THE 45TH ANNUAL SCHOLARS’ CONFERENCE ON THE HOLOCAUST AND THE CHURCHES
FROM LIVING MEMORY TO HISTORY:
THE FRANKLIN H. LITTELL ARCHIVES AND THE NEXT GENERATION OF SCHOLARS
MARCH 14-16, 2015
TEMPLE UNIVERSITY - PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

FINAL PROGRAM
- SUBJECT TO CHANGE -

SATURDAY EVENING, MARCH 14

4:00 – 6:30pm Registration, The Conwell Inn, Lobby
6:00 – 7:30pm Registration, Shusterman Hall

6:00 - 9:00pm Opening Reception, Dinner & Program – Temple University, Shusterman Hall

Welcome: Henry Knight, President, Annual Scholars’ Conference & Keene State College
Hai-Lung Dai, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Temple University & 2015 Honorary Host Chairman, Annual Scholars’ Conference

Program: Special Screening of the New Documentary Film, Auschwitz ~ The Past is Present*
*Courtesy of USC Shoah Foundation – Stephen Smith, Executive Director & Directed by James Moll with Steven Spielberg, Producer, and Narrated by Meryl Streep
Remarks: Jayne D. Perilstein, USC Shoah Foundation (Philadelphia, PA)

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

7:30 – 8:30am Breakfast (Samuel L. Paley Library)
8:00am – 5:00pm Registration, Samuel L. Paley Library, Lower Level – Foyer
8:30 – 8:45 am Welcome Remarks
Hubert G. Locke, Co-Founder, Annual Scholars’ Conference

8:45 – 10:15am Session 1 – WWI as the Seed Bed of the Holocaust and other Horrors
Presenter: Richard Rubenstein, University of Bridgeport
Discussion with Michael Berenbaum, American Jewish University

10:15-10:30am Coffee Break
SUNDAY, MARCH 15 (CON’T)

10:30 – 11:45am  Session 2 – The Law: During and After
Moderator: Lawrence M. Glaser, Stockton University
Presenters: David Fraser, University of Nottingham (England) &
Richard Weisberg, Yeshiva University
In Memory of Harry Reicher: Further Findings on Wartime
Collaboration by the Legal Systems in Vichy France and the
Channel Islands
Harry Rhea, Florida International University
The Evolution of International Criminal Law Through The Eyes
of the Holocaust: Prosecuting Contemporary Genocidaires
as a Responsibility to Past Victims of Genocide
Harriet Tamen, Independent Scholar
A Tale of Betrayal
Discussion

11:45am – 12:30pm  Lunch

12:30 – 2:00pm  Session 3 – Ever Again
Moderator: Richard Libowitz, Temple University & Conference Program Chairman
Presenter: Shimon Samuels, Simon Wiesenthal Centre (Paris, France)
Discussion

2:00 – 3:15pm  Session 4 – Response of the Professions: Medicine & Education
Moderator: Joan Peterson, Saint Mary’s College of California
Presenters: Rosalie Franks, Roger Williams University
Visualizing Survivor Testimony in the 21st Century: How
Students Analyze, Write and Produce Videos on the
Graphic Memoir "Maus"
Cheyenne Martin, University of Texas, Galveston
Medical Warriors in the French Resistance: Stethoscopes,
Guns, and Moral Courage
Sheldon Rubenfeld, Baylor College of Medicine & Center for
Medicine after the Holocaust
Lessons Learned and Lessons Lost from the Nuremberg
Doctors’ Trial
Discussion

3:15 – 3:30pm  Break
SUNDAY, MARCH 15 (CON’T)

3:30 – 5:15pm  Session 5 – Memory & Trauma
Moderator: Charles Clarke, Monroe Community College (Rochester, NY)
Presenters: Nancy Isserman, Council for Relationships &
Sheryl Perlmutter Bowen, Villanova University &
Emilie Passow, Drexel University

Lessons Learned and Questions Still to Ask: Twenty Years of Qualitative Multigenerational Research in the Transcending Trauma Project
Victoria Khiterer, Millersville University

