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# **Society for Historians of the Early American Republic**

## **PROGRAM**

**THURSDAY, JULY 22**

**3:00–6:00 p.m.**

### *Arrival and Registration*

Lobby, Carmichael Dormitory, Stadium Drive  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

**Opening Plenary Session, 8:00 p.m.**

### **1. *Public Universities in the Early Republic: A Bicentennial Appraisal***

**Chair:** John Hope Franklin, Duke University

*Higher Education in the Formation of the Pro-Slavery Ideology of the Old South*  
Eugene D. Genovese, University Center in Georgia

**Comments:** John Hope Franklin  
Anne Loveland, Louisiana State University  
Robert Brugger, Johns Hopkins University Press

## FRIDAY, JULY 23

8:30 a.m.

## Advisory Council Meeting

8:30-10:30 a.m. Sessions

2. *Thomas Jefferson and His Families*

Chair: Michael W. Zuckerman, University of Pennsylvania

*Heart Over Head: Thomas Jefferson and Women*  
Ronald Hatzenbuehler, Idaho State University

*Shifting the Debate: Thomas Jefferson and the Hemings Family*  
Douglas R. Egerton, LeMoyne College

Comments: Michael W. Zuckerman  
Sally G. McMillen, Davidson College  
Robert M. McColley, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

3. *Race and Identity in Antebellum America*

Chair: Rita Roberts, Scripps College

*Rending the Veil: Meanings of Race for Black and White Sailors in Dartmoor Prison, 1814-1815*  
W. Jeffrey Bolster, University of New Hampshire

*The Rhetoric of National Identity in Early African-American Colonization*  
Dickson D. Bruce, Jr., University of California-Irvine

*Shaping Identities and Developing Strategies: The Nexus between Blacks and Whites, 1830-1842*  
Judith Luckett, United States Military Academy

Comment: Carol Wilson, Washington College



#### 4. Ideology, Social Change, and the Second Party System

Chair: Jeffrey Crow, North Carolina Division of  
Archives and History

*The Historiography of the Antimasonic Period*  
Douglas K. Fidler, University of New  
Hampshire

*Artisans and Reaction: Democratic Party Ideology  
and Its Impact on Racial Attitudes in Antebellum  
New York City*  
Anthony Gronowicz, Penn State-Hazleton

*Friends of Van Buren and the Nullification Crisis*  
William S. Hoffmann, Saginaw Valley State  
University

Comment: William Pencak, Penn State-Ogontz

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

#### 5. Political Culture in Jeffersonian Virginia

Chair: David Chesnutt, University of South  
Carolina

*Education in the St. George Tucker Household:  
Change and Continuity in Jeffersonian Virginia*  
Phillip Hamilton, Washington University in St.  
Louis

*James Monroe and Personal Patronage in  
Jeffersonian Virginia*

Daniel Preston, James Monroe Papers

Comment: Richard A. Ryerson, Massachusetts  
Historical Society

*gives much of this patronage  
to the young men of his own  
family: younger brothers, nephews,  
younger cousins. Also gave  
support to young women (incl. his  
daughters): appropriate education to the  
place in society.*

#### 6. Women, Work, and Ethnicity in the Early National South

Chair: Jacquelyn Dowd Hall, University of North  
Carolina-Chapel Hill

*Women Artisans in the Southern City: Charleston,  
Norfolk, and Alexandria, 1782-1808*  
Mary Ferrari, Radford University

*Images of Women in a Multicultural Society:  
Louisiana, 1800-1830*  
Dolores Egger Labbé, University of  
Southwestern Louisiana

Comment: Johanna Miller Lewis, University of  
Arkansas-Little Rock

#### 7. Between Slavery and Freedom: African-Americans in New York and New Jersey

Chair: Sylvia Frey, Tulane University

*The Receding Shadow of Slavery: The Emergence of  
African-American Freedom in New York and New  
Jersey, 1784-1860*  
Graham Hodges, Colgate University

*"Sweep Ho, Sweep Ho": African-American Chimney  
Sweeps in New York City*  
Paul A. Gilje, University of Oklahoma

Comment: Leonard P. Curry, University of  
Louisville

## 8. Roundtable:

*Frederick Jackson Turner and the Early Republic*

Chair: John L. Larson, Purdue University

Participants: Lacy K. Ford, Jr., University of South Carolina

Martin Ridge, Huntington Library

Glenda Riley, Ball State University

Margaret Washington, Cornell University

2:30 -4:30 p.m. Sessions

9. Mission, Slavery, Removal:  
*Southern Native Americans*

Chair: Stephen Aron, Princeton University

*Living Under the Threat and Promise of Removal:  
Conflict and Cooperation in the Cherokee Country  
During the 1830s*

