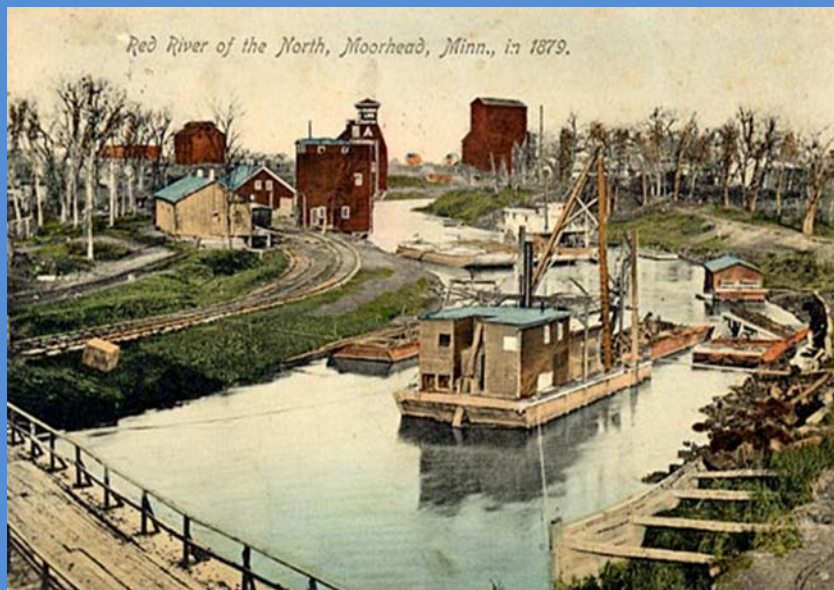


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# Northern Great Plains History Conference

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Fargo Radisson Hotel

Fargo, North Dakota

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## A Dual City at the Crossing

The Northern Pacific Railway birthed Fargo and Moorhead in 1871 where its tracks spanned the Red River of the North. The Board named the new locales for directors William Moorhead (a brother-in-law and banking partner of financier Jay Cooke) and William Fargo (a founder of Wells-Fargo Express). The Northern Pacific and other railroads shaped both cities economically, socially, and politically during the next several decades. Corporate capital enlisted the private capital of farmers and merchants, joining with them in boosting growth of the dual city and the region. Boosters dreamed of making their city the gateway to the northern plains. Fargo bested Moorhead in this competition because the Northern Pacific made it a division point and built machine shops, a roundhouse, and a large hotel there. The corporation also granted Fargo more favorable freight rates and publicized the Bonanza wheat farms that went into production more quickly on the better-drained lands west of the Red River.

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*Headquarters Hotel and Northern Pacific Depot (1879) at the northwest corner of Broadway and Front Street (present-day Main). Courtesy Institute for Regional Studies, NDSU (2029.8.1).*

Led by S. G. Comstock and other entrepreneurs, Moorhead hoped to overcome the initial advantages of its rival by establishing itself as the principal Red River port and by persuading James J. Hill to run the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba Railroad through the dual city. As Hill's silent partner, Comstock became a wealthy land dealer. Moorhead did not fare as well. It remained a small trade center after the Great Dakota Boom collapsed. The SPM&M built northward to the Canadian border, capturing the water-borne Northern Pacific

wheat trade and ending the transshipment of freight by steamboats to Winnipeg.



*Steamboats carried wheat from the northern valley to the Northern Pacific Railroad at Fargo until the mid-1880s. Courtesy Institute for Regional Studies, NDSU (51.51.1).*

The locally owned Fargo and Southern gave the city a direct link to Chicago when it became part of the Milwaukee Road in 1885. Competition between three railroads made Fargo the gateway for North Dakota. The Northern Pacific, Milwaukee Road, and Great Northern (the Manitoba renamed) recognized the city as a distribution point and granted it the same rates as St. Paul, Minneapolis, St. Louis, and Chicago. At the turn of the century, twenty-four implement offices and warehouses constituted “machinery row” on Northern Pacific Avenue. With its farm machinery sales totaling more than \$6.4 million, Fargo ranked third after Kansas City and Minneapolis. Wholesale grocery, hardware, and other firms sold more than \$4.2 million.

Eight railroad lines radiating from the dual city enabled rural residents to take daily trains for shopping there. DeLendrecie’s Mammoth Department Store, conveniently located near the Northern Pacific Depot, offered a favorite destination for women who wanted culture and refinement for their families.

They bought clothing for confirmations, graduations, and weddings as well as furniture, carpets, curtains, and dishes, The *Fargo Forum* described deLendrecie's as "a business palace." To better serve customers O. J. deLendrecie built the Waldorf Hotel.



*The Waldorf Hotel greeted visitors arriving via the Northern Pacific at the nearby depot. Courtesy Institute for Regional Studies, NDSU (2006.49,68)*

Railroads fostered Fargo retailing and wholesaling, but frustrated local iron foundries and other factories. Like boomers elsewhere, those in the dual city wanted to process goods for the home market, create a surplus for export, and accumulate capital for funding more growth. The national market created by railroads put small producers at a disadvantage. Economies of scale enabled corporations to sell their goods more cheaply than local firms.

Railroads significantly shaped the dual city socially by shipping the furnishings and other material goods that allowed middle-class residents to enjoy and display the genteel culture and refinement of the East. Fashionable homes made an important social statement: the wealthy men and women who live here have the right and duty to define and enforce communal standards. To aid residents in establishing a middle-class moral order, the Northern Pacific at times donated land for the establishment of churches and schools and gave passes to ministers. Railroad managers, for example, donated lots to the Fargo Methodists and Episcopalians, and shipped Methodist lumber and other materials without charge.

The national railroad network also brought groups and institutions that challenged the dominance of middle-class values in the dual city. Labor unions organized and used strikes as a weapon. After the American Railway Union, led by Eugene Debs, won a local victory over the Great Northern in April

1894, the *Fargo Forum* spoke for the middle-class when it exclaimed: “The result is the greatest labor victory of the age.” Both merchants and workers disliked James J. Hill’s railroad monopoly. Yet local businessmen, who had a more cooperative relationship with the Northern Pacific, refused to support the union in its subsequent strike against that railroad. Other industrial conflicts generally alarmed middle-class opinion nationally as well as locally. Despite the brief flowering of worker activism in the mid-1890s, unions did not flourish in Fargo, Moorhead, and neighboring towns.

