

Draft Schedule 8/28/18

**Communal Studies Conference
Bishop Hill, Illinois
October 4-6, 2018**

Tuesday, October 2

Registered attendees arrive for pre-conference tour

Wednesday, October 3

8 a.m. – Pre-conference tour by van to Nauvoo, Illinois Mormon sites – meet at Kewanee AmericInn

Dinner after on own (or we may have dinner on the way back to Bishop Hill, depending on schedule)

Thursday, October 4

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. – CSA Board Meeting – Business Room, AmericInn, Kewanee

8 a.m. – Second pre-conference tour to Maharishi University, Fairfield, Iowa – meet at Kewanee AmericInn

3 p.m. – Registration at AmericInn, Kewanee, Illinois

6 p.m. – Opening Banquet – Kewanee Dunes Golf Course Banquet Room

9 p.m. – Hospitality Room – Business Room, AmericInn

Friday, October 5

8:30 a.m. to 9:15 – Session A (Colony School)

Plenary Session: Brian “Fox” Ellis, “Jonas Olson – Creating Utopia on the Prairie: A Swedish Immigrant’s Story”

9:15 to 9:30 –Break (Colony School)

9:30 to 11:00 -- Session B (Colony School)

Plenary Session: Migration in Intentional Communities

William Eaton, Swedish Migration in Northern Illinois, 1830-1889

Diana Brown, "Migration" and "Movement": Peregrinations of Peoples Temple and Heaven's Gate

Evelyn Sterne, Immigrant Israelites in Michigan's House of David

Moderator: Matt Grow

11:00 to 12:00 – Tours of Bishop Hill (3 concurrent)

Noon to 1:30 p.m. – Lunch on your own (map with restaurants provided in packet)

1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. – Sessions C

C-1 (Colony School) Art and Music

Hedwig Durnbaugh, Migration and Movement as Reflected in the Church Song of Three Communal Societies

Anna Henderson, Immigrant and Religious Refugee Experience: The Art of Olof Krans

Moderator: Brita Butler-Wall

C-2 (Dairy) Issues of Race

Rebekah Brummett, Migrating Hearts: South Union, Race, and One Man's Movement

Erik Freeman, Communalism and Slaveholding Imperialism: the Southern Democrats' Critique of Communalism, 1852-1887

Moderator: Susan Love Brown

C-3 (Steeple Bldg) Mormons in Nauvoo

Stewart Davenport, Liminality Ueber-alles, or liminality particulares? The uses and limitations of Victor Turner's theory of liminality for understanding Mormon Nauvoo, 1839-1846

Steven Olsen, The Past and Future of Historic Nauvoo, Illinois

Moderator: Larry Foster

3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. – Break (Colony School and Dairy)

3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. – Sessions D

D-1 (Colony School) Material Culture

Carolyn R. Anderson, The Fruits of Their Communal Labor: Bishop Hill Colony Material Culture

Thomas Guiler, Getting on the Bus: Material Culture, Field Study, and Teaching Intentional Community

Sean "Purl" Samoheyl, Material Culture in the Federation of Egalitarian Communities

Moderator: Ashley Rattner

D-2 (Colony School) Ecovillages

Joshua Lockyer, Quality of Life at Dancing Rabbit Ecovillage: An Analysis of Ethnographic Interviews

Lisa Mychajluk, Framing research on "learning sustainability" in ecovillages

Moderator: Jonathan Andelson

D-3 (Dairy) Individuals in Multiple Communities

Peter Hoehnle, The Erratic Course of Luther N. Ransom: Abolitionist, Spiritualist, Communitarian, and Friend of Abraham Lincoln

John Norton, Anders Blomberg, From Swedish Janssonist to Shaker Elder

Moderator: Don Pitzer

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. – Dinner and CSA Auction at Kewanee Dunes Banquet Center

9:00 p.m. (or after Auction) – Hospitality Room – Business Room, AmericInn

Saturday, October 6

8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. – Sessions E

E-1 (Dairy) Issues of Gender

Catherine Abbott, The Women of Peoples Temple

Brita Butler-Wall, From Sweden to Bishop Hill: Gender Roles and 19th Century Communalism

