
**48th Annual
Missouri Valley
History Conference
March 3-5, 2005**

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Pre-registration (by March 2, 2005) is \$45. Registration at the door is \$55.

Registration: 8a.m.- 4p.m. Thursday and Friday
8a.m.-9 a.m. Saturday

All M.V.H.C. participants, conferees, and observers are expected to register.

All participants (chairs, presenters, commentators) are expected to pre-register.

All students not on the program will be admitted without charge upon showing a valid student I.D. to the M.V. H.C. registration personnel.

Session Format: Every paper is intended solely for the hearing of the people present and should not be recorded or otherwise reproduced without the author's consent. The chair of each session is responsible for allotting time to readers and discussants. Suggested time limits for papers: 15-20 minutes each for four person panels, 20 minutes each for three person panels, 25-30 minutes for two person panels. Commentators should prepare to speak for up to 20 minutes. Every panelist, including the discussants, is required to send a brief vita to the chair to facilitate introductions. Panelists should send their papers to the commentators no later than three weeks before the conference.

M.V.H.C. 2005 Exhibitors

Main Conference Hallway and Lounge
Open 8:30-1, 2-5 Thursday and Friday
8:30-11 Saturday



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Douglas County Historical Society
Kansas State Historical Society
Nebraska Jewish Historical Society
South Dakota State Historical Society
State Historical Society of North Dakota

Thursday, March 3, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Eighteenth-Century America and the Revolutionary War

Elkhorn Room, Section A

Chair: Thomas Cox, University of Nebraska at Kearney

Papers: “Separating Myth from History: The Maryland Riflemen in the War of Independence”

James McIntyre, Prairie State College

“‘No Matter How Absurd’: The Identity and Reputation of Charles Lee During the French and Indian War, 1755-1763”

James J. Schaefer, University of Toledo

Comment: Maj. Paul G. Gillespie, United States Air Force Academy
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Antebellum America

Elkhorn Room, Section C

Chair: Bob Gough, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Papers: “Issues Affecting the Minnesota Constitutional Convention of 1857”

Mark Alcorn, Independent Scholar

“A ‘Positive’ Change?: The End of Communalism in the Amana Society”

Anita Talsma Gaul, University of Iowa

“Antebellum South Carolina Reconsidered: Republicanism, Liberalism, and Robert J. Turnbull”

Raymond J. Krohn, Purdue University

Comment: Bob Gough

Thursday, March 3, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Undergraduate American History

Council Bluffs, Section A

Chair: Mason Horrell, Sterling College

Papers: “A Hat That Defeated the Republican Party: The Presidential Election of 1912”

Eric P. Braun, Dickinson State University

“The Irish Immigration to St. Paul and Southeastern Minnesota”

Amanda Van Reese, Waldorf College

“Fly Boys of Wyoming: A Brief History of the Flight Training School at the University of Wyoming”

Chadwick Vaupel, University of Wyoming

Comment: Mason Horrell

Omaha As Seen Through the Letters of James Barker, Jr., 1860-1872

Council Bluffs, Section B

Moderator: Don Snoddy, Independent Scholar

Panelists: Barry Combs, Independent Scholar

Bob Marks, Independent Scholar

Thursday, March 3, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Undergraduate European History

Council Bluffs, Section A

Chair: Evan Widders, University of Nebraska at Lincoln

Papers: “Contradiction and Failure: Marxist Ideology and the Paradox of V. I. Lenin”

Peter A. Fritz, Dickinson State University

“The Submission of the Clans: The Origins and Significance of the Glencoe Massacre”

Samuel D. Kerr, Dickinson State University

“Bonhoeffer and Confessionist Resistance to the Nazi Regime”

Kymerly Peterson, Waldorf College

Comment: Evan Widders

The American Revolution

Council Bluffs, Section B

Chair: Christopher Curtis, Iowa State University

Papers: “The Trials and Legacies of Thomas Jefferson’s War Governorship, 1779-81”

