Missouri Valley History Conference

February 28–March 2, 2019

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Thursday, February 28
Registration Open: 11:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Sessions: 12:30-2:00 p.m.
Sessions: 2:15-3:45 p.m.
Sessions: 4:00-5:30 p.m.
Welcoming Reception: 5:30-6:30 p.m.
SMH Huddle at Upstream: 7:00 p.m.

Friday, March 1
Breakfast Buffet: 7:30-8:30 a.m.
Registration Open: 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Sessions: 8:15-9:45 a.m.
Sessions: 10:00-11:30 a.m.
Break for Lunch
Sessions: 1:30-3:00 p.m.
Sessions: 3:15-4:45 p.m.

MVHC Keynote & John Trudell Lecture Featuring Walter Echo-Hawk
5:30 p.m.
Reception & Book Signing to Follow

Saturday, March 2
Breakfast Buffet: 7:30-8:30 a.m.
Registration Open: 8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Sessions: 8:15-9:45 a.m.
Sessions: 10:00-11:30 a.m.
Phi Alpha Theta Lunch & Keynote: 11:45 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28

11:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Registration Desk Open | Magnolia Ballroom

12:30-2:00 p.m.
Sessions Begin

**Session 1: Race, Rhetoric, and Imperialism**
Location: Library Room (Phi Alpha Theta Session)

Chair and Commentator: **John Daley**, Pittsburg State University

- **Natasha Helme**, Northwest Missouri State University
  Depictions and Presentations of Ant-Semitism: Anti-Semitic Rhetoric from the Middle Ages to the Early 20th Century

- **James Lapka**, Hastings College
  Taming the Orient ‘Homosexuality’ and Imperialism

- **Shane Majerus**, Graceland University
  Lost Influence: British Influence in the Hawaiian Islands, 1777-1843

**Session 2: Local Takes: Nebraska Histories**
Location: Blue Bonnet (Phi Alpha Theta Session)

Chair and Commentator: **Jeff Wells**, University of Nebraska at Kearney

- **Jacob Peters**, Peru State College
  Holding it Together: Luna Kellie and the Last Years of the Nebraska Farmer’s Alliance

- **Jabe Wurtz**, Peru State College
  Saving Rural Nebraska: The Benefits of Early Twentieth-Century School Consolidation

- **William Thompson**, Hastings College
  Growing Young Patriots: Appeasing Conservative Criticism for the Nebraska Social Studies Standards 2012

- **Megan Steinhauer**, University of Nebraska at Kearney
  Perkin's Past: The Life of Edwin Perkins Before Kool-Aid Flourished
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Session 3: Romans and War
Location: Columbine (Society for Military History Session)

Chair & Commentator: Dan Powers, Tohatchi High School, Tohatchi, NM

Seth Kendall, Georgia Gwinnett College
The Art of War in the Second Book of Polybius

Laura Valiani, Georgia State University
Confusion about the Carthaginian Corps

Avery Sage, South Dakota State University
Crisis of the Third Century: The Anarchy that Shattered and then Reinvigorated Rome

Session 4: European History and Human Rights
Location: Lavender West

Chair: Mark Celinscak, University of Nebraska at Omaha
Comment: Audience

Joshua C. Tate, Southern Methodist University
Magna Carta and the Definition of Fundamental Rights

Michael Whittaker, Marquette University
A Political History of Edmund Burke and His Legacy

Session 5: 19th Century Plains Native American History
Location: Lotus

Chair: Sandra K. Mathews, Nebraska Wesleyan University
Comment: Audience

Matthew R. Deepe, Oklahoma State University
Plains Indian Peace Initiatives in the Late-Nineteenth Century

Kevin Mason, Waldorf University
Tawacinkicun; or to Have a Mind of One’s Own: Dakota Conceptions of Sovereignty, 1805–1858

Jack Ketchem, Oklahoma State University
Collateral Damages to the Palatinate of the Prairie: The Extension of Land and Sovereignty Loss to a White Immigrant Community by the Dawes Act

Thayme Watson, University of South Dakota
Addressing Issues of Erasure of Native Americans from Historical Records during the South Dakota Statehood Movement
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2:15-3:45 P.M.