Dual city middle-class residents similarly feared the thousands of men who arrived in the valley each autumn for the wheat harvest. Laborers came illegally on trains; congregated in hobo camps near rail yards or bridges; panhandled and engaged in petty theft; got roaring drunk and disorderly in post-harvest celebrations; and patronized houses of prostitution. Middle-class reformers mounted frequent movements to close saloons and brothels. They eventually succeeded, but did not thereby end drinking or prostitution in the two towns.

Railroads facilitated a dramatic increase in alcohol consumption in the late nineteenth century. A national market as well as cork-lined metal crown caps and pasteurization, enabled breweries to expand their production and distribution throughout the country. Competition among the growing number of saloons compelled many to operate twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. Moorhead had one dozen saloons and Fargo thirty-two by 1884. After North Dakota became dry many moved across the river, giving Moorhead forty-five in 1900. Several located near the North and South bridges to better serve a “thirsty” Fargo clientele. Saloons functioned as workingmen’s clubs, providing amiability, free lunches, newspapers, job news, and other services. Their business and police arrests boomed during the harvest season.



*Fred Ambs stands at the bar of his Moorhead saloon. Courtesy Clay County Historical Society.*

Trains carried prostitutes to and from Fargo, Moorhead, St. Paul, Kansas City, and other places. In 1890, the Fargo City Council restricted prostitution to First Avenue and Third Street North (the southwest corner of the present Civic Center parking lot). The neighborhood had a hobo jungle beside a railroad spur on the riverbank, the Scandinavian-owned working-class Central Hotel, three Norwegian churches, and several brothels. Middle-class opinion agreed that prostitution was an evil, but disagreed about solutions. “Purists” said vice should be banished; “regulators” rejected this as impossible and urged segregating brothels in one area and tolerating them so long as “sin paid its way.” Madams paid monthly fines and court costs totaling \$56.50, funding extra police patrols that regularly arrested and jailed streetwalkers.



*The Central Hotel (on left) and houses of ill fame (center) photographed in 1909. Courtesy Institute for Regional Studies, NDSU. (2006.3.3)*



*African American barber Frank Gordon reopened for business in a tent after the Fargo fire. Courtesy Institute for Regional Studies, NDSU (51.30.21)*

An 1893 fire destroyed the area between the Northern Pacific and Great Northern tracks and Broadway and the Red River. Aided by the three railroads, which discounted rates on building materials by 50 percent, Fargo quickly rebuilt. Although a short-term calamity, the fire had beneficial long-term effects. An amended fire prevention ordinance ensured that new structures would be brick and stone. Public infrastructure also benefited with construction of larger water mains, concrete sidewalks, firewalls every fifty feet, and a modern post office. The fire department became more professional and acquired better equipment.

A new Northern Pacific Depot, the Waldorf Hotel, and several other up to date brick buildings rose from the ashes. By 1900, the dual city had achieved institutional maturity. Transcontinental railroad, telegraph, and telephone networks integrated Fargo and Moorhead into the national economic, cultural, and political system. Progressivism, drawn from the evangelical Christian tradition as well as modern rationality and science, influenced municipal leaders. Borrowing ideas from progressives elsewhere, officials fostered honest, efficient, and orderly municipal government. They built a middle-class moral order and an infrastructure of the latest services—paved streets, water plants, sewers, police and fire departments that enhanced the safety and comfort of most residents. Railroads eased efforts to renovate government and

urban services. Trains made possible attendance by mayors and other officials at state and national Municipal League conferences. Participating in these meetings better informed civic leaders about improving community life through more professional public administration. Mayors frequently negotiated special round-trip fares for those who came for celebrations, conventions, and fraternal gatherings in the city. The Waldorf Hotel and other new construction gave Fargo a metropolitan appearance of which boosters had long dreamed.

Carroll Engelhardt  
Concordia College  
Moorhead, Minnesota

## Map of Downtown Fargo



Radisson Hotel Fargo  
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## Northern Great Plains History Conference Council

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The council will hold a breakfast meeting on Friday, September 28, at 7:15 a.m. in The Loft room at the Radisson Hotel. Institutional or organizational representatives wanting to discuss any matter with the council, including hosting future conferences, should contact the council chair to be placed on the agenda.

## **Schedule of Sessions and Activities**

### **Wednesday, September 26**

7:30-9:30 p.m.

“The Cold War in North Dakota” The Loft, Fargo Radisson Hotel  
Society for Military History Reception

### **Thursday, September 27**

9:00-10:30 a.m.

1. Regiments
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5. Americans and Empire
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10. Communities of the Midwest and Frontier
11. Suffrage Centennials: Starting A Conversation
12. Early American Wars

12:45 p.m. Society for Military History Luncheon

2:30-4:30 p.m.

13. Graduate Student Session: The American Civil War
14. Women: Their Lives and Work
15. U.S. Dakota War Roundtable
16. Prairie Ink: A Panel On Northern Plains Journalism
17. European History
18. Reassessing Farmers in Midwestern Political Life

4:00-5:00 p.m. Downtown Fargo Walking Tour

5:00-7:00 p.m.

Reception: Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County  
Moorhead, Minnesota

## **Friday, September 28**

9:00-10:30 a.m.

19. The U.S.-Dakota War
20. The Promise of Digital History
21. Civilian Leadership
22. Icons and Images
23. American Culture in the Twentieth Century
24. The United States, Asia, and the Cold War
25. Doctrine

## **Friday, September 28**

11:00-12:30 p.m.

- 26. The Price of War
- 27. Networks in World History
- 28. Western Women's and Gender History
- 29. Presidential Leadership
- 30. North Dakota and the Northern Plains
- 31. The US-Dakota War of 1862: Memory and Commemoration

2:30-4:30 p.m.

