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Richmond, Virginia
16 November 2007–18 November 2007

Friday, 16 November


3:30–4:00 pm—Break

4:00–5:00 pm—Business Meeting

5:30–7:30 pm—Reception. Library of Virginia

Saturday, 17 November

7:15–8:45 am—ADE Breakfast
"The Virginia Capitol: Its Past, Present, and Future." James E. Wootton, Executive Director, Capitol Square Preservation Council

9:00–10:30 am—Brave New Editor: The Challenge of Editing Documents in a Wired World: Chair: John Fierst, Editor, John Tanner

10:30–10:45 am—Break

10:45 am–12:15 pm—Advocacy in an Ever Changing Environment: Strategies and Advice for Making the Case for Federal Support for Editions: Chair: Roger Bruns, retired Deputy Director, National Historical Publications and Records Commission; Panelists: Jessica Jones Irons, Executive Director, National Humanities Alliance; Leland (Lee) White, Executive Director, National Coalition for History; Charlene Bickford, Chair, ADE Federal Policy Committee

12:15–1:45 pm—Lunch on your own

1:45–3:15 pm—If You Have to Explain It, Is It Still Funny? Chair: Beth Luey, Independent Scholar, Fairhaven, MA; Ellen R. Cohn, Editor, Benjamin Franklin Papers, Yale University Library. “Making Sense Out of Making Fun: Franklin’s Hoaxes across Cultures and Centuries”; Bob Hirst, General Editor, Mark Twain Papers, University of California-Berkeley. “Literature of a Low Order, i.e. Humorous: Mark Twain versus His Editors”; Steven K. Gragert, Director, Will Rogers Memorial Museums. “Humor and Its Hazards: Editing the Papers of Will Rogers”

3:15–3:30 pm—Break

3:30–5:00 pm—“All in the Family: Issues in Editing Family Papers”: Chair: Esther Katz, Editor and Director, Margaret Sanger Papers, New York University; C. James Taylor, Editor-in-Chief, Adams Papers, Massachusetts Historical Society. “A Founding Family’s Papers—Generations of Opportunities and Challenges”; Beverly Wilson Palmer, Co-Editor, Florence

6:00–6:45 pm–Reception (Cash Bar)

7:00 pm–Banquet

Sunday, 18 November

8:00–9:15 am–Committee Meetings and NHPRC and NEH Open Houses


The panel will discuss the benefits of collaborating with other editors and institutions. The participants will highlight leveraging and sharing data, building infrastructure, and developing a flexible mindset, showing how we can achieve our ends without sacrificing our standards, and in the process how we realize new opportunities for presenting and repurposing our data. Collaboration increases opportunities for funding as well as the possibility of sharing costs and brings entirely new meaning to our work and our products.

11:00 am–Meeting Adjourns