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Global Approaches

The Department's major summer event was to host "Global Approaches: The 4th International Alcohol and Drug History Conference" on the weekend of 10-12 August 2007. The conference brought together some 70 scholars from Canada, the United States, Australia, Africa, Asia, and Europe to discuss such themes as Medical Discourses, Alcohol and Social Change, Images and Cultures of Consumption, Business and Prohibition, Alcohol and Narcotics Regulation, and Drugs and Morality. Congratulations to Dr. Catherine Carstairs and Dr. Norman Smith, as well as to Colleen Glavin (Guelph '07) their team of volunteer supporters, for planning, organizing, and hosting this hugely successful event.

Guelph participants included Catherine Carstairs, Norman Smith, Stuart McCook, Jesse Palsetia, and Yvan Prkachin. In addition, former Guelph students Holly Karibo (now at the University of Toronto), Shawn Day (now at McMaster University), and Barb Legault (now at the University of Toronto) gave papers at the conference.

The conference was funded by the College of Arts, the History Department, the Hannah Institute for the History of Medicine, the Social Science and Humanities Research Council, and the Alcohol and Drug History Society. Drs. Carstairs and Smith wish to thank Terry Crowley, Diane Purdy and the entire History Department for their support.

The full conference program is available at:
<http://www.uoguelph.ca/history/conference.shtml>

New Faces

The History Department welcomes three new full-time faculty members for the 2007-2008 academic year.

Dr. Matthew Hayday joined the Department over the summer after completing postdoctoral fellowships at Concordia University and Mount Allison University. Dr. Hayday is an expert in modern Canadian political history and English-French relations. His first book, *Bilingual Today, United Tomorrow: Official Languages in Education and Canadian Federalism* was published by McGill-Queen's University Press in 2005.

The Department is pleased to announce that during the 2007-8 academic year **Dr. Royden Loewen**, the Chair of Mennonite Studies at the University of Winnipeg, will be Visiting Professor in the Department of History. Dr. Loewen is an award-winning historian of Mennonite and rural life in Canada, the United States and Mexico. He earned his Ph.D. in 1990. His dissertation, published by the University of Illinois Press as *Family, Church and Market: A Mennonite Community in the Old and New Worlds, 1850-1930*, won the American Historical Association and Canadian Historical Association Albert Corey prize for the best history book pertaining to both Canada and the United States in 1994. Two years later, Dr. Loewen was appointed Chair in Mennonite Studies, University of Winnipeg.

Also this year, **Dr. Renée Worringer**, a scholar of Middle Eastern and Late Ottoman history, has joined the Department. Dr. Worringer holds degrees from St. Olaf's College and the University of Chicago. She returns to North America after holding a position in the School of History, Philosophy, Religion, and Classics at the University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia.

An additional welcome to is offered to **Dr. David Monod**, the new Tri-University Graduate Program Director. Dr. Monod will use MACK 1003 as his Guelph office.

Retirement Announcement

Barbara Merritt is retiring from the Department's administrative staff this fall. Staff, students, and faculty past and present turned out in numbers for a reception in Barb's honour Friday 31 August. We wish her the best as she embarks on this new chapter of her life.

Publications, Awards, and Distinctions

Articles and Chapters in Books:

Jesse Palsetia, "Partner in Empire: Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy and the Public Culture of Nineteenth Century Bombay," in J.R. Hinnels and Alan Williams, ed. *Parsis in India and the Diaspora* (London: Routledge, 2007), 83-101.

Norman Smith, "Da Heilongjiang de youyu: Zhu Ti zuopin zhong de nüquan zhuyi" (The Melancholy of the Mighty Black Dragon River: The Doctrine of Women's Rights in Zhu Ti's Writings) in Zhang Quan, ed. *Kang-Ri zhanzheng shiqi lunxianqu shiliao yu yanjiu, di'yi ji* (*Studies of the Occupied Areas During the Anti-Japanese War, Volume 1*). Nanchang, Jiangxi: Jiangxi chubanshe, 2007, 160-74.

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Talks and Presentations:

Catherine Carstairs, "'Malicious, mendacious minority': The Political and Scientific Debate over Water Fluoridation," American Association for the History of Medicine, Montreal, May 4, 2007.

Norman Smith, "Writing Chinese Women in Japanese-Occupied Manchuria, 1932-1945," Women Writing and Reading: Past and Present, Local and Global, University of Alberta, May 6, 2007.

Norman Smith, "Manzhouguo Wenxue, Manzhouguo Wenhua" (Manchukuo Literature, Manchukuo Culture), Changbaishan Binguan, Changchun, China, May 13, 2007.

Matthew Hayday, "Fighting for French: A Community-level Analysis of the French Immersion Movement in Sackville, New Brunswick," at the Atlantic Canada Studies Conference, St. Mary's University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, May 2007.

Alan Gordon, "History for Tourists: History, Tourism, and Regional Diversity in 20th Century Ontario," Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting, Saskatoon, May 2006.

Michelle Hamilton, "'Anyone not on the list might as well be dead:' First Nations and the Censuses of Canada," Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting, Saskatoon, May 2006.

Sofie Lachapelle. "The Great Magician as Ambassador of Science: Robert-

Houdin on the Stage in France and Algeria (1845-1871)” Canadian Society for the History and the Philosophy of Science, Saskatoon, Canada

Sofie Lachapelle. “From the Stage to the Laboratory: Magicians, Psychologists and the Science of Illusion” Joint meeting of the International and the European Societies for the History of the Human Sciences, Dublin, Ireland. June 2007.