- 32. The U.S.-Dakota War
- 33. Minnesota History
- 34. Self-Determination, Racial Discourse, and Red Power Culture in Native American History
- 35. Technology
- 36. Military Leadership
- 37. Mining the Archives: A Panel Discussion

4:30-6:00 p.m. Red River Walking Tour, Hjemkomst Center

6:00 p.m. No host reception Cityscape Ballroom

7:00 p.m. The Banquet Cityscape Ballroom

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Mark Harvey, Coordinator**

## **Saturday, September 29**

9:00-11:00 a.m.

- 38. Canadian History
- 39. From the River and Plains: Midwestern Agriculture
- 40. The Ottoman Empire, Turkish Republic, and the Balkans
- 41. Iowa History
- 42. Negotiating History and Indigenous Identity in the  
Northern Great Plains
- 43. The Gilded Age in the Heartland
- 44. Digital History Workshop [9:00-12:00 p.m.]

## **Lodging**

The conference headquarters is the Radisson Hotel Fargo in downtown Fargo at the corner of 5<sup>th</sup> Street North and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North. The daily conference rate for either a sleeping room furnished with one king or two double beds is \$104.00 plus tax. To obtain the conference rate reservations must be made by phone (701-232-7363) **no later than August 27, 2012**. Mention that you are with the Northern Great Plains History Conference to obtain the conference rate.

## **Driving Directions**

The Radisson Hotel is located in the heart of downtown Fargo. The city of Fargo lies at the intersection of Interstates 29 and 94. If you are coming to the city on I-29, take Exit 65 for Main Avenue and head east for 2.3 miles to Broadway. Turn left and go north on Broadway for three blocks to 2nd Ave North, then right one block to the Radisson. From I-94, take Exit 351 for University Drive / Downtown, go north on University about a mile, then turn

east for one block to 10<sup>th</sup> Street. Go north on 10<sup>th</sup> Street for a mile and pass beneath an overpass. Immediately after the overpass turn right on NP Avenue and go three blocks to Broadway, then north to 2nd Ave and turn right and go one block to the Radisson. For those arriving by air, the Radisson Hotel Fargo provides shuttle service between Hector International Airport and the hotel. Call the hotel at 1-701-232-7363 to arrange for a shuttle.

## **Registration**

Wednesday: 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

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

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

Saturday: As required

## **All participants and session attendees must register.**

Registration fee on or before September 12: \$50.00

After September 12: \$60.00

## **Publications Exhibit**

Books and other publications as well as some other items will be exhibited in the display area just outside the meeting rooms on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Radisson. Exhibit hours are 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. Saturday.

Exhibitors include: Minnesota Historical Society Press  
South Dakota State Historical Society  
State Historical Society of North Dakota  
Dakota Indexing, Fargo, North Dakota

## **Wednesday Evening Program and Reception**

Enjoy a brief talk on “The Cold War in North Dakota” followed by refreshments courtesy of the Society of Military History. Mark Sundlov, site manager at the Ronald Reagan Minuteman Missile Site, will provide an overview of Cold War sites in North Dakota. His talk will be in The Loft, a meeting room on the third floor of the Radisson Hotel. The SMH reception will follow.

## **Thursday Reception**

A special opening reception for the conference will be held on Thursday, September 27, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County at the Hjemkomst Center in Moorhead. This unique building is home to the famous Hjemkomst Viking Ship, a replica of an ancient Viking ship designed and built by Robert Asp, a former counsellor at Moorhead High School. The ship sailed from Duluth, Minnesota to Bergen, Norway in 1982. A new exhibit honoring the expedition's thirtieth anniversary will enhance your appreciation of the ship, along with a 25 minute documentary, and tour guides will be on hand to answer questions. Behind the main building with the ship stands the 72 foot Hopperstad Stave Church Replica, carved and built by Guy Paulson in 1998. In addition to opportunities to see the ship and the church, attendees can enjoy an exhibit, "The Boom: 1945-1960 in Clay County," as well as a wonderful hors d'oeuvres menu provided by Mosaic Foods of Fargo. A cash bar will be available and the gift shop will be open. It is easy to walk to the Hjemkomst Center from the Radisson. Walk one block south of the Radisson to 1<sup>st</sup> Ave North, then turn left and walk east three blocks going over the Red River bridge to the unique building on the far side. A van will be provided for those who wish to ride.

**ORGANIZATIONAL LUNCHEONS:** Tickets are \$16.00 and should be purchased by using the registration form in this program. Luncheon registrations must be received by Tuesday, September 17.

12:45 p.m. , Thursday, September 27: Society for Military History, Cityscape Ballroom A

12:45 p.m. , Friday, September 28: Women's History Interest Group, Cityscape Ballroom A

## **Red River Walking Tour, Friday, 4:30-6:00**

Join Mark Peihl, archivist of the Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County, for this informative walk along the Red River. Check out the historic sites including the steamboat landing and remnants of the riverfront saloons. Put on your walking shoes for this 90 minute, two-mile trek on the bike trails by the river. Meet Mark outside the front door of the Hjemkomst Center at 4:30.

## The Banquet

The conference banquet will be held on Friday, September 28, at 7:00 p.m. in the Cityscape Ballroom. In the hour preceding the banquet there will be a no-host reception in the same area. The cost of the banquet is \$30.00. Tickets should be purchased by using the registration form in this program. **Banquet registration must be received by Tuesday, September 17.**





John Milton Cooper is this year's banquet speaker.

Dr. Cooper, recently retired from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, is a foremost authority on the history of Progressivism and the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century United States. His major works include *The Warrior and the Priest: Woodrow Wilson and Theodore Roosevelt* (1983), *Pivotal Decades: The United States, 1900-1920* (1990), *Breaking the Heart of the World: Woodrow Wilson and the Fight for The League of Nations* (2001) and *Woodrow Wilson: A Biography* (2009), a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize. After a forty two year teaching career at UW Madison, Dr. Cooper and his wife Judith recently retired to Harpswell, Maine, where they enjoy watching the tide come in and go out. The title of Dr. Cooper's banquet address is "1912: An Election to Remember."

