

2018 AMISH MINI-CONFERENCE

at the Amish & Mennonite Heritage Center

Friday, June 1, 2018

SESSION 1: DEMOGRAPHY / RESEARCH RESOURCES [8:45-9:45am]

(1) The Demographic Structure of the Amish: Updated Findings from a Near-Census—*Cory Anderson** [Truman State University]

(2) A Revisit of Parity Changes among the Amish of Northeast Ohio—*Samson Wasao** [independent], *Christian Mpody* [The Ohio State University], and *Joseph Donnermeyer** [The Ohio State University]

(3) Exploring Research Resources at the Ohio Amish Library—*Wayne Yoder** [Amish & Mennonite Heritage Center]

DIGITAL POSTER DISPLAY (during break, continued over lunch break)

Amish Reality TV: A Thematic Assessment—*Caitlyn Lee** [Truman State University]

SESSION 2: TEACHING ABOUT THE AMISH [10:00-11:15am]

Teaching about the Amish: Insights and Recommendations from the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning and a Diversity and Inclusion Framework—*Kristin Park** [Westminster College] and *Caroline Brock** [The Ohio State University-Wooster]

LUNCH at local restaurant, pay your own way [11:15am-12:20pm]

OPTIONAL TOUR of the Behalt Cyclorama, a 360-degree painting of Anabaptist history [12:30-1:00pm]

SESSION 3: HEALTH [1:15-2:30pm]

(1) Medical and Health Matters among the Amish of Lancaster County in the 1930s—*Steven Reschly** [Truman State University]

(2) “We try to stay independent ... but we still need them”: Anabaptist Lay Caregivers’ Experiences of Caring for Burn and Wound Injured Patient—*Rosanna Hess** [Malone University]

(3) The Impact of Social Influence on Breast Cancer Education among Amish and Mennonite Women—*Melissa Thomas** [Ohio University], *Doretta Thomas* [Center for Appalachia Research in Cancer Education], and *Barbara Miller* [Center for Appalachia Research in Cancer Education]

(4) Plain Farmer Attitudes and Behavior around Healthcare: Professional “Scientific” Views versus Farmer Experience—*Caroline Brock** and *Rebecca Schewe* [Syracuse University]

DIGITAL POSTER DISPLAY (during break, continued during following break)

Suggested Revisions to the McGuigan Attitudes Toward the Amish (ATA) Scale after a Test of External Validity—*Lee Decker** [Truman State University]

SESSION 4: SOCIAL [2:45-3:45pm]

(1) Amish Gesellschaft: A Longitudinal Case Study of a Community—*Brittany Kowalski**, *Rachel Stein*, and *Corey Colyer* [West Virginia University]

(2) What the Amish Are Doing on the Internet in the Library and Why It May (Not) Matter—*Cory Anderson**

(3) *Wisconsin v. Yoder* and Compulsory Education as Defined by Criminal & Civil Law and the Social Construction of Reality—*Bryan Byers** [Ball State University] and *Paul Becker* [University of Dayton]

SESSION 5: THEORY [4:00-5:00pm]

Using the Plain Anabaptist Case to Advance Disciplinary Knowledges

Convener: *Cory Anderson*

Panel Members: *Steven Reschly*, *Luann Good Gingrich*, *Jeffrey Longhofer (?)*, *Joseph Donnermeyer*

APASA BUSINESS MEETING [5:00-5:45pm]

Members of APASA are invited to stay for a meeting to formally organize the Association and provide vision and structure. Afterwards, all attendees are welcome to an evening get-together over supper.

EVENING [6:00pm-]

The Ohio Amish Kidney Fund has a fundraiser at the Mt. Hope Auction grounds, four miles north of the conference location. The turn-out of supporters is large. The evening includes supper (donation-basis), volleyball tournaments for the youth, and bluegrass-style entertainment. The event is an interesting window into contemporary “popular culture” among the Amish in Holmes County.