Michael Schwarz, University of Kentucky

“An Imperial Template: The Federalist Papers and Alexander Hamilton’s Conception of American Foreign Policy”

Donald L. Walker Jr., University of Nebraska at Lincoln

“The Secret Patriot Army: Robert Bolivar DePugh’s Minutemen Organization”

Brad Whitsel, Pennsylvania State University—Fayette Campus

Comment: Paul Bushnell, Illinois Wesleyan University

Thursday, March 3, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Antislavery in the United States

Elkorn Room, Section A

Chair: Sara Crook, Peru State College

Papers: “Francis Wayland and Moderate Antislavery”
Spencer Davis, Peru State College

“Violence as a Moral Mandate? The Duel Between Frederick
Douglas and Henry H. Garnet”
Shawn J. Mosher, Baylor University

“Iowa’s Doughfaces: Proslavery Politics and Personalities”
Vernon L. Volpe, University of Nebraska at Kearney

Comment: Kevin Gannon, Grand View College

Native Americans in the Twentieth Century

Elkorn Room, Section B

Chair: Raymond Wilson, Fort Hays State University

Papers: “The Founding Years of the National Indian Youth Council,
1962-1980”
Karen A. Drake, Western Illinois University

“Balance and Preservation: Eunice Woodhill Stabler, Omaha
Indian, 1885-1963”
Elaine M. Nelson, University of New Mexico

“A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words: Political Cartoons and
American Indian Self-Determination, 1969-1975”
Joshua P. Schier, Western Illinois University

Comment: Joel R. Hyer, Chadron State University

Thursday, March 3, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

American Foreign Relations

Elkorn Room, Section C

Chair: Elizabeth Elliot-Meisel, Creighton University

Papers: “The Myth of American Exceptionalism: A Christian Realist’s Critique of U.S. Policy in Iraq”

Scot D. Bruce, University of Nebraska at Lincoln

“Containment: George F. Kennan—A Wilsonian Prophet?”

Connie K. Harris, Independent Scholar

“Bush and Gorbachev: The Road to Malta”

Christopher Maynard, Dakota State University

Comment: Steven Bucklin, University of South Dakota

Cemetery History

Big Blue, Section A

Chair: Elizabeth Dickey, National Park Service

Papers: “Heavy Metal: The Unlikely History of the Cast Sinc Grave Marker”

Elizabeth Dickey, National Park Service

“Bury Me Where the Lilacs Bloom: A Cemetery History”

Nancy Farm Männikko, National Park Service

“Civil War Monuments”

Brian McCutchen, National Park Service

“Cemeterily Speaking: Giving a Voice to Those Who Moved On”

Sue Pridemore, National Park Service

Thursday, March 3, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

“Designs for the Deceased: The Secrets Cemetery Landscapes Can Reveal”

Roberta Young, National Park Service

Comment: The Audience

Prostitution in the American West

Big Blue, Section B

Chair: Lori Ann Lahlum, Valley City State University

Papers: “‘No Women West of Albuquerque’: The Harvey Girls and Constructions of Western Womanhood, 1878-1901”
Marisa K. Brandt, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

“‘The Place Never Hurt Anyone’: Prostitution and Community Values in Twentieth-Century Texas”

Patricia Norred Derr, Kutztown University

“In the Company of Men: The Masculinization of Prostitution in Los Angeles, 1870-1940”

Anne Marie Kooistra, Waldorf College

Comment: Penelope Adams Moon, Bethel College

Phi Alpha Theta Luncheon 1-2:30

The Platte Room

“‘[Not] a Thin Dime’: Kansas Relief Politics During the New Deal”

R. Alton Lee, University of South Dakota, emeritus

The outstanding graduate student paper award will be presented at this luncheon.

Thursday, March 3, 3-5 p.m.

International Relations and the U.S.

