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comings and goings...

This semester we congratulate Dr. **Keith Cassidy** and Dr. **Richard Reid**, both scholars of United States history, for many years of fine service to the Department and the University. We are glad to know they will still be close at hand for the next year or two. In the meantime, well-wishers are invited to attend a retirement reception in their honour, Friday, March 27, 2009 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in PJ's Atrium (MacDonald Stewart Building).

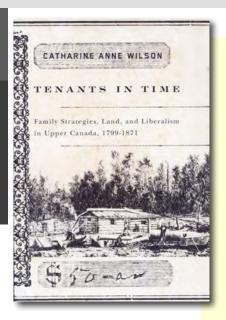
On January 6, 2009 the young Tiolu Joshua was born to Sade, **Femi** and the rest of the Kolapo family, who are delighted to have him.

Catharine Anne Wilson, Tenants in Time: Family Strategies, Land, and Liberalism in Upper Canada, 1799-1871 (McGill Queen's University Press, 2008)

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NEW in print from the department of HISTORY

"An important contribution to Canadian historiography, drawing attention to an under-examined, indeed almost unknown aspect of Canadian settlement history." - Ruth Sandwell, University of Toronto



Nominated:

Canadian Historical Association's Sir John A Macdonald Prize

Canadian Historical Association's CLIO
Award for Regional History

Trillium Book Prize

Ontario Historical Society Prize

American Association of Geographer's Meridian Book Award

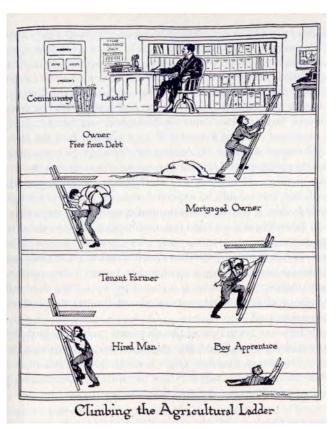
Agricultural History Association's Theodore Saloutos Award

The freeholding pioneer is a powerful image in settlement history - *Tenants in Time* tells a different story. Tenancy, though relegated to the periphery by the liberal idealization of ownership, was a common and vital part of the economy and society. Against a background of international land agitation and using an interdisciplinary approach, Catharine Wilson looks at life as a tenant farmer, providing new insights into family strategies, land markets, and the growth of liberalism.

Using evidence from across Upper Canada she shows how tenancy transformed the landscape and tied old and new settlers together in a continuum of mutual dependence that was essential to settlement, capital creation, and social mobility. Her analysis of customary rights reveals a landlord-tenant relationship - and a concept of ownership - more complex and flexible than previously understood. Landlords, from ordinary farmers to absentee aristocrats, are also part of the story and the much-criticized clergy reserves take a positive role. An intimate exploration of Cramahe Township follows tenants over the generations as they supported their families and combined liberal ideas with household-centered ways.

- from the jacket

Catharine Anne Wilson is Professor of Canadian History at the University of Guelph.



Josh MacFadyen has published "Breaking Sod or Breaking Even? Flax in the Northern Great Plains and Prairies, 1889-1930," Agricultural History (Spring 2009).

Visit http://flaxhistory.wordpress.com/

NEW in print from the department of **HISTORY**

Sofie Lachapelle has published "From the Stage to the Laboratory: Magicians, Psychologists, and the Science of Illusion." Journal of the History of the Behavioral Sciences, 44 (2008), 319 - 334.

Jacqueline Murray reports that she now has in print:

"Flexible Friendships: Martha Vicinus Explores Women's Intimacy." Book Forum, Journal of Women's History 20.4 (2008): 146-50.

Co-authored with Alistair Summerlee, "Can Universities Survive the 21st Century?" Oxford Roundtable, Forum on Public Policy (Summer 2008)

Visit http://forumonpublicpolicy.com/summer08papers/archivesummer08/summerlee.pdf

And two op-ed pieces:

"A History of Baby Killing [sic]," National Post (August 25, 2008), A 12.

"The Untold Price of Her Virginity," Globe and Mail (November 24, 2008), A 17.