Session 6: Rebellions, Scandals, Cults, and Gambles
Location: Library (Phi Alpha Theta Session)

Chair & Commentator: Kathi Nehls, Peru State College

Kassandra Nelson, University of Nebraska at Kearney
William A. Paxton: Cattle, Indian Agencies, and Scandal on the Northern Plains

Colten Hartman, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Legacy of the Longhorns: Analyzing Long Term Effects of the Chisholm Trail

Elana Neve, University of St. Thomas
“There Exists No Cordiality:” Social Schism and Slave Rebellion in Territorial Louisiana, 1803-1811

Sawyer Young, University of Missouri-Columbia
Remembering the Ghost Dance of 1890: A Historical Vision of Indian Messiah Cults

Session 7: 1968
Location: Blue Bonnet (Phi Alpha Theta Session)

Chair: Steven Wagner, Missouri Southern State University
Commentator: J. Michael Crane, University of Arkansas-Fort Smith

Brennan Cummings, Missouri Southern State University
Seeking to Change the World: Robert Kennedy, Faith, and Politics

Sarah Haskins, Missouri Southern State University
After King Died: The Other Civil Rights Movement

Patrick Laird, Missouri Southern State University
Feminism in the Mainstream: The Effect of the 1968 Miss America Protests on Second-Wave Feminism

Tyler Masters, Missouri Southern State University
The Kennedy Bloc: How Robert Kennedy Managed to Forge a Political Coalition in a Time of Intense Civil Unrest

Session 8: Civil War Resistance
Location: Columbine (Society for Military History Session)

Chair: John Broom, Norwich University
Commentator: Sean Kalie, US Army Command and General Staff College

John Reese, Emeritus Air Command and General Staff College
The “Little Affair” at Aquia Creek, May 1861

Jennifer Murray, Oklahoma State University
“Nothing To Do With Politics:” Rethinking General George Gordon Meade and the Politics of the Army of the Potomac

Jeffery A. Wollenman, School of Advanced Military Studies
The Liber Code: The Creation of Military Necessity and the Death of Slavery
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2:15–3:45 P.M.

Session 9: The New Midwestern History: Discussion of Finding a New Midwestern History (Roundtable)
Location: Lavender West

Chair: Jon Lauck, University of South Dakota
Comment: Audience

Jon Lauck, Executive Director, Midwestern History Association
Kim Porter, University of North Dakota
Brandi Hilton-Hagemann, Doane University
David McMahon, Kirkwood Community College
Jeff Wells, University of Nebraska at Kearney

Session 10: Cold War: Human Rights and Cultural History
Location: Lotus

Chair: James D. Clark, University of Nebraska at Omaha
Comment: Audience

Benjamin R. Nestor, Marquette University
Human Rights and Environmentalism: German Emigres and a New Cold War Critique

David Lewandowski, University of St. Thomas
Declaration Versus Covenant: Universal Human Rights in the Context of the Emerging Cold War, 1947-1948

Edward J. Longe, Marquette University
“The Most Immediate Danger:” Milwaukee’s Jewish Community and the Contours of Anti-Communism, 1950-1954

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Session 11: World War I: Near and Far
Location: Library (Phi Alpha Theta Session)

Chair & Commentator: Spencer Davis, Emeritus Peru State University

Justin Horn, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Feed the Fighters: Nebraska’s Contribution in the Great War

Chris Bonin, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Supporting Victory: The AEF Logistics in World War I

Ashley Silligman, Northwest Missouri State University
The British Woman: Home Front Life in the First World War

Joel Rick, University of Nebraska at Kearney
American Music of the First World War: Allies, Enemies, and Unfortunates

Session 12: Latin America in the Twentieth Century
Location: Blue Bonnet (Phi Alpha Theta Session)

Chair & Commentator: Roger Davis, University of Nebraska at Kearney

Alexandra Mohn, University of St. Thomas
Whey Did They Do This?: A Study of Counterinsurgency in Nicaragua

Anthony Ginger, Graceland University
The Fall of a Regime:
How Human Rights Violations in Somoza's Nicaragua Led to Their Downfall

William Woodward, University of Nebraska at Kearney
The Aztec Eagles: Mexico’s Forgotten Heroes

Alexis Cruz, Drake University
President Carter and Central America: Human Rights and Moral Politics

