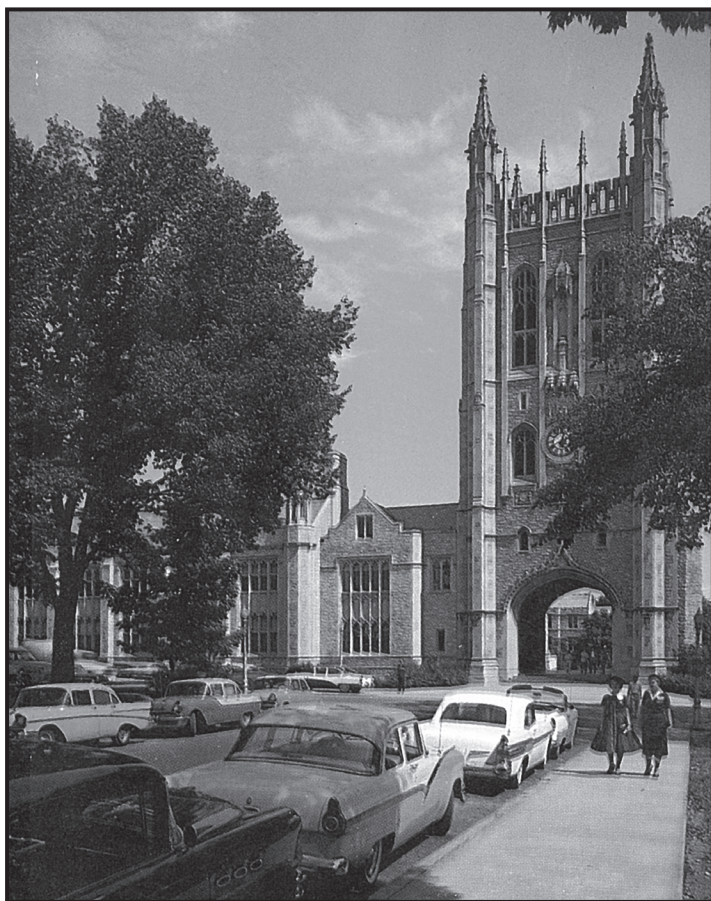


**The 50th Annual  
Missouri Conference on History  
Columbia  
April 2-4, 2008**



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## **Welcome to the 50th Annual Missouri Conference on History!**

Perhaps it is significant that the fiftieth Missouri Conference on History places the gathering on the very same April dates as the first meeting in 1959. Held in Memorial Student Union on the University of Missouri campus, the opening conference was a collaborative effort, “open to all history teachers throughout the State,” with high hopes to return annually “if enough interest is shown.”

Fortunately, the conference has proved a valued tradition throughout the history community, serving its original purpose to “acquaint teachers with recent developments in historical research, stimulate reflection on the nature of history, and establish personal contacts between historians.” Surely this last goal has the greatest meaning at the half-century mark with the involvement of three distinguished scholars who attended the first conference and serve our 2008 meeting as co-presidents: Richard S. Kirkendall, Perry McCandless, and William E. Parrish.

On behalf of the City of Columbia, the University of Missouri, The State Historical Society of Missouri, and the Conference Steering Committee, welcome to the 2008 Missouri Conference on History! I trust you will enjoy a rich academic and rewarding collegial experience.

Best Wishes,


Gary R. Kremer  
Executive Director  
The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Richard S. Kirkendall, University of Washington  
Perry McCandless, University of Central Missouri  
William E. Parrish, Mississippi State University

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# *The 50th Annual Missouri Conference on History*

## **Conference Schedule**

### **Wednesday**

**6:00-7:00 p.m.**

#### ***Welcome Reception***

Appetizers and Cash Bar

Courtyard by Marriott, Salon D

**7:00 p.m.**

#### ***Evening Lecture***

University of Missouri Campus, Ellis Library Auditorium

The MU Department of History invites all conference attendees to the department-sponsored lecture, "How and Why the Nazis Held out until the Bitter End," by noted historian **Sir Ian Kershaw**.

Knighthed in 2002, Kershaw has taught at universities in Great Britain and West Germany and has been Professor of Modern History at the University of Sheffield since 1989. He is a celebrated, award-winning author of several works, including *Making Friends with Hitler* and the definitive two-volume biography *Hitler 1889-1936: Hubris*, and *Hitler 1936-1945: Nemesis*; and most recently, *Fateful Choices: Ten Decisions that Changed the World, 1940-1941*.

