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"Turkish and Armenian Ladies Abroad," from The Oriental Album: twenty illustrations, in oil colors, of the people and scenery of Turkey, with an explanatory and descriptive text. By Henry J. Van Lennep. 1862. Plate 1, p. 9.

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We were deeply saddened by the death of Professor Joseph H. Lynch on December 27, 2008, as this edition of Making History went to press. Joe touched his colleagues and his students with warmth and good cheer, and we will greatly miss him. We will publish a comprehensive tribute to Joe in our next newsletter.
Dates are one of the building blocks that historians use to structure the past. We record, memorize, and teach dates as crucial markers of the history we seek to master and analyze. By contrast, anniversaries are probably not as important to the academic study of history. But major anniversaries nonetheless inspire us to recapture the glory or share the pain of some historical episode.

In the Department of History at Ohio State, we have been contemplating anniversaries lately. In Spring 2008, we celebrated the 10th anniversary of the founding of our Harvey Goldberg Program for Excellence in Teaching. Our celebration featured recollections of the program’s origins by Michael Hogan, who presided at its birth while serving as our chair, and by John Tully, who served as first director of the program. We were also moved by the reminiscences of alumni Phil Moots, Norma Tausk, and Peter Eikenberry—representatives of those who studied here with Professor Goldberg, and were inspired to endow the Program a decade ago. A story on this anniversary celebration appears in the pages that follow.

We are also celebrating the 50th issue of this newsletter, first published in 1958-59 and renamed Making History in 1999-2000. Upon thumbing through past issues on a recent afternoon, I came to admire the hard work that many colleagues had invested to develop a stellar publication. To commemorate the publication of this milestone edition, we invited former chairs to reflect on their time at the helm of the Department.

The Department is also looking ahead to its 130th anniversary next year. Founded in 1879, the Department is one of the oldest and strongest at Ohio State. We significantly contribute to the university’s undergraduate teaching mission. Our graduate program was recently ranked among the very best at Ohio State University. Our faculty continue to publish books and articles that shape humanity’s collective wisdom about the past, and our students continue to make us proud. We take seriously Ohio State’s legacy as a land-grant institution by welcoming opportunities for public service.

Speaking of accomplishments, several colleagues have secured distinguished fellowships and grants this year which you will find in the following pages. Our faculty and staff also won several prestigious awards. Leslie Alexander was awarded the Alumni Distinguished Teaching Award, the most distinguished teaching honor at Ohio State. Dr. Richard Ugland, our Academic Program Coordinator, won the Distinguished Staff Award, the top honor for staff. The Faculty of Color Caucus won both the University’s Distinguished Diversity Enhancement Award and the College of Humanities Diversity Enhancement Award. Theodora Dragostinova received the 2007 John O. Latrides Prize from the Modern Greek Studies Association for the best English-language dissertation on a Greek subject; while Michael Les Benedict was designated the Distinguished Historian for 2009 of the Society of Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era. Lucy Murphy and Richard Shiels were awarded the Ohio Academy of History Public History Award for their project The Newark Earthworks Center. A complete list appears below.

Our graduate students also continue to demonstrate excellence. In 2007-8, our students landed jobs at such institutions as Marshall University, Marquette University, the University of Scranton, Wesleyan College, Ohio University, Bloomsburg University, and Southern Oregon University. Five current students secured presidential fellowships, the most distinguished graduate student award by Ohio State University, while other students received fellowships from the American Research Institute in Turkey, the Fulbright Foundation, the Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst, and the U. S. Department of Education. Twenty-one of our incoming graduate students were awarded prestigious fellowships by the Graduate School—a record number and an indication that our program has a very bright future.

The succeeding pages also note several benchmarks in the lives of our faculty. This year, we welcomed the news that the Board of Trustees promoted Jane Hathaway to Professor and Mary (Mollie) Cavender to Associate Professor with tenure. And we extended a warm welcome in September 2008 to two new colleagues: Peter Mansoor as Associate Professor and Raymond E. Mason, Jr. Chair of Military History, and Scott Levi as Assistant Professor of Islamic and Central Asian History.

In 2007-8, our Center for Historical Research offered its first year of programming on the theme of “Crossroads of Globalization: ‘Hot Spots’ in the Early Modern World.” The second year of the “Hot Spots” program will focus on the Iberian empire, including Manila, Havana, Vera Cruz, Santa Fe, Lima, São Paulo, and Salvador de Bahia. We are confident that the Center will continue to shine as a source of inspiration and achievement.

Finally, the Department acknowledges with gratitude the many friends who support our mission with their financial generosity. These benefactors enable us to reward our very best students with awards and prizes, to subsidize the research of many students, and otherwise to enrich our teaching and research in countless ways. I am pleased to extend our deepest, collective thanks to all of our donors.
New Appointments and Growing Programs
Endowed Chairs

Members of the community show their appreciation for the Department of History and its work in numerous ways: by reading the scholarship we produce, attending public functions of the department, visiting our websites, pursuing their own study of history, and donating money to support our work.

For those with the means to make a large gift, the greatest impact is achieved by the donation of an endowed chair in some area of historical studies. The donor presents the department with a set sum which assures that there will always be a professor teaching in that field at Ohio State. Holding an endowed chair is one of the greatest honors for an academic, and those who receive it proudly use the name of the donor in their titles.

The Department of History is honored to possess a number of endowed chairs as well as several designated gifts—chairs which will be fully funded in the future.

The oldest endowed position in the Department is the Samuel M. and Esther Melton Chair of Jewish History and Studies. The Melton Chair was established in 1967 and is now held by Professor Matt Goldish.

Samuel Melton was a Columbus industrialist and philanthropist who established the position in the belief that Jewish history, thought, and culture are major elements in Western civilization meriting the highest level of scholarly investigation and research. The chair provided a stimulus for the university to expand its course offerings in Near Eastern languages, literatures, and history. The Melton Chair was the first chair given to the university by an individual rather than an organization, and is the first chair in Jewish history at a public university in the United States.

Professor Goldish’s major contribution has been the study of Jewish culture and ideas within early modern Christian and Muslim societies. His first book, Judaism in the Theology of Sir Isaac Newton, looked at how a tremendously influential European Christian thinker used Jewish ideas and writings in his own work. His second monograph, The Sabbatean Prophets, looks particularly at how an enormous seventeenth-century Jewish messianic movement was closely related to movements and ideas in the Christian and Muslim worlds. His latest book is Jewish Questions: Responsa on Sephardic Life in the Early Modern Period. It uses responsa—questions asked to Jewish legal authorities—to show what various aspects of life were like for the Spanish Jews in the centuries after their exile from Spain in 1492.

Samuel Melton’s example inspired his niece, Renée Levine, and her husband, George Levine, a highly successful businessman, to follow in his footsteps. They have designated the George and Renée Levine Chair in Jewish History.

Professor Peter Mansoor is the second scholar to hold the Major General Raymond E. Mason Jr. Chair in Military History, following Professor Allan Millett. The Mason Chair was established in 1993, and supports a specialist in 20th Century U.S. military history. The home of the Mason Chair is the Mershon Center for International Security Studies, where the Mason professor serves on the faculty advising board and participates in a wide range of activities.

General Mason, who donated the chair, graduated from Army ROTC at Ohio State in 1938. He served as an artillery officer in the Fourth Armored Division in Europe during 1944-1945, receiving a Silver Star for heroic leadership in the Battle of the Bulge. While managing his family’s multi-million dollar trucking company, General Mason remained active in the Army Reserve as an expert in transportation logistics. He retired as a Major General. General Mason is a generous philanthropist, giving money to the Worthington Presbyterian Church, the Fisher School of Business at Ohio State, the Columbus Symphony Orchestra, and the Boy Scouts of America, among others.

Read about Professor Peter Mansoor, the incoming Mason Chair, further in this newsletter. Read about the previous Mason Professor, Dr. Allan Millett, at http://mershoncenter.osu.edu/people/faculty/bio%20pages/millett.htm.

Professor Robert J. McMahon holds the Ralph D. Mershon Distinguished Professorship. Like the Mason Chair, the Mershon Professorship is a joint appointment between the Department of History and...
the Mershon Center for International Security Studies. Colonel Ralph D. Mershon was a man of action in public life. He organized the American engineers for service in World War I and led a public effort to create the Reserve Officer Training Corps. He was also an inventor who held a number of patents for his work in electrical engineering. Mershon died February 14, 1952, and is buried in Zanesville, Ohio. The Mershon Center and the Mershon Professorship are both supported by an original bequest by Colonel Mershon to The Ohio State University for the exploration of matters pertaining to national security.

Professor McMahon, who joined our faculty in 2005, is a specialist in the history of United States foreign relations in Southern Asia. His books include Colonialism and Cold War: The United States and the Struggle for Indonesian Independence, 1945-49; The Cold War on the Periphery: the United States, India, and Pakistan; The Limits of Empire: The United States and Southeast Asia since World War II; The Cold War: A Very Short Introduction; and Dean Acheson and the Creation of an American World Order. In addition to his prolific scholarly output and wide involvement in professional activities, Professor McMahon participates in the practice of government through his membership in the State Department Historical Advisory Committee, which oversees the declassification of government documents.

Professor Geoffrey Parker is the first holder of the Andreas Dorpalen Chair, created just before he came to Ohio State in January 1997. Andreas Dorpalen was a noted historian of modern Europe, and Professor Parker inherited many of his books and articles, which he keeps in his office. Professor Dorpalen was a prolific scholar of modern German history. Former students speak of him as a brilliant and challenging scholar who kept his students on their toes.

Professor Parker has taught thousands of students over the past forty years and advised dozens of doctoral students. Among his many publications are The Army of Flanders and the Spanish Road, The Military Revolution, The Cambridge History of Warfare, Times Compact History of the World, and The Thirty Years’ War. Professor Parker is considered one of the world’s leading early modern historians, not only for his path-breaking work in military history, but also for his part in the formulation of the theory positing a General Crisis of the Seventeenth Century. This pursuit has led him into the larger field of World History. In all, Professor Parker has written, edited, or co-edited 32 books. He is a member of the British Academy, a corresponding member of the Dutch and Spanish Royal Academies, and a Knight of the Spanish Crown. He is also a former Guggenheim Fellow and has won innumerable academic honors.

Professor Barbara Hanawalt holds the King George III Professorship of British History. The George III chair was given to the History Department by Carl Wilson Thomas (1925-1993) of Youngstown, Ohio. Thomas’ fascination with British royalty led him to name the chair after George III, a portrait of whom he purchased for the office of the chair-holder. Mr. Thomas fought in the navy during World War II and had great success afterward in business. In his retirement he came to Ohio State to participate in history courses with members of the department, and was inspired to donate not only the George III chair, but several additional large gifts.

Professor Hanawalt is a leading historian of medieval England and Europe. She came to Ohio State in 1999 after many years at Indiana University and the University of Minnesota. Professor Hanawalt’s scholarship is distinguished by her careful reading of documents, her interdisciplinary approach (particularly her use of sociology, anthropology, and literary analysis), and her concern with readers beyond the tiny circles of academic
specialists. Her first book was *Crime and Conflict in English Communities, 1330-1348*, for which she acquired additional training in criminology. She followed this study with *The Ties that Bound: Peasant Families in Medieval England; Growing Up in Medieval London: The Experience of Childhood in History; The Wealth of Wives: Women, Law, Economy in Late Medieval London; 'Of Good and Ill Repute': Gender and Social Control in Medieval England*; and numerous textbooks, edited volumes, and articles. Professor Hanawalt has, amazingly, found time in the middle of this prodigious scholarly program to make major contributions in university and professional service, as well as work on women’s rights.

**Professor Joseph Lynch** is the designated holder of The Joe R. Engle Chair in the History of Christianity. This chair was established in 2000 through the generosity of Mr. Joe R. Engle of Coshocton, Ohio, who has a long association with The Ohio State University. Mr. Engle graduated from Ohio State in 1943 with a degree in Industrial Engineering. After service in the Navy during World War II, he received a master’s degree in business administration from the Harvard Business School and launched a very successful career in sales and manufacturing. Mr. Engle, who now lives in New York City, has been guided in his philanthropic program by his strong Scottish roots and Presbyterian faith. He has donated several chairs in homiletics and the Joe R. Engle Institute of Preaching at Princeton Theological Seminary, as well as other major gifts connected with his religious interests.

Professor Lynch has taught at the Ohio State University since 1971. Among the highlights of his career here are his receipt of the Alumni Distinguished Teaching Award and the College of Humanities’ Exemplary Faculty Award, directorship of the Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, and chair of the Department of History. Professor Lynch’s research and a good part of his teaching are concerned with the history of Christianity between the second and the fifteenth centuries. His books include *Christianizing Kinship: Ritual Sponsorship in Anglo-Saxon England; The Medieval Church: A Brief History; Godparents and Kinship in Early Medieval Europe; and Simoniacal Entry into Religious Life from 1000 to 1260: A Social, Economic and Legal Study*.

Before being honored with the Engle Chair Professor Lynch already held a Distinguished University Professorship, an honor given to only thirty-two faculty members since the award was established in 1987.

**Professor Alan Gallay** holds the Warner Woodring Professorship of Atlantic History. Dr. Warner Woodring was a longtime professor of history at Ohio State, whose teaching inspired many students. Among them is an anonymous donor who endowed a chair to honor Dr. Woodring.

Professor Gallay’s work focuses on the interactions of Native Americans, Europeans, and Africans in early America. He has shown not only the relations between these cultural groups, but also connections between seemingly discrete areas of their lives such as religion, politics, and the economy. One of his major contributions to historical scholarship has been showing the importance of the enslavement of Native Americans to the evolution of the enslavement of Africans. Professor Gallay has published *The Formation of a Planter Elite: Jonathan Bryan and the Southern Colonial Frontier; The Indian Slave Trade: the Rise of the English Empire in the American South, 1670-1717;* and volumes of collected documents and essays. *The Indian Slave Trade* was honored with Columbia University’s Bancroft Prize and Professor Gallay has garnered numerous additional prizes and fellowships. He is currently writing a study of Sir Walter Raleigh and the origins of English colonialism.

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New Appointments and Growing Programs

New Appointments in the
History Department

The Department of History is delighted to announce the arrival of Scott C. Levi as a specialist in the history of Islamic Central Asia. He expands the range of our expertise in Islamic history to include the political and economic history of Central Asia from the medieval through the modern period, while also contributing to our current strengths in Eurasian history.

Scott Levi
Professor Levi comes to us from the University of Louisville, where he was Assistant Professor of Central Asian and Islamic World History. He completed his doctorate at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 2000, and has since maintained an active research agenda. From 2002 to 2004, he held a two-year postdoctoral research fellowship from the Social Science Research Council Eurasia Program. During this period, he spent his summers researching at the Abu Rayhan al-Biruni Institute for Oriental Studies in Tashkent, Uzbekistan. In 2006, he was named an International Scholar by the Soros Foundation Open Society Institute.

Professor Levi’s first book, *The Indian Diaspora in Central Asia and Its Trade, 1550-1900* (2002), surveys early modern commercial relations between India and Central Asia and examines the rise and decline of an Indian merchant diaspora. Drawing on original sources in the archives of Uzbekistan, the book illustrates how these far-flung merchants financed transregional trade and complex systems of rural credit and industrial production.

Professor Levi is currently working on a second monograph that examines the Khanate of Khoqand, an understudied Central Asian Islamic polity. Khoqand emerged, flourished, and collapsed on the eve of Russian colonial expansion into the region. This book will shed new light on Russian motivations to extinguish the Khanate and contribute to the political, cultural, and economic history of Asia during the Age of Imperialism. Professor Levi has also edited a volume of essays called *India and Central Asia: Commerce and Culture, 1500-1800*, and is engaged in co-editing a source reader on Islamic Central Asia.

At Ohio State, Professor Levi will teach a variety of courses on the medieval Middle East, the Mongols, and the Persian Empires, as well as broader surveys of modern world history, Islamic Central Asia, and the history of terrorism. His work on Islamic Central Asia will complement our current strengths in Islamic history. He will join his colleagues in the field, Professors Stephen Dale, Carter Findley, and Jane Hathaway. His work will also intersect with colleagues in Russian and Eurasian history, including Nicholas Breyfogle, Mollie Cavender, Theodora Dragostinova, and Jennifer Siegel.

Peter Mansoor

Professor Mansoor received his Ph.D. in 1995 here at Ohio State, where he worked with Professors Allan Millett and Williamson Murray. Prior to completing his doctorate he also gained teaching experience as an Assistant Professor at the United States Military Academy at West Point. His first book, *The GI Offensive in Europe: The Triumph of American Infantry Divisions, 1941-1945* (1999), was...
awarded the Society for Military History Distinguished Book Award and the Army Historical Foundation Distinguished Book Award. In this comprehensive study of American infantry performance in World War II, Professor Mansoor shows that the army owed much of its success in the European theater to its organizational capabilities and its capacity to adapt to combat in a variety of lethal environments. As the Wehrmacht disintegrated in the major battles of 1944-1945, American divisions gained the upper hand by relying upon superior logistical and personnel systems.

Professor Mansoor recently completed a second book, _Baghdad at Sunrise: A Brigade Commander’s War in Iraq_, a memoir of his first year in Iraq, published by Yale University Press (2008). Drawing not only on his own daily combat journal but also on observations by embedded reporters, news reports, combat logs, archived e-mails, and many other sources, he offers a contemporary account of the First Brigade during Operation Iraqi Freedom. Going beyond personal memoir or unit history, Professor Mansoor also provides a detailed, nuanced analysis of U.S. counterinsurgency operations in Iraq, and along with it, critically important lessons for America’s military and political leaders of the twenty-first century. _Publisher’s Weekly_ gave the book a starred review, characterizing it as “balanced, perceptive and merciless.”

