

SATURDAY EVENING

5:00 Reunion on the Terrace

6:30 Dinner

MODERATOR: BARBARA GRAYMONT

8:00 – 8:20 Michael Taylor – “Iroquois Education in NYS: A case Study of Athletics on the retention Rate at a “Contracting District” – *Seneca students at Salamanca High School, located on the Allegany Indian Reservation, have a high incidence of “drop-outs” in their number and athletics may offer a motivation to stay in school.*

8:20 – 8:40 Bartosz Hlebowicz – “Oneida Fires” – *this paper is a report of my PhD field-work research among New York Oneidas, conducted in 2001 and 2002 under auspices of Utica College of Syracuse University, and devoted to the formation of their contemporary identity.*

8:40 - 9:00 Timothy D. Willig – “The Adversity of Leadership: John Norton’s Tumultuous Career at the Grand River, circa 1801-1812” – *The Cherokee-Scot, John Norton was Joseph Brant’s adopted nephew and handpicked successor at the Grand River, but British leaders in Canada would not abide Norton as leader.*

SUNDAY MORNING

8:00 Breakfast

9:00 – 9:10 Megan Lukaniec – Update on “Project Yawenda (Huron-Wendat Language Project) “

MODERATOR BRUCE PEARSON

9:10 – 9:30 – Roy Wright

9: 30 – 9:50 Robert Spiegelman – “Tales of Two Cities: Stewardship in Little Beard’s Town and Geneseo, In Words and Images” – *notes in words and images on how land stewardship was practiced or abused in Geneseo & Little Beard’s Town; who benefited, who lost, and its consequences today*

9:50 – 10:10 Thomas J. Lappas – “Origins of Iroquois Temperance Societies, 1700s-1830s” - *This paper will explore changes associated with Iroquois temperance societies from their pre-American revolution origins through the 1830s.*

10:10 – Coffee Break

Recapitulation: Oral tradition of the Iroquois Research Conference

12:00 - Lunch

IROQUOIS CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

October 3, 4 & 5, 2008

FRIDAY EVENING

5:00 - reunion on the terrace

6:30 - Dinner

8:00 Welcome at the Woods Edge & Announcements – Barbara Graymont

MODERATOR : LARRY HAUPTMAN

8:15 –8:30 Mike Tarbell – “Native Americans in Baseball”

8:30- 8:50 Denis Foley and Brian Rice – “The Turtle Island Cosmology: The Sacred Nature of Iroquois Traditional Games and Celestial Observations” – *This paper examines how spiritual societal and individual needs are integrated within Iroquois games and folklore concerning the heavens and lunar calendar.*

8:50-9:10 Bruce Pearson – “You Know More Than You Think You Know About Language” – *If language is approached as a jigsaw puzzle, even the biggest dummy turns out to be a genius, especially in Iroquois languages*

9:10- 9:30 Dawn Maracle – “From the Hands of Skywoman: Haudenosaunee Tobacco and Its left-Handed Twin” – *In some communities in Ontario, Aboriginal people smoke at three-to-four times the rate of non-Native Ontarians. This paper looks at conflicting messages to Haudenosaunee about our original instructions, and present practices with Haudenosaunee tobacco and its left-handed twin.*

SATURDAY MORNING

8 AM – Breakfast

MODERATOR – DOLORES ELLIOTT

9:00 – 9:20 Bill Englebrecht - “Minor Mysteries” - *Two artifacts of unknown function and two artifact classes of unknown meaning will be discussed.*

9:20 – 9:40 Ellis E. McDowell-Loudan – “Is the Past Important” – *Ancient Weirs warn of Vanishing Species” – Today, ancient weirs often lack relevance to modern residents and are viewed as boating hazards; their current contexts of dwindling aquatic species, poor fishing, & endangered species should sound an alarm that the “past is important” and ancient weirs were placed where resources were prevalent.*

9:40 - 10:00 Kurt Jordan – “Seneca Iroquois Use of Marine Shell, 1688-1754” – *This paper reviews archaeological evidence for changing patterns of marine shell production, distribution and consumption in the Northeast during the late 17th and early 18th centuries, centering on Seneca territory.*