Session 13: 16th, 17th, and 18th Century Revolt and Consequence
Location: Columbine (Society for Military History Session)

Chair: Johannes Allert, Rogers State University
Commentator: Donald Bittner, Marine Corp Command and Staff College

Dustin Cagle, Rogers State University
An Analysis of the Cause and the Goals of the German Peasant’s Revolt of 1524-1525

Robert S. Babcock, Hastings College
The Generalship of Stenka Razin, 1670-1671

Michael Thompson, Rogers State University
In Sorrow and Sadness:
The Hayes' Station Massacre of Laurens County, South Carolina, November, 1781
Session 14: World War II: Prisoners of War and Veterans Rights
Location: Lavender West

Chair: David Bath, Rogers State University
Comment: Audience

Sam Goodfellow, Westminster College
Citizens or Traitors: The Internment of Southwest Germans During World War II

Madelina Cordia, South Oregon University
Nazis in Oregon: Rommel’s Afrika-Korps in Camp White, 1942-1946

Laura Enomoto, Coastline Community College
An Undesirable Plot: One Country’s Fight for Proper Veteran Burial

Session 15: Slavery and the Civil War
Location: Lotus

Chair: Dennis J. Smith, University of Nebraska at Omaha
Comment: Audience

Prisco R. Hernandez, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College
The Atlantic Slave Trade and the Ontology of Slavery: A Critical Historical Examination

Kwynn Kelly, Baker University
The Civil War Battle of Fort Fizzle: A New Interpretation

5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
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Magnolia Ballroom

Join us for hors d’oeuvres, beverages, and good conversation!

Society for Military History Huddle
Upstream Brewing Company, 7:00 p.m.
FRIDAY, MARCH 1

7:30–8:30 a.m.
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8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
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8:15–9:45 a.m.
Sessions Begin

Session 16: Local Places and Projects
Location: Library (Phi Alpha Theta Session)

Chair & Commentator: Doug Biggs, University of Nebraska at Kearney

Cannon Marchand, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Kearney’s First Cemetery: Why a Community Decides to Move a Cemetery and to Forget its Past

Halley Gaucher, University of Nebraska at Kearney
The Layers of Kearney Women’s Club

Tracie Grube Gaurkee, University of Nebraska at Kearney

Kelsie Slaughter, Westminster College
Honoring Heroes, Navigating Bureaucracy: Creating a Student-Driven Project to Establish a Veterans Memorial on Campus

Session 17: Race, Sectionalism, and Civil Rights
Location: Blue Bonnet (Phi Alpha Theta Session)

Chair & Commentator: Shaherzad Ahmadi, University of St. Thomas

Bontu Gemed, University of St. Thomas
Disruption in the Delta: How the Lack of Government Oversight Harmed African Americans in the Mississippi Delta

David Blakely, University of Nebraska at Kearney
The Poor People’s Campaign: Dr. King’s Final Push for Genuine Equality and Dignity

Kyle Imdieke, St. Cloud State University
“Wolves in Sheep’s Clothing.” Slavery and Sectionalism in Appalachian Methodism

Emily Morrison, Wayne State College
The New White City: Displays of Race in the Trans-Mississippi Exposition
FRIDAY, MARCH 1
8:15-9:45 A.M.

**Session 18: Eighteenth-Century in America and Great Britain**
Location: Columbine (Society for Military History Session)

Chair: **Jerome Martin**, Emeritus, Strategic Command Historian
Commentator: **John Reese**, Emeritus, Air Command and Staff College

**Blake Weeder**, University of Nebraska at Kearney
*Water, Fuel, and Forage: An Environmental History of Fort Kearney on the Platte*

**Jordan Houchins**, Norwich University
*British Naval Mutinies of the Late 18th Century as a Catalyst for Change*

**Brian Hoefel**, Marquette University
*The Patriotism of Our People: The Illinois Soldier’s Encounter with Mexico*

**Donald Bittner**, Marine Corp Command and Staff College
*Portrait of a Young Man Before Ennoblement: Maurice Hankey, Baron of the Chart, 1877-1963*

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**Session 19: Global Human Rights and Popular Culture**
Location: Lavender West

