Society for German-American Studies 39th Annual Symposium

9-11 April 2015

Draft Program and Schedule

Conference Hotel: Pear Tree Union Station, 2211 Market St., St. Louis, MO 63103. Phone: (314) 241-3200.

Thursday, 9 April 2015

1:00-4:00 p.m.: SGAS Executive Committee Meeting: Board Room

4:00-5:30 p.m.: Registration

Friday, 10 April 2015

8:00-9:00 a. m.: Continuing Registration

8:30- 9:00 a.m.: Plenary Session, Ballroom

Welcome: Bill Roba, SGAS President, Presiding

9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Friday, April 10; 8:30 – 12:00 noon, Saturday, April 11: Concurrent Sessions

Saturday Afternoon excursion to Missouri History Museum and St. Louis Art Museum in Forest Park

Saturday Night: Banquet, Details to follow.

Friday, 9:00-10:30 a.m., Lewis & Clark Room: The Impact of the German Exile Generation

Chair: Kristen Anderson, Webster University, MO [[kanderson80@webster.edu](mailto:kanderson80@webster.edu)]

“German-speaking Refugees in an Afro-American Setting -- Afro-American Poets in a German Setting” Guy Stern, Holocaust Memorial Ctr., Farmington Hills, MI [ad5422@gmail.com]

“The Exile Experience of Elisabeth Hauptmann, Brecht's Silent Collaborator“

Paula Hanssen, Webster University, MO [hanssen@webster.edu]

“Commemorating Hans Trefousse: Refugee Historian, Carl Schurz Biographer, and Much More”

Walter Kamphoefner, Texas A&M University [waltkamp@tamu.edu]

Friday, 9:00-10:30 a.m., Lindbergh Room: German-American Literary Interactions

Chair: Cora Lee Kluge, Max Kade Institute, University of Wisconsin-Madison

“A New View of the Start of Sealsfield's Career”

Steven Rowan, University of Missouri-St. Louis [srowan@umsl.edu]

“German Romantic Idealism in North America: The Reception of Bettina von Arnim, 1785-1859”

Barbara Becker-Cantarino, Ohio State University [becker-cantarino.1@osu.edu]

“Gesetze der Serie: Versuche zur Poetik des Geheimnisromans bei Börnstein‘s ”St. Louis” und andere” Matthias Goeritz, Washington University, MO [matthiasgoeritz@hotmail.com]

Friday, 9:00-10:30 a.m., Room 214: German-American Dialect Survivals

Chair: Achim Kopp, Mercer University, GA [KOPP\_A@mercer.edu]

“The Survival of Obersächsisch in Perry County, Missouri after 175 Years: The Last Generation of Fluent Speakers”

William D. Keel, University of Kansas [wkeel@ku.edu]

“The Texas German Dialect Project in 2015”

Marc Pierce, University of Texas [mpierc@austin.utexas.edu]

“ ‘Mir rede ka richtiges Dietsch’: Metalinguistic Moments in Speaker Narratives from Iowa and Texas” Karen Roesch, Indiana U.-Purdue U.-Indianapolis [karoesch@gmail.com]

Friday, 10:30-11:00 a.m.: Break

Friday, 11:00-12:30, Lewis & Clark Room: German-American Interactions in the Postwar Era

Chair: Matthew R. Lange, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater [langem@uww.edu]

“A Place to Belong: German Immigration to America in the 1950s”

Erika Weidemann, Texas A&M University [elweidemann@tamu.edu]

“Documenting German Immigration in the Twentieth Century: The Max Kade Institute’s German Immigrant Oral History Project”

Antje Petty, University of Wisconsin-Madison [apetty@wisc.edu]

“Philanthropy and Democracy: The Rockefeller Foundation in West Germany after 1945”

Karl-H. Fuessl, Technical University of Berlin [kfuessl@mailbox.tu-berlin.de]

Friday, 11:00-12:30, Lindbergh Room: The Legacy of Alexander von Humboldt

Chair: Ingo Schwarz, Berlin Brandenburg Academy of Sciences [gmingo.schwarz@googlemail.com]

“The Faustian Quest for Unity in Science and Art: Humboldt and Frederic Edwin Church”

Frank Baron, University of Kansas [fbaron@ku.edu]

“Alexander von Humboldt’s Interest in the Scientific Exploration of the American West”

Sandra Rebok, Huntington Library, CA [Sandra.Rebok@csic.es]

“Recognition and Mapping of Humboldt's Travel Locations by using Internet Technology”

Detlev Doherr, Technical University of Offenburg ‎[detlev.doherr@hs-offenburg.de]‎

