**Program Summary**

**2012 Tennessee Undergraduate Social Science Symposium**

***Collective Memories of War***

*All sessions to be held in the James Union Building, MTSU*

*All events are free and open to the public*

**Tuesday, October 30**

**8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Registration................................................................. Lobby, James Union Building**

**9:15 a.m. *Welcome and Student Paper Awards*……………………………….Tennessee Room**

**9:40 a.m.-11:05 a.m. Thematic Panel Discussion…………………………Tennessee Room**

***Collective Memories of War: Rediscovering the Local***

Organizers: Professors Ida Fadzillah Leggett and Kevin Smith (Moderator)

MTSU, Department of Sociology & Anthropology

Panelists:

Patrick Cummins, President, Native History Association

Shirley Jones, Author, *The Un-Civil War in Middle Tennessee*

Caneta S. Hankins, Assistant Director, Center for Historic Preservation, MTSU

Jim Lewis, Park Ranger, Stones River National Battlefield

11:20 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Student Paper Sessions

**1. Student Paper Session………………………………………………….……………….….. Hazlewood**

 Organizer: Professor James Maples, University of Tennessee-Martin

Moderator: Professor Meredith Dye

“Attributions of Racism and the American Presidency” Blake Stevens, UT Martin

“*Meducation*: Reframing Childhood ADHD and Childhood Bipolar Treatment as a Social Problem” Brandy Cochran, UT Martin

“James Holmes: A Case Study of PTSD and Violence” Cameron Graham, UT Martin

“Operations Enduring and Iraqi Freedom: Family Dynamics during Modern-Day Deployment” Lynneisha Bledsoe, UT Martin

**2. Student Paper Session……………………………………………………………..…....Dining Room C**

 Organizer & Moderator: Professor Will Leggett

 ***Fieldwork in Local Spaces: Anthropology Projects in Murfreesboro, Tennessee I***

“Religious Spaces and their Influences on Immigrants in the South” Andrew Moman, MTSU

 “Food Deserts: An Applied Anthropological Investigation in the Food Systems of Middle Tennessee” Alyse Freeman, MTSU

“Constructing the “Illegals” Issue: Native Southern Response to New Diversities in the American South” Crystal Leigh VanDalsem, MTSU

 “‘Read to Succeed’ and Research Implications for Adult Literacy” Catherine Zamniak, MTSU

**3. Student Paper Session…………...…………..…………………………………….......Tennessee Room**

 Organizer and Moderator: Professor Gretchen Webber

 ***The Gendering of Everyday Products***

 “Equal Writes” Jessica Schwendimann and Abigail Link, MTSU

“Drinking Gender: Vodka” Brittini Smith and Kendra Mitchell, MTSU

 “Smelling Gender: Cologne and Perfume” Nick Holden, Rachelle Adams, and Spenser Knight, MTSU

1:00 p.m.-2:25 p.m. Student Paper Sessions:

**4. Student Paper Session ………………………..………………………………………….......Hazlewood**

 Organizer: Professor Meredith Dye & Moderator: Jordan Raley

***Graduate Student Research***

 “Victim Turned Killer: Examining Aileen Wuornos, America’s Infamous “First” Female Serial

 Killer” Jordan E. Raley, MTSU

 “Cyberbullying or Cyber-harrassment” Courtney Barnicoat, MTSU

“RIP: A Prevention of Juvenile Delinquency” Mairi Kirk, MTSU

**5. Student Paper Session………………………………………………………..………....Dining Room C**

Organizer and Moderator: Professor Ida Fadzillah Leggett

***Fieldwork in Local Spaces: Anthropology Projects in Murfreesboro, Tennessee II***

“An Overview of Kurdish Immigration: Theory and Text” Pierce Stevenson, MTSU

 “The Prevalence of Latin American Folk Health Practices in Murfreesboro, TN” Caleb Hayes, MTSU

“Homophobia and Discrimination in the Southeast US” Anne Uselton

“Sub-adult Nutrition in the Middle Cumberland” Kellum Everett

**6**. **Student Paper Session……………………………………………………………….Tennessee Room**

Organizer & Moderator: Professor Shannon Hodge

***Anthropology Senior Thesis and URECA Research Projects***

“Iconographic, Spatial, and Temporal Patterning in “Rattlesnake” Gorgets from the Southern

 Appalachian Highlands” Mark M. Crawford, III, MTSU

“Prehistoric Freshwater Mollusk Use along the Cumberland River” Kelly Ledford, MTSU

“Early Childhood Stress and Decreased Adult Health: Enamel Hypoplasia and Vertebral

Neural Canal Size” John L. Locke, MTSU

“Going Deep: Bucket Auger Testing at 40DV7” Joey Keasler, MTSU

2:40 p.m.-4:05 p.m. Student Paper Sessions

**7. Student Paper Session……………………………………………………………………..... Hazlewood**

 Organizer & Moderators: Professor Jackie Eller and Lisa Walker

 ***Porn Wars: Early and Contemporary Issues***

“Early Pornography” Alla Chernenko, MTSU

Daniel Bolton, Robin Greene, JaCory Smith, Adrienne Fesmire, Jasmine Denton, Andreos Chunaco

“Porn Wars” Professor Jackie Eller, MTSU

Black Grosch, Andrea Boyer, Jason Absher, Amy Bable, Megan Lombardo, Terrance Peete, Kristen Tithof, Samantha Mercer

“Contemporary Pornography Issues” Eric Hughes, MTSU

Sophia Legrain, Christina Gaza, Lauren Baskin, Kalli Buening, Emily Lombardo, Maggie Flanagin, Cherice Hereford, Timothy Edgemon