Elkorn Room, Section A

Chair: Sean N. Kalic, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College

Papers: “Dealing With Rogue States: North Korea”
David G. Brosius, United States Air Force Academy

“Eisenhower and the Rearming of Japan”
Andrew G. DeCock, Kansas State University

“‘What’s in a Name?’: The U.S. Army School of the Americas”
David Lauderback, Austin Community College

Comment: Walter E. Kretchik, Western Illinois University
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Graduate Research on the Great Plains

Elkorn Room, Section B

Chair: Tom Isern, North Dakota State University

Papers: “Charles Vernon Eskridge and the *Emporia Republican*”
Chris Childers, Emporia State University

“Wheatland: Grassroots and Academic Interpretations of Local History in Montana”
Miles Lewis, North Dakota State University

“Voices from Stutsman County: How One North Dakota Community Coped With the Great Depression”
Marni Valerio, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Comment: Kenny Brown, University of Central Oklahoma
Session Sponsored by the Institute for Regional Studies, North Dakota State University

Thursday, March 3, 3-5 p.m.

Gender and Race in Twentieth-Century America

Elkorn Room, Section C

Chair: Linda Van Ingen, University of Nebraska at Kearney

Papers: “Building Blocks of Protest?: African American Workers in the Chicago Building Trades, 1919-1946”

John J. Rosen, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Smoking Women on Parade: Viewing Changes in Women’s Gender Roles Through Cigarette Advertising”

Lisa K. Schuelke, University of Nebraska at Lincoln

Comment: Veronica Wilson, University of Pittsburgh, Johnstown.

Transportation in Nineteenth-Century America

Council Bluffs, Section A

Chair: Thomas Walther, Pittsburg State University

Papers: “Internal Improvements in the Jeffersonian Political Economy”

Songho Ha, Northern Colorado University

“Delusions of Absolute and Unlimited Commercial Empire: The Port of New Orleans before the Civil War”

Fred Spletstoser, William Jewell College

Comment: Evan Thomas, Grand View College

Relief Politics During the 1930s and 1940s

Council Bluffs, Section B

Chair: R. Alton Lee, University of South Dakota, Emeritus

Papers: “Relief Efforts Denied: The Civilian Public Service Training Corps and the Starnes Amendment, 1942-1944”

Nicholas A. Krebiel, Kansas State University

Thursday, March 3, 3-5 p.m.

“Oklahoma’s ‘Newer New Deal’: The Oklahoma Indian Welfare Act of 1936”

Jon Blackman, University of Oklahoma

Comment: Richard Lester, University of Southern California, Riverside

Film and History

Big Blue, Section A

Chair: David B. Hollander, Iowa State University

Papers: “The Liberal Science Fiction Movie in a Conservative Era”
Michael Blayney, Wayne State College

“Family Values in Elysium: Gladiator’s Depiction of the Roman Afterlife”

Charles King, University of Nebraska at Omaha

“Oliver Stone’s *Alexander*”

Jeanne Reames-Zimmerman, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Comment: Alex Garman, Eastern New Mexico University

Nineteenth-Century Presidents

Big Blue, Section B

Chair: Douglas Biggs, Waldorf College

Papers: “The Force of Circumstances: Franklin Pierce and the Impact of War”

Michael J. C. Taylor, Dickinson State University

“The Dual Constitutional Personality of Tennessee Judge and U.S. President, Andrew Jackson”

John G. Jacobsen, Williams Baptist College

Comment: John Sacher, Emporia State University

Thursday, March 3, 5-5:30 p.m.

Board of Directors Meeting, Missouri Valley History Conference
Council Bluffs, Section A

We are seeking new members for our board. Please come and join!

Thursday, March 3, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Food, Drink, Frivolity
Embassy Suites Lounge

Society for Military History Caucus
Embassy Suites Lounge

This is the final year that Kevin Carroll of Arizona State University will serve as coordinator for the *Society for Military History* sessions at the Missouri Valley History Conference. Kevin has done generous and thankless service for many years and will be greatly missed.

