Western Kentucky University



Twenty-Ninth Annual

 Ohio Valley Conference



“Landing of Ohio Troops at Louisville, Kentucky,”

*Harpers Weekly*, January 11, 1862

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**2013 Activities Schedule**

**Thursday, October 10, 2013**

Registration: 5:00 – 7:30 p.m.,

Convention Center Back Foyer

 Reception: 7:00-9:00 p.m., Room 219

**Friday, October 11, 2013**

 Registration: 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

 Sessions: 9:00 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Lunch Break: 11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Offsite)

 Banquet: 7:00-9:00 p.m., Ballroom A

 Reception: 9:30-10:30 p.m., Room 219

**Saturday, October 12, 2013**

 Sessions: 9:00 – 11:45 a.m.

Welcome to the 29th Annual

Ohio Valley History Conference

The Ohio Valley History Conference began in 1984 at Western Kentucky University, and for the next several years rotated among three Kentucky universities: WKU, Eastern Kentucky University, and Murray State University. In 1997 the OVHC expanded to include Austin Peay State University and Tennessee Technological University, both in Tennessee. Though primarily a regional conference, the OVHC from the onset attracted national interest and participation. In 2006 East Tennessee State University joined the group of host institutions, giving the OVHC its current makeup.

The WKU Department of History would like to thank the following organizations for their help in making this conference possible:

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Future Conference Sites:

Austin Peay State University, 2014

Eastern Kentucky University, 2015

Tennessee Technological University, 2016

Murray State University, 2017

East Tennessee State University, 2018

**Keynote Speaker: James C. Klotter**

A native Kentuckian, James C. Klotter received his Ph.D. in History from the University of Kentucky, and has honorary degrees from Eastern Kentucky University and Union College. He is the author, coauthor, or editor of over a dozen books.
Dr. Klotter was also an associate editor of the *Kentucky Encyclopedia* and was the Executive Director of the Kentucky Historical Society for many years, until his retirement. Currently, he is the State Historian of Kentucky and Professor of History at Georgetown College, and he and his wife live in Lexington.

Dr. Klotter will deliver the keynote address **“Is Kentucky Southern?”** at the Friday night banquet. He will be introduced by David Lee, Dean of Potter College of Arts and Letters.

Dr. Klotter’s biography courtesy of the Georgetown College web site.

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Session 1A

Time: 9:00 – 10:15 a.m., **Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 1

**Fascists and Nazis**

**Chair/Commentator: Donald Barlow,** *Big Sandy Community and Technical College*

“Truman Smith’s Reports on Nazi Militarism: A Study of Domestic Political Priorities and U. S. Foreign Policy-Making in Franklin Roosevelt’s First and Second Terms”

 **Samuel H. Shearer**, *Eastern Kentucky University*

“Mussolini’s Shadow War: The Struggle against Organized Crime in Fascist Italy”

 **Benjamin Ray Linzy**, *Murray State University*

“No Time for Hitler: Insubordination and Misconduct in the German 21st Flak Division, 1943-1945”

 **David R. Snyder,** *Austin Peay State University*

Session: 1B

Time: 9:00 – 10:15 a.m**., Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 2

**Race Issues in Kentucky**

**Chair/Commentator: Patricia Minter,** *Western Kentucky University*

“Calm of the Tornado: C. Sumpter Logan, Theodore A. Braun, and School Desegregation in Henderson Kentucky”

 **David Lai**, *University of Kentucky*

“*Willie Larry Lawrence, et al v Bowling Green, KY Public Schools*: Desegregation in South Central, Kentucky”

 **Robert Rabold**, *Western Kentucky University*

“The Destruction of Jonesville: The fate of an African-American community in Bowling Green, KY”

 **George Carpenter**, *Western Kentucky University*

Session: 1C

Time: 9:00-10:15 a.m., **Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 3

**Consequences of the Civil War**

**Chair/Commentator: J. Mike Crane,** *University of Arkansas-Fort Smith*

“The Unlikely Superintendent: How a Former Confederate Gentleman Physician became an Insane Asylum Superintendent in Reconstruction Missouri”

**Matthew Reeves,** *University of Missouri - Kansas City*

“Security and Stability Operations in the Occupied South: 1865-1877”