Friday, 11:00-12:30, Room 214: German-American Cultural Traces

Chair: Claudia Grossmann, Indiana U.-Purdue U.-Indianapolis [cgrossma@iupui.edu]

“Das Deutsche Haus of Indianapolis, a German-American Landmark”

William Selm, Fellow, IUPUI Max Kade German-American Center, Indianapolis [williamlselm@gmail.com]

“The German Roots of Wartburg College in Iowa”

Charles Birnstiel & Donald Meyer, Wartburg College, IA [cbirnstiel2@aol.com]

“Anthropological Perspectives on German Regional Cultures and Contemporary Ethnic Heritage Expression”

La Raw Maran, U. of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Emeritus [kachin.research@aol.com]

Friday, 12:30-2:00: Lunch on your own

Friday, 2:00-3:30 p.m., Lewis & Clark Room: Germans for a Free Missouri: History and Memory

Chair: Steven Rowan, University of Missouri-St. Louis [srowan@umsl.edu]

“German Immigrant Abolitionists: Fighting for a Free Missouri”

Sidney Norton, St. Louis University [snorton7@slu.edu]

“Saviors of the Union: St. Louis Germans and the Memory of Camp Jackson”

Zachary Garrison, University of Cincinnati [garriszs@mail.uc.edu]

“Holding Out for A Hero:  Franz Sigel, Peter Osterhaus, and German-Americans During the Civil War”

Paul Fessler, Dordt College, IA ‎[Paul.Fessler@dordt.edu]‎

Friday, 2:00-3:30 p.m., Lindbergh Room: Loyalty Issues in Two World Wars

Chair: Petra DeWitt, Missouri University of Science & Technology, Rolla [dewittp@mst.edu]

“The Home Front in Wisconsin during WW I”

LaVern J. Rippley, St. Olaf College [rippleyl@stolaf.edu]

“Hugo Munsterberg, German-Americans and the Defense of Imperial Germany”

Gregory R. Zieren, Austin Peay State University, TN [ZIERENG@apsu.edu]

“The War Is For Everyone: Farming as a Proxy for Citizenship in World War II”

Steven Reschly, Truman State University, MO [sdreschly@gmail.com]

Friday, 2:00-3:30 p.m., Room 214: Interactions in the Realm of Art and Culture

Chair: Baerbel Such, Ohio University [such@ohio.edu]

“German-Jewish Patrons of the Arts, Bibliophiles, and Collectors in the Kaiserreich (and Beyond)”

Gaby Divay, University of Manitoba [Gaby.Divay@umanitoba.ca]

“Politics and Paintings: The German and Austrian Art Exhibits during the St. Louis World's Fair of 1904” Paul M. Lutzeler, Washington University, MO [jahrbuch@wustl.edu]

“Negotiating Culture During War: The 1917-1918 Season of the Musikverein von Milwaukee”

Miriam Wendling, University of Hamburg [miriam.wendling@cantab.net]

Friday, 3:30-4:00 p.m.: Break

Friday, 4:00-5:30 p.m., Lewis & Clark Room: Germans and Civil War Era Politics

Chair: Frank Baron, University of Kansas [fbaron@ku.edu]

“John Brown’s Life and Significance as Seen by Friedrich Kapp”

Cora Lee Kluge, University of Wisconsin-Madison [clnollen@wisc.edu]

“Temperance and Lincoln’s German Friends”

Frank Friday, University of Louisville [fridayesq@aol.com]

“Lincoln and the Bloody Seventh of Chicago: Ethnic Politics in the Leadup to 1860”

Ray Lohne, Columbia College Chicago [raylohne1@aol.com]

Friday, 4:00-5:30 p.m., Lindbergh Room: German-American Entrepreneurship

Chair: Paul Fessler, Dordt College, IA ‎[Paul.Fessler@dordt.edu]‎

“Constructions of Risk in Revolutionary America: A Transatlantic Perspective”

Elizabeth Engel, German Historical Institute, DC [Engel@ghi-dc.org]

“Forging Bonds of Trade and Trust: Networks of Transport, Capital, and Communication in the German Atlantic World”

Benjamin Schwantes, German Historical Institute, DC [schwantes@ghi-dc.org]‎

“Family Business as Immigrant Business: German-American Immigrant Entrepreneurs, 1850-1930”

Uwe Spiekermann, German Historical Institute, DC [spiekermann@ghi-dc.org]

Friday, 4:00-5:30 p.m., Room 214: American Images in German-Language Literature

Chair: Gaby Divay, University of Manitoba [Gaby.Divay@umanitoba.ca]

“Literarische Kanadabilder”

Myka Burke, University of Leipzig [burke@uni-leipzig.de]

“The Image of America in Friedrich Torberg’s Poetry”

