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Welcome to the 53rd Annual Missouri Conference on History!

It is my pleasure to welcome you to Kansas City and The Holiday Inn, Country Club Plaza for the 53rd annual Missouri Conference on History. The University of Missouri-Kansas City, the State Historical Society of Missouri, the National World War I Museum, and the Missouri Conference on History Steering Committee are pleased to present this interesting two-day program that includes a diverse array of papers focusing on many periods, regions, and areas of study. As is apparent from the program, the conference remains an excellent forum to explore the dynamic history of this region. The Civil War history of Missouri is a special focus of this year's conference--an appropriate emphasis given that the conference dates fall during the kick-off week to the Civil War Sesquicentennial.

I am pleased to showcase a few of the city's wonderful historic sites during your time in Kansas City. Conference participants are free to enjoy the many excellent restaurants located in Kansas City's historic Country Club Plaza district during lunch on Thursday. Later that afternoon, the National Archives-Great Plains branch is offering a tour of their new Union Station location. Starting at 5:00 p.m., attendees will have access to the galleries of the National World War I Museum at the Liberty Memorial during a private reception. The keynote address will follow at 7:00 p.m. when native Missourian and Harvard University Professor Walter Johnson will present material from his forthcoming book about the Mississippi River Valley. His lecture will focus on the role that the landscape played in slaveholders' attempts to control the enslaved population as well as enslaved people's attempts at resistance. Directly after the talk, student attendees are invited to a pizza party hosted by the UMKC undergraduate History Club and the History Graduate Student Association at Minsky's Pizza in the River Market. Other participants can enjoy the many wonderful eating establishments in the Crossroads or Power and Light districts. The conference will reconvene on Friday morning for another interesting day of panels and the annual business and awards luncheon.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Missouri Conference on History and I hope that you enjoy your time in Kansas City.

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Conference Schedule

Thursday, April 14

Conference Registration

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

Vendor Displays

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

Steering Committee Meeting

8:30-10:00 a.m. *Salon C*

8:30-10:00 a.m.

From Google to Archive: Applying the Results of Project Information Literacy's "Lessons Learned" Report in the Public History Venue *Ballroom C*

Moderator Lori Cox-Paul, National Archives – Central Plains

Panelists Kirstin Lawson, Pittsburg State University

Randy Roberts, Pittsburg State University

Jon E. Taylor, University of Central Missouri

Joel Burzinski, University of Central Missouri

Mason Lovelace, Pittsburg State University

Midwestern Civil Rights Activists *Boardroom*

Chair and Comments MaryAnn Wynkoop,
University of Missouri-Kansas City

Papers "Oklahoma City's James 'Jimmy' E. Stewart: Twentieth-Century Race Progress in the Sooner State and Beyond"
Stacy M. Reikowsky, University of Central Oklahoma
"Equalizing Higher Education in Missouri: Lloyd Gaines and the African American Struggle for Civil Rights"
Sarah Riva, University of Arkansas-Little Rock
"Celebrated Exclusion: The Interplay Between the

Celebration of Kansas City's Centennial and the *Kansas City Call*

Dustin Gann, University of Kansas

Honor and Masculinity *Salon A*

Chair and Comments Dennis Boman, Yorktown University

Papers "The Barbarous Custom of Dueling': Honor and Violence on St. Louis' Bloody Island"

Mark A. Neels, Southern Illinois University

"The Art of Defense: An Analysis of the Progression of Swordsmanship and the Evolution of the Honor Social Culture (1700-1900)"

Jordan David Billings, University of Phoenix

Naturalists and the Environment *Salon B*

Chair William Ashworth, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Comments Alex Boynton, University of Kansas

Papers "Public Nature: Robert Ridgway and the U.S. National Museum's Bird Exhibit at the New Orleans Exposition"

Eric Ward, University of Missouri-Kansas City

"Memory and Nostalgia: An American River from the Corps of Discovery to John Neihardt"

Pat Dobson, University of Missouri-Kansas City

"Smoking Weed and Killing Trees: The Environmental Impact of the Marijuana Trade"

Torey B. Logan, University of Missouri-Kansas City

10:00-10:15 a.m. Refreshments

10:15-11:45 a.m.

