

**OHIO ACADEMY OF HISTORY ANNUAL MEETING AND
CONFERENCE
April 4-6, 2013**

Bowling Green State University and Fort Meigs, OH

Thursday, April 4, 2013

4 – 5 pm Optional Tour of Fort Meigs (Those who are registered for the OAH
Conference receive free admission at Fort Meigs on Thurs, Fri, or Sat)

**Note: All room assignments are in the Bowen Thompson Student Union (BTSU) unless
otherwise noted**

Friday, April 5, 2013

9:30 am – 4:00 pm Registration BTSU 208

9:30 am – 11:00 am Continental Breakfast BTSU 208

10:30 – 12:00 pm CONCURRENT SESSION I

Religious Institutions of Higher Education (BTSU 309)

“Cedarville University: A Study in Continuity,” Thomas Mach, Cedarville University

“Malone University: From Mission Drive to Market Driven,” John Oliver, Malone
University

*“Charles Finney and Oberlin College: From a Christian Beginning to Religious
Diversity,”* Ken Grossi, Oberlin College

Chair: Jacob Dorn, Wright State University

Comment: Audience

The Limits of Eugenics: Europe and the United States (BTSU 307)

“Failures in Science Policy: Eugenics in Ohio,” Nathan Kuehnl, Bowling Green State
University

*“‘Campaign of the European Spirit’: Nazi Propaganda and Operation Barbarossa,
1941,”* Justin Pfeifer, University of Toledo

Chair / Comment: Kevin Kern, The University of Akron

Against the Tide: Non-State Actors Challenging Dominant Discourse (BTSU 315)

"The Other Side of the Story': The Institute of Arab American Affairs and the Case for Palestine," Denise Jenison, Kent State University

"Island of Thought in a Sea of Change: The New Left in Yugoslavia," Sarah Zabic, Kent State University

"Female British Philanthropy: Mrs. Alice Hart and the Donegal Industrial Fund," Jeffrey O'Leary, Kent State University

Chair/Comment: Tammy Proctor, Wittenberg University

Ohio as America: Teaching Historical Inquiry using an Online Textbook (BTSU 316)

Co-Sponsored by the Buckeye Council for History Education

"What is Ohio as America? An Introduction"
Betsy Hedler, Ohio Historical Society

"Using Ohio as America in an Undergraduate Teaching Methods Class"
John White, University of Dayton

Moderators: Betsy Hedler and John White

Comments and Discussion: Audience

12:15 – 1:45 Lunch (on your own)

Many opportunities at BTSU or nearby; lists will be available at the registration desk

12:15 – 2:30 Executive Council Meeting (141 Williams Hall)

2:00 – 3:30pm CONCURRENT SESSION II

Antislavery, Republicanism and the Civil War (BTSU 315)

"The Lane Seminary Debates of 1834 and the Origins of Political Antislavery in the Ohio Valley," Jonathan Howard, The Ohio State University

"Judge Milton Sutliff and the Antislavery Movement in Ohio," Samuel Di Rocco, II, University of Toledo

Chair/Comment: Leonne Hudson, Kent State University

Military History Through the Ages: Individuals, Society, Operations (BTSU 316)

"The Controversial Death of General Lewis A. Armistead, 1863," Adam Koeth, Norwich University

"Social Equality in Ancient Sparta: Lycurgus and the Formation of the Spartan Military State," Brian Bradford, Western Michigan University

"The Vietnam War: Operation Russell Beach/Bold Mariner and the Attempted Destruction of a Ubiquitous Enemy," David Taylor, Independent Scholar (USAR-Ret)

Chair/Comment: Benjamin Greene, Bowling Green State University

The Power of Rhetoric in Transitional Eras in US History (BTSU 307)

"The Anglo-American Financial Agreement and the Rhetoric of America's Postwar Mission," Tim Wintour, Kent State University

"The Power of Rhetoric: Ronald Reagan, Think Tanks, and the New Right," Christine Lober, The University of Akron

"The Educational Consequences of Ronald Reagan's Search for Excellence," Joseph Watras, University of Dayton

Chair/Comment: John McNay, University of Cincinnati-Blue Ash College

Ecological and Environmental History (BTSU 318)

"The Eastern Ledges: A Natural and Unnatural History of Ecology, Labor, and Recreation in the Connecticut Western Reserve," John Henris, Kent State University at Salem

"Spanning History: The Covered Bridges of Ashtabula County," Sherri Quirke Bolcevic, Bowling Green State University

Chair/Comment: Gregory Wilson, The University of Akron

Housing for All?: 20th-century Greater Cleveland Houses Its Residents (BTSU 309)

“Deed Restrictions and their Demise in Shaker Heights, Ohio,” Virginia Dawson, Independent Scholar, “History Enterprises”