Friday, March 4, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Military History Before World War I

Elkorn Room, Section A

Chair: Larry Schweikart, University of Dayton

Papers: “The Siege of the Peking Legations: Remembrance and
Confabulation”

Jerry Sweeney, South Dakota State University

“‘Conquer We Must When Our Cause Is Just:’ Company M, 7th
US Infantry Volunteer Immunes, 1898-1899”

Michael W. Vogt, Iowa Gold Star Military Museum

Comment: The Audience

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The Political Economy of Colonial and Modern Mexico

Elkorn Room, Section B

Chair: Maria Arbelaez, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Papers: “Political Economy and Domestic
Industry from Colonial *Comercio Libre* to Independent Free
Trade in Mexico, 1750-1830”

Jesus Alvarado, University of Wisconsin, Madison

“The Other Eagle: A Century of U.S. Investment in Mexico”
Anthony Dutton, North Dakota State University

Comment: Stewart Brewer, Dana College

Friday, March 4, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

The Underground Railroad in the Kansas Territory

Elkorn Room, Section C

Chair: Robert Willoughby, Benedictine College

Papers: “Wrecking Slavery From the Kansas Territory: The ‘Topeka Boys’ as Saboteurs, 1855-1861”

William O. Wagnon, Washburn University

“No More Shall They In Bondage Toil Free: The Western Route of the Underground Railroad”

Timothy C. Westcott, Park University

Comment: Raymond Screws, Nebraska Humanities Council

Gender in Modern Europe

Council Bluffs, Section A

Chair: Steven Jackman, Creighton University

Papers: “The Rise of the Modern Woman and the New Femininity: London, 1890-1900”

Christine A. Anderson, University of Kansas

“Feminism and France’s Mission Civilatrice: The Militant Hubertine Auclert”

Margaret Cook, University of Iowa

“Consumers for the Nation: The State, Women, and Modernization in France, 1945-1968”

Rebecca Pulju, University of Iowa

Comment: Tamara Hunt, University of Southern Indiana

Friday, March 4, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Science and Society in the Gilded and Progressive Eras
Council Bluffs, Section B

Chair: Jeanette Jones, University of Nebraska at Lincoln

Papers: “‘A Fusion of the Races Will Begin’: Race Mixture,
 Nationality, and Scientific Racism, 1890-1920”
 Kelly L. O’Brien, University of Chicago

“The Paupers and the Poor: How the Scientific Charity
 Movement Reconsidered Dependence in the 1890s”
 Brent Ruswick, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Comment: Richard Breaux, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Native Americans During European Expansion
Big Blue, Section A

Chair: Tracy Leavelle, Creighton University

“‘Inkpaduta’: The Whiteman’s Savage Savage”
 Paul N. Beck, Wisconsin Lutheran College

“Economic and Spiritual Connections in Oglala Culture: From
 Buffalo to Beeves and Back Again, 1790-1920”
 Jeff Means, Oklahoma University

“All for the Want of a Horse: Environmental Factors in the
 Decline of the Southern Illinois Indians, 1750-1775”
 Morgan Jane Morgan, University of Cincinnati

Comment: Tracy Leavelle

Friday, March 4, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

American Religious History

Big Blue, Section B

Chair: Marvin Bergman, Editor of *Annals of Iowa*, State Historical Society of Iowa

Papers: "Baird and Bancroft: A Watershed in American Historiography."
Byron C. Miller. Independent Scholar

"A Breach of Faith: Communism, 'Unionism,' and the Dissolution of the Evangelical Lutheran Synodical Conference"
Kevin D. Smith, SUNY, Potsdam

"Toward a History of 'Disciples of Christ' in Nebraska, 1855-2005"
Paul Allen Williams, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Comment: Marvin Bergman

Friday, March 4, 11-1 p.m.

Diversity in the U. S. Armed Forces

Elkorn Room, Section A

Chair: John Reese, Air Command and Staff College

Papers: "Against Their Co-Religionists: Lower Midwestern Catholic Volunteers in the Mexican-American War"
Tyler V. Johnson, Purdue University

"Military Structure and Community as a Force for Desegregation"
Kathryn Black Morrow, University of Houston, Clear Lake

Comment: John Reese

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Friday, March 4, 11-1 p.m.