At Ohio State, Professor Mansoor will assume a joint appointment between the Mershon Center for International Security Studies and the Department of History. Besides organizing speaking and conference events in the field of military history and national security studies, he will also teach a variety of courses in modern military history, including a course on World War II.

Professor Mansoor will be joining an illustrious group of military historians: Professors Harding Ganz, Allison Gilmore, Mark Grimsley, John Guilmartin, Tryntje Helfferich, Mark Kwasny, Michael Mangus, Geoffrey Parker, Nathan Rosenstein, and Jennifer Siegel. His understanding of modern insurgencies will add a new dimension to the department’s current strengths, while also keeping the program in military history on the cutting edge of the field.

### Visiting Associate Professor in Early Modern European History

In addition to our permanent appointments, the History Department is also happy to report that Professor Karen Spierling is joining us as a Visiting Associate Professor. Professor Spierling, who works on continental Reformation history, will broaden the department’s offerings in early modern European history.

Professor Spierling received her Ph.D. in 2001 from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She lived in Geneva for a year on a Fulbright Fellowship while researching her dissertation, and also won a fellowship from the Institut d’Histoire de la Réformation that funded additional research in Geneva. She comes to us from the University of Louisville, where she taught courses on the Reformation, the Renaissance, and early modern France, as well as more general surveys.

Professor Spierling has published widely on the social and religious impact of the Reformation in Geneva. Her first book, _Infant Baptism in Reformation Geneva: The Shaping of a Community, 1536-1564_, considers the power of ritual baptism to shape and sustain communal identities. She is currently doing research for a study entitled “‘Love Thy Neighbor’: The Preservation of Protestant-Catholic Relations in Reformation Geneva.”
**Winter College in Florida and More**

This past February Professor Judy Wu was invited to speak at OSU’s Winter College, a university program that provides opportunities for alumni to experience college-level lectures. She presented two workshops on the topic of “How Did World War II Internment Transform Ohio?” Her presentation was based on an oral history/documentary project that she coordinated for the OSU Asian American Studies Program during the Winter of 2005. Forty-two OSU students, ranging from undeclared sophomores to Ph.D. candidates in History, worked in groups to conduct interviews with Ohioans who had been placed in internment camps in the Second World War. The students filmed these oral histories and subsequently created documentaries of these individuals’ lives. In her presentations at Winter College, Professor Wu emphasized the ways in which internment led to the formation of new Japanese-American communities in the Midwest. The invitation to speak at Winter College was a singular honor for Judy.

Among the members of the audience for Professor Wu’s talk at Winter College was Professor Peter Hahn, Chair of the Department. Professor Hahn visited Winter College after several days of outreach activities in Florida. The evening before Winter College, he attended the presentation of the Everett D. Reese Medal to Margaret E. and Major General Raymond E. Mason, at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Sarasota. Awarded annually since 1984, the Reese Medal is the University’s highest award for exceptional service in private philanthropy. General and Mrs. Mason were recognized for their generosity in establishing the General Raymond E. Mason, Jr. Chair in Military History at the Mershon Center, a chair now held by Professor Peter Mansoor of the Department of History.

Professor Hahn was also privileged to address the Tri-County Alumni Association at The Villages, near Orlando. Some 150 loyal Buckeyes attended Professor Hahn’s evening lecture on the history of American foreign policy in the Middle East. The following morning, club officers welcomed Professor Hahn at a social gathering.

Among the many friends of Ohio State encountered by Professor Hahn in Florida was Susan E. Brown (BA, History, 1968), the benefactor of the new Paul W. Brown Award for Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching in the Departments of English and History. The award was established in memory of Susan’s father Paul W. Brown (BA, English, 1937). In Spring 2009, the College of Humanities will award a prize of $1,000 to a faculty member in the Department of History or English who exemplifies excellence in teaching undergraduates.
Professor Hahn also spent a wonderful afternoon with Dr. William and Mrs. Marion Sutton at their home in Dunedin. Dr. Sutton earned his MA (1937) and Ph.D. (1943) at Ohio State and served as Professor of English at Ball State University in 1947-1980. He had contacted Professor Hahn to discuss the possible donation of his personal correspondence with Mrs. Sutton and with his mother in 1943-46, when he served in the U.S. Army. Immediately recognizing the historical value of the collection upon reviewing it, Professor Hahn facilitated Dr. Sutton’s donation of it to the Ohio State University Library and Archives, where it is now part of the permanent manuscripts collection.

The Department was also privileged to facilitate another donation of significant historical materials to the University Library. Mrs. Ruth Morley donated the personal library of her late husband, Professor Emeritus Charles Morley, a collection that included many rare, valuable works in the history of Russia and Eastern Europe, many in the languages of that region.

The Morley collection was integrated into the holdings of the University Library over the summer.

The Department has engaged in several other development and outreach activities and milestones in the last year. It launched a new Alumni Lecture Series, with lectures by Professor Edward Larson of the University of Georgia in May and our own Mason Chair and Professor Peter Mansoor in October. The Alumni Lecture Series, supported through the generosity of Craig Zimpher (BA, 1968; MA, 1970) is designed to reconnect our alumni with the intellectual vibrancy of the Department. The Department also celebrated the Tenth Anniversary of the Harvey Goldberg Program for Excellence in the Teaching of History. These and many other development activities were expertly planned and arranged by the Goldberg Advisory Committee under the leadership of Professor Ken Andrien.
Academic year 2007-2008 was the first year of programming for the Center for Historical Research (CHR). Under the direction of Professor Alan Gallay, the Warner Woodring Chair in History, the Center hosted a Senior Fellow (historian Ana Maria Presta, University of Buenos Aires) and a Doctoral Fellow (archaeologist Neil Norman, University of Virginia), and scheduled a series of innovative programming sessions that attracted scholarly attention across campus and in academic circles across the country.

The theme of its current two-year program is “Crossroads of Globalization: ‘Hot Spots’ in the Early Modern World.” In Autumn 2007, the Center examined the significance of Potosi in Bolivia, the world’s foremost producer of silver and the fountainhead for the development of the modern world economy, and Ouidah in Benin, the second largest portal for the sale of Africans into the international slave trade. In Spring 2008 we examined four hot spots in North America: Charles Town, Quebec, Montreal, and Detroit. For academic year 2008-2009, the program expands into the Caribbean and Brazil, and then into the Pacific and Indian Oceans to hot spots in East Africa, India, China, Japan, and the Philippines. The global and interdisciplinary nature of the program seeks to understand the problems and processes of the modern world through their foundational development, and in particular, how specific locales had enormous impact on large regions and globally. The Center and its programming places OSU and the history department at the forefront of international universities that harness the talents of their faculty together with scholars around the world to address issues of momentous importance for humanity.

The CHR is joined by three visiting fellows in 2008-2009 for year-long residency in the department. These include senior fellow Joseph Miller from the University of Virginia, a world renowned scholar of Africa and former president of the American Historical Association; junior faculty fellow M. Kittiyia Lee, a historian/linguist with a Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins University, who specializes in the study of the indigenous languages of Brazil and their relationship to colonialism; and dissertation fellow Fabricio Prado, a native of Brazil, matriculating at Emory University, who examines the influence of South American merchant communities on the Rio de la Plata. Nine guest scholars from a variety of disciplines will also visit the CHR this year to offer public presentations and meet with students and faculty.

In 2009-2011, the CHR will undertake a new two-year program, “The Intersection of Diaspora, Immigration, and Gender.” We will explore in a comparative way the cultural transformation of both forced and voluntary migrant peoples and their host communities from the Ancient World to the present day.

CHR presentations have been well attended by the academic community, and we will be expanding the association of our programming with both undergraduate and graduate classes. Plans are also underway to increase the number of presentations for the Columbus community, and to host a conference in fall 2009. By all accounts the first year has been a huge success, and the department is excited by the opportunities before us to become an increasingly integral contributor to the university’s mission.
The Goldberg Center for Teaching Excellence has had a very busy year with a variety of new projects and continuing initiatives.

Goldberg Teaching Colloquium
During the 2007-2008 academic year, the Goldberg program sponsored another in a series of monthly teaching colloquia centered on ideas and best practices in classroom instruction. For the first time, the Colloquium was opened up to faculty and graduate students from other departments across the University, and we were pleased to welcome colleagues from English, Education, Women’s Studies, and the Library to the colloquium.

Technology and Teaching: a Goldberg speaker series
The Goldberg Program launched a new visiting speakers series entitled “Technology and Teaching.” The series invites scholars who are using technology and new media to enhance their teaching. The first speaker in the series was Bryan Carter, an associate professor of literature at the University of Central Missouri. Professor Carter presented “Building a (Virtual) Community: Bringing the Jazz Age to (Second) Life.” Carter has recreated 1920s Harlem virtually in Second Life, an on-line 3-D digital world. This project, Virtual Harlem, was one of the earliest full virtual reality environments created for use in the humanities and one of the first for use in an African-American literature course.

History Teaching Institute (http://hti.osu.edu)
Back to History (http://backtohistory.osu.edu/): The History Teaching Institute, in partnership with the Ohio Historical Society and the Clark County Educational Service Center, was awarded a three-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education’s Teaching American History program. Led by Kristina Markel, “Back to History” began in Fall 2007 and is a professional development program that serves K-12 social studies teachers. Thirty-two teachers participated in seminars led by OSU faculty on the U.S. Constitution, the American Revolution, and Ohio in the Civil War.

History in the Heartland II: Explore History (http://www.explorehistory.org/): Led by Dr. Stuart Hobbs, “Explore History” is a three-year professional development program for K-12 teachers of American history and social studies in twelve counties surrounding the OSU regional campuses. History department faculty from the regional campuses and from the Columbus campus provide lectures for weekend seminars and for the summer institute. Participating OSU faculty in 2007 included Steve Conn, Mark Grimsley, Bill Childs, Hasan Jeffries, Margaret Newell, David Steigerwald, Richard Shiels, Mansel Blackford, and Ted Dahlstrand.

Ohio Chautauqua: The History Teaching Institute received a grant from the Ohio Humanities Council to oversee an intensive, five-day Summer Institute for educators in conjunction with the OHC’s Ohio Chautauqua. Led by Kristina Markel, the Institute was open to all educators in grades K-12, and was organized on the theme of World War II. Eighteen educators from throughout Ohio participated in sessions led by Alan Beyerchen, Jon Hendrickson, Susan Hartmann, and Hasan Jeffries. The participants produced lesson plans that have been posted on the HTI website (http://hti.osu.edu/content/lp_oc.cfm).

Technology workshops: David Staley, Director of the Goldberg Program, delivered a number of lectures and workshops to K-12 social studies educators across the state on the topic of “Visual Composition in History: How to Use Digital Applications in the Classroom.” Dr. Staley helped teachers develop guidelines and standards for evaluating student-produced iMovies, PowerPoint presentations, webpages, and History Day exhibitions.

The Opper Project: In partnership with the Cartoon Research Library, The History Teaching Institute received a grant from donor Michael Kahn to conduct a teacher workshop to prepare lesson plans for the history classroom that utilize historic editorial cartoons from the Cartoon Research Library’s collection. Each lesson plan (tied to the State of Ohio’s academic content standards) includes high-resolution reproductions of editorial cartoons, learning objectives, downloadable worksheets, and assignment suggestions. The first phase of the Opper Project was launched in January 2007, the website for which resides on the History Teaching Institute site (hti.osu.edu/opper). Phase two of the Opper Project was carried out beginning in August 2007, and will include twelve more lesson plans to be introduced monthly over the course of the next year.
10th Year Anniversary

On May 30th, the Goldberg program celebrated its tenth anniversary with a short program and reception in Dulles Hall. The occasion allowed the program to invite back to Ohio State the president of the University of Connecticut Michael Hogan, who served as Chair of the History Department from 1993-1999, and who was instrumental in securing the necessary financial and institutional support to start up the Goldberg Program. Also invited back was John Tully, the first Director of the Goldberg Program from 1997-2004 and now an assistant professor of history at Central Connecticut State University. Both shared their reminiscences of the genesis and growth of the Goldberg program. The current Director, David Staley, provided an update on current Goldberg Program activities. Professor Peter Hahn shared his vision for the future direction of the Program over the next ten years. Several of Harvey Goldberg’s former students were also in attendance. They commemorated the life of Professor Goldberg, sharing stories of his extraordinary gifts as a teacher, mentor, and friend.
Edited by Professors Steven Conn and Nick Breyfogle, Origins is a free monthly on-line news magazine published by the Public History Initiative and eHistory in the History Department at The Ohio State University. It can be found at http://ehistory.osu.edu/osu/origins/ [the podcast is found at http://ehistory.osu.edu/osu/origins/podcasts.cfm].

In each issue of Origins, an academic expert analyzes a particular current issue—political, cultural, or social—in a larger, deeper historical context. In addition, Origins also includes podcasts, images, maps, graphs, timelines, and other material to complement the essay. In our first few months, we have already built a substantial readership.

Our purpose is to bring the broad expertise of the history department to a wider public in order to promote a fuller understanding of the world around us. We hope that it will prompt thought, debate, and learning. The final goal of Origins is to make us all more informed, engaged citizens.

Recent articles include:

Taiwan’s 2008 Elections: A New Direction for the ‘Other China’? by Christopher Reed (June, 2008)

2008 transformed the political landscape in the fledgling democracy of Taiwan. In both legislative and Presidential elections the Taiwanese people overwhelmingly voted to bring the Kuomintang Party back to power after almost a decade. Disgust over corruption helped fuel this change. Yet, underneath the results lie the long-standing, fundamental questions of what it means to be Taiwanese and what Taiwan’s relationship to China should be. Historian Christopher A. Reed puts these elections in context.

(Fore)Closing on the American Dream by Lawrence Bowdish (May, 2008)

The collapse of the housing market in the United States has had a serious impact on credit markets not just in the United States but around the world. Now, according to a recent New York Times report, international real-estate markets are feeling the effects of the American mortgage meltdown. As Ph.D. candidate Lawrence Bowdish demonstrates, the current mortgage crisis resulted because we have long seen home ownership as central to “the American dream” for all Americans, but have developed a “two-tiered” mortgage system which does not deliver on that dream equitably.

Beyond “Tribes”: Violence and Politics in Kenya by Claire Robertson (April, 2008)

The violence and turmoil that overtook Kenya in the wake of the disputed December 2007 Presidential elections came as a surprise to many in the world. Although Kenya has long been viewed as a source of stability on the African continent, the current strife has already killed more than 1,000 people and displaced more than 300,000. For historian Claire Robertson, this tragedy was not unexpected. While many analysts have attempted to explain the events as tribal warfare, Robertson reveals the unrest’s historical roots in the longstanding economic mismanagement and political corruption of both colonial and post-independence governments.

After Putin? Russia’s Presidential Elections by Marlene Laruelle (March, 2008)

The March Presidential elections in Russia look to be little more than a formality: a coronation for Vladimir Putin’s appointed successor. However, as Marlene Laruelle points out, this apparent simplicity masks a much more vibrant political process at work in the former superpower. Laruelle shows how current Russian politics cannot be understood outside of the traumas of the 1990s when Boris Yeltsin was President. Of late, she shows, the political situation has been characterized by a shift to centrist and growing Russian patriotism.
The Second Amendment Goes to Court by Saul Cornell (February, 2008)

For the first time in nearly three quarters of a century, the Supreme Court has agreed to hear arguments in a case involving gun control and the Second Amendment. The case comes amid swirling scholarly debates over the history and meaning of the Second Amendment. Constitutional historian Saul Cornell describes the shifting nature of Second Amendment scholarship over the last several years, and grounds the Second Amendment in its historical context.

The Politics of International Adoption by Peter Conn (January, 2008)

The Census Bureau has described in great statistical detail how the American family has changed dramatically over the last fifty years. Put bluntly: American families no longer look like the Cleavers. The practice of international adoption, which has contributed to this change, has not been without controversy. Peter Conn, Professor of English at the University of Pennsylvania, puts international adoption in context.

Conflict Termination: How to End—and Not to End—Insurgencies by John Guilmartin (December, 2007)

A sizeable majority of Americans are dissatisfied with the war in Iraq (and the less reported war in Afghanistan). How to end the war, however, remains unclear. The United States now faces a dilemma with historical precedents. In this essay, military historian Joe Guilmartin looks back at the post-World War II era to examine other examples of “conflict termination.” Professor Guilmartin brings a particular expertise to this task: in addition to being a distinguished historian, he flew helicopters in two tours during Vietnam, including during the evacuation of Saigon.


As Americans try to figure out the quagmire in Iraq, we have heard a great deal about factional differences between Sunni Muslims and Shi’a Muslims. While most of us have some sense that these groups have profound differences that have erupted into violence, few of us understand the historical roots of those differences. In this essay, Professor Stephen Dale gives us an introduction into that history.

Populism and Anti-Americanism in Modern Latin America by Justin Lance (October, 2007)

When George Bush took office, Mexico and the rest of Latin America looked to be a major focus of his foreign policy. With the events of September 11 and the war in Iraq, Latin America became a secondary concern for the Bush Administration. Yet while Americans have been focused on events in the Middle East, several Latin American countries have moved sharply to the left. Justin Lance, a graduate student in the Political Science Department at Ohio State, explains the origins of these developments and helps us understand what is happening in countries to the south.

