a mighty engine”: The Metaphor of Technological Innovation in American, British, and Irish Reform Movements, c. 1825-1845

Maartje Janse, Leiden University

The Communitarian Map: Canals, Railroads, and the Digital Age

Gwynne Langley Rivers, University of Illinois, Chicago

Comments: Christopher Clark



Session Nine

11:00 a.m. – 12.45 p.m

49. The Brothertown Indians and Citizenship: Race, Property, and Nationalism in the Early Republic

Presiding: Kathleen Brown-Pérez, University of Massachusetts

“For their own use and benefit”: *The Brothertown Indians and the Difficulties of Land Ownership in the Old Northwest*

Brad D. E. Jarvis, Saginaw Valley State University
Indian Removal in the Old Northwest

John P. Bowes, Eastern Kentucky University
“Indians are neither Whigs nor Tories”: *The Brothertown Indians’ Challenge to American Notions of Race and History*

David J. Silverman, George Washington University
Comments: The Audience

50. Re-examining Violence and Negotiation in the Trans-Appalachian West

Presiding: Greg W. O’Brien, Univ. of North Carolina, Greensboro
Vigilante for Peace: General James Robertson and the Curious Case of Lame Will

Robert M. Owens, Wichita State University
The Powerful Weakness of the Frontier State: Manipulative Mobilization and the 1786 Clark-Logan Expeditions

Rob Harper, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point
Comments: Lisa Ford, University of New South Wales

51. Anglophobia in the Early American Republic

Presiding: Sam W. Haynes, University of Texas, Arlington
The Paper War and the Problematic Development of American Nationalisms: The Case of Inchiquin’s Letters, 1810-1815

Joseph Eaton, National Chengchi University
John Bull and the Blind Eye in American Politics, 1806-1812
Dinah Mayo-Bobee, University of Massachusetts

The Ambivalent Anglophobia of American Travelers in Europe, 1783-1820

Daniel Kilbride, John Carroll University

Comments: Sam W. Haynes

52. Calculating the Value of Labor in the Early Republic: New Perspectives

Presiding: Caroline Sloat, American Antiquarian Society
Creation, Destruction and the Meaning of Labor in Antebellum Agriculture

Emily Pawley, American Antiquarian Society
Labor, Value, and Household Relations in Nineteenth-Century Massachusetts

Mary Beth Sievens, SUNY Fredonia
Comments: Jack Larkin, Old Sturbridge Village
Caroline Sloat

53. Contesting Domesticity: Varieties of Women's Political Voice in the Early Republic

Presiding: Janet Coryell, Western Michigan University
Reforming Citizenship: Frances Wright's Fourth of July Addresses

Alyssa A. Samek, University of Maryland
Is there a Democrat in the House? Or, The Ladies were not all Whigs

Ronald J. Zboray, University of Pittsburgh
Mary Saracino Zboray, University of Pittsburgh
Signers of the Declaration of Sentiments and the Development of a Women's Political Voice, 1848-1861

Vivien Ellen Rose, Women's Rights Nat'l Historic Park
Comments: Janet Coryell