Chair: **Kent Blansett**, University of Nebraska at Omaha
Comment: Audience

**Leah Cargin**, Minnesota State University, Mankato
*El Movimento Femenino Popular and El Sendero Luminoso*

**Benjamin Narvaez**, University of Minnesota, Morris
*Chinese Immigrants and U.S. Diplomats during Costa Rica’s Era of Exclusion, 1897-1943*

**Patrick Bethel**, Marquette University
*“And You Dare Call Me a Terrorist:” Popular Music and Civil Rights in Ireland*

**Elizabeth M. Sadusky**, University of St. Thomas
*What’s in a State? Evaluating Separatism, Secessionism, and State Recognition in Georgia*

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**Session 20: The U.S. Army in Peacetime: Disaster Relief and Stability Operations**
Location: Lotus

Chair & Commentator: **David Cotter**, CGSG, Fort Leavenworth

**Erik Alfsen**, CGSG Fort Leavenworth
*Helpful or Culpable: The U.S. Army in the Aftermath of the 1906 San Francisco Fire*

**David Mills**, CGSG Fort Leavenworth
*Feeding Europe While Starving Communism: The Cold War Turns Green*

**Christopher R. Johnson**, CGSG Fort Leavenworth
*MacArthur and the U.S. Occupation of Japan: Consolidating Victory one Convert at a Time*
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10:00–11:30 A.M.

Session 21: Histories of Japan and Vietnam
Location: Library (Phi Alpha Theta Session)

Chair & Commentator: Brandi Hilton-Hagemann, Doane University

Austin Heinlein, Hastings College
Folklore, Traditionalism, Mythology:
Their Inclusion in the Education System of a Modern Imperial Japanese State

Katherine Anielak, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Christianity and Women’s Education in Japan

Peter Strobel, Doane University
The Rise and Fall of the Samurai:
An Examination of the Transition from Feudalism to Imperialism in Japan, 1850–1878

Chandler Casey, Westminster College
The Empire Strikes Back: An Analysis of Vietnam during 1945

Session 22: Trial and Development in World War II
Location: Blue Bonnet (Society for Military History Session)

Chair: Johannes Allert, Rogers State University
Commentator: Jonathan Epstein, City University of New York

Clayton Fanning, Rogers State University
Unbroken Code: From the Choctaw Code Talkers of WWI to the Navajo Code Talkers of WWII

Conrad Allen, University of Wisconsin–Madison
No Cavalryman’s War? Horsemen, Manhood, and Modernity in the British Army

Nicholas Tuma, University of Nebraska at Omaha
Unqualified Victims of Tactical Necessity: The U.S. Army’s World War II Replacement System

Session 23: Tactical Developments in World War II
Location: Columbine (Society for Military History Session)

Chair: Randy Mullis, Angelo State University
Commentator: George Eaton, US Army Sustainment Command

Gregory Withrow, University of Nebraska at Kearney
World War II vs Stephen Ambrose:
A Cautionary Tale of Sweeping Historical Generalizations and the Blending of Historical Fact

John Prince, Florida State University
A Nose for Victory: Allied Airplane Art in World War II

Chris Masters, University of Nebraska at Kearney
It Took a Community to Raise a Mountain Division:
An Examination of the 10th Mountain Division’s Formative Years
**Session 24: Women and Power in Late Medieval England**
Location: Lavender West

Chair: **Linda Van Ingen**, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Comment: Audience

**Linda E. Mitchell**, University of Missouri, Kansas City
“I’m Not Dead Yet:”
Female Landholding in Medieval Ireland and the Problem of Anglo-Irish Lordship

**Douglas Biggs**, University of Nebraska at Kearney
“A Royal Fellowship of Death:”
The Passing of Royal and Noble Courtier Women and its Effects in Politics, 1392-1396

**Melissa Morris**, University of Missouri, Kansas City
A Position of Favor: Joan de Mohun and the Court of Richard II

**Session 25: Human Rights: Gender and Sexuality**
Location: Lotus

Chair: **Amy Scott**, Bradley University
Comment: Audience

**Hanna Sophie Frishenschlanger**, University of Nebraska at Omaha
A History of Homosexuality in the East:
Russia’s Inconsistent Stance Toward Its Gay Subjects Over the Centuries