Coming Attractions:
Look to Origins in the future for articles on...
- The history of the term “Islamic Fundamentalist”
- The politics and protests of the Olympic Games
- The fate of Kosovo
- Plunging fish stocks and the fishing industry
- The history of American counter-intelligence
- Australia’s water crisis
- North Korea and the world
History Department Reaches Out To Alumni

The Department of History is pleased to announce a new initiative designed to strengthen contacts with our alumni and friends. Thanks to generous support from Craig Zimpher, the Department will sponsor the Alumni Scholars Lecture Series, in which our own faculty will engage in conversations about their recent publications. Department Chair Peter Hahn hopes that alumni will meet the many new faculty who have joined the Department over the past few years and reestablish ties with professors they had while attending Ohio State. Three times per year, an OSU historian will discuss his or her current work in an informal setting, with plenty of time for questions and with a reception to follow. Our hope is that this new lecture series will help to integrate our alumni and friends into the intellectual life of the Department.

Professor Edward J. Larson (University of Georgia) kicked off the program on April 18, 2008. The title of his talk was "Magnificent Catastrophe: The Tumultuous Elections of 1800, America's First Presidential Election."

(L-R) Craig Zimpher, Professor Edward Larson, Professor Peter Hahn
Faculty Achievements and News
Faculty Honors and Research Awards

Every year our faculty win many awards and honors, but this past year we experienced a bumper crop. Members of our department were recognized for outstanding research, publications, teaching, and service. These honors were conferred by The Ohio State University and the College of Humanities, as well as national and international scholarly organizations.

Leslie Alexander was awarded with the Alumni Distinguished Teaching Award. This award annually recognizes a maximum of 10 faculty for outstanding achievement in teaching. Leslie was surprised by President Gee in her class during winter quarter.

Greg Anderson was honored at the Arts and Sciences Spring Reception (April 1st) as one of five finalists for the Outstanding Teaching Award, which is voted on annually by students from the five Arts and Sciences Colleges.

Michael Les Benedict received a Newberry Library (Chicago) Short-Term Fellowship for Individual Research, and a Mark C. Stevens Researcher Travel Fellowship (Bentley Historical Library, University of Michigan), and has been designated the Distinguished Historian for 2009 of the Society of Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era.

Kevin Boyle was awarded a TELR Research on Research Grant for summer 2007. He and his undergraduate research partner, Adam Heider (History and Political Science major) demonstrated the work they completed on August 21, 2007. Kevin’s book Arc of Justice has been chosen as this year’s campus-wide summer reading book at Oakland University, Rochester, Michigan.

Philip Brown received a three-year Scholar’s Award in the amount of $223,000 from The National Science Foundation to support his research project, “Coping with Natural Hazard Risk: Civil Engineering, Floods and Landslides in the Modernization of Japan.” He was awarded a Fellowship for Advanced Social Science Research on Japan from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission.

John Burnham, History and Medical Heritage Center, has learned that the Chinese edition of his book, How Superstition Won and Science Lost: Popularizing Science and Health in the United States (translated by Professor Niu Wei-Xing), has won recognition as one of the Top Ten in the National Library of China Wenjin Book Awards.

David Cressy was awarded a Bogliasco Foundation Fellowship for residency at the Liguria Study Center, Italy, in February-March 2008.

Theodora Dragostinova received the 2007 John O. Latrides Prize from the Modern Greek Studies Association, awarded on a biennial schedule for the best English-language dissertation on a Greek subject, a Short-Term Travel Grant from the International Research and Exchanges Board (IREX) for a research trip to Bulgaria this summer, and an ACLS Postdoctoral Fellowship in Southeast European Studies for the 2008-2009 academic year.

Lilia Fernández was awarded a postdoctoral fellowship at the Whitney and Betty MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies, Center for Ethnicity, Race, and Migration at Yale University. She was also awarded the Ford Foundation Diversity Postdoctoral Fellowship.

Alan Gallay served as an evaluator for the NEH 2007-2008 Fellowships.

Timothy Gregory was awarded a Packard Humanities Institute grant in support of the excavations at Isthmia’s project to study and write the proposal for options to protect the ancient Roman baths at Isthmia and a grant from the Kress Foundation for the Isthmia Excavations.
Barbara A. Hanawalt has received a grant from the Mershon Center for research on her new book, *Civic Order and Dispute Resolution in Fourteenth- and Fifteenth-Century London*.

Robin Judd received a Faculty Coca-Cola Critical Difference for Women Grant and a Faculty Grant for Research and Creative Activity in the Arts and Humanities.

Christopher Phelps was awarded a Visiting Research Fellowship for autumn 2008 to be in residence at the Center for the Humanities at Oregon State University.

Christopher Reed was awarded a Faculty Grant for Research and Creative Activity in the Arts and Humanities (jointly with Julia F. Andrews, Art History Department). He has been named to the Executive Board of the Historical Society for Twentieth-Century China, a national affiliate of the Association for Asian Studies.

Claire Robertson was awarded a Kirwan Institute Small Grant to support her Saint Lucia oral history project.

Stephanie Shaw has been named a Marta Sutton Weeks Fellow at the Stanford Humanities Center for 2008-2009. She has been appointed to the Organization of American Historians’ Frederick Jackson Turner Prize Committee for best first book for 2008. She has also accepted a three-year appointment (beginning in 2008) to the American Historical Association’s Wesley-Logan Prize for the outstanding book on the African diaspora.

Birgitte Soland has been elected a member of the Social Science History Association Executive Committee for a three-year term (2007-2010) and she has also been invited to join the Editorial Board of the *Journal of the History of Childhood and Youth* for a two year term (2007-2009).

David Stebenne has been awarded a Research Enhancement Grant from the College of Humanities to support research on his new book project, a political history of the United States from the 1930s through the 1960s.

Judy Tzu-Chun Wu has been selected as a “Top Young Historian” by the History News Network [http://hnn.us](http://hnn.us).

Lucy Murphy and Richard Shiels were awarded the Ohio Academy of History Public History Award for their project The Newark Earthworks Center. This Center is a multifaceted project to educate the public about the Newark Earthworks in Newark, Ohio. It facilitates the study of and teaching about Ohio earthworks and Native American History and Indian history and life.

Richard Ugland, the department’s Academic Program Coordinator, was awarded with the University’s top honor for Staff, the Distinguished Staff Award.

### The Faculty of Color Caucus

The Faculty of Color Caucus (Leslie Alexander, Alcira Dueñas, Lilia Fernández, Derek Heng, Hasan Kwame Jeffries, Ousman Kobo, Ahmad Sikangiga, Mythili Sreenivas, and Judy Tzu-Chun Wu) was awarded the University’s Distinguished Diversity Enhancement Award and the College of Humanities Diversity Enhancement award for their commitment to diversifying the faculty and student body, encouraging dialogue about diversity in the academy, fostering community outreach, building connections with our regional campuses, and providing a strong mentoring system. The surprise presentation was made at a faculty department meeting.
Faculty Achievements  

June 1, 2007 – June 1, 2008

Leslie Alexander’s book, *African or American?: Black Identity and Political Activism in New York City, 1784-1861*, will appear in autumn 2008 with University of Illinois Press. Her collection (co-edited with A.D. Nieves) called *We Shall Independent Be: African American Place Making and the Struggle to Claim Space in the United States* was published by University Press of Colorado. Professor Alexander presented papers at the meetings of the American Historical Association, the Caribbean Studies Association, the Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora, and the Organization of American Historians. She was honored with Ohio State’s prestigious Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching for 2008, and was nominated for the Distinguished University Faculty Mentor Award.

Greg Anderson presented talks this year at Indiana University (twice), Penn State, Ohio State, and California State University, Fresno, where he was honored as the annual Phebe McClatchy Conley Lecturer. He continues working on his new book concerning the “art of government” in classical Athens. Professor Anderson was recognized as one of five finalists for the Outstanding Teaching Award, presented each year by students from the five Colleges of Arts and Sciences.

Kenneth J. Andrien published “Legal and Administrative Documents,” in *Guide to Documentary Sources for Andean Studies, 1530-1900*, ed. J. Pillsbury. He delivered conference papers at Trinity College, University of Cambridge; the Colegio de México; Louisiana State University; and the College of Charleston. He continues to work on a book (in collaboration with Allan J. Kuethe) on the intersection of ideas, culture, and politics in the eighteenth-century Spanish Atlantic Empire. He is also conducting research on Church-State relations in eighteenth-century Peru.


James R. Bartholomew delivered papers at the East Asian Studies Center at Indiana University, and the annual meeting of the History of Science Society in Washington, D.C.

Michael Les Benedict published *The National Constitution Center*, the official publication of the National Constitution Center. He also published, “Amar the Biographer: The Constitutional Scholar as Constitutional Historian,” in the *Syracuse Law Review*; and “The Perpetuation of Our Political Institution: Lincoln, the Powers of the Commander in Chief, and the Constitution,” in the *Cardoso Law Review*. Professor Benedict delivered a series of lectures in Dalian China, as well as talks at California State University, Chico, George Washington University, University of Delaware, and the annual meeting of the American Historical Association in Atlanta. He received research support from the Library Company of Philadelphia and the Massachusetts Historical Society, as well as a travel and research grant from the Newberry Library. Professor Benedict was designated Distinguished Historian for 2009 by the Society of Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era.

Alan Beyerchen published “Clausewitz and the Non-Linear Nature of War: Systems of Organized Complexity,” in the collected volume *Clausewitz in the Twenty-First Century*, ed. H. Strachan and A. Herberg-Rothe. He presented a paper at the University of Minnesota and was honored for his teaching at the Order of Omega Faculty Recognition Banquet.


Stanley Blake (Lima Campus) presented a paper at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association in Atlanta, and is completing revisions to his new book.

Kevin Boyle’s article, “The Fire Last Time,” appeared in *The Washington Post*. He delivered lectures at the New York City Bar Association, the Department of Housing...
and Urban Development's National Policy Conference, the State of Michigan Mackinac Policy Conference, Oakland University, Lycoming College, the University of Michigan Law School, Business School, and Institute for Social Research, and a National Endowment for the Humanities seminar at Harvard University. Professor Boyle was honored with Ohio State's Distinguished Lecture Award for 2008. He was interviewed on CNBC, and on National Public Radio's Marketplace and Tell Me More programs.

Nicholas Breyfogle co-edited Peopling the Russian Periphery: Borderland Colonization in Eurasian History (Routledge), to which he contributed the article, "Russian Colonizations: An Introduction." He also edited Russian Religious Sectarianism, a thematic issue of Russian Studies in History, and served as editor of the online magazine Origins: Current Events in Historical Perspective (http://chistory.osu.edu/osu/origins/). His article, "Enduring Imperium: Russia/Soviet Union/Eurasia as Multiethnic, Multiconfessional Space," appeared in Ab Imperio: Studies of New Imperial History and Nationalism in the Post-Soviet Space. Professor Breyfogle presented papers at the University of Minnesota, the Harriman Institute at Columbia University, and Ohio State. He continues work on his next book, "Baikal: the Great Lake and its People."

Cynthia Brokaw published "Book History in Premodern China: The State of the Discipline I," in Book History. She presented a paper at Harvard University, and received an American Humanities in China Grant from the American Council for Learned Societies.

John Brooke's book, Columbia: Civil Life in the World of Martin Van Buren's Emergence, 1776-1846, will appear shortly with the Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture through University of North Carolina Press. He published "Spheres, Sites, Subjectivity, History: Reframing Antebellum American Society," in the Journal of the Early Republic. Professor Brooke has stepped down from his two-year stint as vice-chair of the Department of History, and his year as President of the Society of Historians of the Early American Republic. He delivered a Presidential Address at the SHEAR meeting in Philadelphia.

Philip Brown is spending 2008 based in Niigata, Japan on a Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Abroad award. He also received a Fellowship from the National Endowment for the Humanities/Japan-United States Friendship Commission and a three-year grant from the National Science Foundation. Professor Brown published "The Controlling Urge? Contours of a Study of Flood and Landslide Management in the Modernization of Japan," in The Environmental Histories of Europe and Japan: "Unification, Consolidation and Tokugawa Rule," in A Companion to Japanese History, ed. W. Tatsui; and "Corporate Land Tenure in Nineteenth-Century Japan: A GIS Assessment," in Proceedings of "Historical Maps and GIS." He continues to edit Early Modern Japan: An Interdisciplinary Journal. This year Professor Brown presented papers at the Oxford-Kobe Seminar in Kobe, Japan; Nagoya, Japan; Niigata University; Ohio State; the National Institute for Technology and Liberal Education; Kenyon College; and the Social Science History Association annual meeting.

John Burnham's recent publications include "A Perfectly Staged 'Concerted Action' Against Psychoanalysis: The 1913 Congress of German Psychiatrists" (with Erst Falzeder), in International Journal of Psychoanalysis; and "Accident Proneness (Unfallneigung): A Classic Case of Simultaneous Discovery/Construction in Psychology," in Science in Context. His book, How Superstition Won and Science Lost: Popularizing Science and Health in the United States, appeared in a Chinese translation, which won recognition as one of the Top Ten in the National Library of China Wenjin Book Awards. He presented two papers at the joint meetings of Cheiron and the European Society for the History of the Human Sciences in Dublin, one of which was at a symposium organized around his recent article on the New Freud Studies. He was Distinguished Lecturer at the History of Science Society meetings in Arlington, Virginia, and presented talks at the annual meetings of the American Historical Association in Washington, and the Université libre de Bruxelles.

She organized the forum on race and the American family which was published in the January 2008 issue of the Journal of Family History, which included her introduction and comment.

Mary W. Cavender (Mansfield Campus) published Nests of the Gentry: Family, Estate and Local Loyalties in Provincial Russia (University of Delaware Press).

William Childs was appointed to the Editorial Board of the Business History Review (Harvard Business School). He presented a paper at the annual meeting of the Organization of American Historians in New York City.

Alice Conklin published “Ethnology on the March in Interwar France,” (in French) in The Century of Germaine Tillion, ed. T. Todorov; and “Skulls on Display: Scientific Racism in Paris’ Museum of Man, 1920-1950,” in Museums and Difference, ed. D. Sherman. Professor Conklin delivered talks at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, the Humanities Center at Research Triangle Park (Durham, North Carolina), and at the annual meeting of the Society for French Historical Studies.

Steven Conn continues to focus on his role as the Department of History's first Director of the Public History Program.

Saul Cornell and thirteen other senior historians co-authored an amicus brief filed with the U.S. Supreme Court in District of Columbia v. Heller, the first Second Amendment case to reach the high court in almost 70 years. The court cited this brief, and several justices cited Professor Cornell’s articles as well as his book, A Well Regulated Militia. He appeared on two National Public Radio shows to discuss the case. Professor Cornell published “The Original Meaning of Original Understanding: A Neo-Blackstonian Critique,” in Maryland Law Review; and “The Anti-Federalists: The Other Founders of the American Constitutional Tradition?” in History Now.

David Cressy was on sabbatical during winter and spring quarters at the Liguria Study Center in Italy and All Souls College, Oxford, where he completed archival research for his forthcoming book, Dangerous Words: Scandalous, Seditious and Treasonable Speech in Pre-Modern England. Professor Cressy delivered talks at the Universities of Arizona, Oxford, Cambridge, York, and London.

Frederick Dahlstrand (Mansfield Campus) continues his service as Associate Dean of the Mansfield Campus.

Stephen Dale is spending the year on a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship. He was appointed the south Asia editor for Encyclopedia of Islam. Professor Dale presented a paper at the EHESS in Paris.

Robert Davis went to Gibraltar and Morocco to consult for a History Channel special called “Pirates: Terror in the Mediterranean,” part of the series Digging for the Truth.

Theodora Dragostinova received the 2007 John O. Iatrides Prize from the Modern Greek Studies Association for the best English-language dissertation on a Greek topic. She published “Speaking National: Nationalizing the Greeks of Bulgaria, 1900-1939” in Slavic Review. Professor Dragostinova also received a grant from the International Research and Exchanges Board for summer research in Bulgaria and an ACLS Postdoctoral Fellowship to complete her book.


Lilia Fernández presented papers this year at the American Studies Association annual meeting in Philadelphia, the University of Kansas Latino Studies Conference, and the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. At Ohio State she presented papers before the Modern U.S. Seminar and the Faculty of Color Caucus Writing Workshop. She also received two postdoctoral fellowship awards for 2008-2009, one from Yale University, and the other from the Ford Foundation.

Making History
Carter Findley was on leave for part of this academic year to complete and revise his new book, *Turkey, Islam, Nationalism, and Modernity*. His paper, “Globalism is the Natural State of Mankind,” was published in German translation in *Area Studies and the World* (in German). He also published a discussion of his *The Turks in World History* (in Turkish) in *Turk Yurdu*. He gave invited presentations at the George Wells Knight House and at the University of Munich. He also made conference presentations at the World History Association and at the International Congress of Asian and North African Studies in Ankara. A highlight of his year was representing Ohio State at the inauguration of Drew Gilpin Faust, Harvard’s first woman president.

Carole Fink published “The League of Nations System of Minority Protection (1920-1939)” in *Peace in Europe: Civic Institutions and Power between the Two World Wars*, ed. M. Petricioli. She delivered papers at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Stanford University and gave the keynote address at the “1968” conference at Chestnut Hill College in Philadelphia. She received research grants from Ohio State’s Mershon Center to continue research for her book about West Germany and Israel, and to support the Mershon Network of International Historians, a global network of scholars which she founded and directs. Professor Fink was also very active in professional organizations and as a public lecturer.


Harding Ganz (Newark Campus) continues his research on the German 11th Panzer Division and the US 4th Armored Division, which fought each other in Lorraine in 1944.

Martha Garland serves as Vice Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Studies.

James Genova (Marion Campus) presented a paper at the annual conference of the Society for Cinema and Media Studies in Chicago, and a paper at our department’s Graduate Methodology Seminar.

Allison Gilmore (Linna Campus) presented a paper at the annual meeting of the Society for Military History in Frederick, Maryland. She was on a sabbatical in 2007-2008 to complete her monograph analyzing the historical significance of the Allied Translator and Interpreter Section.