Roundtable: Large-Scale Collaborative Digitization Projects on the Civil War in Missouri *Ballroom C*

Moderator Carl Wingo, Missouri State Library

Panelists Jordan Fields, Kansas City Public Library

Chris Gordon, Missouri History Museum

Brian Grubbs, Springfield-Greene County Library

Gerald Hirsch, The State Historical Society of Missouri

Because It's the Law:

Topics in Missouri Legal History *Salon C*

- Chair** Kenneth Winn, Supreme Court of Missouri Library
- Comments** LeeAnn Whites, University of Missouri
- Papers** “Crime, Courts, and the Missouri Fur Trade, 1800-1840”
Jason Pfister, University of Central Missouri
“Judges and the Creation of Missouri’s Early Slave
Freedom Suit Precedents”
Bryan Weintrop, University of Missouri
“Manufactured Animals: The Rise of Missouri CAFOs
and Their Legal Challengers”
Rock Gremillion, University of Missouri

The Abolitionist Threat to Missouri *Boardroom*

- Chair and Comments** Timothy Westcott, Park University
- Papers** “George Sibley, Elijah Lovejoy, and the Opposition to
Slavery in Missouri”
Jeffrey Smith, Lindenwood University
“‘Mormonising the Abolitionists’: Missourians, the
Mormon War, and Bleeding Kansas”
Thomas Spencer, Northwest Missouri State University

The Armory as Architecture *Salon A*

- Chair and Comments** Mark Miles, Missouri State Historic
Preservation Office
- Papers** “The Development of the Armory in Missouri”
Robert Wieggers, Central Methodist University
“The Work Projects Administration Armories”
Tiffany Patterson, Missouri State Historic Preservation
Office
“Armory Architecture in the Cold War Era”
Rebecca Prater, Missouri State Historic Preservation Office

Women Take Charge *Salon B*

- Chair and Comments** Virginia Laas, Missouri Southern State
University
- Papers** “Elizabeth, the Dutch, and other Nonsuch”
Joel D. Benson, Northwest Missouri State University
“Rules and Rituals: Creating the Army Wife Ideal, 1941-

1954”

Mary Angelina McMurray, University of Kansas

“‘The Ceaseless Agony of an Unspeakable Anxiety’: A

California Gold Rush ‘Widow’ Searches for Her Husband”

John Mark Lambertson, National Frontier Trails Museum

11:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m. Lunch (on your own)

1:15-2:45 p.m.

Directions in Missouri’s Civil War History *Ballroom C*

Moderator LeeAnn Whites, University of Missouri

Panelists Joseph Beilein, University of Missouri

Dennis Boman, Yorktown University

Louis Gerteis, University of Missouri-St. Louis

William Piston, Missouri State University

Silvana Siddali, Saint Louis University

Native American Politics and Diplomacy *Boardroom*

Chair and Comments Paul Kelton, University of Kansas

Papers “The Dakota War of 1862: Political and Generational Divisions among the Santee”

Pearson Bramblett, Saint Louis University

“Indian Slavery and the Erosion of Spanish-Indian Diplomacy in Upper Louisiana, 1762-1793”

Peter K. Johnson, Metropolitan Community Colleges, Longview Campus

“Through the Mail and Rail: The Spread of the 1890 Ghost Dance”

Justin Randolph Gage, University of Arkansas

Media Manipulations *Salon A*

Chair John Barton, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Comments Joel Rhodes, Southeast Missouri State University

Papers “The Fine Print of Legitimation: Nineteenth-Century Lynch Law and the Popular Press”

Miun Gleeson, University of Missouri-Kansas City

“‘Just Give Me Somethin’ to Break’: Masculinity and

Youth Crisis in Media Depictions of the Woodstock ’99

Disaster”

Daniel G. Fitzgerald, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Small Town America *Salon B*

Chair and Comments Thomas Spencer, Northwest Missouri State University

Papers “Main Street to the Miracle Mile: The Transition of the Central Business District of Dexter, Missouri, from Downtown to the Miracle Mile”
Paul Arnold, Southeast Missouri State University
“The Town Band: Boosterism in Brass”
Michael Steiner, Northwest Missouri State University

2:45-3:00 p.m. Refreshments

3:00-4:30 p.m.