A reception will follow at the History Department quarters in Read Hall.

### **Thursday**

Courtyard by Marriott

#### **Continental Breakfast**

8:00-10:00 a.m.

#### **Vendor Displays**

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

#### **Conference Registration**

8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

#### **Steering Committee Meeting**

8:30-9:45 a.m., McNair Boardroom

**10:00-11:30 a.m.**

***The Cost of Loyalty in Civil War Missouri***

Salon A

**Chair** LeeAnn Whites, University of Missouri

**Papers** “Northern Invaders, Southern Revenge: The Defense of Southern Culture in Southeast Missouri”  
Zachary S. Garrison, University of Missouri

“Foreigners in Their Own Country: Who Were the Unionists of Little Dixie?”  
Matthew E. Johnston, University of Missouri

**Comments** Susan L. Flader, University of Missouri

***Missouri, 1820: Indian Relations and an Election***

Varsity Room

**Chair and Comments** William E. Foley,  
University of Central Missouri

**Papers** “Compromising Their Rights: The U.S. Senate and the Kickapoo Treaties of 1819 and 1820”  
Michael W. Beatty, University of Missouri-St. Louis

“Missouri’s Era of Not-So-Good Feelings: William Clark and Missouri’s First Gubernatorial Election”  
Jeffrey Smith, Lindenwood University

***Response to Injustice***

Salon B

**Chair and Comments** Jamaine Abidogun, Missouri State University

**Paper** “‘Am I my Brother’s Keeper?’: Gary Player’s Response to Apartheid in South Africa from the Sixties to the Present”  
Jason Carson, University of Missouri-St. Louis

***Planes, Trains, and Steamboats: Transportation History at the Western Historical Manuscript Collection***

Salon C

**Chair** William T. Stolz, Western Historical Manuscript Collection-Columbia

**Presentations**

“Missouri’s Airline: TWA’s ‘Around the World Service’”  
David Boutros, WHMC-Kansas City

“T. J. Moss Tie Company: A Look into a Great Business Collection”  
William M. Fischetti, WHMC-St. Louis

“A Boatload of Information: The E. B. Trail Collection at the WHMC-Columbia”  
David Moore, WHMC-Columbia

“Railroads You Never Rode: The Lexington and St. Louis, the St. James & Little Rock, and the Missouri Island & Southern Railway Companies”  
Mark Stauter, WHMC-Rolla

**Audience Comment**

**11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

***Luncheon***

***Reminiscences of Early Missouri Conferences on History***

Salon D

**Co-presidents** of the 2008 Missouri Conference on History  
Richard S. Kirkendall, University of Washington  
Perry McCandless, University of Central Missouri  
William E. Parrish, Mississippi State University

**1:15-2:45 p.m.**

***Missouri Towns in the Civil War Era***

Salon A

**Chair and Comments** William G. Piston, Missouri State University

**Papers** “Carr W. Pritchett and the Civil War Era in Glasgow and Fayette”  
Lawrence O. Christensen, Missouri University of Science and Technology

“The Civil War’s Impact on Urbanization in Missouri”  
Donald B. Oster, Missouri University of Science and Technology

### ***Courting History: Using Circuit Court Records in the Classroom***

Salon B

**Chair and Comments** Jeffrey Smith, Lindenwood University

**Papers** “Finding Control in a Powerless World”  
Mary Ann Scanio, Lindenwood University

“A Combined Response to Need: Road Construction in Territorial Missouri”  
Christopher Keagy, Lindenwood University

### ***Recreating Lost Urban Landscapes: The Virtual City Project***

Salon C

**Chair** Louis S. Gerteis, University of Missouri-St. Louis

#### **Presentations**

“Digitizing Historical Fire Insurance Maps”  
Jerold Siegel, University of Missouri-St. Louis  
Dave van Bakergem, University of Missouri-St. Louis

“Recreating the Old St. Louis Waterfront”  
Andrew J. Hurley, University of Missouri-St. Louis  
Adam Michalski, University of Missouri-St. Louis