Timothy Gregory spent 2007-2008 as a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellow at the American School of Classical Studies in Athens. He published “Contrasting Impressions of Land Use in Early Modern Greece: The Eastern Corinthia and Kythera,” in *Between Venice and Istanbul: Colonial Landscapes in Early Modern Greece*, ed. S. Davies and J. L. Davis. He gave lectures at Psychiko College in Athens (in Greek), the Gennadeios Library with the American School of Classical Studies at Athens, and the annual meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America. Professor Gregory led excavation tours and received funding from the Packard Humanities Institute and Kress Foundation for his excavation at Isthmia.

Harvey J. Graff published *The Dallas Myth: The Making and Unmaking of an American City* (University of Minnesota Press); edited *Literacy and Historical Development: A Reader* (Southern Illinois University Press); and co-edited (with Robert F. Arnowe) a new edition of his book *National Literacy Campaigns and Movements: Historical and Comparative Perspectives* (Transaction Publishers). Professor Graff also published (with John Duffy) “Literacy Myths,” in *Encyclopedia of Language and Education*; and “History’s War of the Wor(lds): An Afterword,” in *The History War: Essays and Narratives on Ideology*, ed. S. G. Magnusson. Professor Graff delivered talks at the Society for the History of Children and Youth Biennial Meeting at Linkoping University, Norkoping, Sweden; the Social Science History Association Annual Meeting in Chicago; and the University of Pennsylvania. He received funding for his continued research from the Council on Academic Affairs, and the Arts and Sciences Colleges.
Mark Grimsley published “A Lack of Confidence”: Benjamin F. Butler; and “More than ‘A First Rate Clerk’: Henry W. Halleck,” in Grant’s Lieutenants, Volume II: From Chattanooga to Appomattox, ed. S. E. Woodworth. He gave talks at the School for Advanced International Studies, the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, Rice University, the Neil Armstrong Air and Space Museum, the Organization of American Historians annual meeting, and the Heritage Center of Clark County. He accepted an invitation to be the Harold K. Johnson Visiting Professor of Military History at the U.S. Army War College. Professor Grimsley writes a regular column for World War II magazine and continues to maintain an award-winning blog on military history. He is completing a book on 1864 as a pivotal moment in American history.


Donna Guy gave talks at the conference of Jewish Latin American Studies in Buenos Aires; the University of Texas, Austin; Michigan State University; and Grand Valley State University. She published “Shifting Notions of Family and N. N. (Ningun Nombre),” in Latin American Perspectives; a revised, expanded version of her article on Jewish philanthropic women in Rethinking Latin American Jews, ed. J. Lesser and R. Rein; and “The Jewish Hospital in a Changing World,” in Spanish in Travesias (Argentina).

Peter L. Hahn completed his second year as department chair. He spoke at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association in Washington, D.C., and at Wright State University. Professor Hahn continued as Executive Director of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations and (with Professor Mitchell Lerner) co-hosted the 2008 SHAFR annual meeting at the Ohio State campus.

Stephen Hall gave talks at the Schomburg-Mellon Humanities Institute at the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture in Harlem, New York; and at the University of South Florida in Tampa. He received a University Libraries Enhancement Grant to develop new teaching materials for his courses.

Barbara Hanawalt edited (with Lisa Kiser) Engaging with Nature: Essays on the Natural World in Medieval and Early Modern Europe (University of Notre Dame Press). She contributed an essay, “Rebel Leader Confronts King at Smithfield, 1381,” to I Wish I’d Been There, ed. B.

University Distinguished Lecturer, Kevin Boyle

Professor Kevin Boyle delivered his University Distinguished Lecture on March 5, 2008. Titled “The Splendid Dead: An American Ordeal,” Boyle’s talk offered a new reading on the iconic case of two immigrant working men, Nicolo Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti, who were executed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for a murder they didn’t commit. Professor Boyle said that the complexity of terrorism came to him while he was researching for a book on another age of terror in the United States. Looking back on the early twentieth century, said Professor Boyle, offers clues on the complexity of “the new age of terror” we live in.

The University Distinguished Lecture was inaugurated in 1996 as one of the University’s highest honors for a senior faculty member. The Office of Academic Affairs presents an award of $5,000 to the University Distinguished Lecturer to designate for a purpose that promotes the academic goals of the lecturer’s college and/or of the University. Professor Boyle has designated this award for use by the Foster Rhea Dulles Memorial Fund to support graduate students working in 20th century American history.
Hollinshead and T. K. Rabb. Professor Hanawalt delivered papers at Ohio State and Pennsylvania State University.

**Susan Hartmann** published “Gender and the Transformation of Politics,” in *The Columbia History of Post-World War II America*, ed. M. C. Carnes, as well as the fourth edition of her co-authored textbook, *The American Promise* (Bedford-St. Martins Press). Professor Hartmann was also active in conference and professional activities.

**Jane Hathaway** published *The Arab Lands under Ottoman Rule, 1516-1800*, with contributions by Karl K. Barbir (Addison Wesley Longman/Pearson Education), as well as “The Exalted Lineage of Rıdvan Bey Revisited: A Reinterpretation of the Spurious Genealogy of a Grandee in Ottoman Egypt,” in *International Journal of Turkish Studies*; and “Harems,” in *Encyclopedia of Sex and Gender*, ed. F. Malti-Douglas, et al. Professor Hathaway delivered a paper at a conference on “Egypt under the Ottomans” in Cairo and lectured for three weeks at the Sorbonne on her research about the Ottoman Chief Harem.


**Derek Heng** (Marion Campus) presented papers at the International Conference of Asian Scholars in Kuala Lumpur, the International Conference on Belonging, Membership and Mobility in Global History at the University of Minnesota, the American Archaeological Institute (Columbus chapter), and the International Studies Forum at Ohio University. His book on medieval Sino-Malay relations will appear shortly with Ohio University Press. Professor Heng was awarded a travel grant from the Office of International Affairs to conduct research in Singapore; and a research grant from the Mershon Center for a project entitled “Caught in between: Society, Economy and State Formation of the Malay Region in the Pre-Modern Era.”

**Daniel Hobbins** delivered lectures on Joan of Arc at Bowling Green State University and at Ohio Northern University, and participated in a round table on the late medieval crisis at the 2008 meeting of the American Historical Association in Washington, D.C. His book *Authorship and Publicity before Print: Jean Gerson and the Transformation of Late Medieval Learning* will be published with the University of Pennsylvania Press in early 2009.

**David Hoffmann** presented a paper at the Midwest Conference of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies. He received a Mershon Center Faculty Research Grant to support work on his forthcoming book on Soviet state interventionism.

**Michael Hogan** completed his first year as President of the University of Connecticut.

**Thomas Ingersoll** (Lima Campus) continues research on his book about loyalism in revolutionary New England.

**Hasan Kwame Jeffries** used his year away from Ohio State as a Ford Foundation Fellow to complete his forthcoming book on civil rights and Black Power in the Alabama Black Belt. He also presented papers at the American Studies Association Annual Meeting; the State University of New York, Geneseo; the Alabama Department of Archives and History; and the Equal Justice Initiative of Alabama. In addition, he received a 2008 Sphinx Senior Class Honorary & Mortar Board Senior Honor Society Distinguished Faculty Award.

**Robin Judd** published *Contested Rituals: Circumcision, Kosher Butchering, and German-Jewish Political Life, 1843-1933* (Cornell University Press) and delivered book talks in London, Boston, Wellesley, Albany, New York City, and Columbus. She also presented her new work concerning European war brides at the Association for Jewish Studies Conference in Toronto and at the American Jewish Archives in Cincinnati. She received the Coca-Cola Critical Difference for Women Faculty Grant, a Melton Center Faculty Award, and a Grant for Research and Creative Activity in the Arts and Humanities. Professor Judd was also promoted to the position of Associate Professor.


Mitch Lerner (Newark Campus) published “Trying to Find the Guy who Invited Them: Lyndon Johnson and the 1968 Czech Coup,” in Diplomatic History; and “Biting the Land that Feeds You: The United States and North Korea in the Cold War and Beyond,” in Diplomacy and Statecraft. He spoke at Chestnut Hill College. Professor Lerner will also receive research support from the Lyndon Johnson Foundation and the Dwight Eisenhower Foundation, as well as the Mershon Center at Ohio State.

Joseph Lynch was inducted into the 125-member Society of Fellows of the Medieval Academy of America at the annual meeting of the Medieval Academy of America in Vancouver. He joins Barbara Hanawalt who was inducted into the Society in 2001.


Lucy Murphy (Newark Campus) published “Married Into the Tribe: Fur Trade Wives and Mothers in the Post-Fur Trade Era,” in Le Journal, the Journal of the Center for French Colonial Studies. She presented papers at the conference on “Early American History, 1600-1877, in Global Perspective,” in Tianjin, China; the Newberry Library Fellows Seminar; the annual meeting of the American Society for Ethnohistory in Tulsa, Oklahoma; and several cultural organizations. Professor Murphy, along with Professor Richard Shiels, was awarded the Public History Award from the Ohio Academy of History for the creation of the Newark Earthworks Center on the Newark Campus.

Margaret Newell presented papers at the Omohundro Institute for Early American History and Culture Conference in Williamsburg, Virginia; the National Endowment for the Humanities seminar on slavery sponsored by the Harriet Beecher Stowe Center in Hartford, Connecticut; and at Miami University.

Christopher Otter published “Making Liberal Objects: British Techno-Social Relations 1800-1900,” in Cultural Studies. He gave talks at the History of Science Society Conference in Washington, D.C.; the North American Conference on British Studies in San Francisco; the University of Manchester; and the National Gallery in Washington D.C.

Geoffrey Parker published “August 9, 1588: The Spanish Armada (Almost) Surrenders,” in I Wish I’d Been There, Book Two, ed. B. Hollinshead and T. K. Rabb; an Estonian translation of his book, The Times Compact History of the World; and a Turkish edition of his book, The Military Revolution (with new Preface). Three of his articles on military history were reprinted in Warfare in Early Modern Europe 1450-1660, ed. P. Hammer. Professor Parker delivered lectures at the State University of New York campuses in Binghamton and Buffalo; University of Notre Dame; University of Windsor, Canada; University of Akron; and University of Warsaw. He was honored with an appointment as Distinguished University Professor.

in *International Labor and Working-Class History*; “On Socialism and Sex,” in *New Politics*; and “Two Letters from 1936 on Science & Society, Marxist Quarterly, and The New Republic,” in *American Communist History*. Professor Phelps presented papers at the University of British Columbia, York University in Canada, and the National Archaeological Museum in Athens, Greece.

Christopher Reed published “Taiwan’s 2008 Elections—A Historian’s View,” in *Origins—Current Events in Historical Perspective*; “Gutenberg and Modern Chinese Print Culture: The State of the Discipline II,” in *Book History*; and several encyclopedia entries. He received a Grant for Research and Creative Activity in the Arts and Humanities from Ohio State, and spoke at the Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica, in Taipei, Taiwan, and the University of Macao. Professor Reed remains very active in professional service, translation, and editing as well.


Kristina Sessa guest edited a volume of *Journal of Early Christian Studies* (15:2) entitled “Holy Households: Domestic Space, Property and Power.” Her own essay, “Christianity and the Cubiculum: The Spiritual Politics of Domestic Space in Late Antique Rome, appears in this volume as well. In addition Professor Sessa published “Domestic Conversions: Households and Bishops in the Late Antique ‘Papal Legends’,” in *Religion, Dynasty and Patronage in Early Christian Rome*, 300-900, ed. K. Cooper and J. Hillner. She delivered two papers at the annual Conference on Patristic Studies in Oxford, as well as papers at the annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature in San Diego; the American Historical Association meeting in Washington, D.C.; the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; and the Women’s Studies Colloquium at Ohio University.

Stephanie Shaw served as a member of the Organization of American Historians’ Merle Curti Prize Committee and the Southern Historical Association’s John Hope Franklin Prize Committee for service to the profession. She presented an invited Centennial Session paper at the OAH meetings in Minneapolis and an OAH Distinguished Lecture at Xavier University. She continues to serve on the Editorial Boards of the *Journal of Southern History* and *Women’s History Review*. She received a Marta Sutton Weeks Faculty Fellowship from the Stanford Humanities Center for the 2008-09 academic year where she expects to complete her book on female slaves in the antebellum South. She has just completed a draft of a book on W. E. B. Du Bois’ *The Souls of Black Folk*.

Richard Shiel (Newark Campus) was awarded the Public History Award (together with Professor Lucy Murphy) from the Ohio Academy of History for the creation of the Newark Earthworks Center on the Newark Campus. He continues as Director of the Newark Earthworks Center.
Jennifer Siegel spent this year away from Ohio State on a fellowship from the Smith Richardson Foundation. She presented papers at the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies annual meeting and the American Historical Association annual meeting. Professor Siegel also gave talks at Aberystwyth University (Wales, United Kingdom), Florida Atlantic University, Duke University, and an interdisciplinary conference organized by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

Ahmad Sikainga spoke at the University of Pennsylvania and Marshall University this year. He was also interviewed on National Public Radio.

Stephanie Smith delivered a talk at the Conference of Latin American History, the Latin American arm of the American Historical Association. Her new book on gender during the Mexican Revolution will appear shortly with the University of North Carolina Press.

Birgitte Soland presented an invited lecture on “Scouting, Youth Cultures and Social Transformations in the Twentieth Century” at the “Scouting: A Centennial History Symposium,” in Baltimore, Maryland. She also presented a public lecture entitled “Image and Reality: Children and Childhood in European History,” at the Columbus Museum of Art. She is currently working on book about the history of dependent children, entitled “Other Peoples' Kids: Orphanages, Foster Care and Child Welfare in Modern America.” She received a College of Humanities Research Enhancement Grant to support this project. She remains highly active in professional service and community outreach.


David Stebenne delivered talks this year at the Business History Conference in Cleveland, Ohio; Vantage House in Columbia, Maryland; the University of Arkansas-Little Rock; the Howard County Central Library in Columbia, Maryland; Howard Community College in Columbia; and the Policy History Conference in St. Louis. In addition, Professor Stebenne has given public lectures and been a regular visitor on WOSU radio’s “Open Line” show commenting on the presidential campaign. He received a Research Enhancement Grant from the College of Humanities to support work on his current project, a political history of the United States from the 1930s through 1960s. He has been granted Faculty Professional Leave during 2008-2009 to begin research on that project.

David Steigerwald (Marion Campus) published (with Michael Flamm) Debating the Sixties: Liberal, Conservative, and Radical Perspectives (Rowman & Littlefield). He delivered a lecture at Ohio Wesleyan University and was active in both campus and public service.

Margaret Sumner (Marion Campus) presented papers at the National Conference for the Society for American City and Regional Planning History in Portland, Maine; the annual meeting of the Organization of American Historians; the Berkshire Conference on the History of Women; the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic; and the Ohio Seminar in Early American History and Culture.
Heather Tanner (Mansfield Campus) published “Henry I’s Administrative Legacy – The Significance of Place-Date Distribution in the Acta of King Stephen,” in Henry I and the Anglo-Norman World: Studies in Honor of C. Warren Hollister ed. R. S. Babcock and D. S. Fleming. She lectured at the University of Leeds and in a number of public venues. She and her colleague, Dr. Lee J. McEwan, were awarded an Ohio State University Excellence in Engagement Grant (April 2008) for the Mansfield Young People’s Project.

Dale Van Kley published “Storia globale, storia locale,” in Samnium. He delivered papers at a colloquium on “Les relations religieuses entre la France et les Pays-Bas du Nord,” at the Université Jean Moulin-Lyon III; Notre Dame University; the University of Utrecht; Université de Paris I (Panthéon-Sorbonne); and the annual meeting of the Society for French Historical Studies in New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Warren Van Tine continues to work on his biography of millionaire socialist, H. Gaylord Wilshire, and a history of the Hocking Valley, Ohio miners in the late nineteenth century.


Historian Allan R. Millett To Receive 2008 Pritzker Military Library Literature Award For Lifetime Achievement

Allan R. Millett has been selected to receive the 2008 Pritzker Military Library Literature Award for Lifetime Achievement in Military Writing. The Pritzker Military Library Literature Award recognizes a living author for a body of work that has profoundly enriched the public understanding of American military history.

The Director of the Eisenhower Center for American Studies and Ambrose Professor of History, University of New Orleans, and the Maj. Gen. Raymond E. Mason, Jr. Professor Emeritus of Military History, The Ohio State University, Dr. Millett is author of many books including Semper Fidelis: The History of the United States Marine Corps; The Politics of Intervention: The Military Occupation of Cuba, 1906-1909; The General: Robert L. Bullard and Officerhood in the United States Army; and in Many a Strife: General Gerald C. Thomas and the U.S. Marine Corps. Millett also has become a specialist of international stature on the history of the Korean War. Four of his books are on the required reading list for officers of the U.S. Armed Services. Dr. Millett has written more than thirty articles for such publications as International Security, The Americas, Armed Forces and Society, Strategic Review, Journal of Strategic Studies, and Military History Quarterly. The Department heartily congratulates Dr. Millett on this prestigious and richly deserved award.
Books

BOOKS PUBLISHED FROM JUNE 1, 2007-JUNE 1, 2008

Michael Les Benedict published the official publication of the National Constitution Center, *The National Constitution Center* (National Constitution Center, 2007). The National Constitution Center is an independent, non-partisan, and non-profit organization dedicated to increasing public understanding of, and appreciation for, the Constitution, its history, and its contemporary relevance.