The Civil War for Missouri’s African American Soldiers

Boardroom

Chair Robert Wieggers, Central Methodist University

Comments Ed Beasley, Penn Valley Community College

Papers “The Military Duty of Missouri: African American Soldiers during the Civil War”
Debra Foster Greene, Lincoln University
“Mortality by Disease of Missouri African American Soldiers during the Civil War”
Antonio F. Holland, Lincoln University

Show Me the Press: Missouri Publishing History *Salon A*

Chair and Comments Jeffrey L. Pasley, University of Missouri

Papers “E. G. Lewis, Edwin C. Madden, and the Destruction of *The Woman’s Magazine*”

David L. Straight, Missouri Postal History Society

“Providing Digital Access to Historic Newspapers”

Gerald Hirsch, The State Historical Society of Missouri

“Publishing in Missouri before Reconstruction: Directions for Research”

Emily Jaycox, Missouri History Museum

Words and Their Power in Early Medieval History and Literature *Salon C*

- Chair** Lois L. Huneycutt, University of Missouri
- Comments** Kathy M. Krause, University of Missouri-Kansas City
- Papers** “‘You Would Do Better to Keep Your Mouth Shut’: Rumor and Slander in Gregory of Tours’ *Histories*”
Autumn Dolan, University of Missouri
- “‘It Was Said She had Become Friendly with Him’: Gossip and Rumor in Icelandic Family Sagas”
Katie Sheffield, University of Missouri
- “Evidence for Heathen Ritual?: The Power of Magic and Religious Words in *Njal’s Saga* and *Egil’s Saga*”
Heather McRae, University of Missouri

German Intellectual and Religious Life *Salon B*

- Chair** David Freeman, University of Missouri-Kansas City
- Comments** Joseph Fossati, Rockhurst University
- Papers** “Friedrich Muench from German Revolutionary to Missouri Statesman”
Dorris Keeven-Franke, Independent Scholar
- “Schleiermacher’s Theology: The Culmination of Pietistic and Romantic Thought”
Justin A. Davis, University of Missouri-Kansas City
- “The Paradox of the Saxon Emigrants’ Search for Freedom of Worship”
Lani M. Kirsch, University of Missouri-Kansas City

3:30-5:30 p.m.

National Archives Record Center – Central Plains Branch
Tours of the New Facility

Tours will begin every half hour: 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, and 5:30 p.m.

National World War I Museum

5:00-6:30 p.m. Museum opens galleries to conference participants

5:30-6:30 p.m. Reception with Cash Bar for conference participants

7:00 p.m. Public Keynote Lecture

“The Carceral Landscape: Slaves, Horses, Dogs, Forests, Fields, and Swamps”

Walter Johnson, Harvard University



The “Carceral Landscape” treats the material history of slave life in the South. As much as an economic or legal condition, enslavement was a spatial condition. Focusing on the landscape, the paper reconsiders the history of slaveholding control and enslaved resistance in the South. Of particular concern are: the history of the cotton-capitalism as a form of surveillance and counter-insurgency; the history of the senses—sight, sound, smell—as a way of illuminating and specifying our accounts of enslaved resistance; and the critical role of animals in what is conventionally known as “the master-slave relationship.”

Friday morning, April 15

Conference Registration

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

Vendor Displays

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

8:30-10:00 a.m.

Constructions of Citizenship and Race in Nineteenth and Early Twentieth-Century Missouri *Ballroom C*

Chair Diane Mutti Burke, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Comments Kim Cary Warren, University of Kansas

Papers “Race, Testimonial Capacity, and the Construction of Citizenship: Antebellum and Civil War St. Louis”

Sharon Romeo, University of Alberta

“The Balance of Political Power: Race, Urban Politics, and the Struggle for Voting Rights in Missouri, 1880-1910”

John McKerley, Independent Scholar

Representations of the Trans-Mississippi Frontier *Salon A*

Chair William E. Foley, University of Central Missouri

Comments Margi Conrads, Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art

Papers “The Further (Mercantile) Adventures of Zenas Leonard: Letters from Robert Campbell of St. Louis, with other documents”