Linda Hixon, Moving On Around Them: A Community Project on the Women of Hopedale

Moderator: Evelyn Sterne

E-2 (Steeple Bldg) Conversations between Communities

John Norton, Swedes and Shakers, Bishop Hill to Pleasant Hill

Susanna Pyatt, Shakers and Harmonists on the Indiana Frontier

Moderator: Cheryl Coulthard

E-3 (Steeple Bldg.) Film: “Hippie Family Values” (Beverly Seckinger)

10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. – Break (Colony School and Dairy)

10:30 a.m. to noon – Sessions F

F-1 (Colony School) Contemporary Tourism

Jonathan Andelson, Self-Representation to Tourists in the Contemporary Amara and Amish Communities

Adam Kaul, Framing Heritage and History at Bishop Hill, Illinois, Through the Tourists' Gaze

Moderator: Thomas Guiler

F-2 (Dairy) Migration for Survival

Cheryl Coulthard, Searching for Utopia: Harmony Society on the Move

Denise Seachrist, Migration and Movement: Preservation and Change for Eighteenth Century German Seventh Day Baptists in Pennsylvania

Moderator: Christa Shusko

F-3 (Steeple Bldg.) Issues in Aging

Deborah Altus, Aging in Contemporary Intentional Communities: Issues and Options

Susan Love Brown, Coming of Age at Ananda

Lyda Jackson, Aging in Contemporary Intentional Communities: Navigating Uncharted Territory

Moderator: TBA

Noon to 1:30 p.m. – Lunch on your own

1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. – Sessions G

G-1 (Colony School) Intentional Communities in Literature

Richard Marshall, *The Exodus from Shaker Villages: Novels About the Shakers*

Charles Nuckolls, *Spiritualism and Mormonism: The Strange Case of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle*

Ashley Rattner, "We all loved her": Walt Whitman's Homage to Fanny Wright in *Leaves of Grass*

Moderator: Steven Olsen

G-2 (Dairy) Dissolution of 19th Century Communities

Kathy Fernandez, "Vanish Like a Light Morning Mist": Levi Bimeler, the Nugitna, and the Dissolution of the Zoar Society

Diana Garno, "Humanity-City" and Icarians' Migration to California

Greg Hall, Home Colony and the Limits of "Pure and Simple" Anarchism

Moderator: Erik Freeman

G-3 (Steeple Bldg.) House of David

Kevin Clutter, *The House of David and Its Impact on Michigan and the Great Lakes Region of the U.S.*

Shannon McRae, *Wandering Star: How the Israelite House of David Received Their Sacred Text at the Side of the Road*

Timothy Miller, *Before the House of David: the Southcottians in Britain and America*

Moderator: Josh Lockyer

3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. – Break (Colony School and Dairy)

3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. – Sessions H

H-1 Tours of Bishop Hill (2 concurrent)

H-2 (Dairy) Other Issues in Intentional Communities

Odile Carroll, Creative Articulations of Community: An Investigation into Capturing the Voices of Disabled Residents at Heartbeat Lifesharing, A Camphill Community

Graeme Pente, "Action and Idea Become One": Albert Brisbane's European Travels and the Roots of American Socialism

Christa Shusko, "Communal Fascinations: Dr. Alice Bunker Stockham and the Oneida Community"

Moderator: Denise Seachrist

H-3 (Steeple Bldg.) Personal Accounts of Living in Community

Laura Johnston Kohl, Peoples Temple: Migration and Movement (paper presented by Catherine Abbott)

Helen Zuman, Checkmate: An Intimate Look at Zendik's Last Move

Moderator: Deborah Altus

5:00 – 6:00 (Steeple Bldg.) Film: "Hippie Family Values" (Beverly Seckinger)

6:00 to 6:30: Happy Hour – Creative Commons Banquet Center, Bishop Hill

6:30 p.m. – Awards Banquet – Creative Commons Banquet Center, Bishop Hill

8:30? to ? Folk Dancing (Larry Foster) – Creative Commons Banquet Center, B.H.

9:00 p.m. – Hospitality Room – Business Room, AmericInn

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