Mansel G. Blackford published the third edition of his book, *The Rise of Modern Business: Great Britain, the United States, Germany, Japan, and China* (University of North Carolina, 2008). This standard work compares the development of modern business economies in several countries, with an emphasis on the influence of political, social, and cultural changes on business practices. This edition devotes extra attention to issues of the environment and to the progress of business in Germany and China.

Nick Breyfogle co-edited *Peopling the Russian Periphery: Borderland Colonization in Eurasian History* (Routledge, 2007). This volume focuses attention on the often-forgotten fact that Russia was a major colonizing power. Essays explore the policies, practices, and experiences of Russian colonization.

Nick Breyfogle edited *Russian Religious Sectarianism*, a special issue of *Russian Studies in History* (Winter, 2007-8). In this collection attention is turned to the very important history of minority religious positions in Russia and their relationship to Russian political and social conditions. These movements had implications not only for Russian history, but for larger questions of minority and religious rights in Europe and beyond.

John Burnham (History and Medical Heritage Center), published a Chinese translation of his book, *How Superstition Won and Science Lost: Popularizing Science and Health in the United States*, with a new preface to the Chinese edition by the author (Shanghai Scientific & Technological Education [originally published by Rutgers University]). This pioneering work arrives at the surprising conclusion that despite our enormous successes in technology, the culture of the United States is still steeped in a "functional equivalent" of superstition, purveyed mainly by sensationalist media.

Mary W. Cavender published *Nests of the Gentry: Family, Estate, and Local Loyalties in Provincial Russia* (University of Delaware, 2007). This work combats the image of a Russian gentry that abandoned the countryside for urban luxury. It examines the rural life of gentry, focusing on concentric circles of relationships—family, estate, province, country—as well as the identities and loyalties of nobles.

David Cressy published *England on Edge: Crisis and Revolution 1640-1642* (Oxford University, 2007), in its first paperback edition. This study discusses the collapse of the government of Charles I, the subsequent disintegration of the Church of England, and the chaos that led to the Civil War. Cressy argues that the huge changes in English thought and life in the later seventeenth century were less a product of the Civil War than of developments already underway in 1640 to 1642.

David Cressy's book *Coming Over: Migration and Communication between England and New England in the Seventeenth Century* has been re-issued in paperback by Cambridge University Press (2007). This volume teaches about the variety of reasons for which English people emigrated to America in the seventeenth century and how their English connections and roots continued to shape the direction of the colonies.

Robert Davis published a pocket book French translation of his 2003 book *Christian Slaves, Muslim Masters* (Babel, 2007). This book looks at the little-known world of European captives held by north-African Muslim masters—the famous Barbary Coast slave trade. This phenomenon was in fact important around the Atlantic and Mediterranean for a long period, and had surprising effects on European society.

Alan Gallay's book *The Formation of a Planter Elite: Jonathan Bryan and the Southern Colonial Frontier* has been re-issued in paperback with a new preface (University of Georgia, 2007). Gallay shows that Bryan, who rose from obscure origins to become one of the wealthiest and most powerful men in colonial Georgia, was not as conservative as were most of his peers. He was an explorer in both the geographical and ideological senses.

Matt Goldish published *Jewish Questions: Responsa on Sephardic Life in the Early Modern Period* (Princeton University, 2008). Goldish describes the dispersal of Sephardic (Spanish) Jews around the Mediterranean and Atlantic worlds after 1492. He then presents texts of legal questions asked by Sephardic Jews to their rabbis as a window into their everyday lives.

Matt Goldish co-edited (with Daniel Frank of the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures) *Rabbinic Culture and Its Critics: Jewish Authority, Dissent, and Heresy in Medieval and Early Modern Times* (Wayne State University, 2008). This collection of essays, with a large introduction by the editors, demonstrates that there were always dissenting voices questioning the leadership of the Jewish community.

Harvey J. Graff edited *Literacy and Historical Development: A Reader* (Southern Illinois University, 2007). This collection of essays presents some of the most important historical scholarship on literacy in Europe and the United States over the
past three decades. The approaches, research, and conclusions reflected here have collectively changed how historians and many others conceptualize literacy.

Barbara A. Hanawalt co-edited (with Lisa J. Kiser) Engaging with Nature: Essays on the Natural World in Medieval and Early Modern Europe (University of Notre Dame, 2008). These essays originated in a lecture series by the same name held by the Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies. They address the paradoxical fact that although medieval and early modern authors and artists were constantly aware of the natural world as a backdrop to their lives, they seldom discussed nature as a subject in itself.

Jane Hathaway published The Arab Lands under Ottoman Rule, 1516-1800, with contributions by Karl K. Barbir (Pearson/Longman, 2008). This is the first comprehensive survey of its topic in four decades. Hathaway introduces the diverse groups that made up Ottoman Arab society: government officials, merchants, shopkeepers, peasants, religious scholars, women, ethnic and religious minorities. It shows how their fortunes changed during these pivotal centuries and demonstrates how Ottoman rule transformed the region's political, economic, intellectual and religious life.

Robin Judd published Contested Rituals: Circumcision, Kosher Butchering, and Jewish Political Life in Germany, 1843-1933 (Cornell University, 2007). She demonstrates that circumcision and kosher butchering became focal points of political struggle among the German state, its municipal governments, Jews, and Gentiles. These rituals acted as a political and cultural touchstone over almost a century. Judd explores the nature and escalation of the ritual debates as they transcended the boundaries of the local Jewish community to include non-Jews who sought to protect, restrict, or prohibit these rites.

Stephen Kern published a fourth edition of the Italian translation of The Culture of Time and Space with a new preface (Bologna, il Mulino, 2007). This renowned volume deals with the sweeping changes in technology and culture between 1880 and World War I that created new modes of understanding and experiencing time and space. To mark the book's twentieth anniversary, Kern provides a new preface about the breakthrough in interpretive approach that has made this a seminal work in interdisciplinary studies.

Robert McMahon published with Thomas Paterson Major Problems in the History of the Vietnam War (Houghton Mifflin, 2007) in a fourth, revised edition. This textbook uses both primary sources and scholarly essays to challenge students' thinking about the experiences of soldiers in the Vietnam conflict.

Allan Millett published The Korean War (Potomac, 2007). This bibliography guides the researcher through the studies of the build-up to the war, its strategic aspects, the roles of China and the United Nations as well as the United States, and the events following the withdrawal of U.S. forces.

Lucy Eldersveld Murphy co-edited (with Rebecca Kugel) Native Women's History in Eastern North America before 1900: A Guide to Research and Writing (University of Nebraska, 2007). This anthology is a guide to the significance, experiences, and histories of Native women. It brings together sixteen classic essays on the subject, along with new commentaries, many by the original authors. The essays cover a broad range of research methods and sources offering insight into the lives of Native American women.

Geoffrey Parker published a Ukrainian edition of his Compact Atlas of World History. This short work presents the past as a continuing process that informs our understanding of the present. It is intended for worldwide use and presents a record of events often neglected in the West.

Geoffrey Parker published The Times Compact History of the World, 5th edition, in a new Italian edition, La Rivoluzione Militare (Il Giornale, 2008). This work covers major events around the globe from the rise of modern humans to the Kosovo crisis of the 1990s. It has been republished numerous times in various languages.

Tina Sessa guest edited a volume of the Journal of Early Christian Studies, vol. 15:2 (2007) entitled "Holy Households: Domestic Space, Property and Power." This collection began as a conference panel examining late Roman households from a variety of aspects—law, archaeology, material culture, and family life. The published essays expand on those themes, pointing to new directions for the further study of the late antique Christian household.

Mythili Sreenivas published Wives, Widows, and Concubines: The Conjugal Family Ideal in Colonial India (Indiana University, 2008). The family was at the center of intense debates about identity, community, and nation in colonial Tamil Nadu, India. This is the first detailed historical study of Tamil families in colonial India. It maps changes in the late colonial family in relation to the region's culture, politics, and economy. Wives, Widows, and Concubines won the Joseph W. Elder Prize in the Indian Social Sciences.

David Steigerwald's Debating the 1960s: Liberal, Conservative, and Radical Perspectives (co-authored with Michael Flamm) has appeared as part of Rowman & Littlefield's Debating History series. This volume explores the decade through the controversies between radicals, liberals, and conservatives. The focus is on four main areas of contention: social welfare, civil rights, foreign relations, and social order. It also examines the emergence of the New Left and the modern conservative movement, combining analytical essays and historical documents.
Conference News

Vagantes

From February 28 to March 1, 2008, the medieval graduate students at OSU hosted Vagantes, a graduate student conference for those studying any aspect of the Middle Ages. The conference travels every year and was first hosted by Harvard in 2002, followed by Toronto, Cornell, Berkeley, and Notre Dame. OSU graduate students spent four years preparing to host the conference. The conference featured approximately forty papers given by students from as far away as Edinburgh and Stanford. Barbara Hanawalt of OSU and Elaine Treharne of Florida State provided keynote addresses.

The Cold War as the Periphery: Global Change in the 1960s and Beyond

Professor Robert McMahon, along with graduate students Ryan Irwin, Ursula Gurney, and Paul Chamberlin organized a conference entitled “The Cold War as the Periphery” on April 18-19. Building on the success of last year’s “The Global Impact of 1956” conference, this event brought together junior faculty and upper-level graduate students to discuss the nature of global change in the late 1960s. The goal was to reevaluate the centrality of the Cold War in the period following second-wave decolonization. Panelists examined cracks within the Western alliance system, relations between the global South and the superpowers, and the social movements which challenged traditional binaries of East-West and North-South.
Thomas and Diann Mann Symposium

From May 18 to 19, the Melton Center for Jewish Studies hosted the annual Thomas and Diann Mann Distinguished Symposium Series, which took the form of a conference called “Jewish and Christian Mystical and Messianic Movements in their Social and Religious Contexts: The Eastern European Case.” A group of fourteen scholars came to OSU from the United States, Europe, and Israel to participate. The conference addressed the following paradox: Jews and Christians lived in proximity for centuries in Poland, Russia, Romania, and Hungary. When a mystical or messianic movement occurred among Jews or Christians, the other group knew all about it. Yet modern scholars who study these groups in isolation have often overlooked this interaction. This conference was a major step toward remedying that isolation. Plans to publish the proceedings are in progress.

SHAFR Summer Institute

SHAFR’s inaugural Summer Institute was held at Ohio State University on June 21-26, 2008. Peter Hahn and Bob McMahon co-facilitated the program, which involved twelve faculty from colleges and universities across the United States and abroad. The 2008 Institute, organized on the theme “War & Foreign Policy: America’s Conflicts in Vietnam and Iraq in Historical Perspective,” involved in-depth discussions of the literature on the U.S. experiences in Vietnam and Iraq and of strategies for presenting such research in the classroom.

The John Burnham Lecture

Professor John Burnham, longtime member of the Department of History, has held appointments in the Department of Psychiatry and Medical Heritage Center at Ohio State since his retirement. He is one of the country’s most distinguished historians of modern medicine and science. The Lecture Series is co-sponsored with the Medical Heritage Center.

On November 1, 2007, Professor Toby Gelfand of the Department of History of Medicine, University of Ottawa delivered the fifth annual John C. Burnham lecture in the History of Medicine and Science. Professor Gelfand’s research interests include medicine in France from the Enlightenment to Vichy, medical biography, and the history of neurology and psychiatry. His talk was entitled “La famille névropathique, Or, How Heredity Became a Dogma for Nervous Disease.”

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Reflections on Fifty Issues of The Newsletter

John Burnham and John Rule (First Editors)

It is remarkable that fifty years after the first issue of a Departmental newsletter, the founding editor and his chief successor are still present and able to reconstruct how this institution came into existence and evolved.

The initiative to found a newsletter came from Harold Grimm, who was then the Chair of the Department. Having seen a few fragmentary efforts from other departments, he observed that we were mature enough and with enough stature that we should have a newsletter. He commissioned a junior faculty member, John Rule, to assemble it, and together they devised a set of guidelines. Those guidelines were followed for decades afterward.

Professor Rule approached the university printers who set up the format and masthead. The first issue of the newsletter was four pages in length. Over the years, as the faculty and Ph.D. alumni increased in numbers, the size of the newsletter naturally increased, eventually reaching its present 64 pages.

Some members of the History faculty did not approve of the newsletter, and they ignored Professor Grimm's first circular call for information. One was the most prolific publisher in the Department, Foster Rhea Dulles. John Rule therefore went to Mr. Dulles' office and manipulated him into confirming that, yes, he had published a new book, which he affected to have a hard time remembering.

John Rule was editor for six years. Although he sometimes acted as editor after that, the editorship passed largely into the hands of John Burnham. Along the way, assignment to the newsletter committee became a common experience for new junior faculty members.

When Michael Hogan became Chair, he was well aware of the importance of the newsletter in publicizing the accomplishments of the department nationally. He therefore began a transition into a slick-paper production with illustrations that would make an impression both inside and outside of the university in the world of the 1990s. Rich Uglad had come on board, and he took on major responsibilities along with John Burnham. Gail Summerhill, the Chair's administrative associate, who had been a major resource and information manager for gathering and coordinating material, oversaw the redesign of the newsletter. Within two years, this group accomplished a remarkable transformation in the newsletter.

And the rest, one must say, is history.


Congratulations are in order to a Department that has so immensely improved itself over the past forty or fifty years. No one outside a major university can understand the lengthy process involved in upgrading a mature faculty, modernizing the fields of study, and establishing an ever-higher reputation among one's peers internationally. A whole succession of energetic deans and chairs, wise and forward-looking faculty, visionary presidents and provosts must cooperate for decades for such advancement—and they have done so in building our department.
In my own experience, a crucial turning point in the life of the department came when a committee was appointed to develop standards for assessing colleagues for promotion and tenure. We became the first department in the university to take this step. The committee, from all ranks, developed standards that all realized would likely select out some of our treasured junior colleagues. But committee members made the tough, and right, decisions, and the department adopted their recommendations. Anguish followed, but we never retreated from those enhanced standards.

So, colleagues, you are making all our former students and retired professors immensely proud as you build visibility and reputation for the Department of History. May you go forward in that same cooperative spirit that marked our earlier years of rapid development.

Gary W. Reichard (Chair, 1977-1981)

Let me add my congratulations to the men and women who make up the sterling Ohio State History Department of today, on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary issue of Making History. Clearly, the department has grown steadily more brilliant in the quarter-century (!) since I left Ohio State.

The History Department in the seventies and early eighties was very different from today. The department recruited at least three successive large faculty “classes” in the early seventies—many of them newly-minted Ph.D.s. The mixture of these new faculty with about equal numbers of distinguished senior faculty made for a productive and high-energy department, but it was not a diverse mix. There were, at most, five women in the department at any one time—and perhaps four faculty members of color. And several very important parts of the world went “un-taught.” Today’s department is clearly a different universe—and vastly better for the changes.

Congratulations to the department for its successful efforts to become the high-quality, diverse department that it is today. Generations of History alums are surely grateful, as the increased luster adds distinction to their degrees.

Warren Van Tine (Chair, 1985-1989)

During my years as chair, I was blessed by John Burnham’s willingness to edit the annual newsletter. My chairship was among the last not to be overwhelmed by the constant pressure to find donors, and the number of awards handed out to outstanding faculty and students by both the department and university was modest. By today’s public relations standards the newsletter was a modest endeavor, with few photos, and those in black-and-white. Progress back then was moving from typewritten to computer composed. Yet, despite the old newsletters’ more humble appearance, its primary accomplishment was the same as today’s—to bind current and past faculty, students, alumni and friends together. By reading about the ongoing, wide-ranging accomplishments of previous residents of Dulles (and before that Page and University) Hall, we all gain a better appreciation of the foundation for the department’s current excellence.

Joseph Lynch (Chair, 1989-1993)

When I was chair, I was quite ill for much of the time and, to be frank, those years are now a blur. To compensate, I just reread the two newsletters that appeared while I was chair. They reminded me of a great deal. For instance we were coping with budget cuts arising out of an economic downturn. On the one hand, the Department had a comforting rhythm it still observes. It hired (8 new faculty in 1990/1991); it saw colleagues move on in their careers; it noted with sadness the deaths of colleagues; it celebrated fellowships, publications and other honors won by faculty, graduate students, undergraduates and alumni. On the other hand, I could detect a trajectory or at least a direction in which the Department seemed to be moving, thanks to the efforts of my predecessors as chair. I could see signs that the Department was moving upward in quality, although I could not then imagine how far we have risen.

I have only a single anecdote about the development of the Newsletter itself. At one point in my chairship, I asked the editor about upgrading to better paper, better illustrations and the like. He told me “no.” I accepted that verdict, so one of my successors had the glory of issuing the aesthetically nicer Newsletter! How I yearn now for that glory.

Michael Hogan (Chair, 1993-1999)

When I became department chair, I recall the newsletter being called The Newsletter, though I could be wrong. John Burnham had devoted himself to the project for years and had done a good job. It was a plain and simple publication that mostly recounted what our faculty and alums had been doing the previous year. There were no stories, or photos, or color, and the mailing list was small. At the time, the department was gearing up to make some impressive advances. We had plans that led eventually to the Goldberg Center, the Departmental Distinguished Teaching Award, the Selective Investment Award, and several senior appointments, among other
It seemed to us that we needed to do more to celebrate and promote our successes, and one way to do that was to overhaul our newsletter, which we did.

I wanted to limit the annual bio blurbs to about a third of the publication, and add more pages on departmental happenings, from new appointments, to awards, prizes, and other news that would highlight the department’s national reputation and scholarship. I also wanted to send the results to a larger group, including chairs and graduate directors at the top hundred departments or so. We added photos as well, and began to introduce as much color as the budget would allow.