Michael Rice, Middle Tennessee State University [Michael.Rice@mtsu.edu]

“The Image of New York City in Alfred Gong’s Poetry”

Baerbel Such, Ohio University [such@ohio.edu]

Friday Dinner: on your own

Saturday, 8:30-10:00 a.m., Lewis & Clark Room: Ethnic and Family History Resources in St. Louis Archives Chair: Walter Kamphoefner, Texas A&M University [waltkamp@tamu.edu]

“Sources for German American Research in the St. Louis County Library and the Eden Theological Seminary Archives, “

Scott Holl, Eden Seminary Archives, MO [sholl@slcl.org]

“Resources for German-American Studies at the Concordia Historical Institute”

Daniel Harmelink, Concordia Historical Institute, MO ‎[dharmelink@lutheranhistory.org]

“Gott und Gemeinde: German Catholic Parish and Family History Resources at the Archdiocese of St. Louis Archives”

Rena Schergen, Archdiocese of St. Louis [renaschergen@archstl.org]

Saturday, 8:30-10:00 a.m., Room 214: The Spectrum of German-American Leadership

Chair: Uwe Spiekermann, German Historical Institute [spiekermann@ghi-dc.org]

“Johann Tellkampf, Transnational German Jurist”

James R. Maxeiner, University of Baltimore [maxeinerj@optonline.net]

“More than Beer: the Diverse Investments of Adolphus Busch”

Todd Barnett, University of Missouri-Columbia [tb972@mail.missouri.edu]

“From Shoemaker to Editor: Gottlieb A. Hoehn and the Socialist Party of St. Louis”

Petra DeWitt, Missouri Univ. of Science & Technology [dewittp@mst.edu]

Saturday, 8:30-10:00 a.m., Room 208: Germans in Eighteenth Century America

Chair: Benjamin Schwantes, German Historical Institute, DC [schwantes@ghi-dc.org]

“Constructing Family Networks in Colonial Louisiana: Evidence from 18th Century Parish Records”

Andreas Hübner, University of Kassel [Andreas.Huebner@gcsc.uni-giessen.de]

“New York Palatine Patriots and Loyalists in the Revolutionary War”

Chester Neumann, Independent Scholar, Kansas City, MO [chesterneu@gmail.com]

“The German Societies of Pennsylvania and Maryland: Two Perspectives on German-Language Immigrants”

Randall Donaldson, Loyola University, MD [RDonaldson@loyola.edu]

10:00-10-30 a.m.: Break

Saturday, 10:30-12:00 a.m., Lewis & Clark Room: Ethnic Cultural Landscapes over Two Centuries

Chair: Michael Conzen, University of Chicago, Emeritus [m-conzen@uchicago.edu

“The Creation of the Pennsylvania-German Cultural Landscape in Central Ohio, 1790-1850”

Timothy G. Anderson, Ohio University [anderst1@ohio.edu]

“Place and Belonging in Wisconsin’s ‘Holyland’"

Beth Schlemper, University of Toledo [Beth.Schlemper@utoledo.edu]

“Lineage Continuity and Residential Stability of German Immigrant Farmers and Their Descendants in the Wisconsin Holyland”

Erin Hastings & Norman Sullivan, Marquette University [norman.sullivan@marquette.edu]

Saturday, 10:30-12:00 a.m., Room 214: Immigrant Legacies in Missouri

Chair: Todd Barnett, University of Missouri-Columbia [tb972@mail.missouri.edu]

“The Legacy of the Giessen Emigration Society”

Dorris Keeven-Franke, Independent Scholar, Missouri [dorris.keevenfranke@gmail.com]

“Later Followers of the Giessen Emigration Society from the Coburg Area”

Edward Wicklein, Independent Scholar, Missouri [edward.c.wicklein@ecunet.org]

“Vergangenheitsbewaeltigung: Reflections on a German-American and Anglo-American Heritage “

Robert Frizzell, University of Arkansas-Ft. Smith [illiniguy71@hotmail.com]

Saturday, 10:30-12:00 a.m., Room 208: Transatlantic Perspectives on Moravians

Chair: Barbara Becker-Cantarino, Ohio State University [becker-cantarino.1@osu.edu]

"Alexander von Humboldt's Visit to the Moravian Settlement in Sarepta (near Volgograd) in 1829"

Ingo Schwarz, Berlin Brandenburg Academy of Sciences [gmingo.schwarz@googlemail.com]

“The Moravian Star: Its Origin and History”

William E. Petig, Stanford University [petig@stanford.edu]

“Eighteenth and Early Nineteenth Century Moravian Missions to the Indians: Dilemmas and Successes” Rowena McClinton, Southern Illinois Univ.-Edwardsville [rmcclin@siue.edu]