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**2017 IAH Plenary Roundtable**

**Friday, February 17, 2017**

**7:00 pm**

## “Public Education and the Health of the Public Sphere”

For our Friday evening plenary session we have assembled a panel of experts to discuss the role of public education in nourishing and shaping the public discourse—what Habermas calls the “public sphere.”

Moderator:

**Dr. John L. Larson**, IAH President and Professor of History, Purdue University, West Lafayette

Panelists:

**Dr. Ed Eiler**, former Superintendent of the Lafayette School Corporation.

**Dr. David Bathe**, Chancellor of Ivy Tech Lafayette, Kokomo, and Logansport.

**Dr. Anita Morgan**, Senior Lecturer and former Director of Undergraduate Studies for the Department of History at IUPUI.

**Dr. Kim Gallon**, Assistant Professor of History at Purdue University, West Lafayette.

**A reception will follow in ????????**

## Saturday Program

**Registration: 8:00-8:30**

**Morning Session 1: 8:30 – 10:00**

**Panel 1 Early Religious Instruction**

Richard Gawthrop, Franklin College, “The 16th Century Lutheran Catechization Campaigns in Germany and its Legacies”  
Erwin Erhardt, University of Cincinnati, “Cultivating Literacy through Biblical Instruction: Hannah Moore of England (1745-1833)”  
Comment: Isaac Land, Indiana State

**Panel 2 Roundtable: Assessing Assessment: Teaching and Learning History**

Ken Mueller, Moderator  
Sarah Drake Brown, Ball State University  
Matt Reynolds, Madison Consolidated High School  
Erik Lindseth, IUPUI

**Panel 3 Basketball Diaries**

Chandler Lighty, Indiana Historical Bureau, “Homer Stonebraker and the Self-Commodification of Basketball Skill, 1912-1930”  
Kelly Eskew, Indiana University, “Hysteria on the Hardwood: Community, Race, and Indiana’s ‘Basketbrawl’ Tradition”  
Comment; Aaron Miller, Ivy Tech, Columbus

**Panel 4 Medical Understanding**

Kathleen Tobin, Purdue Northwest, “Birth Control Education and World War I: Population Fears and the Promotion of Peace”  
Nancy Brown, Purdue West Lafayette, “Aids Literacy in Kokomo, Indiana, 1981-1985”  
Comment: William H. Schneider, IUPUI

**Morning Session 2: 10:15-11:45**

**Panel 5 Post-Civil War Visions**

A James Fuller, University of Indianapolis, “‘If this generation is able to do nothing but to educate the children, it will have done well’: A Radical Republican Vision for Education and Citizenship during Reconstruction”

Justin Clark, Indiana Historical Bureau, “Robert Ingersoll & Lew Wallace’s Legendary Train Ride: Freethought and Religion in Gilded Age Indiana”

Comment: Joel Shrock, Anderson University

**Panel 6 Ideas and Authority**

Alexander Dessens, Purdue West Lafayette, “The Secret and Sacred Rooms of Nature: Scriptural Interpretation and Divine Illumination in the Natural Philosophy of Jean D’Espagnet”

J. Michael Raley, Hanover College, “A Reading Revolution Forestalled: The Protestant Crisis of Scriptural Authority, the Peasants’ Revolt of 1525, and Literacy in Early Sixteenth-Century Germany.”

Comment: James R. Farr, Purdue West Lafayette

**Panel 7 War and Displacement**

Daniel Murphy, Hanover College, “Americans at the Front: Journalists and Volunteers, 1914-1917”

Kevin Ostoyich, Valparaiso University, “Wounds of History, Wounds of Today: The Shanghai Jews and the Morality of Refugee Crises”

Comment: Kevin Cramer, IUPUI

**Panel 8 Guns, Beer, and Citizenship**

Antwain Hunter, Butler University, “...they have always bourn an honest Character...’: Family, Community, and the Challenges to Free Black North Carolinians’ Firearm Use, 1840-1860”

Brian Alberts, Purdue West Lafayette, “Fermenting Frontiers: German Immigrants, Beer, and Citizenship in the 1850s Midwest”

Comment: Eric Sandweiss, Indiana University

**Lunch: 12:00-12:30**

**Luncheon speaker 12:30-1:30**

Brad S. Gregory, Director, Notre Dame Institute for Advanced Study, Professor of History, and Dorothy G. Griffin Collegiate Chair, University of Notre Dame,

**"The Promise and Perils of Literacy: Reflections at the Quincentenary of the Reformation."**

**Afternoon session 1:45-3:30**

**Panel 9 Educating Hoosiers**

David Cambron, Purdue West Lafayette, “Indiana Rural School Consolidation and Home Rule Shibboleths”

Mark Furnish, Frederick Douglas Papers, “Not Another Lamentable Tale; or, The Extraordinary Story of Educational Initiatives in Antebellum Jefferson County, Indiana.”

Joe Skvarenina, Independent Scholar, “Equipping the Saints for Service: Lutheran Education in Central Indiana”

Comment, Dawn Bakken, Indiana University

**Panel 10 Public Spheres**

Padraig Lawlor, Purdue West Lafayette, “Frivolous Followers or Resolute Radicals: The Public Sphere as a Theological Platform during the English Civil Wars”

Wesley Bishop, Purdue West Lafayette, “From Lippmann to Dewey to Bourne: Rethinking the Concept of the ‘Public,’ and the Limitations of Print and Literacy in Defining the Public Sphere”

Angela Potter, Purdue West Lafayette, “At the Back of the Bus?: Sexuality (mis)education in Indiana, 1974-2000”

Moderator: John Larson, Purdue West Lafayette

**Panel 11 Mass Media, Public Literacy in the Lutheran Reformation**

Derek Nelson, Wabash College, “Luther and Public Literacy: The Case of Islam and the Qur’an”

Robert Saler, Christian Theological Seminary, “More vs. Tyndale: Pneumatology and History in the Politics of Bible Reading”

Brent Hege, Butler University, “Luther Goes Viral: Mass Communication in the Lutheran Reformation”

Comment: Cooper Harriss, Indiana University

**Panel 12 Civil War Home Front**

Sean Scott, Indiana Academy for Science, Mathematics and Humanities, “Insufficient Loyalty: The Case of Reverend William S. Plumer”

Stephen E. Towne, IUPUI, “The Holmes County, Ohio Rebellion of June 1863 Revisited: New Evidence for Organized Resistance during the Civil War”

Nicole Etcheson, Ball State University, “Good Enough to use Ballots: Loyalty and Suffrage in the Civil War North”

Comment: Robert E, May, Purdue West Lafayette

**Business Meeting 3:45-4:15**

**Board Meeting 4:15-**

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