David Kleit, Duke University

*Slavery: The Dilemma of Wheelock Mission, 1832-1861*

Justin D. Murphy, Howard Payne University

Comment: Joel W. Martin, Franklin and Marshall College

10. *Erring Women: Testing Female Virtue,  
1790-1850*

Chair: Wylma Wates, Columbia, SC

*Conflicting Voices in Judith Sargent Murray's The Gleaner*

Julie Amberg, University of New Orleans

*Domesticity in the Novels of Catherine Maria Sedgwick*

Barbara Ryan, University of North Carolina

*Fourier in the Parlor: The Trials of Catharine Forrest*  
Thomas Baker, University of North Carolina

Comment: Edith Gelles, Stanford University

11. *Internal Improvements and Slavery Again:  
Redefining Issues in American Party Politics,  
1817-1850*

Chair: Paul H. Bergeron, University of Tennessee-Knoxville

*Calhoun versus Madison on the Bonus Bill*  
Trenton Hizer, University of South Carolina

*Maysville Revisited: Andrew Jackson, Internal Improvements, and the Twenty-First Congress*  
Daniel M. Jansen, National Archives

*Party Politics and the Defense of Slavery, 1845-1850*  
Larry K. Menna, State University of New York-Farmingdale

Comment: Thomas Jeffrey, Thomas Edison Papers, Rutgers University

12. *Toward a Republic of Letters: Print and Communication in the Early Republic*

Chair: Isabelle Lehuu, St. Michael's College

*The Economics of Printing and the Establishment of Printed Discourse in the Ohio Valley, 1786-1810*  
Mary Kupiec Cayton, Miami University

*A Republic of Knowledge Expands: The Evolution and Impact of Illinois Print Communication Systems through 1850*  
William Gilmore-Lehne, Stockton State College

*Religious Reading and Readers in Early Nineteenth-Century America*  
David Paul Nord, Indiana University

Comment: Robert A. Gross, College of William and Mary

5:00-6:30 p.m.

Reception

Louis Round Wilson Library

8:00 p.m.

Concert

Music of the Early Republic  
Rosenau Hall Auditorium

Coordinator: Elizabeth Huggins Null, Georgetown University

Participants: Robert Hall  
Constance Schultz  
Deborah Van Broekhoven  
The Chapel Hill Shape Note Singers

SATURDAY, JULY 24

8:30-10:30 a.m. Sessions

13. *Thomas Jefferson: Self-Expression and Self-Conception*

Chair: Peter Onuf, University of Virginia

*Jefferson, Letter-Writing, and Self-Expression*  
Andrew Burstein, University of Virginia

*The Search for a Usable Past: Jefferson as Autobiographer*  
Herbert Sloan, Barnard College, Columbia University

Comments: Frank Shuffelton, University of Rochester  
Michael Lienesch, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill

14. *Organizing Public Opinion, 1791-1824*

Chair: Thomas Leonard, University of California-Berkeley

*Radical Politics and the Jeffersonians in Early National Connecticut*  
Stephen R. Grossbart, University of Florida

*Polls and Campaign Strategies: What Were Such Modern Ideas Doing in the Presidential Election of 1824?*  
Stuart Seely Sprague, Morehead State University

Comment: Constance Schultz, University of South Carolina

15. *Gendered Rituals in Virginia and Massachusetts*

Chair: Jean E. Friedman, University of Georgia

*Gender and Civic Ritual in Postrevolutionary Virginia*

Cynthia A. Kierner, University of North Carolina-Charlotte

*Cattle Shows and Culture: Gender, Class, and Ritual Connecticut River Valley, 1818-1860*

Catherine E. Kelly, Case Western Reserve University

Comment: Randolph Roth, Ohio State University

16. *The Right to Consent: The Limits of Political Participation in the Early Republic*

Chair: Daniel Jones, New Jersey State Archives

*Limiting and Developing Individual Consent: Children and Eighteenth-Century Political Thought*  
Holly Brewer, University of California-Los Angeles*Charles Brockden Brown's Alcuin: A Dialogue (1798): An Early American Consideration of the Rights of Women*

M. Jane Lewis, Wise, Virginia

Comment: Michael Grossberg, Case Western Reserve University

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

17. *Slavery and Race in the Age of Thomas Jefferson*

Chair: Margaret Newell, Ohio State University

*Thomas Jefferson and Antislavery: Exploring an Idea or Debunking a Myth*

Paul Finkelman, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

*"Colour was the cause of...being neglected": The American Revolutionaries and the Revolution in Saint Domingue*

Julius Scott, Duke University

*Flawed Keepers of the Flame: Myth, History, and the Founders and Their Interpreters*

Peter Wallenstein, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Comment: Catherine Clinton, Harvard University

18. *The Settlement of the Trans-Appalachian Frontier*

Chair: John Guice, University of Southern Mississippi

*Geographic Mobility and Social Conservatism in the Debate over Antebellum Planter Migration*

James Miller, Emory University

*Power in Motion in the Trans-Appalachian West: The Case of Thomas Worthington*

Marion Nelson Winship, University of Pennsylvania

Comment: Robert Durden, Duke University



19. *Masculinity and Sex Roles in the Early Republic*

Chair: Bruce A. Glasrud, California State University-Hayward

*William Wirt and the Contradictions of Masculinity, 1802-1817*

Anya Jabour, Rice University

*B'hoys will be B'hoys: Tavern Violence and the Creation of a Working-Class Male Identity in Antebellum New York City*