**Eliza Kolbo**, University of South Dakota
Why is My Body Less Holy Than a Man’s?
An Examination of Sexuality, Gender, and Agency among Female Ascetics in the Patristic Age

**Claire Ringer**, Oklahoma State University
I Am Still Myself: How the Dust Bowl Influenced Women’s Clothing in Oklahoma

**Amanda Johnson**, Oklahoma State University
The Women’s Dance: Native Sovereignty and the Female Body in the Red Power Era

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Session 26: Gender, Race, and Health
Location: Library (Phi Alpha Theta Session)

Chair & Commentator: Linda Van Ingen, University of Nebraska at Kearney

Alixandra Cogan, University of St. Thomas
Contrast and Conformity: The Role of Gender in the U.S. Dakota War of 1862

Alyssa Smith, Hastings College
“Fashion is an Arch Tyrant:” How Health, Modesty Standards, and War Changed Women’s Clothing from 1895–1925

Hannah Earnhardt, Peru State College
Votes for Women: How Culture Impacted the Nebraska Women’s Suffrage Movement

Melissa Rolseth, Westminster College
The Destruction of Black Wall Street: Was the Tulsa Race Riot of 1921 an Act of Terrorism?

Session 27: Midwestern and Plains History
Location: Blue Bonnet

Chair: Mark Scherer, University of Nebraska at Omaha
Comment: Audience

Sam Colwell, University of Nebraska, Lincoln
Stains, Dirt, and Tears: The Passage and Implications of the Indian Bounty Act of 1957 in Thurston County, Nebraska

David Brodnax, Sr., Trinity Christian College
“The Line Which Fixes the Equality of Right:” Clark v. Board of Directors and 19th Century School Desegregation

Harlan Seyfer, Plattsmouth Main Street Association
Bourgmont on the Platte

Session 28: World War II Leadership
Location: Columbine (Society for Military History Session)

Chair: Jerome Martin, Emeritus, Strategic Command Historian
Commentator: Chris Rein, Army University Press

Johannes Allert, Rogers State University

Jonn Abbatiello, United States Air Force Academy
Lewis Brereton and the Failure at Arnhem

Chad Gibbs, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Leaders, Unit Culture, and Genocide:
Christopher R. Browning’s Ordinary Men as Command Training
FRIDAY, MARCH 1
1:30-3:00 P.M.

Session 29: Twentieth-Century Native American History
Location: Lavender West
Chair: Douglas Miller, Eastern New Mexico University
Comment: Audience

Billie J. Kingfisher, Jr., Independent Scholar
The Indian Reorganization Act: Democracy or Neo-Colonialism

Kelly O'Dea, University of South Dakota
Lakota Woman: Identify Reclamation Through Indigenous Activism and Resistance

Kevin Whalen, University of Minnesota, Morris
Relocation's First Agent? George P. Lavatta, Federal Relocation, and Changing Ideas about Indigenous Sovereignty

Session 30: Antisemitism, Consumption, & Honor in 20th Century Germany
Location: Lotus
Chair: Roy G. Koepp, Eastern New Mexico University
Comment: Audience

Roy G. Koepp, Eastern New Mexico University
Becoming Volkisch: Antisemitism in the Einwohnerwehr, 1919-1921

Torsten Homberger, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Nazi Customers Consumption, Consumerism, and the Destruction of the Weimar Democracy

Tony Foreman, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
A Blind Loyalty: Honor as a Defense in the 1949 War Crimes Trial of World War II German Field Marshal Erich von Manstein

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**Session 31: History and Memory**  
Location: Library (Phi Alpha Theta Session)

Chair & Commentator: **Jinny Turman**, University of Nebraska at Kearney

**Travis Parker**, Westminster College  
The Evolution of American Holocaust Cinema

**Mary Agnes Ratelle**, University of St. Thomas  
Resistance!—The Musical!: Black Musical Theater of the Harlem Renaissance

**Brenna Tripp**, Hastings College  
We Still Believe in Miracles: the Miracle on Ice in the 1980s and after 9/11

**Myrissa Nearman**, Wayne State College  
The Revolutionary Experience

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**Session 32: Twentieth-Century Class and Gender**  
Location: Blue Bonnet