Jesse Palsetia, “At Home and Abroad: The Zoroastrian Diaspora in North America,” 14th North American Zoroastrian Congress, Toronto, June 2007.

Catherine Carstairs, “Granola: The International Context” The Global Sixties, Queen’s University, Kingston, ON June 13, 2007.

See also Guelph participants in the “Global Approaches” Conference (above) and the Historical Data Seminar Series (below).

Other Announcements:

Sofie Lachapelle was named co-editor of *Communiqué*, the newsletter of the Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science.

Norman Smith has assumed the duties of Coordinator of the University of Guelph Women's Studies Program.

Awards:

Dr. Linda Mahood won this year’s College of Arts Teaching Award. In addition, Dr Jennifer MacDonald has won the College Teaching Award for contractually limited appointments, and PhD candidate Chris Tiessen has won for best Graduate Teaching Assistant. The awards will be presented at the Dean’s Celebration at the Arboretum on Tuesday 25 September from 4:00 to 6:00. Please contact Sherry Kinsella by the 20th at skinsell@uoguelph.ca and tell her you plan to attend the ceremony to support our award-winning colleagues.

Graduate Studies

Theses Defended

Dan MacLeod, “My hart gevis me to the mes’: Scottish Catholicism at the Time of the Reformation,” 15 May 2007. Advisor: Graeme Morton.

Christopher Schmid, "Border Lordship and Central Politics: The Local Context of Scottish Power Struggles, 1525-1552," 15 May 2007. Advisor: Elizabeth Ewan.

Megan Selva, "An Enlightened Antiquary? Sir Walter Scott, The Scottish Enlightenment, and Antiquarianism, 1771-1832," 16 May 2007. Advisor: Graeme Morton.

Jessica Dionne, "Malarial Affairs: Power, Politics, and Malaria Control in Colonial Mozambique, 1930-1975," 15 August 2007. Advisor: Stuart McCook.

Cassandra Buckle, "Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE): The Historical Pathology of a Disease of Affluence, 1939-1986," 10 September 2007. Advisor: Stuart McCook.

Historical Data Seminar Series

Over the summer months, the 1891 Census Project hosted a series of seminars

Guelph participants included:

Graeme Morton, "Reflections on the Presentation of Self in Nominal Records," 20 June.

Michelle Hamilton and Kris Inwood, "Aboriginal Peoples and the Canadian Census," 11 July.

Kevin James, "Nationality and Deportation from Canada before 1914," 18 July.

Catharine Wilson, "Finding Tenants in a Freeholding Society: The 1842 Census of Upper Canada," 24 July.

The following seminars were also part of the series:

Peter Baskerville, University of Victoria, "A Silent Revolution? Gender and Wealth in Urban Canada, 1860-1930," 7 June.

Steven Bednarski, St. Jerome's University, "Medieval Technology: Uses of a Simple Database to Research Medieval Crime and Society," 27 June.

Gordon Darroch, York University, "Reflections on the 1871 Census Sample," 26 July.

Willie Jenkins, York University, "National Censuses and Their Friends: Comparing the Irish in Buffalo and Toronto, 1880-1910," 8 August.

Upcoming Events

Tri-University Conference

The Fourteenth Annual Tri-University History Conference will be held at University of Waterloo (Waterloo, Ontario, Canada) on 10 November 2007. The Tri-University Graduate History Program, one of Canada's largest and most comprehensive, unites graduate faculty and students at the University of Guelph, the University of Waterloo and Wilfrid Laurier University.

Proposals are welcome for individual papers and complete panels from graduate students and established scholars in all fields and especially from those examining aspects of nationalism, identity and international/cross-cultural conflict.

Suggested topics include, but are not limited to:

- West and East, "Old Europe", "New Europe" and the US (dialogues and strains)
- Imperialism, colonialism, multiculturalism and globalisation
- Borderlands (ethnicity, culture, religion, migrations and diasporas)
- Ideologies and their impact
- Radicalism, violence and war (conventional, religious and ethnic conflicts, genocide, trauma, civil, human rights and peace movements)

Please submit paper abstracts (not to exceed 250 words) to astatiev@uwaterloo.ca by 17 September 2007.

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1871 Census Project: Canada and Scotland

Kris Inwood and Graeme Morton received \$250,000 from the CFI Leaders Opportunity Fund to build research databases from information collected in the Canadian and Scottish censuses from 1871. The 1870s were a key decade for industrialization, migration and changing household composition in Ontario. The researchers will use the information for a range of studies, from the Scottish influence on and relationship to Ontario to understanding how aboriginal communities were enumerated in the Canadian census. The data will also be used by faculty and students from Canada and around the world for decades to come, they said.

“This is a wonderful opportunity to study the people who moved from Scotland to Canada in the post-Confederation years and to compare them with those who stayed behind,” said Dr. Morton. “By creating this research infrastructure, we will for the first time be able to place those personal narratives in the wider socio-economic and demographic structure of both Scotland and Canada in 1871.”

The project builds on earlier work by Dr. Inwood, Dr. Kevin James, and Dr. Doug McCalla that involved turning handwritten census information from 1891 into digital data to answer wide-ranging social and economic questions about that era.

“The new award is highly complementary to the 1891 project because we will be able to follow individuals from one census to another in a methodologically rigorous manner,” said Dr. Inwood. “This will greatly improve our understanding of occupational and residential mobility and the way peoples adapted to and took advantage of economic restructuring.” More information about the 1871 census project is available at :
<http://www.census1871.ca/>