## **Ronald Reagan Minuteman Missile Site Tour**

**Saturday, September 29, Noon to 5:30 p.m.**

The US faced the USSR in a potentially deadly confrontation that we call the Cold War. This war played out on the prairies and plains of the American Northwest. To experience this battleground, where nary a shot was (thankfully) fired, join the Society for Military History on its tour of the Ronald Reagan Minuteman Missile Site. The State Historical Society of North Dakota acquired both the Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility and the November-33 Launch Facility and opened them to the public in 2009. These two sites are each within a few miles of Cooperstown, North Dakota, about 95 miles west and north of Fargo. The tour will be led by Dr. Albert Berger from the University of North Dakota, a primary figure in the acquisition and opening of the site, and LTC Dave Bath, USAF (Ret.), a former crew commander at the facility.

Participants on the tour must register on the conference registration page. The cost for the tour is \$25.00 per person, which covers transportation and admission to the site. The vans will load in front of the Radisson Hotel at 12:00 noon on Saturday, September 29. Vans will depart promptly at 12:15. Since lunch will not be provided, participants are encouraged to eat prior to departure or bring a sack lunch on board. Buses will return to Fargo by 5:30 p.m.

## Larry Rowen Remele Award

This award was established by the Northern Great Plains History Conference Council to honor the memory of Larry Rowen Remele. A longtime editor of *North Dakota History*, Remele was serving as council chair at the time of his death in 1988. As a founder of the council, a program coordinator and conference promoter he contributed significantly to the vibrant intellectual atmosphere of the conference.

The Larry Rowen Remele Award is granted annually to a person, who in the Remele tradition, has performed outstanding work for the conference. Lori Lahlum, Minnesota State University, Mankato, is the recipient of this year's award. As a council member, program coordinator and enthusiastic participant, she has contributed immensely to the conference's high quality and success.

The 2012 selection committee consisted of Kathy Davison, State Historical Society of North Dakota; William E. Lass, Minnesota State University, Mankato, and Mark Harvey, North Dakota State University.

Previous recipients of the Larry Rowen Remele Award:

1. 1989: D. Jerome Tweton (University of North Dakota)
2. 1990: Archer Jones (University of North Dakota)
3. 1991: Lawrence H. Larsen (University of Missouri, Kansas City)
4. 1992: James M. Skinner (Brandon University)
5. 1993: William E. Lass (Minnesota State University, Mankato)
6. 1994: William C. Pratt (University of Nebraska at Omaha)
7. 1995: R. Alton Lee (University of South Dakota)
8. 1996: David B. Danbom (North Dakota State University)
9. 1997: Hans Burmeister (Brandon University)
10. 1998: Dana Miller (Iron Range Research Center)
11. 1999: Malcolm Muir Jr. (Austin Peay State University and Society for Military History)
12. 2000: Nancy Tystad Koupal (South Dakota State Historical Society)
13. 2001: Harl J. Dalstrom (University of Nebraska at Omaha)
14. 2002: J. Michael McCormack (Bismarck State College)
15. 2003: Charles M. Barber (Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago)
16. 2004: Janet F. Daley (State Historical Society of North Dakota)
17. 2005: Edward J. Pluth (St. Cloud State University)
18. 2006: Gerald D. Anderson (North Dakota State University)
19. 2007: Robert C. Hilderbrand (University of South Dakota)
20. 2008: Frank E. Vyzralek (Bismarck, North Dakota)

21. 2009: Joseph C. Fitzharris (University of St. Thomas and Society for Military History)
22. 2010: James Naylor (Brandon University)
23. 2011: Kathleen K. Davison (State Historical Society of North Dakota)

## Graduate Student Prize

The Northern Great Plains History Conference awards a \$200 prize and a banquet ticket to the best graduate student paper presented at the conference. The recipient is recognized at the conference banquet. The Graduate Student Prize Policy is posted on the website of the 2012 conference and was also sent to participants in all sessions involving graduate students.

**SEE REGISTRATION FORM FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO DONATE TO THE PRIZE.**

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**Thursday, September 27**

**9:00-10:30 a.m. SESSIONS**

**1. Regiments  
(Sponsored by the Society for Military History)  
Prairie Rose B**

Chair: Alan Lamm, Mt. Olive College

*"Remarkable Gallantry—The First North Dakota Volunteer Regiment and the  
Philippine Insurrection 1899-1902"*

Johannes Allert, Independent Scholar, Oak Grove Minnesota

*"'You'll Curse the Day You Plucked the Bloody Sixth': The Sixth Iowa Cavalry,  
Winters in Sioux City, 1863-1864"*

Terrence J. Lindell, Wartburg College

*"Before Gettysburg Fame: The First Minnesota Infantry Regiment on the Virginia  
Peninsula in 1862"*

Jefferson R. Spilman, Minnesota River Heritage Park, Richfield, Minnesota

Comment: Alexander Herd, The Historica-Dominion Institute, Toronto, Canada

**2. Clothing and Representations of Women  
(Sponsored by the Women's History Interest Group)  
Fercho Room, Fargo Public Library**

Chair: Lisa Vedaa, Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County

*"Dressing the Part—Archetypes of Suffrage: The Clothing of Kate Selby Wilder"*

Ann W. Braaten and Jacqueline WayneGuite, North Dakota State University

*"The Roles and Identities of Lutheran Deaconesses"*

Laurann Gilbertson, Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum, Decorah, Iowa

Comment: Linda McShannock, Minnesota Historical Society

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### **3. Judge Ronald N. Davies and “The Road to Little Rock” Fargo Public Schools Curriculum Project Community Room, Fargo Public Library**

Chair: Connie Nelson, Fargo Public Schools

“Judge Ronald N. Davies and the Influence of the Northern Plains on  
Twentieth-Century Civil Rights and Race Progress in the United States”

Stacy M. Reikowsky, North Dakota State University

“The Road to Little Rock”

Art Phillips, Video Arts Studio, Fargo, ND

“Curriculum Development and Application for Primary and Secondary  
Education”

Carl Oberholtzer, Project Manager

Comment: The Audience

### **4. Political Influence at the Grass Roots Metropolitan Room**

Chair: Terry Shoptaugh, Minnesota State University, Moorhead and Minnesota  
State Historical Center