“The Impact of World War II on Cleveland’s Public Housing,” William Jenkins, Youngstown State University

“Forming an Upper-class Suburban Culture: Ideology and Landscape on Cleveland’s Periphery, 1880-1930,” Jim Borchert, Cleveland State University

Chair/Comment: Fred W. Viehe, Cleveland State University

3:30 – 3:45 Break

3:45 – 5:15 pm CONCURRENT SESSION III

Teaching History with Objects and Images (BTSU 318)

Co-Sponsored by the Buckeye Council for History Education

“Coonskin Caps and Queensware China: Using Objects to Teach About Life on the Ohio Frontier,” Andrew Richmond, Garth’s Auctions

“Family Photographs, 20th Century Letters, and Noodle Cutters: Maintaining and Teaching Community Identity through the Western Reserve Historical Society Italian American Collection,” Pamela Dorazio Dean, Western Reserve Historical Society

“A Better Ohio’: Teaching the New Deal through Material and Visual Culture and the Built Environment,” Shirley Wajda, State Museum of Pennsylvania

Chair: Kelly Selby, Walsh University

Comment: Thomas Taylor, Wittenberg University

World War to Cold War: Studies into Obscure Theaters of War (BTSU 316)

“Disaster Dollars or Nuclear War: North Carolina and the American Civil Defense Effort, 1940-1963,” Frank Blazich, Jr., The Ohio State University

“Perpétuelle évolution: French Pacification in Cochin China, 1945-1951,” William Waddell, The Ohio State University

“Repairing and Reinforcing the Eastern Fleet: American Shipyards and the Lend-Lease Act, 1941-1942,” Corbin Williamson, The Ohio State University

Chair: Alvin Dwayne Beggs, Bowling Green State University

Comment: Ingo Trauschweizer, Ohio University

Reconsidering the War of 1812 (BTSU 315)

War of 1812 Anniversary Panel

“New Orleans: What if the British had Won?” Donald F. Melhorn, Jr., University of Toledo College of Law

“‘Unto Whomsoever Much is Given’: The War of 1812 and the Paradox of American Exceptionalism,” Shawn Selby, Kent State University at Stark

“The Treaty of Ghent: The End of Native American Diplomatic Agency,” Emily Hager Kasecamp, Kent State University

Chair/Comment: James Seelye, Kent State University at Stark

The “Value” of Gender: Examining Historical Power Structures (BTSU 307)

“Agents or Commodities? East Indian Women’s Indenture in the British West Indies,” Dionna Richardson La Rue, The University of Akron

“National Insecurity in the Nuclear Age: Cold War Manhood and the Gendered Discourse of U.S. Civil Defense during the 1950s,” Melissa Steinmetz, Kent State University

“America’s Paycheck Fairness Debate: Linguistic Usage, Exclusions, Historically Grounded Controversies,” Michele M. Curran, Kent State University

Chair/Comment: Scott Martin, Bowling Green State University

5:15 – 6:45 pm Dinner

Either dinner on your own at one of the many nearby options (list available at registration desk) or please sign up (at the registration desk) for one of the informal gatherings listed below, intended to

provide an opportunity for socializing and group discussion of common issues:

- Junior Faculty Gathering (Coordinators: Jonathan Winkler and Hal Friedman)
- Informal K-12 Teacher Dinner (Coordinator: Tim Connell)
- Graduate student gathering (Coordinated by graduate student members of Phi Alpha Theta at BGSU)

7:00 – 7:45 pm Distinguished Historian Lecture (Assembly Room, Second Floor, McFall Center)

Introduction: Hal Friedman

Distinguished Historian: Professor David Skaggs

"Lake Erie and Lake Champlain Compared: An Analysis of the Strategic and Tactical Importance of Two Naval Battles"

8:00 – 9:00 pm Reception (Assembly Room, Second Floor, McFall Center)

Sponsored by the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations

Saturday, April 6, 2013

8:30 – 11:30 am Registration and continental breakfast (BTSU 208)

Sponsored by the Society for Military History

9:00 – 10:30 am Concurrent Session IV

**National and International Perspectives on the War of 1812 Era
(BTSU 207)**

War of 1812 Anniversary Panel

"'They had won their battle, too: ' An Odawa Narrative from the War of 1812," Daniel F. Harrison, Henry Ford Community College

"Enlisted Training during the Age of Sail and Early Steam," Dennis J. Ringle, Henry Ford Community College

"Napoleon's War Legacy in the Western Hemisphere," Michael Swope, Schoolcraft College, Livonia, MI

Chair: Pamela Sayre, Henry Ford Community College

Comment: Bruce Way, University of Toledo

The Rocky Road to the US Presidency (BTSU 318)

