



— THE AMISH AND —
PLAIN ANABAPTIST
STUDIES ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Jointly Provided with Aultman Health Foundation

July 16-17, 2024
Wilderness Center
9877 Alabama SW; Wilmot, OH 44689

TUESDAY, JULY 16

REGISTRATION: 12:00 – 1:00pm (Tues.)

Place your meal order at check-in.

OPENING: 1:00 – 1:15pm (Tues.)

WELCOME and INTRODUCTION

Moderator: Cory Anderson, Ph.D., APASA Director

SESSION I: 1:15 – 2:30pm (Tues.)

Concurrent A: PANEL: “Plain People and Mental Health”

Moderator: Kristin Park

John Bohley, LPCC-S, SpringHaven Counseling Center

Natalie Smith, LISW-S, CTRT, Ravenwood Health Services, Geauga County

Melissa Bishop, LPCC-S, CTP, Ravenwood Health Services, Geauga County

Concurrent B: PRESENTATION: “A Basic Introduction to the Plain People”

Includes open Q&A. Bring your questions about the plain people.

Presenter: Cory Anderson, APASA

15-MIN BREAK

SESSION II: 2:45 – 4:00pm (Tues.)

PANEL: “Nurse Midwives Serving the Plain Community”

Moderator: Lora Wyss

Carrie Javiden (Rio Care Center), APRN, Certified Nurse Midwife

Kim Miller (Pomerene), APRN, Certified Nurse Midwife

Lauren Mix (Mt. Eaton Care Center), APRN, Certified Nurse Midwife

15-MIN BREAK

SESSION III: 4:15-5:30 (Tues.)

PLENARY: “Health Beliefs, Practices, and Behaviors of the Plain Anabaptists”

Cindy Soulliere, RN, Countryside Midwifery Services, Ontario, Canada

EVALUATION: 5:30-5:45pm (Tues.)

EVENING MEAL: 5:45pm – (Tues.)

Cafe 8:32, Wilmot, OH (covered with registration)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17

SESSION IV: 9:00 – 10:10am (Wed.)

PANEL: “Problem-solving with Plain People”

Moderator: Kristin Park

Wayne Fleck, Akron Children’s

Freda Miller, Lay Midwife to the Plain People

Cory Anderson, APASA

10-MIN BREAK

SESSION V: 10:20-11:30 (Wed.)

Concurrent A PANEL: “Health Care and Special Needs Amish Children”

Moderator: Katherine Jellison

Ethan Scott, MD, New Leaf Clinic

Heng Wang, MD, DDC Clinic

Eli Miller, Executive Director, DDC Clinic

Concurrent B: ORIGINAL RESEARCH

“The Sociologists and the Anthropologists: Intellectuals' imaginations of Mennonite colonies in the Paraguayan Chaco”

Samuel Boucher, Ph.D. candidate, University of Iowa

Research on Amish and schooling *[TBA]*

BREAK: 11:30am – 1:20pm (Wed.)

LUNCH: Covered with registration

BREAK: Enjoy the Wilderness Center property, including several options for one-mile walks and the indoor nature exhibits.

SESSION VI: 1:20 – 2:10 pm (Wed.)

PLENARY: Dr. Katherine Jellison (Ohio University) and Dr. Steven Reschly (Truman State University), Authors, *Amish Women, and the Great Depression* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2023).

10-MIN BREAK

SESSION VII: 2:20 – 3:35pm (Wed.)

PANEL: “Burn Care for Amish Patients”

Moderator: Dr. Rosanna Hess, RN

David Gingerich (West Penn Hospital Burn Care Team / National Board of Plain Burn Caregivers)

Norman Hershberger (Leader, Holmes County Amish Burn Team)

Jess Stoltzfus (Eastern PA Oil Therapy Team)

10-MIN BREAK

SESSION VIII: 3:45 – 5:00pm (Wed.)

PANEL: “Plain Doctors and Nurses Serving Plain Populations”

Moderator: Cory Anderson

Nolan Byler, D.O.

Karen Conley, R.N.

EVALUATION: 5:00-5:10pm (Wed.)

Information for Attendees

Meals: Tuesday supper and Wednesday lunch are covered in your registration fee.

10.16 Contact Hours if attending both days. (Tuesday Only – 4.0 contact hours, Wednesday Only 6.16 contact hours). Aultman Health Foundation is accredited as a provider of nursing continuing professional development by the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s Commission on Accreditation.

Lodging options:

1. Inn at Amish Door, 1210 Winesburg St, Wilmot, OH 44689
(330) 359-7996, \$150 plus tax nightly.
2. Ramada by Wyndham Strasburg Dover, 509 S Wooster Ave, Strasburg, OH 44680
(330) 878-1400, \$109 plus tax nightly.

Other options are in Massillon (13 miles) and Wooster (19 miles).

Registration:

For registration, the link is <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-2024-amish-plain-anabaptist-studies-association-conference-registration-906091483017> or visit the APASA conference website (<https://www.amishstudies.org/conference>) or write to APASA, PO Box 37, Mt. Hope, OH 44660.

Cost: \$115 per person for both days (\$50 per family member add on, e.g., spouse, parent, or adult child). \$60 for students, the underemployed, and others with financial need.