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3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Arrival and Registration McLaughlin College

4:00 p.m. Advisory Council Meeting

> 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Reception

Founders Senior Common Room

7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Presidential Address:

"Can This Old Union Be Restored?
Some Questions About Social and Intellectual History"

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8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

1. The Fifth Amendment: Safeguarding Liberty in the Early Republic

Moderator:

JOHN ANTHONY SCOTT, Holland Mass.

Papers:

JAMES W. ELY, JR., School of Law, Vanderbilt University

"' 'Property Was Certainly the Principal Object of Society': The Fifth Amendment and the Origins of the Compensation Principle"

DAVID J. BODENHAMER, POLIS, Indiana University - Indianapolis

"Due Process of Law: The Fifth Amendment and Rights of the Accused in the Early Republic"

Commentators:

MAXWELL BLOOMFIELD, Catholic University JAMES RADCLIFFE, Shippensburg University

2. Women in Utopia: Gender and Power in Antebellum America

Moderator:

LAWRENCE FOSTER, Georgia Tech

Papers:

CAROL A. KOLMERTEN, Hood College
"The Illusory Hope of Equality: Women in
American Owenite Communities"

ALISON M. PARKER, Johns Hopkins University "Shaker Sisters' Visions: The Negotiation of Spiritual Authority"

Commentators:

KLAUS J. HANSEN, Queen's University JANE CROSTHWAITE, Mt. Holyoke College

3. Military Leadership in the Early Republic: The Cases of William Henry Harrison and Joseph E. Johnston

Moderator:

JOHN M. BELOHLAVEK, University of South Florida

Papers:

CRAIG L. SYMONDS, U.S. Naval Academy "West Point and Frontier Warfare: Joseph E. Johnston and the Indian Wars, 1830-1838"

ROBERT G. GUNDERSON, Indiana University "William Henry Harrison's Homilies and Strategies of Forest Diplomacy, 1803-1815"

Commentator:

JOHN M. BELOHLAVEK, University of South Florida

4. Ideology and Rhetoric in the Early Republic

Moderator:

HARVEY STRUM, Junior College of Albany

Papers:

RONALD L. HATZENBUEHLER, Idaho State University

C. BRANT SHORT, Idaho State University "I Speak a Language They Cannot Understand": Old Republican Rhetoric, 1805-1812"

JOHN F. WALSH, Claremont Graduate School "A Quarrel Among Whigs: The Justification of a Legitimate Opposition in Pennsylvania, 1776-1779"

PETER KNUPFER, Arizona State University - West Campus

"Civics Education and the Problems of Parties, 1820-1860"

Commentator:

BERNARD FRIEDMAN, Indiana University - Indianapolis

5. Themes in the History of Post-Revolutionary Philadelphia

Moderator:

FRIDAY

WILLIAM H. PEASE, College of Charleston

Papers:

ELAINE FORMAN CRANE, Fordham University "The Pervasiveness of Pain: Reflections on The Diary of Elizabeth Drinker"

BRUCE A. DORSEY, II, Brown University "Virtue and Influence: Women and Benevolent Activity in Post-Revolutionary Philadelphia"

JOHN C. WILLS, University of Michigan "The Changing Nature of Retail Trade in Post-Revolutionary Philadelphia (1793-1820)"

Commentator:

WILLIAM H. PEASE, College of Charleston

10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

6. The Frontier in the Early Republic

Moderator:

JULIE ROY JEFFREY, Goucher College

Paper:

MICHAEL BELLESILES, Emory University "The Economic Culture of the Frontier in the Early American Republic"

Commentators:

ALAN TAYLOR, Boston University LAURA McCALL, Western State College

7. James Madison and His Biographers

Moderator and Discussant:

EDWARD PESSEN, City University of New York

Panel:

LANCE BANNING, University of Kentucky RALPH KETCHUM, Maxwell School, Syracuse University JACK RAKOVE, Stanford University

> 12:15 - 1:45 p.m. Lunch: On Your Own

> > 1:45 - 3:15 p.m.

