Greetings from Shenandoah University's McCormick Civil War Institute. With our spring conference, "Is the Vindictive Spirit... Just": Waging "Civil" War, slated for Saturday, April 20, now less than three weeks away I am reaching out to share some details about the day.

The conference will be held in Henkel Hall, Hester Auditorium on the campus of Shenandoah University in Winchester, Virginia. For those who have attended conferences in past years, excluding last year's conference, this is the building in which our conferences normally meet. For those unfamiliar with the campus the address for GPS purposes is 1460 University Drive, Winchester, VA 22601. When you enter campus through the two large brick portals there will be red signs with white letters directing you to Henkel Hall. For your convenience, I have included a link to a campus map. https://www.su.edu/campus-maps/. There are several parking lots near Henkel Hall as noted on the map. Please feel free to park in any of these lots.

There are three entrances to Henkel Hall. Regardless of the entrance you use, all entrances lead to a large gathering area outside of Hester Auditorium. Check-in will be held in this area beginning at 8:30 a.m. Traditional morning refreshments (coffee, tea, water, and pastries) will be available upon check-in, all covered by your registration. The first presentation will begin at 9:30 a.m. Here is a link to the full conference schedule https://www.su.edu/mcwi/upcoming-mccormick-civil-war-institute-events/mccormick-civil-war-institute-spring-conference/.

Harpers Ferry National Historical Park bookstore will be on hand selling books written by our speakers. They will also have other titles relevant to the conference's topic on hand as well.

Additionally, as of writing this email, C-SPAN is once again planning to join us and cover the conference.

Also, registration for our fall seminar and tour, "No Army will Have Prouder Recollections" slated for Saturday, November 9, will open on that day. You can read more details about it here: https://www.su.edu/mcwi/upcoming-mccormick-civil-war-institute-events/fall-semester-seminar-tour/

Before I close, I would like to thank each of you for registering for this year's conference. With 125 people signed up for the conference, this promises to be our largest and best event to date. Should you have any questions between now and the conference on Saturday, April 20 please don't hesitate to reach out via email. In the meantime, I wish everyone safe travels to Winchester and I look forward to seeing everyone for an engaging day of learning and fellowship on Saturday, April 20.

Take care, Jonathan

