

Program Schedule for the 2017 St. George Tucker Society

25th Annual Meeting

Jackson, Mississippi

King Edward Hotel

Thursday Night – July 27th

6:00-7:00 Opening Keynote (King Edward Hotel)

Introduction: Tad Brown, Watson Brown Foundation

Speaker: Chester M. “Bo” Morgan, *University of Southern Mississippi*, “Mississippi: Part of the World or a World Apart?”

7:30-9:30 Reception at Brent’s Drugs and the Apothecary

Friday – July 28th

9:15-10:45 – Session I

The South and Historic Memory

Chair: Susannah Ural, *The University of Southern Mississippi*

Patrick Connelly, *Mississippi College*, “From Civil War to Civil Rights: Walker Percy and Historical Thinking in the New South”

Ken Startup, *Williams Baptist College*, “‘A Hideous Solecism,’ Mississippi’s Susan Dabney Smedes and England’s Grand Old Man, Writing and Remembering the Old South”

Bob Elder, *Valparaiso University*, “Rethinking the Iron Man: John C. Calhoun and the Old South.”

Carolyn Renee Dupont, *Eastern Kentucky University*, “The Burdens of History: White Family Memories and Black American Experience in Sabine County, Texas.”

11:00-11:15 – Break

11:20-12:45 - Session II:

Segregation and Resistance in the Deep South

Chair: Ted DeLaney, *Washington and Lee University*

Stephanie Rolph, *Millsaps College*, “Radical Allies: A New Look at the Citizen’s Council Movement.”

Robert Luckett, *Jackson State University*, “The Long Fight for Equitable Access to Public Education in Mississippi”

Patrick Alexander, *The University of Mississippi*, “‘I question America’: Fannie Lou Hamer’s Antipanoptic Oratory and Its Enduring legacy at Parchman”

1:00-2:15 Lunch:

The King Edward Hotel

2:30-4:15 Brooks Dissertation Forum

Chair: Jay Richardson, *William Carey University*

Candace Cunningham, Ph.D. Candidate in History at *The University of South Carolina*, “I Hope They Fire Me:” South Carolina’s Black Teacher Activists and Their Communities.

Thomas Robinson, Ph.D. Candidate in History at *The University of Mississippi*, “The Rise of the Antebellum Middle Class in Georgia, 1848-1865.”

Ryan L. Womack, Ph.D. Candidate in English at *Baylor University*, “Evolution, Realism, and Flannery O’Connor.”

4:30-5:30 Membership Meeting

The King Edward Hotel.

6:00-8:00 Dinner at The Iron Horse Grill

Saturday – July 29th

9:15-10:45 – Session III:

Southern Religion in the 20th Century South

Chair: Doug Thompson, *Mercer University*

Joseph Reiff, *Emory and Henry College*, “Tradition, Segregation, and Conscience: Mississippi Methodism, 1925-1968.”

Peter Slade, *Ashland University*, “A Misplaced Hope” Howard Kester, The Fellowship of Southern Churchmen, and the Liberal Protestant Participation in the Civil Rights Movement, 1952-1957.

Darren Grem, *The University of Mississippi*, “A Shrine for the State: Franklin D. Roosevelt, the New Deal, and Religious Remembrance at Warm Springs, Georgia”

11:20-12:45 – Session IV:

Mississippi in Black and White

Chair: Susan Donaldson, *William and Mary University*

Maryemma Graham, *Kansas University*, Margaret Walker

Trudier Harris, *The University of Alabama*, Richard Wright

Harriet Pollack, *Bucknell University*, Eudora Welty

Rebecca Mark, *Tulane University*, Ellen Douglas

1:00-2:25: Bradford Prize Lunch

Chair: Matthew Byron, *Young Harris College*

Angela Esco Elder, *University of Georgia* and Post-Doctoral Fellow at *Virginia Tech Department of History & Virginia Center for Civil War Studies*,

“Married to the Confederacy: The Emotional Politics of Confederate Widowhood”

2:35-4:00 – Session V:

Closing Remarks:

Chair: David Moltke-Hansen, *Independent Scholar*

Donald Mathews, *University of North Carolina*, “At the Altar of Lynching: Burning Sam Hose in the American South”