Memorialization of the Holocaust in Minsk and Kiev
Louis Najarian, Hofstra North Shore, LIJ School of Medicine

Is Trauma Inherited Through Generations?
Rubina Peroomian, University of California, Los Angeles

Generation to Generation, The Effects of the Traumatic Experience of the Genocide
Discussion

5:30 – 6:45pm  Dinner – Morgan Hall

7:00pm  Special Community Evening Event ~ Temple University, Shusterman Hall
Philadelphia’s Premiere Film Screening: Treblinka’s Last Witness*
*Courtesy of WLRN-TV, Miami|South Florida

Welcome: Marcia Sachs Littell, Vice-President, Annual Scholars’ Conference & Stockton University
Chair: Miriam Klein Kassenoff, University of Miami
Respondent: Michael Berenbaum, American Jewish University & Sigi Ziering Institute

MONDAY, MARCH 16 ~ SAMUEL L. PALEY LIBRARY

7:30 – 8:30am  Breakfast

8:00am – 2:00pm  Registration & Concierge, Samuel L. Paley Library, Lower Level – Foyer

8:30 – 8:50am  Franklin H. Littell Archives – Special Introduction & Overview
Presenter: Courtney Smerz, Archivist, Special Collections Research Center, Temple University Libraries

8:50 – 9:00am  Welcome Remarks: Joseph P. Lucia, Dean of Libraries, Temple University
8:50 – 10:00am  Session 6: Roundtable - Franklin H. Littell, From Living Memory to History
Moderator: Gail Herring Stanger, Stockton University
Presenters: Karen Franklin, Museum of Jewish Heritage
           Richard Libowitz, Temple University
           Terumi Rafferty-Osaki, American University
           Racelle Weiman, Dialogue Institute, Temple University
Discussants:  Betty Lawler, Jeffrey Levine, Ann Marie Osaki, Kathy Tabasso

10:00 – 10:10am  Coffee Break

10:10 - 11:30am  Session 7 – Old-New Struggles
Moderator: Leonard Grob, Farleigh Dickinson University
Presenters: David Patterson, University of Texas, Dallas
           Are We Going to Do This Again? Responding to Anti-Semitism on College Campuses
           Joan Peterson, Saint Mary’s College of California
           Have Christian Churches Really Abandoned Anti-Judaism Post-Holocaust, Post Vatican II?
           Sarah Pinnock, Trinity University
           The Armenian Genocide and Religious Responses to the Holocaust

Discussion

11:30 – 11:35am  Break

11:35am – 1:15pm  Session 8 – Means of Memory
Moderator: Lila Corwin Berman, Temple University
Presenters: Nancy Harrowitz, Boston University
           The Legacy of Primo Levi: Lessons Learned, Lessons Lost
           Mary Johnson, Facing History and Ourselves
           Facing History and Ourselves: Lessons Learned and Lessons Lost
           Andrew Weinstein, Fashion Institute of Technology, SUNY
           Artists Respond to Biotechnology, Bioethics and the Legacy of Nazi Medicine
           Lucas Wilson, Vanderbilt University
           “I live in the ghetto of the dead: ” The Post-Holocaust Home as Cognitive Space in Sonia Pilcer’s, “The Holocaust Kid”

Discussion
1:15 – 2:00pm

Lunch
Moderator: Margery N. Sly, Director, Special Collections Research Center, Temple University Libraries

Presenters:
Grace Caporino, Purchase College, SUNY

*Antisemitism in Interwar Polish Society in the Struggle for a Reemerging Polish Identity: Examining the Impact of the Catholic Clergy*

Natasha Goldman, Bowdoin College

*“Never bow your head, be helpful, and fight for justice and righteousness:” Nathan Rappaport and Philadelphia’s Holocaust Memorial (1964)*

Kathy Tabasso, Stockton University

*Conquering Antisemitism One Heart at a Time: Rewriting the Faith Story between Christians and Jews*

Discussion

Concluding Remarks:
Henry Knight, President, Annual Scholars’ Conference
Richard Libowitz, 2015 Conference Program Chairman, Annual Scholars’ Conference

*Thank You for your Participation.*