#### **Audience Comment**

**3:00-4:30 p.m.**

***Remembering Lewis Atherton: Inspiring Teacher and Eminent Scholar***

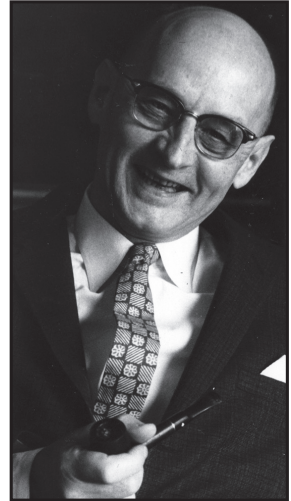
Salons A and B

**Moderator**

Gary R. Kremer,  
The State Historical Society  
of Missouri

**Roundtable**

Lawrence O. Christensen,  
Missouri University of Science  
and Technology  
William E. Foley,  
University of Central Missouri  
Perry McCandless,  
University of Central Missouri  
William E. Parrish,  
Mississippi State University  
J. Neal Primm,  
University of Missouri-St. Louis  
Richard W. Sellars,  
historian, Santa Fe, New Mexico



Lewis Atherton, a member of the University of Missouri Department of History for thirty-seven years, will be remembered by a few of the more than fifty graduate students who earned a PhD degree under his supervision. The author of four books and over thirty articles focused on southern, western, and Missouri history, Atherton believed that his greatest joy came through the relationships developed with his students, their spouses, and families and that his success was measured by the number of responsible positions his graduate students held throughout the United States.



5:30-6:30 p.m.

*Wine and Hors d'oeuvres Reception*

**Exhibit Preview: *Thomas Hart Benton in the 1930s***

University of Missouri Campus, The State Historical Society of Missouri

During the 1930s, Missouri artist Thomas Hart Benton became a leading figure in the regionalist movement, emerging as one of America's best-known artists. This exhibition examines Benton's artwork from the decade with a focus on lithographs and drawings that reflect his aesthetic and political ideas and provide insight into the social climate of the United States during the Great Depression.



*Missouri Farmyard* by Thomas Hart Benton

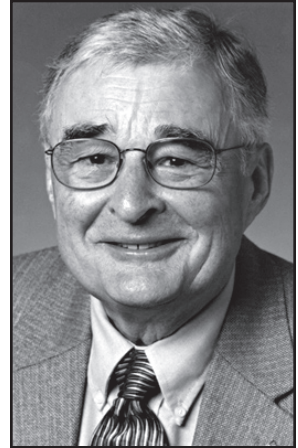
7:00 p.m.

***Banquet and Keynote Address***

University of Missouri Campus,  
Reynolds Alumni Center

**“Faith and Foreign Policy:  
An Exploration into the Mind of Harry  
Truman”**

**Richard S. Kirkendall,**  
University of Washington



Richard S. Kirkendall gave the inaugural keynote address at the first Missouri Conference on History in 1959, and we welcome his return to Columbia for the fiftieth annual meeting. As a young faculty member at MU, Kirkendall was intrigued by the promise of the collections at the Harry S. Truman Presidential Library in Independence, which opened for research shortly after the 1959 conference. Kirkendall developed this initial interest into a career focus on Missouri’s president, authoring a number of articles and essays on Truman as well as editing and supplying the introductions for *The Truman Encyclopedia*; *The Truman Period as a Research Field*; and associated *Reappraisal*; and *Harry’s Farewell: Interpreting and Teaching the Truman Presidency*. Kirkendall also wrote the fifth volume in the series *A History of Missouri* (1919 – 1953) and is presently focusing on the themes of war and religion in Truman’s life and career. In addition to serving at the University of Missouri, Kirkendall has held faculty positions at Wesleyan University, Indiana University, and Iowa State University and is currently the Scott and Dorothy Bullitt Professor Emeritus of American History at the University of Washington.

## Friday

Courtyard by Marriott

### Continental Breakfast

7:00-8:30 a.m.

### Registration

8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

### Vendor Displays

8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

## 8:30-10:00 a.m.

### *Christian Curiosities and Evangelical Enthusiasms*

Salon A

**Chair and Comments** Eric G. Tenbus,  
University of Central Missouri

**Papers** “The Five Lives of St. Rumwald, Infant Confessor”  
Mary Ellen Rowe, University of Central Missouri

“The White Lady of Starkenburg: A Tale of Two Cultures”  
Carol Piper Heming, University of Central Missouri

### *Lost Ships: Defeat in the Orient*

Salon B

**Chair and Comments** Robert Wiegers, Central Methodist University

**Papers** “The Legacy of the USS *Wake*”  
Paul M. Edwards, Center for the Study of the Korean War,  
Graceland University

“The Lasting Shame of the *Pueblo*”  
Lisa A. Hecht, University of Illinois-Springfield

“Legend and the *Sand Pebbles*”  
Gregory Edwards, Center for the Study of the Korean War,  
Graceland University

