The conference will highlight the challenges and impact of new technology on manufacturing, family life, consumption, medicine and leisure for Amish and other Plain communities in North America. Medical services, health, music, extension services, agriculture, family and gender roles, genetic studies, government relations, linguistics, spirituality, quilts, Amish romance fiction, new settlements, migration and population growth, and teaching of Amish courses will also be featured. A special session will cover the recent beard-cutting case in Ohio in which 16 defendants were found guilty of federal hate crimes.

More than 100 scholars and service providers from the United States and a dozen other countries will speak at the conference. Kevin Kelly, Karen Johnson-Weiner, Alan Shuldiner and Valerie Weaver-Zercher will give the plenary lectures. Other presenters include Joe Donnermeyer, Martha King, Donald B. Kraybill, Jill Korbin, Mark Louden, Gerald Mast, David McConnell, Steven M. Nolt, Janneken Smucker, Richard Stevick, Susan Trollinger, Martina Vonk and David Weaver-Zercher. In addition to lectures, the conference will include research paper presentations, panel discussions, poster displays and topical seminars.
# Abbreviated Schedule

**Thursday, June 6**

- 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.: Optional Tours (by reservation)
- 11 a.m.: Registration begins
- 1 p.m.: Conference opens
- 1:30 to 5 p.m.: Concurrent Sessions I and II
- 7 p.m.: Plenary Session (followed by reception)
  - “What the Amish Can Teach (and Learn From) Nerds and Geeks”
  - Kevin Kelly

**Friday, June 7**

- 8:30 to 10 a.m.: Concurrent Session III
- 10:30 a.m.: Plenary Session
  - “A Tale of Two Kitchens: Gender and Technology in Amish Communities”
  - Karen Johnson-Weiner
- 1:30 to 5 p.m.: Concurrent Sessions IV and V
- 7 p.m.: Plenary Session (followed by reception)
  - “Thrill of the Chaste: The Secret Life of an Amish Romance Novel”
  - Valerie Weaver-Zercher

**Saturday, June 8**

- 8 to 11 a.m.: Concurrent Sessions VI and VII
- 11:15 a.m.: Plenary Session
  - “Amish Participation in Medical Research: A Partnership of Trust and Mutual Benefit”
  - Alan Shuldiner
- 12:15 p.m.: Conference closes

The conference includes more than 100 presentations in 45 different sessions. Please visit www.etown.edu/amish2013 for details and schedule updates.

**Plenary Speakers**

- **Kevin Kelly** is Senior Maverick at Wired magazine, which he co-founded in 1993, and a widely published writer on the nature and impact of technology. His recent book, *What Technology Wants*, includes a chapter on “Amish hackers.”

- **Karen Johnson-Weiner** is Professor of Anthropology at SUNY Potsdam. She is the author of several books and numerous articles on Amish culture and co-author of *The Amish* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2013).

- **Valerie Weaver-Zercher** is the author of *Thrill of the Chaste: The Allure of Amish Romance Novels* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2013). An editor and writer, she is a regular contributor to *Sojourners* and *The Christian Century*.

- **Alan Shuldiner** is John Whitehurst Professor of Medicine, University of Maryland School of Medicine. The founder and director of the Amish Research Clinic, Dr. Shuldiner has gathered data on 6,000 Amish subjects and is the author or co-author of 250 scientific articles.
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CONFEREE FEE

Full Conference Rates  (Full rates include all refreshments and meals.)
☐ Registration by May 1: $210  ☐ Full-time student, registration by May 1: $110
☐ Registration after May 1: $235  ☐ Full-time student, registration after May 1: $125

Daily Rates  (Daily rates include all refreshments and meals except breakfast.)
☐ Thursday, June 7: $90  ☐ Full-time student: Thursday, June 7: $45
☐ Friday, June 8: $120  ☐ Full-time student: Friday, June 8: $60
☐ Saturday, June 9: $65  ☐ Full-time student: Saturday, June 9: $30

Members of Plain communities may register at the student rate.

OPTIONAL TOUR  (Thursday, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.)
Each tour includes a box breakfast and lunch in an Amish home.
Tour spaces are limited; please check the conference website for availability before registering.
☐ Agriculture and Business: $55  OR  ☐ Health and Medical Services: $55

Both tours are now full

HOUSING

Limited housing is available on campus. Rates are per person and include one set of towels and one set of linens.

Residence Hall room (2 twin beds per room; common bathroom)
☐ Single occupancy: $50 per night  ☐ Double occupancy: $43 per night
Name of roommate: _______________________
If you choose to share a room and do not list a roommate, one of the same gender will be assigned.

Apartment (2 bedrooms with 2 twin beds in each room; 1 bathroom; and a living room)
☐ Entire bedroom: $77 per night  ☐ Share a bedroom: $48 per night
Names of apartment mates: ________________________  ________________________  ________________________
If you do not list apartment mates, they will be assigned.

 Nights you wish to stay:
☐ Wednesday, June 5  ☐ Thursday, June 6  ☐ Friday, June 7
See the conference website, www.etown.edu/amish2013, for off-campus lodging in the Elizabethtown area.

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Conference fee:  $__________  Optional tour:  $__________
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TOTAL:  $__________

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Register online at www.etown.edu/amish2013; fax this form to 717-361-1443 (credit card payment only); mail this form with payment to Amish Conference 2013, Young Center, Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, PA 17022-2298. You will receive confirmation of your registration.

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