It was not initially called Making History. The original title of the new newsletter was Making Time. That was my invention and I liked it, but Susan Hartmann did not. After a couple of issues had appeared she came to tell me that the phrase “making time” had implications I had not been aware of, and she wanted it changed. That change came a little later, after Leila Rupp became department chair. Other than that, the evolution of the newsletter has been seamless, I think. It has had a run of good editors and a dedicated staff who, between them, have made it the best departmental newsletter in the country. The whole department owes a debt to Gail Summerhill and Rich Ugland, among others, for their tireless work on the newsletter, which I still read cover to cover, all these years later.

Leila Rupp (Chair, 1999-2002)
You may find this hard to believe, but as I sit at my computer in my office at the University of California, Santa Barbara, and look out the window at the sun sparkling on the Pacific, I miss Dulles Hall. Not for its architectural splendor (which I well remember Steve Conn describing in the film we made to celebrate some anniversary of the department), but for the intellectual vitality, technological pioneering, and, especially, the deep friendships I found there. I read every new issue of Making History with amazement at the accomplishments of former colleagues and those who have joined the department since I left, not to mention the wonderful new programs the department continues to develop. So happy 50th anniversary to Making History (and you can thank me for changing the name from Michael Hogan’s ill-conceived Making Time)!

Ken Andrien (Chair, 2002-2006)
When I became department chair in the summer of 2002, I became deeply involved in preparing our annual newsletter, Making History. As a faculty member I had never paid much attention to the newsletter, and as department chair I never expected that it would be a priority item on my yearly agenda. I was aware that my predecessors, Mike Hogan and Leila Rupp, had made significant improvements in the annual publication, moving it from a black-and-white listing of faculty and graduate student annual reports to a glossy publication with photos and stories about departmental accomplishments. Working with the first summer with Nick Breyfogle, Rich Ugland, and Gail Summerhill to plan Making History, I realized that our annual publication was an excellent vehicle to publicize widely the department’s many achievements in scholarship, teaching, and service. Over my tenure as chair my enthusiasm for the newsletter grew, and each year I became more invested in the success of the publication.

We organized each issue to highlight a particular program-Islamic history, African-American history, Early American/Atlantic history, and Chinese history—which we featured on the cover and with a lead article in Making History. We continued the policy of including articles on major publications, awards, and new hires.

During my four years as chair, the department hired twenty-two faculty members, and my colleagues published an impressive number of books and articles and garnered an extraordinary array of fellowships, grants, and awards. As a result, there was always plenty to include in Making History. We also included articles on the department’s many outreach programs, administered through our Harvey Goldberg Program for Excellence in Teaching. The History Department also received funding for a Center for Historical Research, and our annual newsletter was an excellent vehicle for publicizing this vibrant new program. Finally, we introduced annual profiles of our distinguished alumni—Brian Linn, Glenda Riley, Ray Stokes, and George Cotkin—to underscore the importance of our graduates and celebrate their accomplishments. We even went to an all-color publication, which made an even more attractive statement of our collective achievements. When attending various meetings and conferences, colleagues from other institutions often commented favorably on Making History, and on the impressive accomplishments of our department at Ohio State.

One of the many things that I learned during my four years was that department chairs can accomplish very little without the active support and assistance of faculty, staff, and graduate students. It was the same with the newsletter, which reflected the hard work of our faculty editors and members of the department’s loyal, dedicated staff. Without their efforts, Making History would have never evolved into the impressive publication that we have come to expect each year.
Onward and Upward

The Department of History celebrates the promotions of two distinguished colleagues: Mary (Mollie) Cavender (Mansfield Campus) to associate professor, and Jane Hathaway to professor.

Mary Cavender is a specialist in the cultural, social, and intellectual history of eighteenth- and nineteenth-century Russia. Her book *Nests of the Gentry: Estate and Local Loyalties in Provincial Russia* appeared with the University of Delaware Press in 2007. Challenging the assumption that Russian gentry cared only for the cosmopolitan life of the large capitals, it demonstrates that an important segment of the gentry had a deep loyalty to life in the provinces during the period 1820-1860. The book thus constitutes a revision to our understanding of social patterns and affinities in nineteenth-century Russia. In addition to many course offerings on the history of Russia, Professor Cavender teaches the challenging world civilization survey, as well as a history of eighteenth- and nineteenth-century Britain.

Jane Hathaway specializes on Islamic and world history, with a particular interest in Egypt and Yemen under the Ottoman Empire before the nineteenth century. Her first book, *The Politics of Households in Ottoman Egypt: The Rise of the Qazdaglis* (1997), draws attention to the pivotal role of the household in the political culture of the Ottoman empire, as a set of patron-client ties going well beyond kinship. It was translated into Turkish in 2001. Her second book, *A Tale of Two Factions: Myth, Memory, and Identity in Ottoman Egypt and Yemen* (2003), won the Ohio Academy of History's 2005 Publication Award. She has also edited two volumes of selected papers (2001, 2002) from a conference on “Mutiny: Narrative and Event in Comparative Perspective.” In 2006, she published a short biography, *Beshir Agha, Chief Eunuch of the Ottoman Imperial Harem*, as a prelude to a major study of the Chief Harem Eunuchs in the Ottoman Empire. This study, which has been funded by major grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Council of Learned Societies, will elucidate the importance of the Eunuch in Ottoman religious, intellectual, and political culture by exploring the careers of four Ottoman Chief Eunuchs. It promises to offer important new insights into slavery, gender, and court culture in all premodern empires where eunuchs were found.
We are deeply saddened to report the loss of longtime colleagues and alumni of the department.

Associate Professor Emeritus Eugene J. Watts passed away on November 11, 2008 at the age of 66. He was born on October 17, 1942 in St. Louis Missouri. Professor Watts graduated from Knox College in 1964. He received his M.A. from Emory University in 1965 and the Ph.D. in History from Emory University in 1969. He taught at Indiana University for a year before coming to Ohio State in 1972, where he taught until he retired in December 2000.

Professor Watts introduced to Ohio State courses on “Quantitative Methods in Historical Research and Analysis” and “The History of American Police and Criminal Justice.” He also regularly taught a course on recent U.S. history. These were also the areas of his research, which bore fruit in the publication of numerous articles in prestigious journals and a monograph, *The Social Bases of City Politics: Atlanta, 1865-1903* (1978). At the time of his death he was researching a book tentatively entitled “Damn Good Copper: The St. Louis Police in the Twentieth Century.” In recognition of his scholarship, Professor Watts was the recipient of fellowships from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Council of Learned Societies.

In 1984, Professor Watts successfully ran as a Republican for the Ohio State Senate from the 16th District. He was continuously reelected to the office until 2000, when he was no longer eligible to run because of term limitations. During these years, Professor Watts adjusted his position with the University to part-time to accommodate his Senate duties. Many a day when the legislature was in session, he could be seen darting out of the classroom at the sound of the bell to rush downtown for a debate or vote. As a state senator, Professor Watts did much to promote Ohio State, and highlighted his ties to the University with his yearly challenge to his state senatorial counterpart in Ann Arbor. Whichever senator represented the losing side in the Ohio State vs. Michigan game had to publicly sing the opponents fight song. Professor Watts timed his retirement from the University to coincide with his departure from the Ohio Senate.

Professor Watts served in the U.S. Army in Vietnam and rose to the rank of Captain. He was subsequently active and held leadership positions in several veteran organizations.

Professor Watts is survived by his wife, Cynthia Tait-Watts; daughters and son-in-law, Julia Watts and Christopher Coleman, and Mackenzie Mulrane Watts; step-son John Tait; and step-daughter, Caroline Tait.
Our Alumnae and Alumni News
Jane Berger (Ph.D. 2007) accepted an appointment as visiting assistant professor at Cornell University’s Institute for Labor Relations.


Rowly Brucken (Ph.D. 1999), Norwich University, delivered talks at the University of Oklahoma at Tulsa and the University of Vermont. He also received the Homer L. Dodge Award, Norwich University’s highest teaching honor.

Michael Bryant (Ph.D. 2001), Bryant University, presented a paper on the Reich Night of Broken Glass pogrom trials at an international conference in Cologne, Germany, and published several articles, including “Back into the Unmasterable Past: Southwest Germany and the Judicial Odyssey of Mayor Reinhard Boos,” in Human Rights Review. He also was an in-residence participant in the 2007 Silberman Seminar for Law Faculty, “The Impact and Legacy of the Holocaust on Law,” U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum.

Greta Bucher (Ph.D. 1995) was promoted to full professor at the U.S. Military Academy, West Point. She published her second book, Daily Life in Imperial Russia.

Jason Chambers (Ph.D. 2001), University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, published Madison Avenue and the Color Line: African Americans in the Advertising Industry. He recently finished serving as head of the Advertising Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication.

Xiaoming Chen (Ph.D. 1995), Ohio Wesleyan University, published From the May Fourth Movement to Communist Revolution: Guo Moruo and the Chinese Path to Communism.

John Cinimprich (Ph.D. 1977), Thomas More College, gave presentations at Kennesaw State University’s Civil War Symposium and at the Organization of American Historians convention. As a member of Phi Alpha Theta’s advisory board, he served as the national representative at the Kentucky Regional Conference (University of Louisville). He also chaired two sessions at the honorary’s national convention in Albuquerque.

Victoria Clement (Ph.D. 2005), Western Carolina University, published “Changes in Turkmen Alphabets, 1904-2004” in Daily Life in Central Asia, ed. by Jeff Sahadeo and Russell Zanca. She lectured at Turkmenistan’s Cultural Heritage Institute, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan, the Centre for Civil Society, London School of Economics, the MIRAS Institute, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan, and the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London. The National Endowment for the Humanities awarded her a fellowship for the project, “Building Civil Society through Private Educational Initiatives in Turkmenistan, 1990-2009.” She is co-chair of the 2008 Central Eurasian Studies Society conference at Georgetown University, and has been appointed a Visiting Fellow at Leeds Metropolitan University in England.

Richard Cole (Ph.D. 1963) delivered two papers on German Reformation topics, one at the Sixteenth Century Studies Conference and the other at the Society for Reformation Research session at the International Congress of Medieval Studies. He published an article “A Mirror Image of Sigmund Skard?”

Paul Knaplund and the Role of the Historian between European and American Cultures.”

Leo Daugherty (Ph.D. 2001) published The Allied Resupply Effort in the China-Burma-India Theater During World War II and “A Leatherneck Reports: The Correspondence of a Naval Attaché to St. Petersburg in World War I, Lieutenant General James Carson Breckinridge, USMC on Russia, 1916-19,” in the Journal of Slavic Military Studies. He presented papers at conferences of the Society for Military History, the U.S. Army Center of Military History, and at Western Kentucky University, and moderated a panel at a conference at Austin Peay State University. In June he married Dr. Rhonda L. Smith, who teaches at Alice Lloyd College in Pippa Passes, Kentucky.

James Estes (Ph.D. 1964), University of Toronto, published “Christian Magistrate and Territorial Church: Johannes Brenz and the German Reformation,” Essays and Studies 12 (Toronto: Centre for Reformation and Renaissance Studies). He gave the Plenary address (in English), “Luther’s Attitude toward the Legal Traditions of His Time,” at the 11th International Congress for Luther Research, Canoa, Brazil, and lectured on “Luther and Canon Law” at Syracuse University.


Jelani Favors (Ph.D. 2006), Morgan State University, was awarded the John Hope Franklin Humanities Institute Fellowship at Duke University for the academic year 2008-2009. He is revising his dissertation for publication.
Linda Frey (Ph.D. 1971), University of Montana, and Marsha Frey (Ph.D. 1971), Kansas State University, jointly edited Daily Lives of Civilians in Wartime Europe, 1618-1900 and continue to serve as series editors for Greenwood Guide to Historic Events, 1500-1900. In tandem they published “Brissotins,” “Jenn-Baptiste Carrier,” “Camille Desmoulins,” “Edmond Charles Edouard Genêt,” “Levee en masse,” and “Gouverneur Morris,” for the Encyclopedia of Political Revolutions and New Ideologies, 1760-1815, ed. by G. B. Fremont-Barnes. Both Marsha and Linda received a short term fellowship for individual research at the Newberry Library, and both chaired sessions at the Western Society for French History meeting in Albuquerque. Marsha continues to serve on the editorial board of Teaching History, and recently received a Chapman research grant and Institute for Military History and 20th Century Studies travel and research grant. Marsha was recently appointed a member of the Kansas State Advisory Committee, United States Commission on Civil Rights. The falling dollar did not prevent the twins from travelling — together, to conduct research at Merton College in Oxford.

Jeffrey Giauque (Ph.D. 1999) is a Foreign Service officer with the U.S. Department of State.

Steven Gietschier (Ph.D. 1977) will be losing his position as Managing Editor for Research at The Sporting News after more than twenty-one years of service. The company that owns The Sporting News, located in St. Louis since 1868, is moving the magazine’s editorial offices to Charlotte, North Carolina, and closing its research center. The future of the research center’s collections is uncertain. Prior to receiving this news, he finished the 2008 edition of the “Complete Baseball Record Book,” a web-only publication, and served as chair for the convention of the Society for American Baseball Research, a gathering that set a record for attendance.

William W. Giffin (Ph.D. 1968) received Indiana State University’s highest award for faculty, the President’s Medal, for outstanding faculty performance in teaching, scholarship, and professional service.

Bryon Greenwald (Ph.D. 2003) retired from the U.S. Army after twenty-seven years of service in various locations in the United States and Europe. Most recently, he commanded the Army base at Fort Bliss, Texas and served as the Chief of Staff for Joint Capability Development at the U.S. Joint Forces Command in Norfolk, Virginia. He is now assistant professor of military history and theory at the Joint Advanced Warfighting School (JAWS), Joint Forces Staff College, also in Norfolk. JAWS enrolls approximately forty U.S. and international military officers and government civilian students each year and awards a masters degree in joint campaign planning and strategy.

Marilyn (Lyn) Hegarty (Ph.D. 1998), The Ohio State University, published Victory Girls, Khaki-Wackies, and Patriots: The Regulation of Female Sexuality During World War II.

Donald Hempson (Ph.D. 2006) is teaching in the International Studies program of The Ohio State University.

Paul Hibben (Ph.D. 2002) is in the historical Office of the U.S. Department of State.

Stuart Hilwig (Ph.D. 2000) is teaching history at Adams State University.

Neal Hitch (Ph.D. 2005) published volume 3 of the Greenwood Encyclopedia of Homes Through American History. He is director of the National Museum of the Turks and Caicos Islands in the British West Indies, and is now living just south of the Bahamas in an area they call Paradise.

Stuart Hobbs (Ph.D. 1993), The Ohio State University, remains the Director of the History Teaching Institute, conducting outreach for the History Department. One teacher commented on his program: “History in the Heartland has easily been the most beneficial professional development I have participated in during my teaching career.” Stuart made a presentation on evaluation issues at the U. S. Department of Education’s Teaching American History Project Directors conference in New Orleans.

Marianne Holdzkom (Ph.D. 1995) is now an assistant professor of history at Southern Polytechnic State University. She delivered two papers at both a regional and the national conference of the Popular Culture/ American Culture Associations. She is currently working on a chapter entitled “Disney’s History: American History meets Mainstreet U.S.A.” for an edited book on Disney’s documentaries and docudramas.

Pippa Holloway (Ph.D. 1999), Middle Tennessee State University, is the editor of Other Souths: Diversity and Difference in the U.S. South, Reconstruction to Present. Her book, Sexuality, Politics, and Social Control in Virginia 1920-1945, won the 2007 Willie Lee Rose Prize from the Southern Association for Women Historians.


Eric Karolak (Ph.D. 1994) continues as Executive Director of the Early Care and Education Consortium, a non-profit alliance of America’s...
leading national, regional, and independent providers of quality early learning programs. Consortium members operate more than 7,600 licensed centers for nearly 800,000 children in 49 states and the District of Columbia. He was invited to testify before the Committee on Education and Labor of the U.S. House of Representatives on “Investing in Early Education: Paths to Improving Children’s Success.” The written testimony and video of the hearing are archived on the committee website at http://edlabor.house.gov/hearings/fc-2008-01-23.shtml.

Stanley Kutler (Ph.D. 1960), Emeritus Fox Professor of History & Law, University of Wisconsin, is the historical adviser for a forthcoming HBO series, for which HBO has bought the rights to his books, The Wars of Watergate and Abuse of Power: The New Nixon Tapes. He is having fun writing political commentary for various Internet sites, including Truthdig, the Washington Independent, Slate, and others. His play, “I, Nixon,” is under consideration for production.

John Leland (Ph.D. 1970) retired as the Deputy Command Historian of the Air Mobility Command after more than thirty-seven years of service as a historian with the United States Air Force, including nearly sixteen years with Headquarters Strategic Air Command. He researched and wrote significant portions of thirty-six SAC and AMC annual histories and several dozen other Air Force histories and studies that have assisted Air Force leaders in the decision-making process. Among his favorite topics are humanitarian airlift and air mobility operations during the Persian Gulf War. He earned the USAF History Program Award for Excellence in Monographs in 1990 for his study, Military Airlift Command and the Afghan Humanitarian Relief Program. A highlight of his career was thirteen years of service at the training school for USAF historians at Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama.

David Maurer (Ph.D. 1962), Professor Emeritus, Eastern Illinois University, served as Secretary to the Eastern Illinois University Foundation Board. In retirement, he continues to volunteer time to the Illinois State Preservation Agency, Habitat for Humanity projects, and church activities.

Gary McCollim (Ph.D. 1979) retired from the Central Intelligence Agency after more than twenty-eight years of service. After serving as an analyst or an operations officer for most of his career, he worked as an Agency historian at the Center for the Study of Intelligence during the last three years researching, writing, and lecturing on the history of the CIA.