***The Missouri History Scholarship Series***

Varsity Room

**Moderator** Lynn Wolf Gentzler,  
The State Historical Society of Missouri

**Roundtable**

Louis S. Gerteis, University of Missouri-St. Louis  
Alan R. Havig, Stephens College  
Lynn Morrow, Office of Secretary of State, Missouri State  
Archives  
Diane Mutti Burke, University of Missouri-Kansas City  
William E. Parrish, Mississippi State University  
Bonnie Stepenoff, Southeast Missouri State University

**10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

***1908: The Birth of Journalism Education and  
a Watershed for the Modern Media***

Salon A

**Chair and Comments** Michael D. Murray, University of  
Missouri-St. Louis

**Papers** “1908, The Founding of Journalism Professionalism at the  
University of Missouri”  
Betty Houchin Winfield, University of Missouri

“Foreign Voices Yearning to Breathe Free: The Immigrant  
Press at the Turn of the Twentieth Century”  
Berkley Hudson, University of Missouri

“Legal Impacts on 1908 Journalism”  
Sandra Davidson, University of Missouri

***Law Enforcement and Crime in Kansas City***

Salon B

**Chair** William O. Wagon, Washburn University

**Papers** “Organized Crime and New Deal Justice: The Angelo  
Donnici Case of 1939”  
Patrick E. McLear, Missouri Western State University

“Kansas City, 1961: How J. Edgar Hoover Ambushed the Kansas City Police Chief and Secured His Position in the New Kennedy Administration”

Galen Johnson, Missouri Western State University

**Comments** William O. Wagnon, Washburn University, and  
Lawrence H. Larsen, University of Missouri-Kansas City

### ***New Explorations of Mississippi Valley Colonial History***

Varsity Room

**Chair and Comments** Kenneth H. Winn, Missouri Department of  
Higher Education

**Papers** “Battle over a Battle: St. Louis Historians and the Battle of  
1780”

Carolyn Gilman, Missouri History Museum

“Land Fraud in Upper Louisiana: A Misconception”

Thomas Danisi, Independent Scholar, St. Louis

**12:15-1:15 p.m.**

### ***Awards Luncheon and Business Meeting***

Salon D

#### **2008 MCH Award for Best Book**

presented by Debra Greene, Lincoln University

#### **Nominees**

*The Opium Debate and Chinese Exclusion Laws in the  
Nineteenth-Century American West* by Diana L. Ahmad

*The Civil War's First Blood: Missouri, 1854-1861* by James  
Denny and John Bradbury

*Independent Immigrants: A Settlement of Hanoverian Germans  
in Western Missouri* by Robert W. Frizzell

*Upstream Metropolis: An Urban Biography of Omaha &  
Council Bluffs* by Lawrence H. Larsen, Barbara J. Cottrell,  
Harl A. Dalstrom, and Kay Calame Dalstrom

*Voices of the Heart: Asian American Women on Immigration,  
Work, and Family* by Huping Ling

## Friday Sessions

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*Alamo in the Ardennes: The Untold Story of the American Soldiers Who Made the Defense of Bastogne Possible* by John C. McManus

*The Border Between Them: Violence and Reconciliation on the Kansas-Missouri Line* by Jeremy Neely

*The St. Charles Guards: McCausland's Company of the Oregon Battalion* by Robert M. Sandfort

*A Fatal Drifting Apart: Democratic Social Knowledge and Chicago Reform* by Laura M. Westhoff

### Selection Committee

Debra Greene, chair

Dennis K. Boman, St. Louis University

David Fiedler, Independent Scholar, St. Louis

### 2008 MCH Award for Best Article

presented by Kenneth H. Winn,

Missouri Department of Higher Education

### Nominees

“Baseball to Bullets: The Rise and Fall of the Cuckoo Gang” by Walter M. Fontane, *Gateway*, 2007

“The Hummer” by Armin Wm. Schannuth, *Higginsville Advance*

“The Nightingale” by Armin Wm. Schannuth, *Higginsville Advance*

“The Patriarch, His ‘Wives,’ ‘His Slaves,’ and His ‘Children’: Contested Wills in the Case of *Keen v. Keen*” by Kimberly Schreck, *Missouri Historical Review*, October 2007

“Edward Miller’s Town: The Reconceptualization of Pleasant Hill by the Pacific Railroad of Missouri” by James R. Shortridge, *Missouri Historical Review*, July 2007