**Christos G. Frentzos**, *Austin Peay University*

Session 1D

Time: 9:00-10:15 a.m., **Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 4

**Russia and India**

**Chair/Commentator: Marko Dumančić,** *Western Kentucky University*

“The Russian Press and the Ideas of the ‘Special Mission’ of Russia in the East and the ‘Yellow Danger”

**Alena Eskridge-Kosmach**, *Francis Marion University*

“The Five Year Plans of India”

**Tripta Desai**, *Northern Kentucky University*

Session: 1E

Time: 9:00-10:15 a.m., **Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 5

**Teaching Kentucky History**

**Chair/Commentator: Nancy D. Baird,** *Western Kentucky University*

“Beyond ‘Doing’ History: How Historians Can Climb Down from

the Ivory Tower”

**James Duane Bolin**, *Murray State University*

**Samuel Baum**, *Murray State University*

**Wesley Seaton Bolin**, *Murray State University*

Session: 2A

Time: 10:30-11:45 am, **Friday,** **October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 1

**Dorothy Dix: A Cultural Interpretation**

**Chair/Commentator:** **Carol Crowe Carraco,** *Western Kentucky University*

“Dorothy Dix: Shaped by and Shaper of Society”

 **Minoa D. Uffelman,** *Austin Peay State University*

“All her life, she quoted the wisdom of the colored people: African American Influence on Dorothy Dix”

 **Ellen Kanervo,** *Austin Peay State University*

“Dorothy Dix: Taking the Front Row in American’s Courtrooms”

**Melony Shemberger,** *Murray State University*

Session: 2B

Time: 10:30 – 11:45 a.m., **Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 2

**Anglo American History**

**Chair/Commentator: Beth Plummer,** *Western Kentucky University*

“Origins of the Supermax Prison in Nineteenth-Century England”

 **Neal A. Palmer,** *Christian Brothers University*

“Steps must be taken to make someone answerable for the nation’s health; The Spanish Influenza Epidemic and the Growth of Public Health Institutions in Great Britain and the United States”

 **Jonathan Chilcote**, *University of Kentucky*

“W. H. Griffith Thomas and James M. Gray: Two Prominent Anglican Educators”

 **Christopher Beckham,** *Morehead State University*

Session: 2C

Time: 10:30-11:45 a.m., Friday, October 11

Meeting Room 3

**From the New Deal to the Great Society**

**Chair/Commentator:** **Tony Harkins**, *Western Kentucky University*

“President Johnson’s 1964 Poverty Tour: Why Paintsville?”

**Thomas D. Matijasic**, *Big Sandy Community and Technical College*

“For Guns and Butter: The TVA’s Pursuit of Coal-Fired Power, 1947-1965”

**Matthew D. Owen**, *Vanderbilt University*

“The Rise of the Kentucky Democratic Rock of Gibraltar, 1932-1979”

**George G. Humphreys**, *Madisonville Community College*

Session: 2D

Time: 10:30 – 11:45, **Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 4

**Panel on “War Dogs”, “Devil Dogs”, and “Rotarians,”**

 **Counterinsurgency & Non-Government Organizations (NGO’s) & the War in Afghanistan, 1963-2012**

**Chair/Commentator:** **Alam Payind,** *The Ohio State University*

“The Rise, Fall, Rise, and Fall of Rotary in Afghanistan, 1963-2013,

**Jeffrey Roberts,** *Tennessee Technical University*

The Real Dogs of War, “Marine and Army War Dogs & Counterinsurgency Operations in Afghanistan, 2002-2012”

 **Rhonda L. Smith-Daughterty,** *Alice Lloyd College*

“Devil Dogs Ashore: U. S. Marines at War in Afghanistan, 2001-2013”

 **Leo J. Daughterty, III,**  *U. S. Army Cadet Command & Fort Knox, KY*

Session: 3A

Time: 1:30 – 2:45 p.m., **Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 1