Michael Kaplan, New York University

Comment: John Inscoc, University of Georgia

20. *Roundtable:*

*New Perspectives on the Foreign Relations of the Early Republic*

Chair: Michael Morrison, Purdue University

*Need for a Synthesis of American Foreign Relations, 1815-1861*

Kinley Brauer, University of Minnesota

*Interests, Values, and the Prism: The Sources of American Foreign Policy*

Bradford Perkins, University of Michigan

*Jefferson, Hamilton, and the Neutrality Proposal*

Lawrence S. Kaplan, Kent State University

*Biography and the Early Republic*

John M. Belohlavek, University of South Florida

*American Nation, American Empire*

William Earl Weeks, San Diego State University

Comments: The Audience

## 2:15-4:15 p.m. Sessions

21. *The Early National Militia, North and South*

Chair: John Chatfield, Trinity College

*William H. Sumner and the Paradox of Militia Reform in Massachusetts*

Mark Pitcavage, Ohio State University

*The Black Militia in the Battle of New Orleans*

W.A. Vaughan, University of Southern Mississippi

Comment: Don Higginbotham, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill

22. *Women, Free Blacks, and Evolutions in Republican Conceptions of Citizenship*

Chair: Deborah Van Broekhoven, Ohio Wesleyan University

*Citizens and Cyphers: Feminist Critiques of War and Empire in Antebellum America*

Nancy Isenberg, University of Northern Iowa

*"Eradicating the Offensive Color": Political-Economic Thought and Free People of Color in Early National Baltimore*

T. Stephen Whitman, Johns Hopkins University

Comment: William G. Shade, Lehigh University

23. *Society in Tune: Social Analyses  
of Antebellum Songs*

Chair: Elizabeth Higgins Null, Georgetown  
University

*The Role of Shape-Note Singing in the Antebellum  
South*

Daniel Watkins Patterson, University of North  
Carolina-Chapel Hill

*The Setting of a Down-East Tunebook: The  
Reverend D.H. Mansfield's The American Vocalist*  
David W. Deacon, Biltmore House

*Origins and Implications of Old Baptist Songs*  
Beverly Bush-Patterson, North Carolina Arts  
Council

Comment: David Shields, The Citadel

4:15 p.m.

Annual Business Meeting  
Rosenau Hall Auditorium

6:30-7:30 p.m.

Reception and Cash Bar  
Carolina Inn

7:30 p.m.

Banquet and Awards  
Carolina Inn

Presidential Address

*Massachusetts and South Carolina:  
Catalytic Agents for American Revolutions?*

R. Don Higginbotham  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

SUNDAY, JULY 25

9:00-11:00 a.m. Sessions

24. *The Commercial Frontier in the Early Republic*

Chair: Elizabeth Ann Perkins, Centre College

*For God, Goods, and Governments: The Rise and Fall  
of a Trans-Appalachian Entrepreneur*  
Andrew R.L. Cayton, Miami University

*William Cooper's Store; Market Development on the  
New York Frontier*  
Alan Taylor, Boston University

Comment: Peter A. Coclanis, University of North  
Carolina-Chapel Hill

25. *Abolition, Gender, and Reform in the  
Early National Period*

Chair: Marie Tyler McGraw, Smithsonian  
Institution

*"But the Poison is Spreading": Gender and Slavery  
in the Works of Louisa McCord and the Grimké  
Sisters*  
Susan A. Eacker, Miami University

*Religion and Women's Activism in the Antislavery  
Movement: Lucretia Mott and the Grimké Sisters*  
Anna Speicher, George Washington University

Comment: Nancy Hewitt, Duke University

## 26. *Property Law in the Old South*

Chair: Walter Pratt, Notre Dame University

*Custom and Law: The Legal Underpinnings of the Southern Range*

Benjamin Brown, Northwestern University

*Rights, Obligations, and Dependency in Antebellum Property Law*

Emily Van Tassel, Widener University

Comment: John Orth, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill

## 27. *Nationalism as Civic Religion*

Chair: Ruth Alden Doan, Hollins College

*Traveling, Feasting, and Fasting: Popular Celebrations and the Rise of American Nationalism, 1789-1798*

David Waldstreicher, Yale University

*Antebellum Protestants and the Process of Cultural Dissent: The Case of Francis Wayland, 1825-1855*

Mark Hanley, Northeast Missouri State University

Comment: Peter W. Williams, Miami University



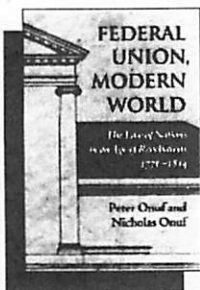
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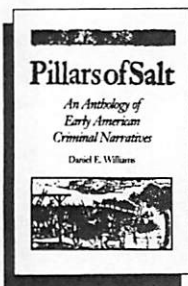
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