Chair: **Leisl Carr Childers**, Colorado State University  
Comment: Audience

**Brooke Schwanke**, University of Nebraska at Kearney  
The Catholic Church and Human Rights during the 1960s

**Adam Petersen**, Marquette University  
From Riot to Quiet: Milwauk ee’s South Side Catholic Parishes and the 1967 Clash Over Open Housing

**Gabrielle Hogan**, Bradley University  
Working Harding or Harding Working: Class, Gender, and Redemption in the Life of an Olympic Figure Skater

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**Session 33: Challenges and Success in Military Training**  
Location: Columbine (Society for Military History Session)

Chair: **Mark Grotelueschen**, United States Air Force Academy  
Commentator: **John Broom**, Norwich University

**Robert Corriedo**, United States Air Force Academy  
Taming a Revolutionary Army: Military Educational Reform in Mexico

**Brian North**, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Unification and Universal Military Training: How the Victors of World War II Lost the Fight for Post-War Policy

**Douglas Kennedy**, United States Air Force Academy  
Vector Change at the Air Force Academy: An Academic in Charge of Professional Military Education
Session 34: Midwestern Urban History & Education
Location: Lavender West
Chair: David Nesheim, Chadron State College
Comment: Audience

Jeffrey S. McDonald, Sioux Falls Seminary
Creating an Evangelical Mind: Presbyterians and the League of Evangelical Students, 1924-1943

Andrew McGuire, University of Nebraska at Kearney
The Lost Legacy of a Midwestern Minnesota Family: William H. Kelly and Pillsbury Academy in Owatonna, Minnesota

Samantha Lechowicz, Bradley University
The Peoria Journal Star & the Equal Rights Amendment: What Can Local Newspaper Coverage Teach Us About the Failure of the Equal Rights Amendment in Illinois?

Session 35:
Reformers & Capitalists: Social Agendas of Americans Abroad, 19th and 20th Centuries
Location: Lotus
Chair: Timothy Mahoney, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Comment: Audience

Timothy Mahoney, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Bourgeois Imperialists: Cosmopolitan Masculinity in Gilded Age America

Linda Van Ingen, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Claire Boothe Luce, Americans Overseas, and 20th Century U.S. Internationalism

Alexander Vazansky, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
GI Dissent and New Left Activism in West Germany, 1968-1971

Friday, March 1, 5:30 p.m. - Magnolia Ballroom
Missouri Valley History Conference Keynote Speaker &
John Trudell Distinguished Lecturer in Native American Studies

Walter Echo-Hawk
Pawnee Lawyer and Scholar

"Native American Civil and Human Rights Experience in the U.S."
Reception with refreshments and book signing to follow
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8:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
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Session 36: Early American History and Human Rights
Location: Library
Chair: Christopher Steinke, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Comment: Audience

Kevin Wienke, Marquette University
Dog in Wolf’s Clothing: Sheep Husbandry and Dog Laws in 19th Century America

Ellie Lowderman, University of Nebraska at Omaha
Acadian Transients in the Atlantic Seaboard: Nation-building & Antecedents of United States Immigration Law & Policy

Kevin Tanner, Austin Peay State University
Anti-Abolitionist Mobs of 1835

Session 37: Nationalism, Disease, and Climate
Location: Blue Bonnet (Phi Alpha Theta Session)
Chair & Commentator: David Vail, University of Nebraska at Kearney

Alexander Will, University of St. Thomas
A Reluctant Revolution: Canadian Independence in a Modern Empire, 1865-1867

Connor Clancy, United States Air Force Academy
To Struggle and to Understand: How the 1921-1924 Mount Everest Expeditions Renewed British Nationalism Propelling the Revival of the Empire

Blake Johnson, St. Cloud State University
Bliain an Air: Climatic Understanding and Disaster Response

Kaylee Peck, Chadron State College
Smallpox in the Dispossession of Native Americans
SATURDAY, MARCH 2
8:15–9:45 a.m.