Peacemaking in Chinese History

Elkorn Room, Section B

Chair: Parks Coble, University of Nebraska at Lincoln

Papers: “An Examination of Emperor Daoguang’s Decision to Seek Peace During the First Opium War”

Alice B. Dong, York University

“Bandwagoning and War Termination in Early Tang China”

David Graff, Kansas State University

“The Unexpected Chanyuan Peace of 1005”

Peter Lorge, Vanderbilt University

Comment: Parks Coble

Progressive Era Reform

Elkorn Room, Section C

Chair: Iain Anderson, Dana College

Papers: “Finding a Balance Between Celebration and Shame: Black Education in the Context of Progressive Experiments in Springfield, MO”

Sarah Drake Brown, Florida State University

Frederick D. Drake, Illinois State University

“‘Well Meaning but Unmeaning’: The Chicago Vice Crusade and the Chaos of Progressive Reform”

Joshua A. Fennell, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Mexican Workers and Progressive Women in Chicago During the 1920s”

Sandra L. Henderson, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Comment: Sue Zschoche, Kansas State University

Friday, March 4, 11-1 p.m.

Gay Germany

Council Bluffs, Section A

Chair: Chris Lorey, University of New Brunswick

Papers: “Queer Eyes and Straight Guys: Homophobia and Homoeroticism in Imperial Germany and the Third Reich”
Timothy Pursell, University of Alaska, Fairbanks

“The Rites of *Artgenossen*: Organizing ‘Homosexual’ Political Culture in Weimar Germany”
Glen Ramsey, SUNY-Binghamton

“Racializing Sex: Homosexuality and the Preservation of German Colonialism and Identity”
Daniel J. Walther, Wartburg College

Comment: Clayton Whisnant, Wofford College

What Caused the Civil War?

Council Bluffs, Section B

Chair: James Rawley, University of Nebraska at Lincoln, emeritus

Papers: “A Clash of Extremes: An Economic Interpretation of the Origins of the Civil War.”
Marc Egnal, York University

“Liberty, Order, and Republican Manhood: The Ideological Origins of the Civil War”
Thomas E. Rodgers, University of Southern Indiana

Comment: Michael Perman, University of Illinois at Chicago

Friday, March 4, 11-1 p.m.

Roundtable: Regional Art Esthetics in the Missouri Valley

Big Blue, Section A

Moderator: Mary Caroline Simpson, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Panelists: John Day, University of South Dakota, Director of University Art Galleries
 Donald Doe, Art Historian, Grinnell College
 Bill North, Senior Curator, Kistler Beach Museum of Art, Kansas City
 Wallace Tomasini, Art Historian, University of Iowa
 Lesley Wright, Director of Faulconer Gallery, Grinnell College

Omaha History

Big Blue, Section B

Chair: Mary Lyons Barrett, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Papers: “The Omaha Riots of the 1960s and the Economic Decline of the Near North Side”

Ashley M. Howard, University of Nebraska at Omaha

“‘Things Are Not on the Up and Up’: The Knights of AK-Sar-Ben in Omaha, 1919-2004”

Tom Spencer, Northwest Missouri State University

Comment: Dennis Mihelich, Creighton University

Missouri Valley History Conference Luncheon (1-2:30)

The Platte Room

“‘Freedom Was All They Had’: Civil Rights in the Age of Emancipation”

Leslie Schwalm, University of Iowa

Friday, March 4, 3-5 p.m.