“Fairground Park: Revitalized and Reenergized” by Jean Wasko, *Voices*, Summer 2007

### Selection Committee

Kenneth H. Winn, chair

Diana Ahmad, Missouri University of Science and Technology

Patrick McLear, Missouri Western State University

**1:30-3:00 p.m.**

***African American Architecture in Missouri***

Salon A

**Chair and Comments** Tiffany Patterson, Missouri State Historic Preservation Office

**Papers** “The Shotgun House: An African American Legacy in Central Missouri”

Brett S. Rogers, William Woods University

“Ragtime Archaeology: The Scott Joplin House Project in St. Louis, Missouri”

Timothy E. Baumann, Missouri Valley College

***Twentieth-Century Environmental Problems Here and Abroad***

Salon B

**Chair and Comments** Walter A. Schroeder, University of Missouri

**Papers** “‘We Believe We Have the Place’: Land Liquidation of the Ozark Land and Lumber Company”

Amy Strickland, Missouri Geographic Alliance,  
Drury University

“A Comparative History of Environmentalism in the United States and the Netherlands in the 1970s”

Adam Sundberg, University of Central Missouri

***War and Violence***

Varsity Room

**Chair and Comments** Steven D. Reschly, Truman State University

**Papers** “B. F. Jenkins: Pioneer Farmer and Union Soldier”  
Cherié L. Weible, University of Illinois at Urbana-  
Champaign

“‘Bloody Bill’ Anderson’s Threat Carried Out: An Instance of Rape in Civil War Missouri”

Robert W. Frizzell, Northwest Missouri State University

“The Violent Frontier: A Historiographic Look at the Evolution of Western Violence Through History, Film, and Literature”

Mark A. Neels, University of Missouri-St. Louis

**3:15-4:45 p.m.**

***Missouri and the Great War***

Salon A

**Chair and Comments** Eli Paul, National World War I Museum

**Papers** “The Collections of the National World War I Museum, 1920-2008”

Doran L. Cart, National World War I Museum

“Research Opportunities in the Library and Archives of the National World War I Museum”

Jonathan Casey, National World War I Museum

“Lessons of Liberty: New Educational Programs of the National World War I Museum”

James M. Barkley, National World War I Museum

***Over There: Should We Go?***

Salon B

**Chair and Comments** J. Christopher Schnell,  
Southeast Missouri State University

**Papers** “‘A Total Departure from his Heritage’: Harry S Truman and the Origins of the Vietnam War”

Nicole L. Anslover, Waldorf College

“‘Fight for the Guard’: The Impact of the Perpich Case on the Control of the Missouri National Guard”

Jordan Rustemeyer, Central Methodist University



***The Politics of Race and Emancipation in Wartime Missouri***

Varsity Room

**Chair** Gary R. Kremer, The State Historical Society of Missouri

**Papers** “Für Einheit und Freiheit: German Americans and the  
Politics of Emancipation in St. Louis”  
Kristen Anderson, University of Iowa

“Race, Radicalism, and the Limits of Reconstruction in  
Wartime Missouri”  
John McKerley, University of Iowa

“‘A Soldier’s Wife is Free’: Enslaved Kin and Their Claims  
to Military Citizenship in Civil War Missouri”  
Sharon Romeo, University of Iowa

**Comments** LeeAnn Whites, University of Missouri

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Turn right onto Highway 63;

Exit at Stadium Boulevard (about 1 mile) and turn left;

Follow Stadium Boulevard to Maryland Avenue (about 2 miles) and turn right;

Follow Maryland Avenue to Turner Avenue (about ½ mile) and turn left;

Entrance to Turner Avenue Parking Garage is on right.

Walking Directions from Turner Avenue Parking Garage to Ellis Library and The State Historical Society of Missouri:

### **Wednesday Evening Lecture**

Turn right on Rollins Street (on north side of garage);

Walk two blocks toward Ellis Library;

Enter northernmost set of double doors on west side of library;

Auditorium is on the left.

### **Thursday Evening Reception (State Historical Society) and Banquet (Alumni Center)**

Turn right on Rollins Street (on north side of garage);

Walk two blocks toward Ellis Library;

Turn left to walk around the front of the library.

The Society's entrance is on the front of the library toward the northeast corner.

The Alumni Center is located on the southeast corner of the intersection of Rollins Street and Maryland Avenue, directly across the street from the Turner Avenue Parking Garage.

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Most faculty and staff parking lots and garages are available for visitor parking after 5:00 p.m. Check signs at entrances for restrictions.