Keith D. McFarland (Ph.D. 1969) will be retiring as President of Texas A&M University-Commerce in the summer of 2008 after more than ten years in the position. He began his career as a history faculty member in 1969 and went on to head the Department of History and serve as Dean of Graduate Studies and Research before assuming the presidency. Dr. McFarland will remain in Commerce where he will teach history part time. His book, Louis Johnson and the Armies of America: The Roosevelt and Truman Years, was the first book on the 2008 reading list of United States Air Force Chief of Staff, General T. Michael Moseley’s recommended reading for all Air Force personnel.


Heather Miller (Ph.D. 2002) is in her fourth year with Historical Research Associates, in Seattle. She recently completed an extensive draft Ethnographic Overview and Assessment for the Women’s Rights National Historic Park in Seneca Falls, the culmination of two years’ intensive research and almost forty interviews. Among many other projects in the past year, Miller has successfully completed National Register nominations on lighthouses around the country, written HABS/HAER documentation on two large hydroelectric projects, assisted in finding a submerged ship under Seattle’s downtown streets, and spent countless hours in the National Archives and other archival repositories. She gave the keynote address at the Washington Heritage Conference, the shortened text of which was recently published in the Washington history magazine Columbia. She also completed two entries for the forthcoming Encyclopedia of Gender and Society, edited by Jodi O’Brien.

Randall M. Miller (Ph.D. 1971), Saint Joseph’s University, published “The Civil War as a Theological Crisis: A Comment,” in Fides et Historia; “Why They Fought: Civil War Soldiers and Slavery,” Civil War Book Review; “Germans” [a revised essay], in The New Encyclopedia of Southern Culture, vol. 6; the
"Foreword" to Higher Education and the Civil Rights Movement: White Supremacy, Black Southerners, and College Campuses. He also read papers, served as a keynote speaker, and moderated and provided commentary at the Penn Legacy Institute, the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Historical Association, the Symposium on the Catholic Church in Urban America, Teaching American History programs in Philadelphia and in New Paltz, New York, and at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. He completed his second year as Chair of the Pennsylvania Humanities Council, and served on various boards of historical and cultural organizations, including Cliveden of the National Historic Trust.

Stephen Millett (Ph.D. 1972) continues to build his research and consulting company, Futuring Associates LLC. He gave the keynote address to the Canadian Rail Research Symposium at Toronto. He serves on the advisory committee to the History in the Heartland program, and is in his second term as a Governor’s appointee to the State Board of Education in Ohio. He is currently working on a new book, Futuring and Visioning: Preparing for the Future, based upon more than 25 years of experience as a corporate futurist.

Malcolm Muir (Ph.D. 1976) was named to the George J. Collins Sr. Chair in Military History at the Virginia Military Institute. As director of the John A. Adams ’71 Center for Military History and Strategic Analysis, he arranged, in conjunction with Dr. Paul H. Herbert (Ph.D. 1985--OSU) of the First Division Museum--Cantigny, a conference entitled “The Citizen-Soldier at War.”

Pamela Nadell (Ph.D. 1982), Patrick Clendenen Professor of History and Director of the Jewish Studies Program at American University, addressed the university community as American University’s Scholar-Teacher of the Year at opening convocation and the faculty at the annual teaching conference. She chaired the conference “With vision flying: New Perspectives on Women’s and Gender History” held at American University. Recent publications include the book chapters “Bridges to a Judaism Transformed by Women’s Wisdom: The First Generation of Women Rabbis,” in Women Remaking American Judaism, ed. Riv-Ellen Prell, and “Engendering Dissent: Women and American Judaism,” in The Religious History of American Women: Reimagining the Past, ed. Catherine A. Brekus, and the “Afterward,” to Jewish Washington: Scrapbook of an American Community. She presented papers at the annual meetings of the Association for Jewish Studies and the American Academy of Religion, and continues to serve as book review editor for American Jewish History and as a consultant for the permanent exhibit of the forthcoming National Museum of American Jewish History, to be built on Independence Mall in Philadelphia.


William O. Odom (Ph.D. 1995) continues to serve as the Asia-Pacific Regional Analyst at the U.S. Joint Forces Command, as adjunct faculty at Old Dominion University, and as owner/master instructor at the Norfolk Karate Academy. His book, After the Trenches: The Transformation of the US Army, 1918-1939, was reprinted in paperback.

Al Palazzo (Ph.D. 1996) remains at the Australian Army’s Land Warfare Studies Centre in Canberra as a Senior Research Fellow. His recent publications include, From Moltke to bin Laden: The Relevance of Doctrine in the Contemporary Military Environment; “Perspectives from the Coalface: The Battle for Fallujah,” in the Australian Army Journal; and “Lessons From History: Dat Do Minefield,” in Smart Soldier. He also lectures at the Australian Defence College on logistics and the
Royal Military College on military technology. He can be reached at albert.palazzodefence.gov.au

Ana María Presta (Ph.D. 1997), Professor, Universidad de Buenos Aires, and Researcher, National Council of Scientific Research (CONICET), Argentina, was the 2007-2008 Senior Faculty Fellow at the Center for Historical Research at The Ohio State University. She published “Migratory Rationality, Marriage Strategies, and Business in Early Colonial Charcas (Modern Bolivia): The Paniagua de Loayza Family,” in Cultural-Sensitive Models of Family Business in Latin America: A Compendium on the Family Business Models Around the World, and “Juan de Matienzo” and “Polo Ondegardo” in Historiographic Guide of Andean Sources. She delivered papers at the Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies, the Renaissance Society of America, the Center for Historical Research at Ohio State, the first Latin American Congress of Economic History, and the eleventh Argentine Congress of History Departments.

Jack Resch (Ph.D. 1969), University of New Hampshire—Manchester, delivered a paper at the annual meeting of the Society for Historians of the Early Republic and chaired a panel at the annual meeting of the Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture.

Mark Rose (Ph.D. 1973), Florida Atlantic University, wrote “Introduction: Politics and the American City, 1940-1990,” for the January 2008 issue of Journal of Urban History, which he also co-edited. He was also editor or co-editor of another issue of the Journal of Urban History (forthcoming); an issue of Enterprise & Society focusing on Alfred D. Chandler; and a book series, “American Business, Politics, and Society,” by the University of Pennsylvania Press. He is also Associate Editor of Enterprise & Society. At Florida Atlantic he was a nominee for the Creative Scholar Award, and was named Researcher of the Year for 2008. He served in various capacities at meetings of the Business History Conference, the Society for American City and Regional Planning History, the Policy History Conference, and the Organization of American Historians. His comments on airline deregulation appeared in the New York Times, CNBC, and other news outlets. He is a member of the Board of Trustees, Society for American City and Regional Planning, and President of the Business History Conference for 2008-2009.


James Saeger (Ph.D. 1969), Lehigh University, published Francisco Solano Lopez and the Ruination of Paraguay: Honor and Egocentrism.


Peter Schriijvers (Ph.D. 1995), The University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia, is completing his new book on the impact of the Anglo-American liberators on Belgian society in 1944-45. He has been offered a contract for publication in Cambridge University Press’ series “The Social and Cultural History of Modern Warfare,” edited by Jay Winter, as well as a contract for a Dutch translation.

Charles Schultz (Ph.D. 1966) holds the William P. Clements Professorship in Archival Administration at Texas A&M University and is a Fellow in the Society of American Archivists. He delivered a talk at the conference of the Society of Southwest Archivists in Oklahoma City.

Ken Schurb (Ph.D. 2001) is Pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Moberly, Missouri, and Third Vice-President of the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. He delivered talks this year at St. Paul’s Lutheran High School, Concordia, Missouri, and Concordia University Nebraska. His essay, “The Missouri Synod Approach to Theology,” appeared in the book Teach These Things: Essays in Honor of Wallace Schulz, ed. by Erik Rottmann with Brian Chisamore and Daniel Mackey.

Mark Spicka (Ph.D. 2000), was promoted to associate professor in the Department of History at Shippensburg University. He published Selling the Economic Miracle: Economic Reconstruction and Politics in West Germany, 1949-1957. He also participated in a two week Fulbright German Studies Seminar in Berlin with the theme of “Germany in a Changing Europe: Transatlantic Ties, Transatlantic Challenges.”

Stephen Stein (Ph.D. 1999), University of Memphis, published From Torpedoes to Aviation: Washington Irving Chambers and Technological Innovation in the New Navy, and presented a paper on Chambers and the first years of naval aviation at the Conference of Historical Aviation Writers. His article “The Greely Relief Expedition and the New Navy,” International Journal of Naval History; won the Rear Admiral Ernest M. Eller Prize, an annual award for the best article on naval history.

Raymond Stokes (Ph.D. 1986), University of Glasgow, delivered papers at the annual conference of the European Business History Association in Geneva and at the universities of Cambridge and
Utrecht, and was invited discussant at the Tensions of Europe conference in Rotterdam. He published “Research and development in German industry in the Nazi period: Motivations and incentives, directions, outcomes,” (in English) in German Industry in the Nazi period; and “The Future of Business History” (in German) in the Yearbook for Economic History. He is leading two major multi-year international research projects, one on the history of the waste management industry in the UK and Germany, and one on the history of the international industrial gases industry. This year he took over as editor-in-chief of the Journal of Business History, which publishes refereed articles in either German or English.

James Tootle (Ph.D. 1972), retired Assistant Dean of Arts and Sciences at Ohio State, gave a presentation on nineteenth-century baseball and sportsmanship at the North American Society for Sports History at Texas Tech University and offered a course on baseball history in the Lifelong Learning Institute at Columbus State. He also presented a number of programs on baseball history for area civic groups and libraries and is a frequent book reviewer for Ohioana Quarterly. He continues as an active volunteer at the Ohio Historical Society and recently completed his second three-year term on the Board of Thurber House, a literary center for readers and writers located in the historic former home of James Thurber in downtown Columbus.

Anna Travis (Ph.D. 2007) presented a paper on Chilean women’s role in the Communist and Christian Democratic Parties during the 1960s at a conference at Northern Arizona University, and lectured on US-Latin American Relations since WWII at the Worthington Griswold Center’s Foreign Policy Association: Great Decisions Global Affairs Education Program.

Ben Trotter (Ph.D. 1993) retired after thirty years in secondary education and twenty-four years at Bexley (OH) High School. He will continue to be a member of the Columbus Jewish Federation’s Holocaust Education Committee and active in other educational activities as well as working with John Rule to finish his book on Colbert de Torcy.

E. Sue Wamsley (Ph.D. 1998), Kent State University-Salem, published “Constructing Feminism Across Borders: The Pan American Women’s Movement and the Founding of the Inter-American Commission of Women,” in Crossing Boundaries: Women’s Organizing in Europe and the Americas, 1880s-1940s, ed. by Pernilla Jonsson, Silke Neunsinger, and Joan Sangster, and “Women’s Central Association of Relief,” in Women in the American Civil War: An Encyclopedia. She received a Kent State University Research and Graduate Studies Research Award and was selected to participate in the Kent State University Moulton Scholar Program. She also served as a moderator for the Phi Alpha Theta Conference held at Kent State, delivered a collaborative talk at the University Teaching Council Conference, Kent State University, and organized a session for and presented a paper at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association.

Oscar Williams (Ph.D. 1997), was awarded tenure by the State University of New York at Albany where he is associate professor of Africana Studies. He published George S. Schuyler: Portrait of a Black Conservative.

Jonathan W. Zophy (Ph.D. 1972), University of Houston Clear Lake, published the fourth edition of A Short History of Renaissance and Reformation Europe: Dances over Fire and Water. With Lawrence Buck (Ph.D. 1971—OSU) of Widener University, he published “In Memoriam: Philip Bebb, 1941-2007” in The Sixteenth Century Journal. Professor Bebb earned his Ph.D. at OSU in 1971 under the direction of Harold J. Grimm and had an extensive teaching and publication career at Ohio University. Zophy also published several entries in the 2008 edition of the World Book Encyclopedia and chaired two sessions at the annual Research and Creativity Conference at UHCL.
Alumni Books

Greta Bucher, *Daily Life in Imperial Russia* (Greenwood).


Xiaoming Chen, *From the May Fourth Movement to Communist Revolution: Guo Moruo and the Chinese Path to Communism* (State University of New York).

Leo J. Daugherty, *The Allied Resupply Effort in the China-Burma-India Theater During World War II* (McFarland).


Pippa Holloway, editor, *Other Souths: Diversity and Difference in the US South, Reconstruction to Present* (University of Georgia).

Peter Mansoor, *Baghdad at Sunrise: A Brigade Commander’s War in Iraq* (Yale).


Al Palazzo, *From Moltke to bin Laden: The Relevance of Doctrine in the Contemporary Military Environment* (Land Warfare Studies Centre).

Brian Rutishauser, co-author, *Early Western Civilization: Ancient Times to 1648* (National Social Science).


Oscar Williams, *George S. Schuyler: Portrait of a Black Conservative* (University of Tennessee).

Graduate Student Achievements

June 1, 2007 – June 1, 2008

Vigit Akin has spent the academic year in Turkey conducting archival research for his dissertation project tentatively entitled “All Quiet on the Home Front? Politics and Everyday Life in the Ottoman Empire during World War I.” He published “From the Totalitarian School to Post-Revisionism: Recent Developments in the Historiography of Soviet Russia” (in Turkish) in Praxis; and “Reconsidering State, Party, and Society in Early Republican Turkey: Politics of Petitioning,” in International Journal of Middle East Studies.

Michael Alarid was awarded the Henry H. Simms and the Bradley R. Kastan Awards to conduct summer dissertation research for his project, “Rising from the West: Intercultural Conflict and Social Change in Early Santa Fe, 1847-1863.” He was awarded a Gerald L. Davis Fund travel fellowship from the American Folklore Society to participate in the joint annual meeting of the American Folklore Society and the Folklore Studies Association of Canada in Québec. He presented “Crime and Punishment in Early Santa Fe, 1847-63,” at the Chavez Library in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Rachael Ball was awarded a Graduate School Summer Research Award to pursue research on her thesis, “Treating the Public: Public Health, Public Entertainment, and Public Opinion in the Seventeenth Century.” She also received a small grant from the Program for Cultural Cooperation Between the Spanish Ministry of Culture and United States Universities. She spent May and June participating in the Making Publics summer seminar at Victoria College at the University of Toronto.

Rebecca Barrett was a call-in guest on the radio show of Alex Bennett, broadcast by Sirius Satellite Radio. They discussed the racial implications of classic radio and television comedy, “Amos 'n' Andy.”


Canhan Borecki was awarded a College of Humanities Presidential Fellowship to finish writing his dissertation.

Lawrence Bowdish was awarded a College of Humanities Summer Research Award to support research for his dissertation, “Invidious Distinctions: Credit Discrimination against Women, 1963-Present.”

Charles Carter (along with Alex Poster and Ryan Irwin) received a Mershon Center grant to host a conference next spring called “End of Empire? Global Transformations in the Late Cold War.”

Benzion Chinn spent the year on a George and Renee Levine graduate fellowship, granted by the Melton Center for Jewish Studies at Ohio State.


Robert Clemm received the Helen and Harold Kapiloff Research Award to support the advancement of his project “An Ordered ‘Scramble’: The Use of Cartography in the European Colonization of Eastern Africa.”

Andrew de la Garza received a Humanities Summer Research Award to assist his research on his dissertation, “Great Armies and Perfect Dominion: Babur, Akbar and the Mughal Military Revolution, 1526-1605.”

David Dennis has been conducting dissertation research in Berlin, Hamburg, and Bremen on a DAAD grant this academic year. He was also offered a Fulbright grant for the same research, which he declined. He accepted a Mershon Center Student Research Grant for study at the German Federal Military Archive in Freiburg, to work on an article project tentatively titled, “Coming Home? German Merchant Seaman and Volunteerism During the First World War.”

Robert Denning received the first Kauffman Family Summer Research Award to support work on his project, “The California Air Resources Board under Governor Ronald Reagan.” He presented “The California Air Resources Board under Governor Ronald Reagan” at the Whitsett Graduate Seminar on California History at California State University, Northridge.
Peter T. De Simone won the Allan and Helga Wildman Memorial Award to fund work on his project, “Faith and Prosperity: Religion and Economic Development of Russian Orthodox Old Believer Communities, 1700-1855.”


David Dzurec delivered a talk at San Francisco State University, and has been appointed an Assistant Professor at the University of Scranton.

Alison Efford presented papers at the Ohio Valley History Conference and the Organization of American Historians annual meeting. She completed her dissertation, “New Citizens: German Immigrants, African Americans, and the Reconstruction of Citizenship, 1865-1877.” This summer she will be moving to Milwaukee to take a tenure-track position at Marquette University.

Vefa Erginbas was awarded a Graduate School Summer Research Fund, the Sydney N. Fisher Memorial Award in Ottoman and Turkish Studies, and the Adivar Fellowship, to support his dissertation research on “The Appropriation of Early Islamic History in Ottoman Historical Writing, 16th - 18th Centuries: The Case of Caliph Ali and the Problem of Succession.” He was also awarded a Dr. Gordon P. K. Chu Memorial Scholarship from the College of Humanities.

Cicero Fain presented “Black Response to the Construction of Colored Huntington, West Virginia During the Jim Crow Era,” at the annual conference of the National Association of African American Studies in Baton Rouge, and at the annual conference of the Appalachia Studies Association at Marshall University, Huntington, West Virginia. He also presented “Roots and Branches: The African in the African American Experience” at the Southern Ohio Correctional Facility, Lucasville, Ohio, and at the Ohio Valley Junior Correctional Facility, Franklin Furnace, Ohio. He published “Black Response to the Construction of Colored Huntington, West Virginia during the Jim Crow Era,” in West Virginia History. He is currently Assistant Professor at Marshall University.