The Culture of Communism During the Cold War

Elkorn Room, Section A

Chair: Rick Frucht, Northwest Missouri State University

Papers: “The Politics of High Culture in Poland’s Worker Paradise:
Howa Huta in the 1950s”

Boleslaw Janus, University of Montana—Western

“Engineers of People’s Souls: Socialist Realism, Socialist
Morality and the Czechoslovak Union of Writers, 1948-1968”

Brian Rohlik, Yale University

“‘The Truth About Smoking’: Public Health Campaigns
Against Tobacco in the Soviet Union”

Tricia Starks, University of Arkansas

Comment: Laura Gellott, University of Wisconsin—Parkside

The Military History of the Civil War

Elkorn Room, Section B

Chair: Joe Anderson, Iowa State University

Papers: “The Confederacy’s Internal Civil War: North Carolina
Unionists”

Alan K. Lamm, Mount Olive College

“Mound City and the Eads’ Pook Turtles”

Bruce S. Stewart, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale

Comment: Joe Anderson, Iowa State University

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Friday, March 4, 3-5 p.m.

Secondary Education in the Era of Desegregation

Elkorn Room, Section C

Chair: John L. Rury, University of Kansas

Papers: “‘Blowin’ in the Wind’: The Eve of the African American Struggle for Educational Equality in Omaha”
Bruce Mason, University of Nebraska at Omaha

“The Rise and Fall of Magnet School Desegregation in Kansas City, Missouri, 1977-2003”
Peter William Moran, University of Wyoming

“A Comparison of Student Achievement in Consolidated Schools and One Room Country Schools”
William L. Sherman, Iowa Historic Preservation Alliance Board

Comment: John L. Rury

Western Slavery

Council Bluffs, Section A

Chair: Beverly Bond, University of Memphis

Papers: “‘We Came Here to Get Peace’: African American Community and Political Life in the Nodaway Valley, 1840-1910”
David Brodnax, Sr., Northwestern University

“Slave Neighbors: Missouri’s Slave Communities, 1821-1865”
Diane Mutti Burke, University of Missouri—Kansas City

“Beyond the Southern Frontier: Taking American Slavery into Mexican Texas, 1821-1836”
Andrew Torget, University of Virginia

Comment: Barbara Krauthamer, New York University

Friday, March 4, 3-5 p.m.

Atlantic History

Council Bluffs, Section B

Chair: Thomas J. Lewin, University of Kansas

Papers: “Capital Punishment in Early America during the Age of Revolution”

Gabriele Gottlieb, University of Pittsburgh

“Bejutapauts, Brandy and the King of Prussia: Commodities and Consumption at Cape Coast Castle, 1750-1800”

Ty M. Reese, University of North Dakota

“‘Lords, Nay Kings at Sea’: Englishness and Early Modern Pirates”

Brooke Stafford, Creighton University

Comment: Sarah Pearsall, Newberry Library, University of St. Andrews

Teaching World History

Big Blue, Section A

Chair: Tim Borstelmann, University of Nebraska at Lincoln

Papers: “New Ways That Natural History Can Illuminate World History: A Look at ‘Big’ ‘History’”

Jesse Hollenback, University of Wisconsin—La Cross

“Teaching ‘Slavery and Antislavery in the Western Tradition’: Integrating American and World History”

Linda Taber and Sharon Thomas, Wayne State College

Comment: Mark Scherer, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Friday, March 4, 3-5 p.m.

Ancient Greece

Big Blue, Section B

Chair: Jeanne Reames-Zimmerman, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Papers: “More Than A Famous Battle: Plataiai”
Ronald T. Marchese, University of Minnesota Duluth

“Routed Hoplites: Attempts to Escape the Slaughter”
Bryan Mayfield, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Comment: Jeanne Reames-Zimmerman (will comment on Marchese)
James McIntyre, Moraine Valley Community College, Illinois
(will comment on Mayfield)

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Friday, March 4, 5:15-7 p.m.

Missouri Valley History Conference Reception

Bemis Center for the Contemporary Arts

724 South 12th St., Old Market

Sponsored by Chancellor Nancy Belck

The Bemis Contemporary Arts Museum is five blocks from the Embassy Suites. It is located on the corner of Leavenworth and 12th Streets. Walk two blocks west on Howard Street, turn left on 12th Street, and then walk three blocks south. The Bemis is on the right hand side of 12th Street. Free parking for the reception will be available at a designated event parking lot on 12th Street just north of the Bemis.