**8. Student Paper Session…………………………………………………………………..Dining Room C**

 Organizer and Moderator: Professor Brian Hinote

 ***Graduate Student Theory I***

“Empowering Women Through Alternative Birthing Options: Gilman’s Sexuo-Economic

 Arrangement” Victoria Foust, MTSU

“Utilizing Marxism to Understand Residential Segregation’s Part in Race and Class Conflict” DaJuan Ferrell, MTSU

“The Structure of Sociological Revolutions: Middle Range Theory and the Process and Future of Theory Construction” William Wilson, MTSU

**9. Student Paper Session…………..……………………………………..........................Tennessee Room**

 Organizer & Moderator: Professor Aaron Deter-Wolf

 ***The Anthropology of Tattooing***

“Tattooing in Southeast Asia: Religious Symbology, Magical Beliefs, and Gender Roles in the Shan and Chin Ethnic Groups” Tara Clark, MTSU

“Taking Back Our Bodies: Tattoos as Body Therapy” Courtney Croft, MTSU

“The John White Watercolors: A Look through European Eyes” Chelsea Parsons, MTSU

“Klyanus’ mamoi: The Tattooed World of Russian Prisons” Tara Clark, MTSU

 “Tattoo Erotica” Clacey Farley, MTSU

**4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Keynote Address by Dr. Derek Frisby……………Tennessee Room**

**The Blue Raiders and the Gray Wizard: Struggles with War, Memory, and Identity**

**Wednesday, October 31**

**8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Registration Continues............................................... Lobby, James Union Building**

9:10 a.m. – 10:05 a.m. Student Paper Sessions

**10. Meet-and-Greet Session……………………..………………………………………….......Hazlewood**

Organizer: Professor Meredith Dye

***Student Meet-and-Greet with Dr. Heidi Beirich, Southern Poverty Law Center***

**11. Student Paper Session……………………………………………………………..…....Dining Room C**

 Organizer & Moderator: Professor Will Leggett

 ***Peoples and Cultures of China and Japan***

“Japanese Nationalism: Through the Avenue of Food-Programming” Michael Ehlinger, MTSU

“Japanese Popular Media: Suicide and Modernity” Rachael Smith, MTSU

“Confucianism and Equality for Chinese Women” Nailah Herbert, MTSU

10:20 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Student Paper Sessions:

**12. Student Paper Session ………………………..………………………………………….......Hazlewood**

 Organizer & Moderator: Professor Meredith Dye

“Monkey Bible Wars: Views on Evolution in Southeast Tennessee” Samantha Elliott and H. Lyn Miles, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga

“Teaching the Present with the Past” Jennifer Foster, Western Kentucky University

“Rationalized Scripts and American Political Polarization” Timothy Edgemon, MTSU

**13. Student Paper Session………………………………………………………..………....Dining Room C**

 Organizer & Moderator: Organizer and Moderator: Professor Tanya Peres

 ***Garbology***

“Smoking Usage Pattern: Garbology and Peck Hall” Rachael Smith and Crystal VanDalsem,

 MTSU

“Student Recycling Habit at MTSU” JoBeth Simon and Lydia Harris, MTSU

“A Comparison between Academic and Public Spaces: Distribution of Food Waste at MTSU” Zack Whitehead and Jordan Brasher, MTSU

**11:30-12:25 Speaker: Dr. Heidi Beirich …………………………………Tennessee Room**

**The State of Hate in the United States**

12:40 p.m. – 2:05 p.m. Student Paper Sessions

**14. Student Paper Session………………………………………………….……………….….. Hazlewood**

 Organizer & Moderator: Professor Meredith Dye

“Changing Perceptions of Gender: Decreasing Inequalities by Gender Variant People” Christina Gaza, MTSU

“Social Justice, Poverty, and Populations At-Risk: A Focus on African American Children” Jerricka Pinson, MTSU

“Disadvantages of Rural Communities: Problems Faced by Children” Joshua Lester, MTSU

**15. Student Paper Session…………………………………………………………………..Dining Room C**

 Organizer and Moderator: Professor Brian Hinote

 ***Graduate Student Theory Papers II***

“The Bipartisan War Over Women: Weberian Stratification and the American Political ‘Gender Gap’” Lisa Walker, MTSU

“Global Production Revisited: Introducing the Stranger to the Analysis of the Outsourcing of Manufacturing” Alla Chernenko, MTSU

“The Ideal Masculine: Conceptualizing Hegemonic Masculinity as Weber’s Ideal Type” Jadee Carathers, MTSU

“Obesity and Stigma: Reflections in Media and the Idea that Stigmatization is a Motivation for Weight” Tiffany Gadberry, MTSU

2:20 p.m. –3:45 p.m. Student Paper Sessions

**16. Panel and Film Discussion …………………………………………..……..……………..... Hazlewood**

 Organizer and Moderator: Professor Meredith Dye and Timothy Edgemon

***Control Room* (2004)**

**by Jehane Noujaim**

**Magnolia Films**

Discussant: Professor Leon Alligood, School of Journalism, MTSU, *Nashville Banner* and *The Tennessean,* embedded reporter covering the 101st Airborne Division in Afghanistan and Iraq (29-year career as a print reporter)

 Film sponsored by the Sociology Club and Middle Tennessee Anthropology Society

**17. Student Paper Session…………………………………………………………………..Dining Room C**

 Organizer and Moderator: Professor Brian Hinote

 ***Graduate Student Theory Papers III***

 “Karl Marx and the Environment Crisis: Nature as the Proletariat” Adam Hukill, MTSU

“Layering the Veil: Non-white Women and the Creation of Self through Social Interaction” Felicia Brown, MTSU

“The Alienation of Male Caregivers to the Aged” Lori Watson, MTSU