10:00 – 10:20 Jessica Herlich – “Glass Beads from the Seneca Iroquois Townley-Read site, circa 1715-1754, C.E.” – *This study examines the glass bead assemblage from the Townley-Read site, an 18th century Seneca Iroquois site. Almost 23,000 beads at the Rochester Museum and Science Center were classified. The assemblage was studied through analysis of the beads’ distribution within Townley-Read. Predominantly “seed” beads were found at Townley-Read, and the assemblage indicates the presence of glass beadwork at the site.*

10:20 Coffee Break

MODERATOR – CHRISTINE PATRICK

10:40 – 11:00 Francis Scardera – “The Archaeology of a High School Student” – *The paper focuses on the development & evaluation of archaeological and anthropological curricula for high school students.*

11:00 – 11:20 Patricia Matteson – “Sybil Carter, Josephine Hill Webster & The Oneida Lace Makers: a Lasting Influence of the American Indian Reform Movement” - *How the conflation of four major 19th century movements led to Carter & Webster’s lace-making teaching among the Oneida.*

11:20 – 11:40 Matthew T. Bradley – “The Development of Iroquoian Clans” – *my paper reviews and contests various hypotheses regarding the development of matrilineal clans among the historically known Iroquoian peoples and goes on to suggest that the institution was present in Proto-Iroquoian society.*

11:40 – 12:00 Kathryn Merriam – “Franz Boas & John N.B. Hewitt” – *At the turn of the century, the President of the Amer. Anthro. Assoc. believed Hewitt to be surpassed only by Boas as an authoritative linguist. Despite this praise, and their similar age, Hewitt’s career languished in comparison to Boas. The reasons for this are not simply race, diligence, or luck.*

12: 00 - Lunch

MODERATOR: JOY BILHARZ

1:20 – 1:40 James Folts – “Margaret Montour, Catherine Montour, and Queen Esther: Prominent Native Women in the 18th Century Iroquois Borderland” – *This paper will examine the family relationships and political and cultural sympathies of “French Margaret” and her daughter Catharine Montour and of “Queen Esther,” consort of a Munsee chief; all of whom resided in the border region south of the Iroquois homeland and attracted the attention and curiosity of European Americans.*

1:40 - 2:00 Deborah Holler – “The Remarkable Parker Women: Seneca Mediators in the Gendered Middle Ground”. *This presentation of new material from work in progress examines the roles of the women of the Parker family as “negotiators of change” in the “middle ground” of 19th century Western New York. Although the co-operative relationship between Ely S. Parker and Lewis Henry Morgan has been well documented, the important roles of Caroline Parker Mountpleasant and Elizabeth Parker have been largely marginalized and possibly suppressed in favor of the more useful narrative of male-oriented diplomacy. A more balanced accounting of the Tonawanda Seneca’s efforts to obstruct their removal provides insights into the underlying values of their worldview, and completes the contextual framework of these historic events and circumstances.*

2:00 – 2:20 Kelly Hopkins – “ Iroquoian Women and the Market” – *This paper will investigate the Market economy activities of Iroquoian women – from their active participation in the fur trade economy to their participation as wage earners as well as how these activities impacted their social rolls.*

2:20 Coffee Break

MODERATOR: ANTHONY WALLACE

2:40 – 3:00 Karim Tiro – "Dividing the Nation: Some Thoughts on the Oneida Removal to Wisconsin." *This paper will examine some of the details of how settlers, speculators, and the state of New York pressured Oneidas to relocate to present-day Wisconsin.*

3:00 – 3:20 Jon Parmenter – “Kaswentha – Documenting the Two-Row Treaty in Seventeenth Century Haudenosaunee Diplomacy” – *The paper reviews existing debates over the origins of the Two-Row Treaty and provides a fresh interpretation of documentary evidence of Two-Row principles in Haudenosaunee treaties.*

3:20 – 3:40 Arwin Smallwood – “A History of the 6th Iroquois Nation – The Tuscarora” *This paper seeks to present a complete history of the Tuscarora Nation including evidence of the merging Iroquois, African, and English culture.*

3:40 – 3:50 Marshall Becker – “An Update on 'Oneida' Wampum: Claimants to a Band in the Field Museum, Chicago” *A band of wampum now in the Field Museum is believed to have been held by the Oneida, but which group, and from whom they received it remains unknown.*

3:40 – 4:30 Open Discussion – Future of the Conference