
Dutch Americans/Canadians and Education

22nd Biennial AADAS Conference

Prince Conference Center
Calvin College
Grand Rapids, Michigan

June 12-15, 2019

AADAS

Association for the Advancement of Dutch-American Studies

Optional, Pre-Conference Events

Wednesday, June 12

AFTERNOON

1:00-4:30 p.m. (with 2:30 p.m. refreshment break)

Workshop: Doing Genealogy

Janet Sheeres and Mary Risseeuw

1st Floor Hekman Library (west campus) HL 120

Thursday, June 13

MORNING AND AFTERNOON

9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Field Trip: Dutch-American Sites in Grand Rapids

Guide: Richard Harms

Depart from and return to PCC. Board bus before 9:00 a.m. Lunch during stop at First Christian Reformed Church, 12:00-1:30pm.

Conference Opening

EVENING

7:30-9:00 p.m.

Conference Opening Reception

Fireside Room, Prince Conference Center*

** Henceforth all locations at the Prince Conference Center unless otherwise noted.*

Friday, June 14

MORNING

8:00 a.m.

Registration

Outside of Willow Room

8:30 a.m.

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Willow Room

Herman De Vries, *President of AADAS*

Elizabeth Vander Lei, *Academic Dean at Calvin College*

Sophie van Doornmalen, *Senior Cultural Officer, Shared Cultural Heritage,
Consulate General of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in New York*

9:00-10:30 a.m.

Session 1: Broad Histories and Interpretations

Willow Room

Chair: Janet Sheeres

Henk Aay – *Chapters in the History of Reformed Dutch Day Schools in North America, 1638-2018: A Cartographic Survey*

Adrian Guldmond – *Creating the Third Way: Ontario Alliance of Christian Schools, 1952-2018*

Phil Teeuwssen – *School as the Vessel of Hope: The Experience of Faith and Dutch Immigrant Culture in Ontario Christian Schools*

10:30-11:00 a.m.

Break with refreshments

11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS 2 AND 3

Session 2: Critical Issues in the Histories of Individual Dutch-American Christian Schools

Willow Room

Chair: Michael Douma

Steven Staggs – *Members Only: White Supremacy and the Founding of Erasmus Hall Academy*

Douglas Vrieland – *The Integration of Grosse Pointe, Michigan Christian Day School*

Robert P. Swierenga – *From Reformed to Evangelical: A Case Study of the Transformation of Timothy Christian Schools of Chicago*

Session 3: Other Research on Dutch-American Topics

Hickory Room

Chair: Michael Swanson

Jaap van Marle – *Dutch as a Church Language in the USA*

Janet Sjaarda Sheeres – *Dutch-American Midwives*

Jan J. Boersema and A. M. Boersema-Bremmer – *All but the Saloon. Nineteenth Century Dutch Immigrants and the Idea of Progress*

AFTERNOON

12:30-2:00 p.m.

Lunch and AADAS Membership Meeting

Board Room

2:00-3:30 p.m.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS 4 AND 5

Session 4: Dutch Reformed Churches and Education

Willow Room

Chair: Mary Risseeuw

Earl (Bill) Kennedy – *The Dutch Reformed on Primary and Secondary Education during Orange City's First Half Century*

Pieter Hovens – *Educating the North American Indian: Dutch and Dutch-American Contributions, 1836-1945*

Justin Vos – *Publication as Pedagogy: How Dutch Reformed Churches Shaped Congregants through Reading*

Session 5: Seminaries

Hickory Room

Chair: Geoffrey Reynolds

George Harinck – *Calvin as the Full-Size Kampen*

Donald J. Bruggink – *Western Theological Seminary's Move Toward Multiethnic Diversity*

3:30-4:00 p.m.

Refreshment Break

Lobby outside Heritage Hall, Hekman Library level 2 (west campus)

4:00-5:00 p.m.

Heritage Hall: an introduction, with exhibits

Heritage Hall, Hekman Library

Will Katerberg, Interim Curator

Janet Sjaarda Sheeres, Editor of *Origins: Historical Magazine of the Archives*

4:00-5:15 p.m.

Roundtable regarding Shared Cultural Heritage initiative—with Sophie van Doornmalen of the Consulate General of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in New York. Due to various constraints, this focused discussion is by invitation only. Contact Herm De Vries if you're interested in learning more. Location: **Library**

6:30 p.m.

Banquet Dinner and Keynote Lecture

Willow Room

Robert Schoone-Jongen – Dutch Immigrants and Education: Where Winning Meant Losing

Saturday, June 15

8:30-10:00 a.m.

Session 6: Dutch-American Women and Education

Willow Room

Chair: Steve Staggs

Suzanne M. Sinke – *Making Educational Comparisons: Evaluating Roles for Women and Girls in Dutch-American Letters*

Rhonda Pennings – *Women in Higher education: A Look at Dutch Reformed and Christian Reformed Colleges and the Advancement of Women within their Institutions*

Michael Douma – *Betsy DeVos, Modern Education Debates and the Misuse of Dutch History*

10:00-10:30am

Refreshment Break

10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Session 7: Dutch Americans and Education: Miscellaneous

Chair: Henk Aay

Keith Fynaardt – *“From Whence Shall We Expect the Approach of Danger?”- Lincoln*

Ken Bult – *A History of Dutch-American Education in the Calumet Region of Illinois/Indiana*

Ton Broos – *Fifty Years of Dutch Growing at the University of Michigan*

David Zwart – *Teaching the Past: A History of History Education among Dutch Americans*

12:30-2:00 p.m.

Lunch

Board Room

AADAS Board Meeting (with lunch)

Library

AFTERNOON

2:00-3:30 p.m.

Session 8: Academies

Chair: Rhonda Pennings

Andrew Klumpp – *Founding Northwestern: An Academy to Serve the Community, Church, and World*

Douglas Firth Anderson – *“The Joyous, Jolly, Academy Days”: Northwestern Classical Academy, Iowa, 1882-1928*

Mary Risseeuw – *The Wisconsin Memorial Academy*

Notes ...

Heritage Hall (Hekman Library, level 2) will be open to the public on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, 8 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. It is closed on Saturday. Note that regular archival services will end on Friday mid-afternoon to prepare for the reception for AADAS from 4 p.m.- 5 p.m.



Welcome

- Fitness Room (1st floor)
- Dogwood (3rd floor)



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