

Virginia Forum, 2006 Program (Revised: March 28, 2006)
Shenandoah University, Winchester, Virginia
April 7–8, 2006

Friday, April 7, 2006

Keynote Address: 9 - 10 a.m. (Rouss Fire Station)

Warren R. Hofstra, Welcome and Introduction
Brent Tarter, Library of Virginia, "Making History in Virginia"

Morning Concurrent Sessions: 10:30 a.m. - Noon

Teaching Virginia History, A Panel (History Center, Room 308)

Richard E. Bond, Virginia Wesleyan College, presiding
Kevin R. Hardwick, James Madison University
James R. Sweeney, Old Dominion University
Warren R. Hofstra, Shenandoah University

Race, Religion and the Law (History Center, Room 314)

T. Stephen Whitman, Mount St. Mary's University, presiding and commenting
Ellen Eslinger, DePaul University, "The Black Laws of Virginia in the Shenandoah Valley"
Eva Sheppard Wolf, San Francisco State University, "The 'White Negroes' of Fauquier County, Virginia, in the Antebellum Period"
A. Glenn Crothers, University of Louisville and Filson Historical Society, "'I Felt Much Interest in their Welfare': Quaker Philanthropy and African Americans in Antebellum Northern Virginia"

Family Matters in Virginia (History Center, Room 212)

Robert E. Kenzer, University of Richmond, presiding and commenting
Phillip F. Hamilton, Christopher Newport University "The President and His Wife in Retirement: The Tyler Family, Politics and Ambition in Antebellum Virginia"
Jeffrey W. McClurken, University of Mary Washington, "Reconstructing the Confederate Veteran Family in Pittsylvania County and Danville"
Amy Feely Morsman, Middlebury College, "Being a Real Man: How Virginia Communities Counseled Distraught Planters in the Postwar Period"

Constructing a Frontier History: A Poster Session (History Center, Room 102)

Kevin Berland, Penn State University, "William Byrd's Dividing Line Histories as Hybrid Texts"
Judith Ridner, Muhlenberg College, "What Can Captivity Narratives Tell Us About Virginia's Western Frontier?"
Casey Clabough, Lynchburg College, "Athrowominee"

Lunch on your own in downtown Winchester: Noon - 1:30 p.m.

First Afternoon Concurrent Sessions: 1:30 - 3 p.m.

Colonial Virginia, Politics, and the Early Modern Atlantic World (History Center, Room 308)

Jack P. Greene, Johns Hopkins University, presiding
Thaddeus W. Tate Jr., College of William and Mary, commenting
Nuran Çinlar, Simmons College, "How Investors Govern: The Atlantic Context of the Virginia Company's Politics"
Alexander B. Haskell, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, "What Did Settlers Expect from Government: Toward a Transatlantic Approach to Understanding 17th Century Virginia Popular Politics"
R. S. Taylor Stoermer, University of Virginia, "A Commander-in-Chief Without a Single

Sentinel: Anglo-Virginia Politics at the Dawn of the British Empire"

The Changing Valley of Virginia (History Center, Room 212)

Pablo J. Davis, Program Director, South Atlantic Humanities Center, Virginia Foundation for Humanities, presiding and commenting

Kenneth E. Koons, Virginia Military Institute, "Processing the Bounty of Field and Forest: Manufacturing in the 19th Century Valley of Virginia"

Paul Christopher Anderson, Clemson University, "After the Fire: Charles James Faulkner, Alexander Robinson Boteler, and the Reconstruction of Identity in the Shenandoah Valley"

Laura Zarrugh, James Madison University, "The Latinization of the Central Shenandoah Valley"

The Continuing Civil War (History Center, Room 314)

Marie Tyler-McGraw, Research Historian, presiding and commenting

James J. Broomall, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, "Beyond the Big House: Interpreting and Remembering Slaves and Slavery in Fredericksburg"

Kevin M. Levin, St. Anne's-Belfield School, "Landscapes and the Lost Cause: An Analysis of the 1903 and 1937 Crater Reenactments"

Sarah Selvaggio, Chemical Heritage Foundation, "The Loathing of Lincoln: Understanding the Lost Cause in a Popular Culture Context"

The Culture of Print and Letters: A Poster Session (History Center, Room 102)

Roger P. Mellen, George Mason University, "The Germination of a Free Press: A Dissident Print Culture and the Stamp Act in Colonial Virginia"

David A. Rawson, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, "'A Spare Fund of Knowledge': Literacy and Learning in Early Republic Virginia"

J. Jefferson Looney, *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson: Retirement Series*, "Thomas Jefferson's Communications Network, 1809–1826"

Second Afternoon Concurrent Sessions: 3:30 - 5 p.m.

Hidden in Plain Sight: Finding Virginia History in the Library of Congress' American Memory Online Collections

(History Center, Room 212)

Marilyn Parr, Library of Congress, presiding

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Susan Garfinkel, Library of Congress, "Virginia's Built Environment and the Historic American Building Survey"

Juretta Jordan Heckscher, Library of Congress, "Beyond Politics: American Memory's Presidential Papers as an Unconventional Research Source"

Mark F. Hall, Library of Congress, "Eyewitness Accounts of Civil War Virginia in American Memory"

Gendered Speech, Culinary Tradition, and Memory: Virginia Women Across Three Centuries

(History Center, Room 308)

Sandra G. Treadway, Library of Virginia, presiding and commenting

Christine Eisel, University of Toledo, "Babbling Words: Gossip and Gendered Resistance in the 17th Century on Virginia's Eastern Shore"

Katharine E. Harbury, Library of Virginia, "The Hidden World in Culinary Manuscripts: Interdisciplinary Discoveries about Colonial Chesapeake Society"