“Congressman Arlan Stangeland’s Use of Pork Barrel Politics to Obtain  
Economic Aid for Small Communities in Minnesota”

Joshua Gates, Minnesota State University, Moorhead

“Eugene Debs and His Legal Battles for the Rights of Railway Workers on the  
Great Plains”

Maureen Hukill, Minnesota State University, Moorhead

“Mary Todd Lincoln’s Influence over Her Husband’s Political Ambitions”

Bayley Kinner, Minnesota State University, Moorhead

Comment: Carroll Engelhardt, Professor Emeritus, Concordia College

## **5. Americans and Empire Prairie Rose A**

Chair: Tom Hogle, Morrisville State College

"Minnesota Populist Party Views on the Spanish-American War"

Jesse Reintjes, Minnesota State University, Mankato

"An 'Anglo-Saxon' Enterprise? The Political Thought and Racial Self-  
Conception of Young, American Administrator in the Philippines, 1900-1921"

Patrick M. Kirkwood, Central Michigan University

Comment: Larry Peterson, North Dakota State University

## **6. Innovation and Reform in American Society The Loft**

Chair: Bonnie Johnson, State Historical Society of North Dakota

"The Experimental College at Minot State University: Legacy of a Grand  
Experiment"

Kevin Matze, Minot State University

"Science, Society, and State: Voices for Change and the Public Arena"

Ry McCracken-Marcattilio, Oklahoma State University

Comment: Oscar Chamberlain, University of Wisconsin, Eau-Claire

**Thursday, September 27**

**11:00-12:30 p.m. SESSIONS**

## **7. Civil War South (Sponsored by the Society for Military History) Community Room, Fargo Public Library**

Chair: Eric Burin, University of North Dakota

"When the Yankees Came Back: Sherman's Invasion of Mount Olive and  
Wayne County, N.C., 1865"

Alan Lamm, Mt. Olive College, NC

“‘The Red Hand of Vengeance Was Triumphant:’ The End of the Civil War, North Carolina’s Amnesty Law of 1866 and the Reconstruction of Political Authority”

David C. Williard, University of St. Thomas

“The American Civil War Considered as a Refugee Crisis”

David Silkenat, North Dakota State University

Comment: Hal Friedman, Henry Ford Community College

## **8. The Boys in the Wilderness: Adolph and Olaus Murie of Moorhead Fercho Room, Fargo Public Library**

Chair: Mark Peihl, Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County

Mark Harvey, North Dakota State University

Gretchen Harvey, Concordia College

Comment: The Audience

## **9. The American Revolution and the Early Republic Prairie Rose B**

Chair: Sean Taylor, Minnesota State University, Moorhead

“Examining George Washington’s Childhood for Clues to the Man”

L. Joe Oleson, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith

“Judicial Process as a Factor in the Coming of the Revolution”

Patrick Grady Bass, Morningside College

“By Means of Any Other Commodity: The Enlightenment Philosophy of Commerce and Its Constitutional Implications”

Michael J. C. Taylor, Paine College

Comment: Sean Taylor, Minnesota State University, Moorhead

## **10. Communities of the Midwest and Frontier The Loft**

Chair: J. Michael McCormack, Bismarck State College

**“Wrangled Bonds: The Evolution of Community Connections in a Rural Wisconsin Town from the 1930s to Today”**

Heidi Ann Heideman, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

**“Snow, North Dakota: Making a Meaningful Life in “Devil’s Country”**

Troy P. Reisenauer, North Dakota State University

**“The Saloon as the Center of Society in the Old West”**

Jeffrey S. Williams, St. Cloud State University

Comment: James Mochoruk, University of North Dakota

## **11. Suffrage Centennials: Starting A Conversation (A Roundtable Discussion Sponsored by the Women’s History Interest Group) Metropolitan**

Moderator: Anne Kaplan, Minnesota Historical Society

Panelists: Bethany Andreasen, Minot State University

Kristin Mapel Bloomberg, Hamline University

Kitty Green, Morningside College

Erik L. Holland, State Historical Society of North Dakota

Joy K. Lintelman, Concordia College

Comment: The Audience

## **12. Early American Wars (Sponsored by the Society for Military History) Prairie Rose A**

Chair: Kathleen Broome Williams, Cogswell Polytechnical College

**“For Fighting or Flaunting? Firearms on the Great Plains through the Early Contact Period”**

Michael Dax, University of Montana



"When Barbarism and Civilization are Brought into Contact, One or the Other  
Must Eventually Yield: King Philip's War in the Taunton Area, 1675-1676"

David Mulligan, Bristol Community College, Fall River, MA

"A Change of Both Men and Measures: Reassessment of British Strategy after  
Saratoga, 1777-1778"

Kevin J. Weddle, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle, PA

Comment: Connie Harris, Grasston, Minnesota

**Thursday, September 27**

**2:30-4:30 p.m. SESSIONS**

**13. Graduate Student Session: The American Civil War  
(Sponsored by the Society for Military History)  
Fercho Room, Fargo Public Library**

Chair: Debbie Mulligan, Roger Williams University

"Prince Albert Honeycutt: The Prince of Fergus Falls"

Robert Kurtz, North Dakota State University

"The Libby Prison Minstrels, and Uses of Minstrelsy in the Confederate and  
Union Armies"

Dorothea Nelson, University of North Dakota

Comment: Joe Fitzharris, University of St. Thomas

**14. Women: Their Lives and Work  
Prairie Rose B**

Chair: Kellian Clink, Minnesota State University, Mankato

"Deborah Sampson Gannett and an Examination of Gender Theory within the  
Context of Her Life"

Brenna Buchanan, Iowa State University

"Imperial Women: Military Adjuncts, Station Sisterhoods, and Senior Ladies in  
Nineteenth-Century British India and the American West"

Verity McInnis, Texas A&M University

“Beryl Levine: North Dakota’s First Female State Supreme Court Justice’s Perspective on Marriage and Divorce Law”