Rodney Staab, Kansas City Archaeological Society

“The *Arkansas Traveler*: Picturing Tension on the Southern Frontier”

Louise Hancox, University of Arkansas

Culture and Everyday Life in Twentieth-Century Europe

Salon B

Chair Andrew Bergerson, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Comments Shannon Fogg, Missouri University of Science and Technology

Papers “*Frontalltagsgeschichte* on the Eastern Front: Everyday Life and the Return to Normalcy during the First World War”

Kevin Baker, University of Missouri-Kansas City

“Two Cartoonists Separated by a Common War:

Comparing the Work of Abian ‘Wally’ Wallgren and Bruce Bairnsfather”

Jay Casey, University of Arkansas

“Jews and the Holocaust: Their Representation in European and American Film”

Kelsey Rosborough, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Doctors in Training *Salon C*

Chair and Comments Fred Holmes, University of Kansas Medical School

Papers “A Brotherhood of Shamans: Dr. McDowell’s Medical College in Antebellum St. Louis”

Luke Ritter, Saint Louis University

“A Fight for Surgery: The Evolution of Surgery, Anatomy,

and Dissection in the Medieval University Curriculum”
Michelle Davis, University of Missouri-Kansas City

American Culture and Identity *Boardroom*

Chair and Comments Stephen McIntyre, Missouri State University

Papers “Cold War Travels: Family, Consumerism, and National Identity in the American Automobile Vacation”

Nick Blount, University of Missouri-Kansas City

“Sport and Nationalism: The 1904 St. Louis Olympics and National Identity”

Clinton McDuffie, University of Missouri-Kansas City

“Dramatizing Politics: The New Deal Roots of Anticommunism in the United States”

Don Adams, University of Missouri-Kansas City

10:00-10:15 a.m. Refreshments

10:15 a.m.-11:45 p.m.

The Supreme Court in the Classroom *Salon A*

Chair Louis Potts, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Comments Pellom McDaniels, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Papers “*Celia, A Slave, v. Missouri*”

Kim Phillips, Blue Springs High School

“*Dred Scott v. Sanford*”

Darcie Dreher, Brittany Hill Middle School

“*Muller v. Oregon*”

Sarah Courtney, Lee’s Summit North High School

Missouri Secessionist Households *Boardroom*

Chair Joseph Beilein, University of Missouri

Comments Rebecca Montgomery, Texas State University

Papers “The Enemy at Home: Confederate and African American Women within the Missouri Wartime Household”

Megan Boccardi, Quincy University

“The Demise of the Missouri Landed Elite: Is Geiger Correct?”

Robert W. Frizzell, Independent Scholar

Twentieth-Century Kansas City *Ballroom C*

- Chair** Larry Larsen, University of Missouri-Kansas City
Comments Sarah Boyle, Johnson County Community College
Papers “Rendering Assistance: The Everyday Life of a Woman’s Relief Association in a Burgeoning Midwestern City, 1870-1880”
David Hanzlick, University of Missouri-Kansas City
“Girls Creating Community at Central High School, 1895-1925”
Henrietta Rix Wood, University of Missouri-Kansas City

The Politics and Economics of the Post-Colonial World

Salon B

- Chair and Comments** Thomas Dicke, Missouri State University
Papers “Truman and Mexico: Postwar Negotiations and the Search for Accommodation”
Scott S. Mischka, Wentworth College
“Drug of Nations: A Global History of Big Oil”
Jesse A. Heitz, King’s College, London

Tri-State Mining District *Salon C*

- Chair** Kirstin L. Lawson, Pittsburg State University
Comments Jeremy Neely, Missouri State University
Papers “Labor and Health in the Tri-State Mining Area at the Turn of the Twentieth Century”
Kara Pittman, Pittsburg State University
“Health or Profit?: Silicosis in the Tri-State Area in the Early Twentieth Century”
Alexia Walker, Pittsburg State University
“Women in the Red Cross: The Tri-State Mining District in the Great Depression”
Kristen Wiles, Pittsburg State University

12:15-1:15 p.m. Awards Luncheon and Business Meeting

Ballroom

- 2011 MCH Award for Best Student Paper**
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Chair, Debra Foster Greene, Lincoln University
Jeffrey Smith, Lindenwood University

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Chair, Stephen McIntyre, Missouri State University

John Herron, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Kenneth Winn, Missouri Supreme Court Library

2011 MCH Award for Best Book

Selection Committee

Chair, Alan Havig, Stephens College

William E. Foley, University of Central Missouri

Larry Gragg, Missouri University of Science and Technology

1:45-3:15 p.m.