8. The Democratization of American Christianity: A Response

Moderator:

PHYLLIS AIRHART, Emanuel College, University of Toronto

Panel:

RICHARD D. SHIELS, Ohio State University - Newark
SAM HILL, University of Florida
GEORGE A. RAWLYK, Queen's University

Response:

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NATHAN O. HATCH, University of Notre Dame

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Moderator:

FRIDAY

GEORGE W. GEIB, Butler University

Paper:

GEORGE D. RAPPAPORT, Wagner College "Northern Agriculture and the Transformation to Capitalism"

Commentators:

LUCY SIMLER, University of Minnesota MICHAEL MERRILL, Rutgers University

10. Class and Community in Early National Georgia

Moderator:

SCOTT MARTIN, University of Pittsburgh

Papers:

BETTY WOOD, University of Cambridge "'Clemency and Community': White Women, Black Slaves, and the Law in Early National Georgia'

Commentators:

VERNON BURTON, University of Illinois SYLVIA FREY, Tulane University

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11. Acculturation and Nativism in Canada and the Early American Republic: A Report on Work in Progress

Moderator:

GREGORY N. NOBLES, Georgia Tech

Papers:

DALE T. KNOBEL, Texas A&M University
"Native American: The Uses and Abuses of Acculturation in the Life of Ka-Ge-Gah-Ga-Bowh
(George Conway)"

STEVE POTTS, Hibbing Community College "A New Way of Life: Culture Contacts, Indian-White Relations, and the Case of the Arikara, 1740-1830"

KEITH R. WIDDER, Mackinac Island State Park Commission

"Values in Conflict?: Metis Children Encounter Evangelical Missionaries at the Mackinaw Mission, 1823-1837" 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

12. Jacksonian Politics and Ideology

Moderator:

MICHAEL A. MORRISON, Indiana University - Indianapolis

Papers:

DONALD J. RATCLIFFE, University of Durham "Responses to British Hegemony: Jacksonian Democracy and the Canadian Rebellions of 1837"

MAJOR L. WILSON, Memphis State University "The Country Versus the Court: Party Debate in the Bank War"

WILLIAM S. HOFFMANN, Saginaw Valley State University

"Andrew Jackson and His Political Party"

Commentators:

MICHAEL A. MORRISON, Indiana University - Indianapolis MICHAEL J. BIRKNER, Gettysburg College

13. Fugitive Slaves in Canada

Moderator:

LOREN SCHWENINGER, University of North Carolina - Greensboro

Papers:

DEBORAH BINGHAM VAN BROEKHOVEN, Ohio Wesleyan University

"Fugitive Slaves in Canada: Image and Reality in the Work of the Rhode Island Antislavery Activists, 1835-1852"

PAUL FINKELMAN, SUNY - Binghamton
"The John Anderson Case: Fugitive Slaves and
Canadian-American Relations"

Commentator:

GRAHAM HODGES, Colgate University

14. Making Domesticity Work: Black and White Household Servants in New York City

Moderator:

GLENDA RILEY, University of Northern Iowa

Papers:

JANIS RUDEN, City University of New York
"In Service: Black Women in Domestic Service

— New York City, 1790-1830"

ANDREA BALIS, City University of New York "It's So Hard to Get Good Help: Domestic Servants and their Mistresses in New York, 1800-1830"

Commentators:

GLENDA RILEY, University of Northern Iowa BRUCE GLASRUD, California State University -Hayward

15. Historical Consciousness in the Early Republic

Moderator:

MARK VALERI, Lewis and Clark College

Papers:

BRUCE E. STEINER, Ohio University
"The Godly Ruler: Traditional Images and Contempory Realities in Federalist Connecticut,
1788-1818"

JOSEPH A. CONFORTI, University of Southern Maine

"The Second Great Awakening and the Problem of Tradition"

Commentators:

STEPHEN R. GROSSBART, University of Florida MARK VALERI, Lewis and Clark College

6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Reception

Pioneer Village

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Annual SHEAR Banquet Announcement of Prizes

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9:00 - 11:00 p.m. Music of the Early National Era:

Elizabeth Null Charles Joyner Constance Schulz

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8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

16. Comparative Perspectives on Early Constitutional Culture

Moderator:

VERNON VOLPE, Kearney State College

Papers:

STEPHEN E. GOTTLIEB, Albany Law School "The Emergence of Elliot's Debates and Madison's Notes in the United States Supreme Court"

PETER WALLENSTEIN, Virginia Polytechnic Institute

"Appellate Justice in the Early Republic: The Virginia Supreme Court, 1789-1829"

ANN GORMAN CONDON, University of New Brunswick

"Republicanism Rejected: Canada's Constitutional Act of 1791"

Commentator:

SANDRA VAN BURKLEO, Wayne State University

17. Children in the Early Republic and Canada

Moderator:

PETER C. HOLLORAN, Pine Manor College

Papers:

JOSEPH M. HAWES, Memphis State University "Children's Rights in the Early Republic"

PATRICIA T. ROOKE, University of Alberta, and RODOLPH L. SCHNELL, University of Calgary "To Maintain, Civilize, and Instruct in Religion": Pauper Children in British North America, 1750-1840"

Commentators:

PETER C. HOLLORAN, Pine Manor College JEAN V. MATTHEWS, University of Western Ontario

18. Officership in the Early U.S. Navy

Moderator:

SATURDAY

ARTHUR BOWLER, SUNY - Buffalo

Papers:

W.M.P. DUNNE, SUNY - Stony Brook
"An Examination of the Stephen Decatur-James
Barron Relationship, 1798-1807"

LAWRENCE J. FRIEDMAN, Bowling Green State University

DAVID CURTIS SKAGGS, Air War Collge "Jesse Duncan Elliott and the Battle of Lake Erie: The Issue of Mental Stability"

Commentator:

CHRISTOPHER McKEE, Grinnell College

19. The Ideology of Reform in the Early Republic

Moderator:

THOMAS E. JEFFREY, Rutgers University

Papers:

LEO HIRREL, U.S. Army Center for Military History

"Antebellum Reform Ideology: A Need for Reconsideration"

DANIEL J. McINERNEY, Utah State University "The Ground of Liberty: Nineteenth-Century Abolition and the Persistence of Country Ideology"

Commentators:

THOMAS E. JEFFREY, Rutgers University JANET CORNELIUS, Danville Area Community College

20. The Old South's Other Voice

Moderator:

BERTRAM WYATT-BROWN, University of Florida

Papers:

JOHN MAYFIELD, University of Baltimore "Jesters in Court: Southern Humor and the Cavalier Ideal"

JOHANNA NICOL SHIELDS, University of Alabama - Huntsville

"'Integrity is the Post I ties to': Southern Humor and the Revised Critique of Parties"

Commentator:

BERTRAM WYATT-BROWN, University of Florida

10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

21. Gender and Labor in the Early Republic

Moderator:

CAROL BERKIN, Baruch College & City University of New York

Paper:

JEANNE BOYDSTON, University of Wisconsin "Gender and the Ideology of Labor in the Early Republic"

Commentators:

TERESA MURPHY, University of Rhode Island MARCUS REDIKER, Georgetown University

22. The Age of Jackson Revisited

Moderator:

SATURDAY

LAWRENCE F. KOHL, University of Alabama

Paper:

HARRY WATSON, University of North Carolina "Jacksonian Politics and the Market Revolution"

Commentators:

LAWRENCE F. KOHL, University of Alabama DANIEL FELLER, University of New Mexico

12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Lunch and Business Meeting
Founders Senior Common Room

2:15 - 5:00 p.m.

23. Digging Into the Industrial Past of Canada and the Early Republic

Moderator:

JOHN LIGHT, Canadian Park Service

Papers:

ROCH SAMSON, Parks Canada

"The Setting Up of the First Industrial Community in New France: Les Forges du Saint-Maurice (1730-1883)"

LOUIS POTTS, University of Missouri - Kansas City "Reading the Landscape of Bethany Plantation and Watkins Mill"

CAROLYN COOPER, Yale University "Myth, Material Evidence, and Mechanization at Springfield Academy"

ROBERT B. GORDON, Yale University "Mechanization, Uniformity, and the Character of Artificers' Work in the United States, 1790-1840"

