

early October '010

some *early-American-flavored moments*
at the **2010 American Studies Association** conference

Note: this *CORRECTED LIST* takes the place of the one I hurriedly circulated at the end of September; ooops! and please pardon the inconvenience -- D.M.

Note: on Saturday, join us at the 2d annual **RECEPTION** that we, the **EARLY AMERICAN MATTERS** Caucus, are co-sponsoring with the **ENVIRONMENT+ CULTURE** Caucus, the American Antiquarian Society and, this year, with common-place.org!

Note: these colleagues serve as our Caucus's ad hoc Working Committee

Paul Erickson, American Antiquarian Society

Dennis Moore, Florida State University

Sally Promey, Yale University

Peter Reed, University of Mississippi

Sarah Rivett, Princeton University

Karen Salt, Purdue University

Note: watch for a link to the list that Karen Salt is compiling: individual papers on other panels throughout this year's conference

THURSDAY, November 18, 10:00 – 11:45 a.m.

Roundtable:

Remembering the Past: Toni Morrison's Seventeenth Century in Today's Classroom

GRAND HYATT, Presidio B

Renee Bergland, Simmons College

Kristina Bross, Purdue University

Chiara Cillerai, St. John's University -- *organizer and chair*

Susan Curtis, Purdue University

Carolyn Denard, Emory University

-- *Founder, Past President and Chair of the Advisory Board of the Toni Morrison Society*

Lisa Logan, University of Central Florida -- *Commentator*

THURSDAY, November 18, 4:00 – 5:45 p.m.

On the Borders of Crisis: Alarm Aesthetics and Politics in the Early Americas

GRAND HYATT, Presidio B

Chair and organizer: **Emily Garcia**, Northeastern Illinois University

“Classical Allusions and Metaphorical Landscapes in John Neal's Battle of the Niagara”

Lisa West, Drake University

“‘Coming to a Crisis’: Corporeal and National Health in R. M. Bird’s Sheppard Lee”

Sari Altschuler, City University of New York, Graduate School

“The American Revolution Redux: The Anglo-American Reaction to the Mexican War of Independence (1810-1823)”

Andy Doolen, University of Kentucky

“Shays and Literature: The Crises of Early U.S. Literary History”

Ed White, University of Florida

Respondent: **Emily Garcia**

FRIDAY, November 19, **8:00 – 9:45 a.m.**

Early American Eloquence

GRAND HYATT, Travis B

Chair: **Jane Ellen Schultz**, Indiana University/Purdue University at Indianapolis

“‘This is a BLACK! -- Beware of him, good Countrymen’: Speaking from the Land in ‘The Speech of Moses Bon Sàam’”

Rob McLoone, University of Iowa

“Letters, Marriage and Separation in the Early Republic: The Case of Ann Paine”

Theresa Strouth Gaul, Texas Christian University

“Intimidated by their Elegance: The Free People of Color and the French Theatre in Antebellum New Orleans”

Juliane Braune, University of Wuerzburg, Germany

“The Times are Revolutionary: The North Star’s 1848 and the Limits of the Transnational Lens”

Benjamin Fagan, University of Virginia

Comment: **Robert Levine**, University of Maryland, College Park

FRIDAY, November 19, **10:00 – 11:45 a.m.**

Roundtable:

Critical Keywords in Early American Studies

GRAND HYATT, room 206-B

Note: remember our e-mail poll in April?

From among the panels the program committee had accepted, this session is the one our Caucus chose to sponsor this year.

Joanna Brooks, San Diego State University, on **Colonialism**

Edward Cahill, Fordham University, on **Formalism**

Kathleen Donegan, University of California, Berkeley, on **Catastrophe**

Duncan Faherty, City University of New York, Queens College -- *organizer and chair*

Robert Fanuzzi, St. John’s University, on **Relevance**

Lauren Klein, City University of New York, Graduate School, on **Archive**

Bryce Traister, University of Western Ontario, Canada, on **Nation**

FRIDAY, November 19, **12:00 noon – 1:45 p.m.**

Business meeting of the Early American Matters Caucus

GRAND HYATT, Bonham A

*Note: we'll compare notes
on plans for the coming year*

FRIDAY, November 19, **2:00 – 3:45 p.m.**

Without Chains: Piracy in the New World

GRAND HYATT, room TBA

Chair and organizer: **Gretchen Woertendyke**, University of South Carolina, Columbia

“Utopia and Romance in the Marchlands: Exquemelin’s *Buccaneers*, de Lussan’s *Journal*, and the Limits of Narrative”

Jason Payton, University of Maryland

“Piracy and the Orinary Violence of the Tropics”

Steven A. Tobias, Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi

“I have never heard of such a Nation as Americans’: Algerian Piracy and the Crisis in Republican Sovereignty”

Rick Rodriguez, Loyola University, Chicago

“Plunder, Politics, Publication: David Dixon Porter in the Dominican Republic”

Maria Windell, Wake Forest University

Respondent: **Gretchen Woertendyke**

FRIDAY, November 19, **4:00 – 5:45 p.m.**

The Shock of the Old: History, Knowledge and Change in Nineteenth-Century America

GRAND HYATT, Texas Salon E

Chair and organizer: **Paul Erickson**, American Antiquarian Society, *which is sponsoring this session*

“Ancient Pasts for a New Country: Race, History and National Identities in the Nineteenth-Century U.S.”

Lyra Monteiro, Brown University

“Antiquarian Actors: Hannah Mather Crocker Makes History”

Yvette Piggush, Florida International University

“‘The Mighty Ocean of Oblivion’: Antiquarian Networks and Practices in the Western Country, 1815-1825”

James Snead, George Mason University

Respondent: **Megan Kate Nelson**, independent scholar

SATURDAY, November 20, **8:00 – 9:45 a.m.**

Colloquy on Affiliation, Attachment and Change in Early America

GRAND HYATT, Crockett D

Note: a roundtable on three books; whoa!

Chair and organizer: **Dennis Moore**, Florida State University

Catherine O'Donnell Kaplan, Arizona State University

– author of *Men of Letters in the Early Republic: Cultivating Forums of Citizenship*

Cathy Kelly, University of Oklahoma – Editor, common-place.org

Shirley Samuels, Cornell University

Ivy Schweitzer, Dartmouth College

– author of *Perfecting Friendship: Politics and Affiliation in Early American Literature*

Timothy Sweet, West Virginia University

Bryan Waterman, New York University

– author of *Republic of Intellect: The Friendly Club of New York City and the Making of American Literature*

Note: this Saturday, Happy Hour = 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

RECEPTION / Cash Bar
at
CHARLES COURT at ZINC BISTRO,
205 North Presa St.

Again this year, the A.S.A.'s **EARLY AMERICAN MATTERS**

Caucus, the **ENVIRONMENT + CULTURE Caucus**,

and the **AMERICAN ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY** are

co-sponsoring *quite the celebration* – and this time

with **common-place.org** and with substantial *hors d'oeuvres!*

Note: Thanks, Paul, for making quite the celebration happen a second year in a row!