Susan Nance has two new pieces out:

"Ottoman Empire Tourism and the American Flag: Patriotic Travel before the Age of Package Tours, 1830-1870," Journal of Tourism History 1, no. 1 (March 2009): 7-26.

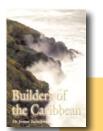
"The Veiled Prophet's Oriental Tale: St. Louis' Famous Festivals in Context, 1878-1895," Missouri Historical Review 103, no. 2 (January 2009): 90-107.

Matthew Hayday is happy to announce: "L'expertise au service de la cause: La mobilisation de l'expertise pédagogique pour les communautés francophones minoritaires, 1960-1985." In Légiférer en Matière Linguistique, dir. Marcel Martel and Martin Pâguet, 295-316. (Québec: Presses de l'Université Laval, 2008)



Did you know?

The account of Bernardo O'Higgins in the Oxford Dictionary of National Biography was written by Karen Racine



Alumnus Publication

Jerome Teelucksingh (MA '97) is a lecturer in the Department of History at the University of the West Indies, Trinidad. He has also served as a part-time lecturer at the Cipriani College of Labour and Co-operative Studies and the University of Trinidad and Tobago, and was the first recipient of the Eric Williams Memorial Scholarship for postgraduate research. His new book Builders of the Caribbean (Pittsburgh, PA: Red Lead Press, 2008) offers two full-length plays-"The Doctor's Patients" and "The Collector." Both employ Caribbean expressions and dialect to reveal the divisions and desires of the country's citizens.

lecture series

The College of Arts & the Department of History Luso-Atlantic Seminar Series continues:

March 9, 2009

Ivana Elbl of Trent University: "By Bravery and Toil in Arms: Chivalric Ethos and the Portuguese Slave Raids in the Atlantic Sahara, 1441-1446"

November 7, 2008

A. J. R. Russell-Wood of The Johns Hopkins University, "The Portuguese Speaking Atlantic 1415-1800"

October 15, 2008

Jose Pedro Paiva of the University of Coimbra, Portugal, "The Appointment of Bishops and Episcopal Policy in Portugal during the Reign of D. Manuel I (1495-1521)."

Guest Lecturers in the Department

March 6, 2009

Sarah Carter (University of Alberta):

"Making Western Canada Monogamous: Polygamy and Other Cracks in the Foundation for the Nation." Sarah Carter is the author of,

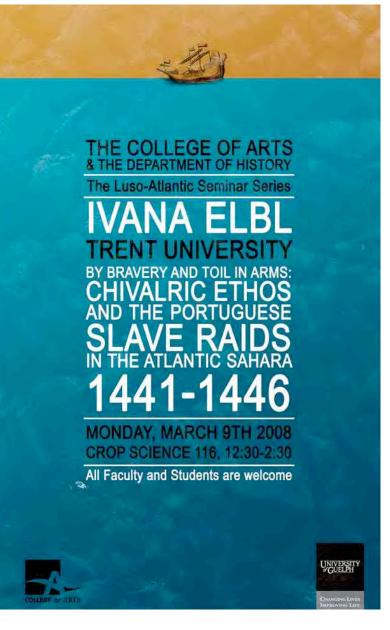
among other works, Lost Harvests: Prairie Indian Reserve Farmers and Government Policy. She is currently co-editor of the Canadian Historical Review and Henry Marshall Tory Chair, Department of History at the University of Alberta.

March 9, 2009

The Department of History and the Women's Studies Program presented **Barbara Brookes** of the University of Otago, New Zealand and her talk, "Failed Breadwinners and Unchaste Women: Gender and Shame in the 20th Century."

March 20, 2009

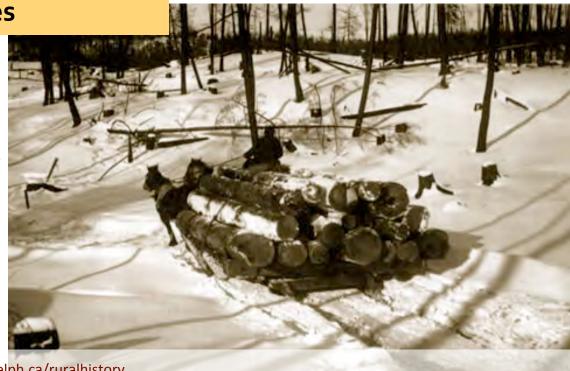
Stephen Burgess Whiting, "Canadians and the Spanish Civil War at 70: A Revisionist Interpretation." Dr. Whiting is Visiting Assistant Professor in the Department of History at the University of Guelph.