**Panel on the Contours and Contexts of Teaching: Its Challenges and Rewards**

**Christopher Strangeman,** *MacMurray College*

**Eric Berg,** *MacMurray College*

**Ashley Green,** *MacMurray College*

**Laurie Lewis,** *MacMurray College*

**Thomas Winski,** *MacMurray College*

Session: 3B

Time: 1:30 – 2:45 p.m**., Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 2

**Roundtable on Asian History**

**David Rands,** *Austin Peay State University*

**Chunmei Du,** *Western Kentucky University*

**Henry Antkiewicz,** *East Tennessee State University*

**Yuan-Ling Chao,** *Middle Tennessee State University*

**Cynthia Bisson,** *Belmont University*

Session: 3C

Time: 1:30 – 2:45 p. m., **Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 3

**History, Memory, Archives**

**Chair/Commentator: Douglas Herman,** *Big Sandy Community and Technical College*

“The Other Side of the Monument: Preservation, Memory and the Failure of National Parks at Franklin and Nashville”

 **Joseph R. Bailey,** *Kansas State University*

“In the Archives”

 **Eric Willey**, *Filson Historical Society*

“Reassessing a Local Villain: Elisha Cheek, Alexander Wilson, and the Murder at Cheek’s Stand”

**Joseph C. Douglas**, *Volunteer State Community College*

Session: 3D

Time: 1:30 – 2:45 p.m., **Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 4

**In Sickness and in Threatened Health: Perspectives on Place**

**Chair/Commentator:** **Eric Howard Christianson**, *University of Kentucky*

“Immunology and Diphtheria in Saratov Province, Russia, 1894”

**John P. Davis**, *The Ohio State University*

“Not Just in Lexington, Kentucky, but Anywhere: 19th century U. S. Medical Therapeutics in Transition”

 **Stephen Harper**, *University of Kentucky*

“Invasion Political and Biological: Thinking About Haitian Immigrants and Yellow Fever in the U. S. during the 1790s”

 **Jeffrey Stanley**, *University of Kentucky*

Session: 3E

Time: 1:30-2:45 p.m., **Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 5

**Economic and Business History**

**Chair/Commentator: Eric Reed,** *Western Kentucky University*

“The Stories Hotels Tell about Themselves”

**Ginna Foster Cannon**, *Middle Tennessee State University*

“The Dufour Family and Viticulture in the Ohio Valley”

**David Geraghty**, *Longwood University*

“Imagining Money: From Commodity to Cyberspace”

**William Schell, Jr*.****, Murray State University*

Session: 4A

Time: 3:00 – 4:15 p.m., **Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 1

**Gender and Women’s History**

**Chair/Commentator: Dorothea Browder,** *Western Kentucky University*

“Women’s Suffrage in Peru**”**

 **Gregory Hammond**, *Austin Peay University*

“From Social Grade to Social Power: Transitioning Gender Norms in Leadership and Rhetorical Performance at a Nineteenth-Century College for Women”

 **Jacqueline Johnson and Renea Frey,** Miami University of Ohio

“The Persuasive Discourse of Racial Uplift: Exploring the Political activism of Margaret Murray Washington”

**Sheena Harris**, *Austin Peay University*

Session: 4B

Time: 3:00 – 4:15 p.m., **Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 2

**Significant Persons in the Upper Cumberland in Early Nineteenth Century Tennessee History**

**Chair/Moderator:** **Michael Birdwell**, *Tennessee Technological University*

“Making a Statement with their Legs: Runaway Slaves in the Upper Cumberland”

**Wali Kharif,** *Tennessee Tech University*

“Trailing Tecumseh in the Upper Cumberland**”**

 **Troy Smith**, *Tennessee Tech University*

“Sampson Williams and the Development of Middle Tennessee”

 **Calvin Dickinson**, *Tennessee Tech University*

“Ralph Keeler: A Vagabond Adventure

 **Larry Nelson**, *Bowling Green State University - Firelands College*

Session: 4C

Time: 3:00-4:15 p.m., **Friday, October 11**

Meeting Room 3

**Politics Past and Present**

**Chair/Commentator: Andrea Watkins***, Northern Kentucky University*

“The Cobbler and the Knight: Paul Leland Haworth, John Watterson, and the Contested History of the Presidential Election of 1876”

**J. Vincent Lowery**, *University of Wisconsin-Green Bay*

“Edward W. Bok and the ‘Progressive Zietgeist’: 1889-1919”

**Arthur E. DeMatteo**, *Glenville State College*

“Fear of the RINO?: Governor Bill Haslam and the Tennessee General Assembly”

**James Baumgardner**, *Carson-Newman University*

Session: 4D

Time: 3:00-4:15 p.m., **Friday, October 11, 2013**

Meeting Room 4D

**The Ancient World**

**Chair/Commentator: Richard Weigel,** *Western Kentucky University*

“After Thucydides: The Historians of the Final Years of the Peloponnesian War”

**George Pesely**, *Austin Peay University*

“*Quod Viae Munitae Sunt":* The Iconography of Imperial Power and the Augustan Peace on the Via Flaminia.

