

HEALTH & WELL-BEING IN AMISH SOCIETY

JUNE
6-8
2019



THE YOUNG CENTER
FOR ANABAPTIST AND
PIETIST STUDIES

ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE

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A MULTIDISCIPLINARY CONFERENCE

www.etown.edu/amish2019

The conference will focus on health, health care, and individual and community welfare and well-being in Amish life. Amish people have long contributed to advancing medical knowledge as participants in clinical studies. In recent years, some health care providers have developed creative new avenues for effectively addressing the distinctive needs and concerns within Amish and other Plain communities. Conference speakers will discuss bridging the gap between providers and patients, mental health treatment, wellness, genetics, culturally appropriate care and patient agency.

Keynote speaker Joseph B. Martin will discuss the power of genetics to identify inherited disorders and the promise of new treatments. Katherine Hempstead, Martha King and Melissa Thomas will deliver the plenary addresses. Hempstead will discuss the unique role of Plain community members as health care consumers, King will look at how Amish people make medical choices and interact with healthcare practitioners, from herbalists to geneticists. Thomas will discuss empowering communities to take charge of their health.

In addition, scholars and researchers will present their work during paper sessions; seminar speakers from the Clinic for Special Children and the University of Maryland Amish Research Clinic will discuss ways patient care is affected by genomic advances; and workshop presenters will address practical issues related to mental health care, hospice care and barriers to care.

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THURSDAY TOURS

Three different chartered bus tours of Lancaster County are available to conference attendees for an additional fee. Reservations are limited to 25 people per tour. The tours depart from the college at 8 a.m. and return by 3 p.m.; they include lunch in an Amish home.

Agriculture

Participants visit Amish farms and see new agricultural ventures developed by Amish farmers.

Business Enterprises

Participants visit Amish businesses and talk with the proprietors about their involvement in the business world.

Health Care

Participants visit facilities that provide medical treatment for Amish patients and learn about various ways that health care is provided.



ABBREVIATED SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, JUNE 6

- 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Optional Tours (by reservation)
- 1 p.m. Registration begins
- 3 p.m. Conference opens
- 3:30 to 5 p.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 5:15 to 6:30 p.m. Dinner
- 7 p.m. Keynote Address—Joseph B. Martin
“Ancestral Antecedents of Illness:
Opportunities for Assessment
and Amelioration”
- 8:15 p.m. Reception

FRIDAY, JUNE 7

- 7:45 to 8:15 a.m. Continental breakfast
- 8:30 to 10 a.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 10:30 a.m. Plenary Session—Martha King
“Medicine and the Modern Amish”
- Noon to 1 p.m. Lunch
- 1:15 to 4:45 p.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 5 to 6 p.m. Dinner
- 7 p.m. Plenary Session—Melissa Thomas
“Understanding the Why: Engaging Amish
and Plain Communities in Addressing
Health Disparities”
- 8:30 p.m. Reception

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

- 7:45 to 8:15 a.m. Continental breakfast
- 8:30 to 10 a.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 10:30 a.m. Plenary Session—Katherine Hempstead
“The Amish as Healthcare Consumers”
- Noon Conference closes

Please visit www.ETOWN.EDU/AMISH2019 for details and schedule updates.

SPEAKERS



JOSEPH B. MARTIN, MD, PhD, is Edward R. and Anne G. Lefler Professor of Neurobiology, Emeritus, at Harvard Medical School. He joined the faculty of the medical school in 1978 and served as its dean from 1997 to 2007.



MARTHA KING, PhD, is a teaching assistant professor at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Her current research considers the bodily care employed by the Amish and their relationships with biomedicine.



MELISSA THOMAS, PhD, is an assistant professor at Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine. She has been addressing health disparities through community-engaged research and outreach models for over 20 years.



KATHERINE HEMPSTEAD, PhD, is a senior policy adviser at the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. She works on health care issues, primarily related to coverage, cost and access.

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Name (as it should appear on name tag): _____
 Job title (for attendee list): _____
 Organization name (for attendee list): _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State/Prov: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____ Country: _____
 Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

CONFERENCE FEE

Full Conference Rates (Full rates include all refreshments and meals)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Registration by May 1: \$240 | <input type="checkbox"/> Full-time student, registration by May 1: \$140 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Registration after May 1: \$265 | <input type="checkbox"/> Full-time student, registration after May 1: \$165 |

Daily Rates (Daily rates include all refreshments and meals)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday, June 6: \$100 | <input type="checkbox"/> Full-time student: Thursday, June 6: \$55 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friday, June 7: \$140 | <input type="checkbox"/> Full-time student: Friday, June 7: \$75 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday, June 8: \$65 | <input type="checkbox"/> Full-time student: Saturday, June 8: \$35 |

Conference attendees under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Members of Plain communities may register at the student rate.

OPTIONAL TOUR (Thursday, 8 a.m. to 3 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: \$65 OR Business Enterprises: \$65 OR Health Care: \$65

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: \$62 per night Double occupancy: \$55 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 per room; 1 bathroom; and a living room)

- Entire bedroom: \$90 per night Share a bedroom: \$55 per night

Names of apartment mates: _____

If you do not list apartment mates, persons of the same gender will be assigned.

Nights you wish to stay:

- Wednesday, June 5 Thursday, June 6 Friday, June 7

See the conference website, www.etown.edu/amish2019, for off-campus lodging in the Elizabethtown area.

SPECIAL NEEDS (please specify): _____

Conference fee: \$ _____	PAYMENT BY: <input type="checkbox"/> Check payable to Elizabethtown College (enclosed)
Optional tour: \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> VISA <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> Discover <input type="checkbox"/> American Express
On-campus housing (nightly rate x number of nights): \$ _____	Credit card number _____
TOTAL: \$ _____	Expiration date _____ CVV (3-digit code on back of card) _____
REGISTRATION OPTIONS:	Cardholder's name _____
Register online at www.etown.edu/amish2019 ;	Cardholder's billing address and zip code _____
fax this form to 717-361-1443 (credit card payment only); mail this form with payment to Amish Conference 2019, Young Center, Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, PA 17022-2298. You will receive confirmation of your registration.	Cardholder's signature _____

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A multidisciplinary conference for health care providers, hospital administrators, social workers and mental health professionals, medical researchers and others who study or serve members of the Amish or other Plain communities.