"An Appeal to Heaven: General Washington, Religion, and the Continental Army,"
Daniel P. Stone, University of Detroit Mercy

"James K. Polk: From Young Tennessee Politician to the First Dark Horse President,"
Chris Blubaugh, Bowling Green State University

"Governor John W. Bricker and the Presidential Election of 1944," Philip A. Grant, Jr.,
Pace University

Chair/Comment: Samuel Plaza, Henry Ford Community College

Unconventional Approaches in the History Classroom (BTSU 316)

Co-Sponsored by the Buckeye Council for History Education

"Somersaulting: Using Flipped Technologies in the Classroom," David Harms, Lourdes
College

"Battles and Brushes: A Hands On Approach to History," Jeff Evans, Old Trail School,

Chair/Moderator: Tim Connell, Laurel School

The Politics and Policies of Othering: Building an American International Identity, 1900–1923 (BTSU 315)

*"The Politics of Racial Eroticism: Miscegenation Fictions in the United States (1900-
1914),"* Jolie Sheffer, Bowling Green State University

"The Politics of Humanitarian Aid: The Near East Relief in Greater Syria (1918-1923),"
Melanie Tanielian, University of Michigan

*"An American Empire of Food: The Politics of Gratitude in Western Europe (1914-
1917),"* Tammy Proctor, Wittenberg University

Chair: Molly Wood, Wittenberg University

Comment: Jennifer Morris, College of Mount St. Joseph

10:30 - 10:45 am Break (coffee available at registration desk)

10:45 – 12:15 pm Concurrent Session V

***Columbia Rising: Civil Life on the Upper Hudson from the Revolution to the Age of Jackson* by John L. Brooke (BTSU 207)**

BOOK PANEL featuring 2012 Ohio Academy of History Publication Award Winner

Moderator: Jonathan Winkler, Wright State University

Panelists:

Mary Kupiec Cayton, Miami University

John L. Larson, Purdue University

John L. Brooke, The Ohio State University

Recent Debates in Historiography (BTSU 316)

"Setting the Terms of the Debate: The Beardian Paradox, 1913-2013," John E. Douglass, University of Cincinnati-Blue Ash College

"Don't Give Up the Truth: The Historiography of the Battle of Lake Erie and the Perry-Elliott Controversy," Julie Suleski, The Jefferson Educational Society

Chair/Comment: Douglas Forsyth, Bowling Green State University

Educating Public Historians: Responsible Collaboration between Academe and the Field (BTSU 315)

Moderator: Christie Weininger, Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Center

Panelists:

Kelly Selby, Walsh University

Pat Smith, Allen County Museum (Lima, OH)

David Manges, Wright State University Public History Program

Agents of Change: Chris Evans and Richard L. Davis (BTSU 318)

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"Chris Evans and the United Mine Workers of America," John Winnenberg, Little Cities of the Black Diamond Council

"Richard L. Davis and the Color Line," Frans Doppen, Ohio University

Hands-On Analysis of Primary Sources, Audience with Frans Doppen and John Winnenberg

Chair/Moderator: Betsy Hedler, Ohio Historical Society

12:30 – 2:30 pm Luncheon and Business Meeting (limited space / tickets required) Union 308

Presiding: OAH President Molly Wood

- President's Report (Molly Wood)
- Sec-Treasurer Report (Kevin Kern)
- Nominating Committee Report (Shelley Baranowski)
- Election of Officers and Voting on Constitutional Amendments
- Presentation of Awards:
- New Business
- Introduction of new president, Mary Ann Heiss
- Presidential Address (Mary Ann Heiss), *"A Queen, a Carpet, and a Historian of U.S. Foreign Relations"*

2:30 – 3:00 pm Coffee and snack break

3:00 – 4:00 pm Reddin Symposium Featuring Distinguished Professor of History Alan Taylor, University of California at Davis
(Sponsored by the Reddin Family of Bowling Green, Ohio, and Bowling Green State University) BTSU 308

Welcome: Dr. Rebecca Mancuso, Bowling Green State University

Introduction: Mr. Dennis Moore, Public Affairs Officer, Consul General of Canada, Detroit

Reddin Symposium Lecture: *"Making Boundaries and Nations: Borderland Legacies of the War of 1812."*

A reception and book signing will immediately follow the lecture in BTSU 207

Special Features:

"1812" -- A travelling exhibition on the War of 1812 created by the Canadian War Museum and sponsored by the Canadian Consulate General in Detroit. The

exhibit presents a new and dramatic account of the War of 1812 as seen through the eyes of its Canadian, American, British, and First Peoples participants.

Book Exhibits: Featuring Kent State University Press, Ohio University Press, and others.