Commentators:

JOHN LIGHT, Canadian Parks Service CHRISTOPHER ANDREAE, London, Ontario

24. The War of 1812 in Comparative Perspective: A Round Table

Moderator:

JOHN C. FREDRIKSEN

Papers:

DONALD R. HICKEY, Wayne State College "What I Learned on the Way to the War of 1812"

WILLARD C. KLUNDER, Wichita State University "The Surrender of Detroit in 1812: Human Culpability and the Career of Lewis Cass"

C. EDWARD SKEEN, Memphis State University "The Citizen Soldier Goes to War: Militia in the War of 1812"

DONALD E. GRAVES, Canadian Department of National Defense

"Freedom Preserved: The War of 1812 in Canadian History"

HERBERT LASKY, Eastern Illinois University "The Bond Issue of 1813"

Commentator:

LAWRENCE D. CRESS, University of Tulsa

25. The Failed Consensus: Origins of the Second Party System in Virginia, 1819-1840

Moderator:

WILLIAM G. SHADE, Lehigh University

Papers:

F. THORNTON MILLER, Southwest Missouri State University

"The Whig Opposition to the Richmond Junto and the Virginia Doctrine, 1819-1828"

DANIEL W. CROFTS, Trenton State College "The Formation of the Second Party System in Southampton County, Virginia, 1833-1840"

Commentators:

WILLIAM G. SHADE, Lehigh University CHARLES D. LOWERY, Mississippi State University



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THURSDAY, August 2

Reception 5:00-6:00 P.M. Founders Senior Commons Room

Break for dinner. For most meals, individuals attending the conference are on their own. The cafeteria is located on the lower level of Founders College. Note that on Saturday morning, the dining room will not open until 9:00. A continental breakfast will be available that morning between 7:45 and 8:45 a.m. in the Founders Senior Commons Room. Please purchase tickets for that breakfast at Hospitality York (McLaughlin College, room 108). The cost is Can\$3.00.

Presidential Address 7:00-8:00 p.m. Curtis Lecture Hall K

FRIDAY, August 3

Sessions 8:30-10:30 a.m. All sessions are in McLaughlin College.

- 1. "The Fifth Amendment: Safeguarding Liberty in the Early Republic," room 110.
- 2. "Women in Utopia: Gender and Power in Antebellum America," room 114.
- 3. "Military Leadership in the Early Republic: The Cases of William Henry Harrison and Joseph E. Johnston," room 109.
- 4. "Ideology and Rhetoric in the Early Republic," room 113.
- 5. "Themes in the History of Post-Revolutionary Philadelphia," room 104.

Sessions 10:45-12:15

- 6. "The Frontier in the Early Republic," room 111.
- 7. "James Madison and His Biographers," room 112.

Sessions 1:45-3:15 p.m.

- 8. "The Democratization of American Christianity: A Response," room 110.
- 9. "Northern Agriculture and the Transformation to Capitalism: A Discussion of Recent Studies;" room 114.
- 10. "Class and Community in Early National Georgia," room 109.
- 11. "Acculturation and Nativism in Canada and the Early American Republic: A Report on Work in Progress," room 113.

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Sessions 3:30-5:30 p.m.

- 12. "Jacksonian Politics and Ideology," room 104.
- 13. "Fugitive Slaves in Canada," room 111.
- 14. "Making Domesticity Work: Black and White Household Servants in New York City," room 112.
- 15. "Historical Consciousness in the Early Republic," room 110.

Reception 6:30-7:30 p.m. Pioneer Village.

Pioneer Village is a pleasant fifteen-minute walk from McLaughlin or Founders College. Consult your maps. There will also be a shuttle bus available. It will leave from the north side of McLaughlin College between 6:30 and 7:15. And it will return from Pioneer Village to the York Campus between 10:30 and 11:00 p.m.

Dinner and Music 7:30-11:00 p.m. Pioneer Village

SATURDAY, August 4

Breakfast will be available in the Founder Senior Commons Room, 7:45-8:45. Please buy a meal ticket at Hospitality York. Cost \$3.00

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