Caroline E. Janney, University of Virginia, "The Dead Before the Needy: Women's Relief and Memorial Societies During and After the Civil War"

Taking Jim Crow to Court (History Center, Room 314)

John T. Kneebone, Virginia Commonwealth University, presiding and commenting

Derek Charles Catsam, University of Texas, Permian Basin, "*Sic Semper Tyrannis*: Challenging Jim Crow on the Ground and in the Courts in the Old Dominion"

Larissa M. Smith, Longwood University, "Securing the 'Equal' in Equal Opportunities: The Virginia NAACP's Campaign Against Segregated Education, 1947–1951"

Peter Wallenstein, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, "Segregation,

Desegregation and Higher Education in Virginia, 1935–1972"

The Landscape of Memory: A Poster Session (History Center, Room 102)

Lydia Mattice Brandt, University of Virginia, "Re-created Domesticity: The Virginia Building at the World's Columbian Exposition"

Evelyn D. Causey, History Matters, LLC, "The Jamestown Ter-Centennial Exposition of 1907"

Dinner and General Session: Virginia Roots Music (Hampton Inn, Berryville Ave.)

James K. Bryant II, Shenandoah University, presiding

Reception begins at 6:30 p.m.

Ted Olson, East Tennessee State University, "The 1927 Bristol Sessions"

Gregg Kimball, Library of Virginia, "The 1936 Prison Sessions"

Saturday, April 8, 2006

First Morning Concurrent Sessions: 9 - 10:30 a.m.

Patrick Henry Reconsidered (History Center, Room 314)

Jon Kukla, Patrick Henry Memorial Foundation, presiding

Kevin R. Hardwick, James Madison University, commenting

C. Jan Swearingen, Texas A & M University, "Henry and the Presbyterians: Pulpit Oratory, Presbyterian Polity, and the Rhetoric of Liberty in Colonial Virginia"

Thomas E. Buckley, Jesuit School of Theology/Graduate Theological Union, "Patrick Henry and Religious Liberty in Virginia"

Kevin J. Hayes, University of Central Oklahoma, "How Thomas Jefferson Understood Patrick Henry"

The Very First Families of Virginia, et Alia (History Center, Room 308)

Barbara J. Heath, Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest, presiding and commenting

J. Frederick Fausz, University of Missouri at St. Louis, "The 'Barbarous Massacre' of 1622 and the Creation of a New Virginia: Reevaluating Violence in Early Atlantic History"

Edward D. Ragan, Syracuse University, "Rappahannock Indian Settlement Patterns in 17th Century Virginia: Environmental Stress, English Colonization and Indigenous Persistence"

Arica L. Coleman, University of Delaware, "The Present State of Virginia Indians: The Predicament of Race and Culture"

Reforming Virginia (History Center, Room 212)

Nelson D. Lankford, Virginia Historical Society, presiding and commenting

Christopher M. Curtis, Iowa State University, "Red Republicanism' in Antebellum Virginia? The Inspector Controversy of 1849 and the Politics of Law Reform"

Ralph Mann, University of Colorado, "Appalachian Virginia Progressives: A Comparative Case Study"

Rand Dotson, Louisiana State University, "Progressive Reform in Roanoke"

Interpreting Race and Community: A Poster Session (History Center, Room 102)

Scott E. Casper, University of Nevada, Reno, "Local Business, National Shrine: Mount Vernon, Its Black Employees, and an Alternative History of Historic Preservation, 1872-1885"

Lynn Rainville, Sweet Briar, "Investigating African American Mortuary Traditions in Virginia"

Second Morning Concurrent Sessions: 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Familiar Sources, New Ideas (History Center, Room 212)

Frances S. Pollard, Virginia Historical Society, presiding and commenting
Douglas W. Sanford, University of Mary Washington, "Slave Housing from a Documentary Perspective: Building Contexts for Urban Slavery"
Gary Stanton, University of Mary Washington, "Piano Forte in the Parlor: Antebellum Music among the Merchant Classes of Fredericksburg, Virginia"
Sara B. Bearss, Library of Virginia, "The *Dictionary of Virginia Biography*: Rewriting Virginia History One Life at a Time"

Enterprising Women (History Center, Room 314)

Sarah Meschutt, Museum of the Shenandoah Valley, presiding and commenting
Ann Denkler, Shenandoah University, "'To Train the Hearts and Minds of Their Pupils': Winchester's Mary Tucker Magill as Educator and Southern Historian"
Geraldine Kiefer, Shenandoah University, "Frances Benjamin Johnston and *The Ladies Home Journal* Visit the Country of Sheridan's Ride"

Slavery as Lodestar: How Antebellum White Virginians Imagined Themselves (History Center, Room 308)

Melvin Patrick Ely, College of William and Mary, presiding and commenting
John J. Zaborney, University of Maine at Presque Isle, "Slave Hiring, White Society and Slavery in Antebellum Virginia"
Calvin Schermerhorn, University of Virginia, "Slave Trade and Proslavery: The World of Silas Omohundro and George Fitzhugh"
Margaret Abruzzo, Notre Dame, "'The Happy Consciousness that his Master is His Friend': Slaveholders and the Rhetoric of Benevolence"

Political Leadership in the Early Republic: A Poster Session (History Center, Room 212)

Richard Labunski, University of Kentucky, "The Second Convention Movement in Virginia, 1787–1789"
John Schlotterbeck, DePauw University, "'This Language of the People': Local Politics in Rural Central Virginia, 1784 to 1815"
Robert A. Carter, Department of Historic Resources, "James Monroe of Oak Hall and Charles Fenton Mercer of Aldie: The Place of Place and Friendship in Political Collaboration"

Saturday Closing General Session (Old Court House Museum)

Box Lunch and Wrap-Up: Do We Do This Again? 1 - 2 p.m.