Cody Stanley, University of North Dakota

Comment: Betsy Glade, St. Cloud State University

### **15. U.S. Dakota War Roundtable Metropolitan**

Chair: Brett Barker, University of Wisconsin, Marathon County

Panelists: Aaron Barth, North Dakota State University

Richard Rothaus, Trefoil

Dakota Goodhouse, North Dakota Humanities Council

Tamara St. John, Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate

Chris Johnson, State Historical Society of North Dakota

Senator Byron Dorgan (Invited)

Comment: The Audience

### **16. Prairie Ink: A Panel On Northern Plains Journalism Community Room, Fargo Public Library**

Chair: Patrick Springer, *The Forum*

“Opinion Journalism: Forward into the Past”

Richard Aregood, University of North Dakota

“An Overview of North Dakota Journalism History”

Mike Jacobs, Publisher, *Grand Forks Herald*

“It ‘s Not As Much Fun Anymore”

Jack Zaleski, *The Forum*

“The Press and U.S. Colonial Expansion 1898 to 1904”

Richard Schafer, University of North Dakota

“Cowboy Journalism: A History of the American Frontier Press”

Ross Collins, North Dakota State University

Comment: Audience

## **17. European History Prairie Rose A**

Chair: David Mulligan, Bristol Community College

"Lords, Bishops and Cousins: The Power Relationship between the Ruling Norman Families"

Tim Martin, St. Cloud State University

"'Strange Relations not Consonant Unto Reason:' Empiricism and the Marvelous in Early Modern Accounts of Fantastic Animals"

Hans Peter Broedel, University of North Dakota

"G. K. Chesterton and the Eastern Church"

John B. Davenport, North Central University

"Battling Bureaucrats and Broken Windows in Bulgaria: Ambassador Eugenie Anderson, 1962-1964"

John M. Pederson, Mayville State University

Comment: Michael Martin, Fort Lewis College

## **18. Reassessing Farmers in Midwestern Political Life The Loft**

Chair: Michael J. Lansing, Augsburg College

"Grand Army of the Republic's Role in Fracturing the Original Dakota Republican Party"

Michael Joseph Mullin, Augustana College

"'Rattle the Bones of the Old Parties:' Third Party Insurgencies and the Challenge of Partisan Politics in the Gilded Age"

Jeffrey Kolnick, Southwest State University

"R.O. Brandt and the 'Scandinavian' Vote in South Dakota"

Lori Ann Lahlum, Minnesota State University, Mankato

"My Life with Farm Movements in the Upper Midwest"

William C. Pratt, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Comment: Michael J. Lansing, Augsburg College

**Friday, September 28**

**9:00-10:30 a.m. SESSIONS**

**19. The U.S.-Dakota War  
Metropolitan**

"Dakota Prisoner of War Letters of 1862-1868"

Clifford Canku and Reverend Michael Simon, North Dakota State University

**20. The Promise of Digital History  
The Loft**

Presenter: Angela Smith, North Dakota State University

Digital history is an emerging field set in motion by evolving online tools. Angela Smith, a digital historian from North Dakota State University, will present digital trends and tools that can be used to communicate history to a broad public and conduct historical scholarship. In the open discussion that follows, you can join the conversation about the possibilities and limitations of digital history.

Comment: The Audience

**21. Civilian Leadership  
(Sponsored by the Society for Military History)  
Prairie Rose B**

Chair: Kathleen Broome Williams, Cogswell Polytechnical College

"Gayle Jenkins: Female Leadership in the Deacons for Defense and Justice, 1965 to 1967"

Selika M. Ducksworth-Lawton, University of Wisconsin, Eau-Claire

"Rhode Island Confronts the Returning Veterans of the Second World War"

Debra Mulligan, Roger Williams University

Comment: David Mills, Minnesota West Community and Technical College

**22. Icons and Images  
Prairie Rose A**

Chair: Suzzanne Kelley, Minnesota State University, Moorhead

"History of the Rathskeller in the Minnesota State Capitol"

LaVern Rippley, St. Olaf College

**"State Seals: Symbols of Work and Sectional Division in the Antebellum United States"**

Oscar Chamberlain, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire

Comment: Kristi Groberg, North Dakota State University

### **23. American Culture in the Twentieth Century Cityscape A**

Chair: Claudia Nicholson, North Star Museum of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting

**"Nature and the City: A Paradox for Scouting"**

Kurt E. Leichtle, University of Wisconsin, River Falls

**"Social Networking, World War II Style"**

Betsy Glade, St. Cloud State University

**"Struggle for Faith Identity: Nurture vs. Salvation and the Unification of the YWCA"**

Thomas J. Harlow, University of North Dakota

Comment: Robert Zeidel, University of Wisconsin, Stout

### **24. The United States, Asia, and the Cold War Pontoppidan Lutheran Church**

Chair: Steven Bucklin, University of South Dakota

**"Against Conventional Wisdom: Wayne Morse, Earnest Gruening, and the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution"**

Loren D. Files, Minot State University

**"We can no longer be complacent about such a senseless war: The Anti-War Movement in South Dakota, 1965-1975"**

Daryl Webb, Cardinal Stritch University

**"The U.S.-China Rapprochement, 1969-1972: How the De-Emphasis of Traditional American Ideology Made it Possible"**

Yvette A. Spratt, Minnesota State University, Mankato

Comment: Robert Hilderbrand, University of South Dakota

**25. Doctrine  
(Sponsored by the Society for Military History)  
Cityscape B**

Chair: Alexander Herd, The Historica-Dominion Institute, Toronto, Canada

“Failing to Achieving Jointness: Operation Urgent Fury”

Heather M. Salazar, Norwich University

“Auftragstaktik: The Basis for Modern Military Command?”