See map on page 30. Star (★) indicates location of Bemis Center.

Saturday, March 5, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Ethnic Diasporas

Elkorn Room, Section A

Chair: June Alexander, University of Cincinnati

Papers: “Life in the Russian Bottoms: Community Building and Identity Transformation among Germans from Russia from 1880 to 1920”

Kurt E. Kinbacher, University of Nebraska at Lincoln

“National Unity or Disarray: Ethnonational Construction Among the Bosnian, Croat & Serb Diaspora”

Dejan Kralj, Loyola University of Chicago

“King Billy in the New World: Nationalism and Orangeism in New York and Toronto, 1860-1871”

Alison O’Mahen Malcom, University of Illinois at Chicago

Comment: Laird Okie, Moberly Area Community College

The History of Leisure

Elkorn Room, Section B

Chair: John Hajduk, University of Montana—Western

Papers: “The City and ‘the Real country’: Childhood, Nature, and Citizenship in Progressive-Era Chicago”

Michelle Kleehammer, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

“Play Time: Eastern Montana Youth and Recreation During the Great Depression”

Amy L. McKinney, University of Montana—Western

Comment: Dave Welky, University of Central Arkansas

Saturday, March 5, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Social Activism and American Religion

Elkorn Room, Section C

Chair: Richard Turner, University of Iowa

Paper: “My Own Cross to Bear: Reverdy C. Ransom, the Social Gospel, and the Black Church, 1890-1920”
Cornelius L. Bynum, Purdue University

“Faith-Based Protest: American Catholics and the Vietnam War.”
Penelope Moon, Bethel College

Comment: Paul Williams, University of Nebraska at Omaha

***Roundtable: Teaching Middle Eastern History
in the Time of Terror***

Council Bluffs, Section A

Moderator: John Calvert, Creighton University

Participants: Moshe Gershovitch, University of Nebraska at Omaha
Waleed Hazbun, Johns Hopkins University
Shira N. Robinson, University of Iowa

Saturday, March 5, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

World War II

Council Bluffs, Section B

Chair: Lou McDermott, California State University Maritime Academy

Papers: “‘Better than that, Madame, we have been motorized!’: The Motorization of the Belgian *Corps de Cavalerie* 1934-1940”
Jonathan A. Epstein, City University of New York – Graduate School and University Center

“‘In Very Short Order We Were at War’: The U. S. Army Middle East Air Force in Egypt and Palestine, April-November 1942”

John R. Reese, Air Command and Staff College

Comment: Lou McDermott

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Public History

Big Blue, Section A

Chair: Pat Henry, Aquaterra in Overland Park, Kansas

Papers: “The History Consultant and the Settlement: A City, a Bridge, and a Lawsuit”

Sharon E. Neet, University of Minnesota, Crookston

Susan A. Brorson, University of Minnesota, Crookston

“Historical Pageantry and Commemorations of the Lewis and Clark Expedition”

Wallace G. Lewis, Western State College

Comment: Virgil W. Dean, Editor of *Kansas History*, Kansas State Historical Society

Saturday, March 5, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Labor and Management at the Turn of the Twentieth Century
Big Blue, Section B

Chair: Brian Birdnow, University of St. Louis

Papers: “No Worker’s Paradise: Unskilled Immigrant Labor and
Housing in the Company Town, 1894-1917”
Samuel Barnett, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Prelude to Corporate Liberalism?: The Illinois
Manufacturers’ Association and the Illinois Anti-Trust Act,
1891-1905”
Daniel Harper, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Thomas J. Grier and South Dakota’s Homesake Mine: ‘A
Despotism, Benevolent Though It May Be’”
Susan L. Richards, Lawrence University
Rex C. Myers, Lawrence University

Comment: Michael Pierce, University of Arkansas

Call for Papers

Northern Great Plains History Conference

28 SEPTEMBER – 1 OCTOBER 2005

Eau Claire, Wisconsin

Individual proposals and session proposals are welcome. For individuals, send a 1 page proposal and short c.v. (only c.v. if volunteering to chair/comment). For sessions, send 1 page session proposal, 1 page proposals for each paper, and short c.v.s for all participants. Please include e-mail address. For more information, check <http://personal2.stthomas.edu/jcfitzharris/NGPHC/>