Mindy Farmer was awarded a Coca Cola Critical Difference for Women award as well as a Humanities Small Research grant for her dissertation research. She presented papers at the annual meeting of the Georgia Political Science Association and at the Modern American Seminar at Ohio State. In autumn she will begin a position at the University of Dayton while completing her dissertation, “Politics in Flux: The Georgians Behind the Republicanization of the South.”

Brian K. Feltman was awarded a College of Humanities Presidential Fellowship to complete the writing of his dissertation, “The Culture of Captivity: German Prisoners, British Captors, and Manhood in the Great War.” He also presented a paper to the International Society for First World War Studies at the National Archives in Washington, D.C.

Denise Fett received the Elaine S. and John C. Rule Award from the Department of History, a College of Humanities Presidential Fellowship, a Bradley Fellowship, and a Mershon Center for International Security Studies research grant to conduct research on her doctoral project, “Information, Intelligence and Negotiation: The Atlantic European Diplomatic World, 1558-1585.”

Kevin Fujitani received a Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Award to advance work on his dissertation, “Spicebox Imperialism: The Role of Artificial Flavoring in Japan’s Modernization, 1890-1940.”

Erin Greenwald was awarded a grant from l’Ecole Nationale des Chartes for dissertation research in French archives. She also delivered a paper at the French Colonial Historical Society conference at the Université Laval.


Edward Gutierrez was awarded a Retrieving the American Past Summer Award for research on his dissertation, “Sherman was Right: The Experience of AEF Soldiers in the First World War.”

Michael Hale presented a paper at the First International Conference for Inquisition Studies at Missouri State University in Springfield. He was awarded a small travel grant from the College of Humanities to attend the conference.
Jon Hendrickson presented a paper at the Naval History Symposium at The United States Naval Academy. He also received a research grant from the Tyng Scholars program.


Catalina Hunt was awarded FLAS Fellowships for the summer of 2008 and the 2008-2009 academic year. She published “The Romanian Lands in the Sixteenth Century: Their Juridical Status According to Ottoman Law,” in Enjeux politiques, économiques et militaires en mer Noire (XIVe-XXIe siècles), études à la mémoire de Mikhail Guboglu, sous la direction de Faruk Bilici, Ionel Cândea, Anca Popescu.

John Hunt, was awarded a Presidential Fellowship for research on his dissertation “Violence and Disorder in the Sede Vacante of Early Modern Rome.”

Steven Hyland presented “Depression, Rebellion, and Internal Strife: Arabic-Speaking Immigrants in Northern Argentina, 1914-1922,” at the Ohio Latin Americanist Conference in Athens, Ohio. He also participated in the workshop for fellows of the SSRC-ACLS International Dissertation Research Fellowship in New Orleans.

Ryan Irwin is currently a predoctoral fellow at Yale University. He published “Wind of Change? White Redoubt in the Postcolonial Moment, 1960-1963,” in Diplomatic History. Mr. Irwin received research support from the Marshall Foundation, the Mershon Center for International Security Studies, and the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations. He presented papers at the annual Society for the History of American Foreign Relations conference in Washington, D.C., the International Cold War History conference in Santa Barbara, and the University of Johannesburg. Mr. Irwin co-organized a conference at Ohio State called “Cold War as the Periphery: Global Change in the 1960s and Beyond,” which was funded by the Mershon Center and the Department of History.


Brian Kennedy received a travel grant from the Franklin Roosevelt Presidential Library and a Foster Rhea Dulles Award to work on his dissertation, “A Divisive Decade: How Foreign Events and Cultural Conflicts Divided Americans During the 1930s.”

Stavroula Konstantopoulou was awarded the M. Alison Frantz Fellowship at the American School of Classical Studies in Athens, where she will spend the next academic year. She presented “The Emperor’s Voice’: The Historical Role of the Diplomat in the Late Antique East,” at the Vagantaes Graduate Medieval Conference in Columbus, Ohio.

Glenn Eric Kranking gave presentations at the Center for Baltic and East European Studies at Sodertorn University College (Sweden), the Scandinavia Club of Columbus, Linkoping University (Sweden), the University of Alaska at Fairbanks, and Purdue University. On the basis of research in Sweden, Estonia, and Russia, he published “From Peasantry to Privilege: Transnational Identification, Border Politics, and Estonia’s Swedish Minority, 1873-1944,” in Ethnic Images and Stereotypes — Where is the Border Line?; and “Borderline Swedes: Minority Politics and Transnational Identification among Estonia’s Swedish Population,” in the conference proceedings, Inter: A European Cultural Studies Conference in Sweden. He was granted a Humanities Summer Research Award for his project, “Island People: Transnational Identification, Minority Politics, and Estonia’s Swedish Minority.”

Greg Kupsky received a fellowship from the German Historical Institute to conduct research this summer at the Joseph Horner Memorial Library in Philadelphia; a Balch Institute Fellowship to conduct research at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania; a Lubin-Winant Research Fellowship from the Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Institute to conduct research at the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Library; and a Doctoral Research Fellowship from the German Historical Institute.

Christine LaHue received a Dissertation Research Fellowship in Early American History from the Department of History. She presented “William Dawes and the Resurrection of John Wise: Congregational Republicanism and Popular Mobilization in New
England, 1684-1772," at the Omohundro Institute's conference at the College of William and Mary and at the Colonial Society of Massachusetts; and "Congregational Republicanism and Popular Mobilization in New England, 1772-1775," at the American Popular Culture Association in San Francisco. She published numerous entries in the Encyclopedia of the Age of Political Revolutions and New Ideologies, 1760-1815, and reviewed Children at Play: An American History, by Howard Chudacoff, for e-History. She also participated as a fellow in the "Preparing Future Faculty" program at Ohio Wesleyan University.

James Lenaghan presented "Scottish and English Jesuit Exiles to the Poland-Lithuanian Commonwealth during the Sixteenth Century," at the conference "Exile and Religious Identity in Early Modern Britain and Ireland," sponsored by the Ohio State Departments of English and History, along with the Center for the Study of Religions; and "The Mystic, the Messiah and the Mission of Poland in the Dzienniczek of Saint Faustina Kowalska," at the conference "Jewish and Christian Mystical and Messianic Movements in their Social and Religious Contexts: The Eastern European Case," sponsored by the Melton Center for Jewish Studies at Ohio State.

George Lywood was granted a Humanities Summer Research Award from the Department of History for work on his thesis, "Imagining, Building, and Consuming Russia’s Riviera: Tourism and the Black Sea Coast before 1917."

Kathryn Magee was awarded a Humanities Summer Research Award and a Bradley Foundation fellowship for work on her dissertation "'Faire La Chaudiere': The Huron Feast of Souls, 1600-1650." She presented "Movement Toward Improvement: Canada’s Native Homemaker’s Clubs, 1940-1970," at the Institute for Canadian Studies, University of Ottawa; "Set In Bone: The 17th Century Huron-Algonquian Alliance and The Feast of Souls," at The Algonquian Conference, York University; "'Faire la Chaudiere': The Wendat Feast of Souls Ceremony" at the American Society of Ethnohistory meeting, University of Oklahoma; "Packing It In: Pistol, Knife and ... Pipe? The Evolution of Native Material Culture in the St. Louis Fur Trade, 1800-1852," at the New Frontiers International Graduate Conference at York University; and "'They are the Life of the Nation': Women and War in Traditional Nadouek Society," at the CIC-AISC Graduate Student Conference hosted by Purdue University. This paper was awarded Second Place in the Conference Paper Competition and will be published in the Canadian Journal of Native Studies.

Murat Metinsoy was honored with the 2006-2007 Young Social Scientist Prize (Genc Sosyal Bilimci Odulu), awarded by the Turkish Social Science Association (Turkiye Sosyal Bilimler Dernegi). He also received the book prize of the Ottoman Bank Archives and Research Center (Osmanli Bankasi Arsi ve Arastirma Merkezi) for his book, Ikinci Dunya Savasi'nda Turkiye: Savas ve Gundelik Yasam (Turkey during the Second World War: The War and Daily Life).

Morgan L. Myers delivered a talk at Florida State University.


Joe Orser was awarded a Humanities Summer Research Award from the Department of History for his doctoral research on "American Family, Oriental Curiosity: The Siamese Twins, The Bunker Clan, and the Nineteenth-Century United States."

Jessica Pliley was the recipient of the Coca-Cola Critical Difference for Women Grant for Research on Women, Gender, and Gender Equity; the Genevieve Brown Gist Award for Dissertation Research in Women’s History from the Department of History; a P.E.O. Scholar Award; and a Humanities Summer Research Award for work on her doctoral dissertation, "Wandering Wives, Deviant Daughters, and Pesky Prostitutes: Policing Moral Boundaries under the Mann Act, 1900-1945." She presented "Interrogating Affairs: Policing Moral, Racial, and Gender Boundaries under the Mann Act, 1919-1929," at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association; "Suppression of the Traffic: White Slavery and the League of Nations, 1919-1936," at Harvard University; and a paper at the Berkshire Conference on the History of Women at the University of Minnesota. Her article, "'Voting for the Devil': Unequal Partnerships in the Ohio Woman Suffrage Campaign of 1914," appeared
in the spring issue of *Ohio History*. Ms. Pliley has been busy building interdisciplinary and transnational connections by serving as an organizer and participant in the Gender and Emancipation Project, which connects women from Ohio State, the Free University of Berlin, the Afdad University in the Sudan, and activist women in Syria.

**Alexander Poster** was awarded a Retrieving the American Past Summer Award to support his dissertation research on “A Hierarchy of Survival: The United States and the Negotiation of International Disaster Relief.”

**Serdar Poyraz** presented “Reflections on Bediuzzaman Said Nursi: Reinterpreting the Sacred Texts in a Modern World,” at the Great Lakes Ottomanists Workshop at the University of Notre Dame.

**Mark Rice** received the Andreas Dorpalen and Philip Poirier Awards to support his doctoral research on “The Alliance City: NATO and Berlin, 1958-1963.”

**Angela Ryan** was granted the Retrieving the American Past Award for work on her project, “What Happened to the 1960s? Multi-Racial Student Coalitions and the Enduring Legacy of Ethnic Studies.”

**Chapin Rydingsward** was awarded a College of Humanities Summer Research Award to support research toward his dissertation, “Civilization and Modernization: The U.S. Struggle over Palestine, 1917-1948.”

**Safa Saracoglu** (now assistant professor of history, Bloomsburg University) successfully defended his dissertation.

**Stephen Shapiro** presented papers at the Southern Conference on British Studies and the Society for Military History annual meetings. He was awarded the History Faculty Summer Research Award to promote his doctoral research on “Political Rhetoric, National Identity, and British Defense Policy, 1842-1871.”

**Larry Skillin** was awarded a College of Humanities Presidential Fellowship to further his dissertation research, “From Proclamation to Dialogue: The Colonial Press and the Opening of the American Public Sphere, 1640-1725.”

**Mark Soderstrom** held an adjunct lecturer position in Russian history at Wittenberg University during spring 2007. He spent the summer doing archival research in St. Petersburg, Russia, at the Institute of Russian Literature (Pushkinskii Dom) and the Russian National Library. Since then he has been awarded a Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Grant and an International Research & Exchanges Board (IREX) Grant to support a full year of dissertation research in Russia.

**Willam Sturkey**’s master’s thesis, “Houses of Liberty: The Impact of Freedom Schools During SNCC’s 1964 Freedom Summer,” won the 2008 Glover Moore Prize from the Mississippi Historical Society for best master’s thesis on any aspect of Mississippi History. He won Best Paper in the College of Humanities at the annual Edward F. Hayes Graduate Research Forum, for his paper, “We Shall Lead: Freedom Schools and the Creation of Black Youth-Based Leadership.” Mr. Sturkey also received a small research grant to conduct research at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center in Atlanta, and presented “Freedom Schools: Leadership Development in Mississippi” at the Queen City Colloquium.

**Christianna Thomas** was awarded the Robert Bremner Award to conduct doctoral research on her project, “In His Arm the Scar: Medicine, Disease, and the Social Implications of the 1721 Inoculation Controversy on Boston.”

**Yan Xu** has been awarded the Tian-Yi Li Prize and a Graduate Research Small Grant to support her participation in the Transnational Feminism Project. This project draws graduate students from the United States, Germany, and Syria who are interested in gender and emancipation, and will soon host a conference in Berlin, Germany.

**Office Manager Chris Burton** receiving a gift from the Graduate Students in appreciation for all the hard work she did in actualizing the renovations. A job well-done Chris!
Graduate Students Slated for Yale

Paul Chamberlin, Katherine Epstein, Ryan Irwin

Three history graduate students have won International Security Studies Predoctoral Fellowships at Yale University for the 2008-09 academic year: Paul Chamberlin, Katherine Epstein, and Ryan Irwin. These fellowships provide an opportunity for advanced doctoral candidates from universities other than Yale in the field of security studies, with particular emphasis on international, diplomatic, and military history, to benefit from a year at Yale and involvement with the International Security Studies (ISS) community. Fellows are expected to use the fellowship to make substantial progress in writing their dissertation.


Epstein’s dissertation analyzes torpedo development in the United States and Great Britain from c. 1895 to 1914, a subject which has received little attention from historians. She is exploring the technological development of the torpedo, along with its far-reaching implications for naval tactics, finance, force structure, and policy.

Irwin is writing a dissertation on the international debate over apartheid in 1948-71, analyzing the complex interaction among the United States, Great Britain, South Africa, other African states, the African National Congress, and multi-national corporations.

“We are all very proud of Paul, Kate, and Ryan for their distinguished achievement in winning all three of the ISS Fellowships for 2008-09,” said Peter Hahn, chair of the Department of History and advisor to Chamberlin and Irwin. “That our students swept the field in a competition at Yale is testament to the excellence that they bring to the table, and their accomplishment adds luster to the prestige of the graduate program in the Department of History,” he added. Epstein’s advisor is Geoffrey Parker, the Andreas Dorpalen Professor of History.
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**On The Job Front**

Jane Berger has accepted a visiting assistant professorship at Cornell University’s Institute for Labor Relations, beginning in the autumn 2008. The position may be renewable for up to three years.

Laura-Michele Diener has accepted a tenure-track position in the history department at Marshall University in West Virginia.

David Dzurec has accepted a tenure-track position at the University of Scranton to begin August 2008.

Alison Efford has accepted a tenure-track position at Marquette University in Milwaukee.

Valerie Emanoil has accepted a tenure-track position at Oakland Community College at Highland Lake Campus, in Michigan.

Jason Powell has accepted a three year renewable position as assistant professor of History and the Humanities at the Honors College at Ball State University, Muncie Indiana.

Nicholas Steneck has accepted an assistant professorship in modern European and world history at Florida Southern College in Lakeland, Florida.

Emre Sencer has accepted a tenure-track assistant professorship in Modern Europe and the World at Knox College in Galesburg, Illinois.

Dustin Walcher (Ph.D. 2007) has accepted a tenure-track position at Southern Oregon University.
Personal Notes
Mansel Blackford celebrates the birth of his second grandson, Liam Blackford.

Kevin Boyle’s daughter, Nan (first on the right in the photo below), and several of her seventh-grade classmates won the 2008 Christopher Columbus Award, a national science competition for middle schools.

Although Philip Brown and his wife Yoko have only been in Japan for a few months as this is written, he has already consumed enormous quantities of fresh fish—raw, salt-grilled, etc.—unusual mountain vegetables (fiddlehead fern shoots, bamboo sprouts, and other more exotic delicacies), all washed down with generous supplies of locally-produced sake and all without gaining a pound! Sampling local foods and beverages is one of the great delights of Japan and the Browns energetically seek out such opportunities as they have travelled in the Kyoto area, Okayama and Hiroshima regions as well as to hot springs in the Niigata area.

Robert Davis on one of the sets, also known as the Heres-Souani, in Meknes, looking steely (see photo).

In her spare time Donna Guy likes to work on needlepoint canvases that are painted in Argentina and deal with Argentine themes and impressionist paintings.
Michael Hogan finds himself far too busy to write a full entry for this year’s Making History. Suffice it to say, he is having a great time in the new job and feels lucky to be capping a wonderful career this way.

Richard Hopkins decided last fall to return to the Gulf Coast and to restore ShackSouth. He arrived in mid-December and is overseeing the elevation of the remnants above the new FEMA flood level of 18' above mean sea level for his area on the Wolf River.

Margaret Newell was recently honored for ten years of service on the Board of Trustees of the Ohio Art League. She also curated an exhibition at the Ohio Art League Gallery in October, entitled “Sarah Fairchild: Fluorescence.” The sold-out exhibition was reviewed in The Columbus Dispatch on October 14, 2007. The show was named one of the 10 best visual arts events of 2007 by the Dispatch (http://www.php.dispatch.com/features-story.php?story=dispatch/2007/12/23/20071223-e4-00.html).

David Stebenne enjoys spending time with his son Benjamin, shown here.

Judy Wu, her husband, and son Konrad also welcomed a new addition to their family. Langston Ke-Sheng Walter-Wu was born November 7, 2007 and weighed in at a whopping 9 lb., 11 oz. 

Walter - Wu boys
Graduate Student Personal Notes

Kristin Collins, with daughter Annie Breyfogle.

David Dzurec and his wife Brooke Mikesell welcomed their first child, David Dzurec IV on May 27.

Ryan Irwin married Amy Behan on June 21, 2008. The ceremony was held in Saratoga, New York.

Greg Kupsky became engaged to Amanda Buehrig and the wedding will take place on July 11.

Chapin Rydingsward and his wife Nadia became the parents of a baby girl, Mae Li.

Kristin Collins relaxing with daughter Annie Breyfogle

Mae Li Rydingsward

Davey Dzurec
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