University of Kansas Center for Global and International Studies *Salon A*

Moderator Marc Becker, Truman State University

Panelists “History of the KU Center of Latin American Studies”

Charles L. Stansifer, University of Kansas

“Origins and History of the Kansas African Studies Center at the University of Kansas-Lawrence”

John M. Janzen, University of Kansas

“The History of Russian and East European Studies at the University of Kansas”

Norman Saul, University of Kansas

“History of the Center for East Asian Studies at the University of Kansas”

Maggie Childs, University of Kansas

Segregated St. Louis *Salon B*

Chair and Comments Sherry Schirmer, Avila University

Papers “Lawn Beautification Contests as Agency in Black St. Louis, 1932-1940”

Donna Patricia Ward, University of North Carolina-Charlotte

“‘I See Nothing in this World more Dangerous than Negro Cities Ringed with White Suburbs’: Post-War Race

Relations and Segregation in St. Louis”

Brian Elsesser, Harris-Stowe State University

“Hate-Mongers, Racists and Anti-Semites in St. Louis:
Vigilance of the Jewish Community Relations Council,
1930-1970s”

Diane Everman, St. Louis Jewish Community Archives

Childhood and Education in Nineteenth-Century Missouri

Ballroom C

Chair Miriam Forman-Brunell, University of Missouri-Kansas
City

Comments Anita Reznicek, University of Missouri-Kansas
City

Papers “Surviving on the Fringes of Society: St. Rose Philippine
Duchesne’s Epistolary Rhetoric, 1818-1852”

Jacquelyn E. Hoermann, University of Missouri-Kansas
City

“Missouri Schoolgirls, 1840-1870”

Lauren Petrillo, University of Missouri-Kansas City

“The Reconstruction of Southern Masculinity: Defeat,
Aftermath, and Border Boyhood in Post-War Missouri,
1865-1885”

Heather Nurmikko, University of Missouri-Kansas City

The Union Army in Civil War Missouri *Boardroom*

Chair and Comments William Piston, Missouri State University

Papers “The Constitution and Military Necessity in Civil War
Missouri”

Dennis K. Boman, Yorktown University

“No Man is an Island: E. W. Gantt and the Fall of Island
Number 10”

James Tuten, Juniata College

The Global Cities *Salon C*

Chair Dennis Merrill, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Comments Tim Borstelmann, University of Nebraska

Papers “The Future Great City of the World Seeks to Fulfill its
Destiny with Mexico: St. Louis and Mexico, 1878-1907”

Michael A. Ridge Jr., University of Iowa

“Remembering War/Creating Empire: Kansas City and the Building of the Liberty Memorial”

Kory Gallagher, University of Missouri-Kansas City

3:15-3:30 p.m. Refreshments

3:30-5:00 p.m.

Faith and Loyalty in Civil War Missouri *Boardroom*

Chair Silvana Siddali, Saint Louis University

Comments Scott McDermott, Saint Louis University

Papers “Conflict and Division within the Missouri Presbyterian Church”

Katharine Bava, Lindenwood University

“‘Sent into a Land of Strangers’: Rev. Barry Hill Spencer as a Test Case of Disloyal Clergy in Civil War Missouri”

Marcus McArthur, Saint Louis University

“The Missouri Test Oath: Righteous Rulers and the Unrepentant”

Lucas Volkman, University of Missouri

Gender and American Literature *Salon A*

Chair Anthony Shiu, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Comments Kirstin L. Lawson, Pittsburg State University

Papers “In Twain’s Words: A Social History of Masculinity and Femininity in the West, 1859-1910”