lecture series

RURAL HISTORY ROUNDTABLE

Since January, rural history aficionados in the Department have been visited by a robust group of scholars from the University of Guelph and beyond:



Visit http://www.uoguelph.ca/ruralhistory

February 11, 2009

Catharine Wilson, "Images of Rural Masculinity: Plowing and Plowing Matches in Ontario." **Catharine Wilson** is Professor of Canadian History at the University of Guelph

March 4, 2009

Greg Kennedy, "New approaches to rural hierarchy in the Old Regime: notary records and socioeconomic conditions in the Loudunais, 1735-1764." Greg Kennedy is a post-doctoral fellow in the department working with the census project and on his own comparative work on French and Acadian rural history. This talk drew on his Fall 2008 research in various French regional archives.

March 16, 2009

Christi Garneau-Scott, "Hunting Traditions and Human-Animal Interactions: The Triangular Relationship between Huntsmen, Hounds, and Prey in Mid-Twentieth Century America." Christi Garneau-Scott is just finishing her Batchelor's Degree in History at the University of Guelph. This September she begins her work in the Master's Degree program at Simon Fraser University.

Talks still upcoming...

Monday, March 30, 2009

Sharon Weaver "Rural Encounters: 1970s Back to the Land, Cape Breton, NS and Denman, Hornby and Lasqueti Islands, BC." Sharon Weaver is a Ph.D. student in the Department of History.

Wednesday, April 15: Pat Bowley, Ph.D. student, Department of History, University of Guelph.

Wednesday, April 22: Frans Schryer, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Guelph.

conference and paper report



Alan McDougall delivered a paper for the Public Lecture Series of the School of Languages and Literatures at the University of Guelph, entitled "The People's Game: Football, State and Society in Communist East Germany" March 9, 2009.

Matthew Hayday spoke on "Language Policy in Canadian Federalism: Variations on a Theme of Institutional Bilingualism" at The State in Transition: Challenges for Canadian Federalism, 24-25 October 2008 at the University of Ottawa. The previous September he presented "Bilingualism versus Unilingualism: Federal and Provincial Language Education Policies in Quebec, 1960-1985" as an invited panelist for discussion on "Language Debates in Contemporary Québec" at "The French in North America /Les Français en Amérique du Nord — An Enduring Presence," at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo. Matthew also gave the Annual University of Guelph Lecture presented to the Guelph Historical Society, 3 February 2009 with a talk entitled, ""A National Love-feast': National Unity, Canadian Identity and Dominion Day Celebrations."

Norman Smith spoke on "Alcohol and the 'Manchurian Modern," at the Canadian Asian Studies Association meeting, University of Waterloo, November 16, 2008.

Karen Racine gave a paper called "Reading, Writing and Romanticism: Robert Southey and the Luso-Hispanic World" at the American Historical Association Conference in New York City in January.

Janet McShane Galley, our Sessional Lecturer in US History, gave a paper entitled, "'A Temptation to Inhuman Crimes': Murder-for-Profit in the American Imagination, 1850-1900," at the Social Science History Association conference in Miami in October 2008, and another called, "Murderous Mothers, Nasty Nurses, and Villainous Others: Depictions of Infanticide and Child Murder in America, 1850-1910," at the Mid-Atlantic Popular/American Culture Association conference in Niagara Falls, Ontario last November.



departmenta curling report

This winter **Team Wednesday** made its debut at the Guelph Curling Club. The team, consisting of **Linda Mahood**, **Susan Nance**, Vic Satzewich and Wes Macdonald, carried a 1-7 win-loss record but plan to improve exponentially in 2010. Linda and Susan will be recruiting departmental members for try-outs in the fall so we can have two teams next year.



grad and undergrad events

The Tri-University Graduate Student Association welcomed faculty and students to their Student Speaker Series on Friday, March 20th on the UofG campus for talks by:

Tavis Harris: "Theirs is a Peculiar Species of Love': Class, Recruitment and Support for the Great War in Berlin/Kitchener Ontario"

Josh MacFadyen: "Mennonites and Mixed Paint: Canada's flax commodity chain, 1878-1901"



Tri-University Undergraduate History Conference

This year's **Tri-University Undergraduate History Conference** on March 7, 2009 at Wilfrid Laurier University was a great success. It featured papers by twenty-five undergraduate presenters from Wilfrid Laurier, the University of Waterloo and the University of Guelph, as well as a special keynote address by Dr. **Jonathan F. Vance** of the University of Western Ontario.



Ben Robinson, M.A. candidate in the Department, will present a paper based on his Master's research, "The Evolution of a Ballpark Society: Spectatorship in New York City, 1876-1890" to the 19th Century Baseball History Conference at the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum in Cooperstown, New York this spring. Ben defends his thesis in April.

Ronnie Morris, M.A. Candidate in the Department, presented a

paper, "The Scottish Press and the Public Sphere in the 18th Century," on December 5, 2008 at the University of Waterloo Graduate Student Speaker Series.

good news from the job market

Our SSHRC post-doctoral fellow Dr.

Karly Kehoe has been appointed
Lecturer in History at North Highland
College, University of the Highlands and
Islands in Scotland. This is the second
person from Scottish Studies to be
appointed to the UHI this year, with
Elizabeth Ritchie preparing to take up
her appointment there in April.

Gregory Kennedy, History Department Ph.D. Postdoctoral Fellow tells us that in July of 2009 he will begin a tenure-track position at the Université de Moncton in Acadian and Pre-Confederation Canadian History.

alumni NEWS

In the Oct./Nov. 2008 issue of *The Beaver: Canada's History Magazine* Canada's National History Society



recently announced the Canadian Mysteries Project—including the website "Death On a Painted Lake: The Tom Thomson Tragedy"—as the winner of the 2008 Pierre Berton Award. **Gregory Klages** (MA '01) was research director for the digital history site on Thomson's mysterious death in 1917. The Berton Award recognizes, "distinguished achievement in presenting Canadian history in an informative and engaging manner." Gregory Klages, BA, MA, PhD, GDDA is a Post-doctoral Research Fellow at the Institute for the Study of Corporate Social Responsibility. He spoke on November 18, 2008 at the Macdonald Stewart Art Centre on the University of Guelph campus about digital history in the public sphere.

Visit http://www.ryerson.ca/csrinstitute/ and

http://www.canadianmysteries.ca/sites/thomson/home/indexen.html

Mark Dorsey (BA '08) has published his article, The U.F.O. and The Broadening-out Controversy: Crisis of Farmer Identity in a Changing World," in *Studies by Undergraduate Researchers at Guelph* Vol. 2, No. 1 (2008). http://journal.lib.uoguelph.ca/index.php/surg/article/view/797

"This essay explores the subject of farmer identity in Ontario during the United Farmers of Ontario (UFO) administration, 1919-1923. Although a wealth of scholarly attention has been given to the UFO, the focus has conventionally only been on the politics of the group. This particular paper seeks to address a gap in the historiography of the UFO by trying to determine the extent to which farmer identity was experiencing change during the UFO's administration. Using a variety of primary source materials, this paper takes an indepth look at how farmers saw themselves and how they were viewed by others. With a particular emphasis on how two polar-opposite personalities, E.C. Drury and J.J. Morrison, represented the conflicting opinions of the farming sector as a whole, this essay comes to the conclusion that the UFO's "broadening out controversy" coincided with a major re-evaluation of farmer identity, the last time that such extensive discussion about the personality of agriculture took place in Canada."

- Mark Dorsey

Jason Wilson (MA '03 and current Ph.D. candidate in History)



has landed a second Juno Award

Nomination in the category of 'Best
Reggae Recording' for his new album,
The Peacemaker's Chauffeur. It has also
been nominated for Canadian Reggae
Music Award in the category of 'Top
Caribbean-Oriented Jazz Album.' Jason's
earlier offering Jonah was nominated for
a Juno in 2001.

Visit: www.jasonwilsonmusic.com