Maj. Michael J. Gunther, U.S.A., U.S. Command and General Staff College

“USAF Close Air Support in Theater Conflict: A Doctrinal Imperative”

David W. Bath, Texas A&M University

Comment: George Eaton, Command Historian U.S. Army Sustainment  
Command, Rock Island Arsenal

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**11:00-12:30 p.m. SESSIONS**

**26. The Price of War  
(Sponsored by the Society for Military History)  
Pontoppidan Lutheran Church**

Chair: George Eaton, Command Historian U.S. Army Sustainment Command,  
Rock Island Arsenal

“Terror, Attrition, and Revenge in Roman Warfare, Third and Second Centuries  
BC”

Gabriel Baker, University of Iowa

“There I, Paul Dolnstein, saw action. A German Landsknecht’s Depiction of the  
Suppression of Sten Sture’s Revolt, 1502-1503”

Danielle M. Skjelver, University of North Dakota

“Conquering Eden: The Debate over Territory Acquisition in the New York  
Press Coverage of the Mexican War”

Mark Bernhardt, Jackson State University

Comment: Kathleen Broome Williams, Cogswell Polytechnical College

## **27. Networks in World History Prairie Rose A**

Chair: James Naylor, Brandon University

**"The Curious Case of Victor Stanwood: Politics, Race, and Murder on the West  
African Coast, 1878-1895"**

Tracy Barrett, North Dakota State University

**"Take Two: The Daniells and Local Representation"**

Elizabeth Mjelde, University of North Dakota

**"Consawing a Wench Now and Then: Familial and Economic Networks on the  
Gold Coast, 1750-1807"**

Ty Reese, University of North Dakota

Comment: James Naylor, Brandon University

## **28. Western Women's and Gender History (Co-Sponsored by the Coalition for Western Women's History and the Women's History Interest Group) Metropolitan**

Chair: Lori Ann Lahlum, Minnesota State University, Mankato

**"She Persevered Until the Indian Yielded: Perceptions of the 1859 Interracial  
Marriage of Mary Adeline Butler and John Baptiste Renville on the Minnesota  
Frontier"**

Carrie Reber Zeman, Woodbury, Minnesota

**"Soul Sisters: Women of the Dakota Mission"**

Lois Glewwe, Independent Historian

**"Covered Wagon Madonnas: Depictions of Frontier Women in Art,  
Commercial Imagery and Public Monuments"**

Cynthia Prescott, University of North Dakota

Comment: Elaine Marie Nelson, University of Minnesota, Morris

**29. Presidential Leadership  
(Sponsored by the Society for Military History)  
Fercho Room, Fargo Public Library**

Chair: Margaret Sankey, Minnesota State University, Moorhead

"Applying Game Theory and Adversarial Problem Solving to the War Strategies of Abraham Lincoln and Jefferson Davis from February 18, 1861 through July 21, 1861"

Evelyn Buday, University of Findlay

"Analysis of James Madison's Wartime Legacy"

Zachary D. Ball, University of South Dakota

Comment: Donald F. Bittner, U.S. Marine Corps Command and Staff College

**30. North Dakota and the Northern Plains  
The Loft**

Chair: Kathy Davison, State Historical Society of North Dakota

"How North Dakota Was Added to the United States"

William E. Lass, Minnesota State University, Mankato

"The Boldest Man That Was Ever on the Missouri: Alexander Harvey and the Upper Missouri Fur Trade"

Richard K. Stenberg, Williston State College

"Northern Plains Wagon Trains of 1862-1867"

Arch Ellwein, Sidney, Montana

Comment: Robert Willoughby, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith

**31. The US-Dakota War of 1862: Memory and Commemoration  
Prairie Rose B**

**Chair: Kate Roberts, Minnesota Historical Society**

How do you tell history when people disagree about what happened? After 150 years, the US-Dakota War of 1862 remains the most difficult and contentious piece of Minnesota's story. Minnesota Historical Society staff members worked with descendants of those touched by the war to develop an exhibit, an



interactive website, an oral history project, a mobile history tour, publications, educational tools, and public programs. In this panel discussion, pairs of MHS staff members and descendants will describe how their shared efforts continue to shape our interpretation of the war, its causes, and its aftermath to the present.

**Friday, September 28**

**2:30-4:30 p.m. SESSIONS**

**32. The U.S.-Dakota War  
Community Room, Fargo Public Library**

Chair: Carrie Reber Zeman, Woodbury, Minnesota

**"Norwegian Settlement, Indian Encounters and Historiography in the Wake of the Dakota War, 1862-1882"**

Betty Ann Bergland, University of Wisconsin, River Falls

**"The U.S.-Dakota Conflict of 1862 and the Factors that Led to the Engagement"**

Colin Mustful, Champlin, Minnesota

**"The Dakota at Davenport: Warriors and Gender Roles in the Wake of the U.S. Dakota War"**

Colette Hyman, Winona State University

Comment: William E. Lass, Minnesota State University, Mankato

**33. Minnesota History  
Prairie Rose A**

Chair: Steve Hoffbeck, Minnesota State University, Moorhead

**"Farm, Town, Colony: The Settling of Southwest Minnesota, 1860-1900"**

Steve Potts, Hibbing Community College

**"Sending The Boys Off To War: Todd County (Minnesota) Response to Soldier Departures During WWI"**

Edward J. Pluth, St. Cloud State University

"The Milford Mine Disaster, February 5, 1924"

Pamela A. Brunfelt, Vermilion Community College

"The Rise and Fall of Crow Wing, Minnesota"

Carrie Bentley, St. Cloud State University

Comment: Sue Patrick, University of Wisconsin, Barron County

### **34. Self-Determination, Racial Discourse, and Red Power Culture in Native American History Prairie Rose B**

Chair: Sterling Evans, University of Oklahoma

"North Dakota Indians and Self-Determination: Aaron McGaffey Beede's Fight Against the 'Beef Trust's' Use of Reservation Lands"

Sonja Hathaway, University of North Dakota

"Seeing Red in a Black and White World: Including Indians in American Racial Discourse"

Patti Jo King, University of North Dakota

"Expressions of Red Power: Native Rock N' Roll, 1960-Present"

Kent Blansett, University of Minnesota, Morris

Comment: Rob Galler, St. Cloud State University

### **35. Technology (Sponsored by the Society for Military History) The Loft**

Chair: Kay Reist, University of Pittsburgh, Johnstown

"The End of European Imperialism and America's Increasing Military Burden, 1945-1973"

Jesse A. Heitz, King's College

"'Virtually Useless:' The Rise and Fall of the Safeguard Ballistic Missile Defense System"

Maj. Joseph C. Scott, U.S.A., U.S.M.A.

