

Participating Historians, Authors and Scholars



John Briley, Manager, Campus Martius Museum

Site manager for 23 years; lectures on the settlement of Marietta, the Ordinance of 1787 and life in the Ohio Valley in the 18th Century.

Henry Burke, Author

The Escape of Jane; Mason-Dixon Line; The River Jordan; Southeast Regional Coordinator for the Ohio Underground Railroad Association; columnist for The Marietta Leader.



Dr. Andrew Cayton, Professor of History, Miami University of Ohio

Frontier Republic: Ideology and Politics in The Ohio Country 1780 -1825; City into Town: The City of Marietta, Ohio, 1788 - 1988.

Allan W. Eckert, Author

Amongst his over 30 books: The Frontiersmen; A Sorrow in Our Heart: The Life of Tecumseh; That Dark and Bloody River: Chronicles of the Ohio River Valley; playwright of the outdoor drama "Tecumseh"; website: www.allaneck.com





Don Hutslar, Author & OHS Curator, Putnam House Restoration

Worked on the restoration of the Rufus Putnam house, the last remaining structure of Campus Martius; has authored books on log architecture and Ohio firearms and gunsmiths; "Campus Martius" (Timeline, Feb. 2001).

Dr. James O'Donnell, Professor of History, Marietta College

Ohio's First People (an historical account of Ohio Indians, part of the Ohio Bicentennial Book Series); has studied the correspondence of George Washington and Rufus Putnam.



William Reynolds, Historical Consultant, Campus Martius Museum

Member of the Brigade of the American Revolution - a non-profit living history association dedicated to recreating the life and times of the 18th Century including military encampments, tactical exercises, firelock shooting, crafts and social activities; conducts educational seminars and demonstrations.

Lea Ann Sterling, Author; Descendant of Mary Gardner Owen

Working on a book about Mary Gardner Owen, first woman settler and the recipient of 'donation land' by the Ohio Company for services rendered during the smallpox epidemic in Marietta in 1790.



Don Secondine, Member Delaware Oklahoma Tribe

Proprietor of the Trading Post at Historical Sauder Village; accomplished silversmith (makes traditional 18th Century 'trade silver') and flintlock long rifle gunsmith; conducts demonstrations and seminars.

Ray Swick, Historian - West Virginia State Parks

An Island Called Eden; lectures on life in the Ohio Valley during the late 1700's and early 1800's



Louise Zimmer, Author

True Stories of Pioneer Times; More True Stories from Pioneer Valley; local historian; certified genealogist; Marietta Times columnist.