Session 38: Laws and Orders:
Litigating Armed Conflict, Treason, & Stolen Property as Consequences of the World Wars
Location: Columbine (Society for Military History Session)

Chair: Gerald Steinacher, University of Nebraska–Lincoln
Commentator: Randy Mullis, Angelo State University

Kenneth Knotts, University of Nebraska–Lincoln
Operating on the Margins: Assessing Issues Related to Laws of Armed Conflict Encountered by U.S. and Select Allied Units during Russia’s Civil War, 1917-1920

Anthony Foreman, University of Nebraska–Lincoln
For Freedom, Justice, and Honor: The 1952 Slander Trial of Otto-Ernst Remer and the Legacy of the 20 July, 1944 Conspirators in the Federal Republic of Germany

Michael Dick, University of Nebraska–Lincoln
Holocaust Victim Fine Arts Litigation in the United States: Issues of Jurisdiction and Sovereignty in the Recovery of Assets Looted by the Nazis

Session 39: Aspects of Ancient Military Imperialism
Location: Lavender West

Chair: Ben Sullivan, Arizona State University
Comment: Audience

Dan Powers, Tohatchi High School
Irregular Warfare: A Persian Experience in Thrace

Michaela Dolphin, Independent Scholar
Philip of Macedon’s Sarissa: Tracing Possible Influences

Avery Sage, South Dakota State University
Pharsalus Reconsidered

Session 40: 20th Century US History
Location: Lotus

Chair: Michael Childers, Colorado State University
Comment: Audience

Jeremiah Brockman, University of Northern Iowa

Christopher Price, Colby Community College

William F. Stoutamire, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Inventing Antiquity: The American Antiquities Act and Regional Identity
Session 41: Continuities and Conflicts
Location: Library (Phi Alpha Theta Session)

Chair & Commentator: Devlin Scofield, Northwest Missouri State University

Kylie Luth, Hastings College
Shrunken Heads and Stolen Spirits: Studying the Shuar 1837-1950

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The Jesuit Catholicization: How the Jesuits Connected the World

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A Worldwide High: The Globalization of Drug Trafficking

Shelby Hagerdon, Wayne State College
Juan Luis Vives: Humanism and Psychology in Renaissance Spain

Trevor Rhodes, University of Nebraska at Kearney
Profiling the “Evilest Man in the World” The Motivations Behind Gilles de Rais’ Crimes

Session 42: History and Warfighting Today
Location: Blue Bonnet (Society for Military History Session)

Chair: Janet Valentine, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College
Commentator: Gates Brown, Command and General Staff College

Nicholas Kane, School of Advanced Military Studies
Gerasimov as the New Tukhachevsky: Deep Operations in the Information Age

Maj. Paul Aitchison, School of Advanced Military Studies
Religious Symbols and Effects on Mission Command

Blake Blanton, Rogers State University
The Selous Scouts and Guerilla Warfare

Session 43: Applied History and World War II
Location: Columbine (Society for Military History Session)

Chair: Christopher Johnson, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College
Commentator: Amanda Nagel, School of Advanced Military Studies

David Grisdale, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College
Medical Implications from the WWII Draft to Today

Trevor Wigers, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College
Challenges of Officer Procurement in WWII

Jared Maxwell, School of Advanced Military Studies
Eisenhower’s Management of Ground Operations in World War II
SATURDAY, MARCH 2

10:00-11:30 a.m.

Session 44: Early Nineteenth-Century Native American History
Location: Lavender West

Chair: Kevin Whalen, University of Minnesota, Morris
Comment: Audience

Sheldon Yeakley, Oklahoma State University
Condemnation and Mercy: Wyandot Indians and Slavery, 1844-1860

Kristina Rogers, Oklahoma State University
Forgotten Masters: Cherokee Women as Slaveholders

Emily Duncan, Oklahoma State University
On A Domestic Mission:
Female Missionaries Among the Choctaw in Indian Territory, 1831-1861

Session 45: Expanding America: Education, Missionaries, and Cultural Diplomacy
Location: Lotus

Chair: Joseph Weixelman, Wayne State University
Comment: Audience

Garrett Looney, Oklahoma State University
Global Christians: American Evangelical Missionaries to Japan in the Progressive Era

Kurt Terry, Oklahoma State University
More than the ABCs: Opportunities through Education in New Mexico, 1870-1880

Sam Jennings, Oklahoma State University
“We’ll be Big in Japan:”
Phillips University and the Spread of the American Baptist Campus Overseas

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