DEADLINE FOR PROPOSALS: 4 APRIL 2005

Send proposals and c.v. to: Joe Fitzharris

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Missouri Valley History Conference

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March 2-4, 2006

Omaha, Nebraska

Proposals for papers and sessions in all areas of history are welcome. Send a one-page abstract(s) and brief vita(e) by October 15, 2005 to Thomas Buchanan, Dept. of History, University of Nebraska at Omaha, NE 68182. Or email thomasbuchanan@mail.unomaha.edu. Those wishing to have their proposals acknowledged should include a stamped, self-addressed postcard.



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The Embassy Suites Downtown/Old Market is located at 555 South 10th St.

Recreational facilities: Indoor pool, sauna, whirlpool, and a health and fitness center.

Nearby Attractions: Old Market stores, nightclubs, and restaurants, Durham Western Heritage Museum, Henry Doorly Zoo, Joslyn Art Museum, Bemis Center for Contemporary Art, Quest Center.

Room Reservations: To make a reservation at the Embassy Suites Old Market call 402-346-9000. Request the Missouri Valley Conference rate (\$115, plus tax) through February 12. (Rate may be available after this date.) Register online at www.embassysuites.com using MHC passcode.

Airport Shuttle: The Embassy Suites runs an airport shuttle that runs every half hour on the half hour. Pick-up the shuttle at door number 3 at Eppley Airfield. Calling ahead is not necessary but can facilitate service (346-9000).

Directions from Eppley Airfield: exit airport and turn left on Abbott Drive; continue approximately three miles to 10th street and turn left; hotel is three blocks south on the left.

From the East and West: Take I-80 to 480 North Eppley Airfield/Downtown. Take the Harney/Dodge Street Exit and turn right onto Harney Street. Proceed approximately 1 ½ miles and turn right on 10th street. Hotel is approximately three blocks up on left.

From North and South: Take I-29 to 1-480 West across the Missouri River into Omaha and take Dodge Street exit; turn left at the stop light onto 10th st. and proceed one half mile; hotel is on the left.

Parking: Hotel parking is for hotel guests only. Conference goers not staying at the Embassy should park at one of several public parking garages in the Old Market. The public lot at 10th and Jackson is the closest to the Embassy Suites. There are also garages at 12th/Harney and 14th/Harney.

Pre-registration form

Enclose this form with a check payable to Missouri Valley History Conference, Inc., and mail to Missouri Valley History Conference, Department of History, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, NE 68182. Pre-registration forms will be accepted only until March 2, 2005.

Name _____

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Registration fee by March 3 \$45 (at door, \$55.00)

Phi Alpha Theta Luncheon, Thursday, March 3

“‘Not One Thin Dime’: Relief Policies in Depression Kansas”

R. Alton Lee, University of South Dakota, Emeritus

- Roasted Pork Loin with Whole Grain Mustard Cream, Garlic Mash Potatoes, Veg.
- 6oz Fresh Cut Sirloin on top of a garlic Herb Roll with Potato Chips and Fruit Cup
- Fresh Spinach Fettuccini with Homemade Pesto

Missouri Valley History Conference Luncheon, Friday, March 4.

“‘Freedom Was All They Had’: Civil Rights in the Age of Emancipation”

- Chicken Marsala Served on a Bed of Pasta with Italian Vegetable Medley
- Grilled Flank Steak with Roasted Shallot and Wild Mushroom Demi, Roasted New Potatoes, Veg.
- Grilled Vegetable Sandwich with Pesto Mayonnaise on Rosemary Focaccia Bread with Potato Chips, Pasta Salad

Check luncheons you plan to attend, indicate your menu selection. Add \$15 for each lunch to your registration. Make checks payable to Missouri Valley History Conference.

Total payment enclosed: _____