Jarrold Roark, University of Missouri-Kansas City

“Doing What They Could: Women Writers and Society’s Others”

Sharon K. Hunter, University of Missouri-Kansas City

“Mari Sandoz: Great Plains Frontierswoman Addressing Fascism on the Plains”

Jillian L. Wenburg, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Indians Moving Eastward: Returning Native Americans to the Antebellum Center *Salon C*

Chair and Comments Robert M. Owens, Wichita State University

Papers “Log Cabin Bureaucrats: Jeffersonians, Indians, and State-Building in the Old Northwest”

Kristopher Maulden, University of Missouri

“A Nation Unto God: Christian Mission and National Identity in Antebellum America”

Joshua Rice, University of Missouri

Sails, Sailors’ Wives, and Revolutionaries *Salon B*

Chair and Comments Victor Bailey, University of Kansas

Papers “Good English Duck: Government Support of British Linen Sailcloth Manufacture in the Long Eighteenth Century”

Chainy Folsom, University of Missouri-Kansas City

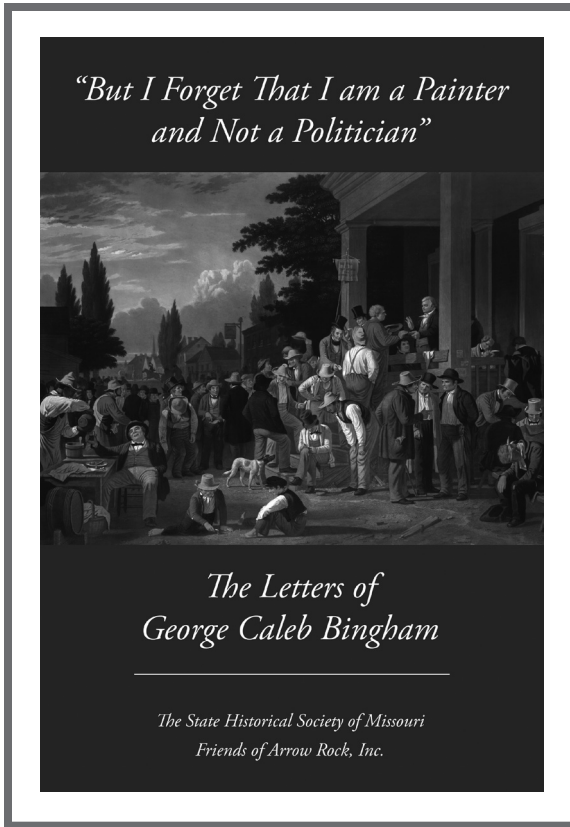
“Desperate Housewives: Perceptions of English Sailors’ Wives in the Eighteenth Century”

Melissa Riebe, University of Missouri-Kansas City

“Women of the Revolution and the Undoing of the Imagined Ireland, 1916-1924”

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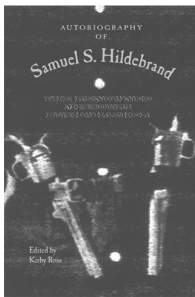
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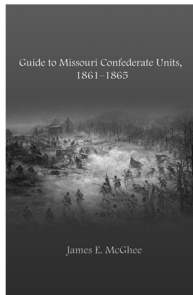
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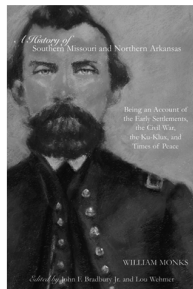
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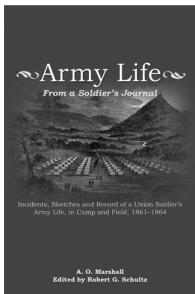


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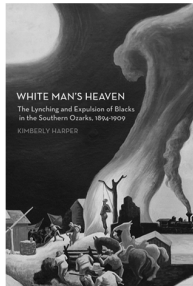


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travel 0.2 mile.

Driving Directions from The Holiday Inn, Country Club Plaza
to the **National World War I Museum:**

Head north on Main Street for 2.2 miles,
turn left at Memorial Drive, travel for .1 mile.
Take first right onto Liberty Memorial Mall, travel .2 mile.