**Eric Kondratieff**, *Western Kentucky University*

"Vergil's Bees (Georgics 4) and the Virtues of an Epicurean Collective"

**Stephen Kershner**, *Western Kentucky University*

Session: 5A

Time: 9:00 – 10:15 a.m., **Saturday, October 12, 2013**

Meeting Room 1

**Teaching History and Beyond**

**Catherine Stern,** *Eastern Kentucky University*

**Christiane Taylor,** *Eastern Kentucky University*

**Jacqueline E. Jay,** *Eastern Kentucky University*

Session: 5B

Time: 9:00 – 10:15 a.m., **Saturday, October 12, 2013**

Meeting Room 2

**Modern Military History**

**Chair/Commentator: Terry Strieter,** *Murray State University*

*“*Fragging in Vietnam: Media Presentation and Historical Data”

 **Dan Campbell**, *Austin Peay State University*

“Undersea Food in the PTO, 1941-45”

 **Phillip T. Rutherford,** *Marshall University*

“Army Officer Education and Training During the Cold War”

**Arthur Coumbe***, West Point*

Session: 5C

Time: 9:00 – 10:15 a.m., **Saturday, October 12, 2013**

Meeting Room 3

**Business History**

**Chair/Commentator: William Schell, Jr.,** *Murray State University*

“The Rise and Fall of Peabody Coal in Meigs County, Ohio, 1880 to 1934”

 **Tad Greathouse**, *Marshall University*

 *“*Ambassadors of Change: The Tarascon Brothers and the Transformative Effect of the Embargo of 1807 on Louisville’s Economy”

**William G. Lewis***, University of Missouri-Columbia*

“The Eternal Whale: New England Whalemen Consider Extinction, 1780-1860”

 **Robert C. Deal**, *Marshall University*

Session: 6A

Time: 10:30 – 11:45 a. m., **Saturday, October 12, 2013**

Meeting Room 1

**New Perspectives on the American Civil War**

**Chair/Commentator: Kent T. Dollar,** *Tennessee Tech University*

“The Inadvertent Confederate Guerrilla Leader Colonel John M. Hughs, Twenty-fifth Tennessee Infantry”… a brave, vigilant, and energetic officer.”

 **James B. Jones, Jr.,** *Tennessee Historical Commission*

“The Brief and Unhappy Story of the Confederate Department of Western North Carolina”

**Philip Davis, Jr***., Tennessee Tech University*

“Grant is not a mighty genius, but he is a good soldier”: An Examination of the Generalship of Ulysses S. Grant

 **John D. Fowler,** *Dalton State College*

Session: 6B

Time: 10:30 – 11:45 a.m., **Saturday, October 12, 2013**

Meeting Room 2

**Violence and Race**

**Chair/Commentator: Selena Sanderfer,** *Western Kentucky University*

“Revolutionary Legacies: How the American Revolution Shaped Gerrit Smith’s Abolitionism”

  **Kevin Tanner**, *Austin Peay State University*

“Women’s Roles in Antebellum Riots”

 **Erica Rhodes Hayden**, *Vanderbilt University*

“Above the Law: Texas Rangers and the El Porvenir Massacre of 1917”

 **Nicholas Villanueva, Jr.**, *Vanderbilt University*

**Thank you for attending.**

**Corsair Distillery of Bowling Green**

We welcome conference participants to join us on a tour of the Corsair Distillery in downtown Bowling Green. Corsair Distillery produces a wide range of spirits, is internationally-known for its innovative whiskies, and has won awards in competitions around the world. The Ohio Valley History Conference has made arrangements for several tours of 15 people each.

Tours are free. Please contact **andrew.mcmichael@wku.edu** to register.

Available times are: 1:00 pm, 1:30 pm, 2:00 pm, and 2:30 pm