"Prairie Potholes: The Minuteman Missile System in Eastern North Dakota"

Spencer McGrew, University of North Dakota

Comment: Albert Berger, University of North Dakota

**36. Military Leadership  
(Sponsored by the Society for Military History)  
Fercho Room, Fargo Public Library**

Chair: Hal Friedman, Henry Ford Community College

"The Officer and Man behind the Commemorative Church Memorial: Captain  
John Goldsmith, Royal Marine Light Infantry (1882-1917)"

Donald F. Bittner, U.S. Marine Corps Command and Staff College

"Fitz Henry Warren: Politician, Journalist, and Civil War General from Iowa"

Thomas Colbert, Marshalltown Community College

Comment: Margaret Sankey, Minnesota State University, Moorhead

**37. Mining the Archives: A Panel Discussion  
Metropolitan**

Chair: Jeanne Ode, South Dakota State Historical Society

Panelists: Martin Christopher Kotecki, Provincial Archives of Manitoba

Ann B. Jenks, State Archivist, State Historical Society of North Dakota

Michael Robinson, Director, Institute for Regional Studies Archives and  
University Archives, North Dakota State University

Debbie Miller, Minnesota History Center Archives

Curt Hanson, Head, Elwyn B. Robinson Department of Special Collections, Chester  
Fritz Library, University of North Dakota

Chelle Somsen, State Archivist, South Dakota State Historical Society

Comment: The Audience

**Saturday, September 29**

**9:00-11:00 a.m. SESSIONS**

**38. Canadian  
(Sponsored by the Society for Military History)  
Fercho Room, Fargo Public Library**

Chair: Connie Harris, Independent Scholar

**"The NCOs' War: Canadian Army Tactical Education in the Korean War"**

Alexander Herd, The Historica-Dominion Institute, Toronto, Canada

**"Athene Serves her Country: Canadian Women's Auxiliary Corps of Winnipeg,  
1940-42"**

Leanne M. Shumka, University of Winnipeg

Comment: Kay Reist, University of Pittsburgh, Johnstown

**39. From the River and Plains: Midwestern Agriculture  
The Loft**

Chair: Joy K. Lintelman, Concordia College

**"The Implications of Human-Animal Bonds on Farm Animal Welfare, 1900-  
1945"**

Andria Pooley, Iowa State University

**"The Hersey Farm: A Grand Forks County Bonanza Farm"**

Gordon L. Iseminger, University of North Dakota

**"A Red River Valley Cornucopia of Native and Hybridized Food"**

Kathleen Brokke, North Dakota State University

**"Creating A 'Patch-Work Quilt of a Drainage System': A History of Water  
Management in the Little Sioux River Valley Before the 1936 Flood Control  
Act"**

Maria Howe, Iowa State University

Comment: Sterling Evans, University of Oklahoma

#### **40. The Ottoman Empire, Turkish Republic, and the Balkans Prairie Rose B**

Chair: Sonja Wentling, Concordia College

"Community Rights, National Identity, Imperial Citizenship and Nation-State:  
The Politics and Experience of 'Awakening in a Landscape of Revolution and  
Collapse'"

Holly Shissler, University of Chicago

"Nationalism, Colonialism, and the Ottoman Civilizing Mission, 1908-1912"

James N. Tallon, Lewis University

"Shades of Gray: Clinton, Catholics, and War in the Balkans,"

Lawrence J. McAndrews, St. Norbert College

Comment: John Cox, North Dakota State University

#### **41. Iowa History Community Room, Fargo Public Library**

Chair: Kitty Green, Morningside College

"African Americans and the Struggle for Education in Iowa, 1830-1900"

David Brodnax, Trinity Christian College

"The Friendly Farmer Station: Henry Field and KFNF"

Kimberly Porter, University of North Dakota

"A Civil War Shadow On the Life of Hamlin Garland"

Kurt Meyer, Mitchell County Historical Society

"Louise Halliburton: Artist and Activist"

Ralph W. Scharnau, Northeast Iowa Community College

Comment: The Audience

## **42. Negotiating History and Indigenous Identity in the Northern Great Plains Metropolitan**

Chair: Elaine Marie Nelson, University of Minnesota, Morris

"Taking the Good with the Bad: Transformation of Indian Identity via Agriculture"

Amber N. Lien, Dickinson State University

"'I Live on the Fringe of Two Races': Race, Land, and Mixed Bloods on the Great Menaha 'Half-Breed' Reservation"

Jameson R. Sweet, University of Minnesota

"American Indian History on the Local Level: How 19th and 20th Century Developments at Crow Creek Are Consistent and Distinct From a National American Indian History Narrative"

Rob Galler, St. Cloud State University

Comment: Brett Barker, University of Wisconsin, Marathon County

## **43. The Gilded Age in the Heartland Prairie Rose A**

Chair: David Silkenat, North Dakota State University

"'Garlic and Old Horse-Blankets': Medical Services and Omaha's Trade Area in the Early Twentieth Century"

Harl A. Dalstrom, University of Nebraska at Omaha

"Gilded Age Iowa Urbanization"

Lawrence H. Larsen, University of Missouri, Kansas City

Comment: David Silkenat, North Dakota State University

**Saturday, September 29**

**9:00-12:00 p.m. SESSION**

**44. Digital History Workshop**  
**Bus to North Dakota State University Computer Lab, TBA**

Chair: Angela Smith, North Dakota State University

In a hands-on, collaborative workshop, participants will be presented with tools and techniques for an inquiry-based learning model for digital history in the classroom. During the workshop, participants will use online primary sources and basic video editing to create a short digital historical narrative. This model can be replicated to provide opportunities for students to conduct research and build projects that integrate historical context, accurate content, and creativity with fair-use digital text, images and sound. Additional resources will be provided for using technology in the classroom to help students visualize and conceptualize history.

Those interested in this session must sign up on the registration form for the conference. The cost is \$25.00. Transportation will be provided from the Radisson Hotel to NDSU on Saturday morning. The session is limited to 20 participants.

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