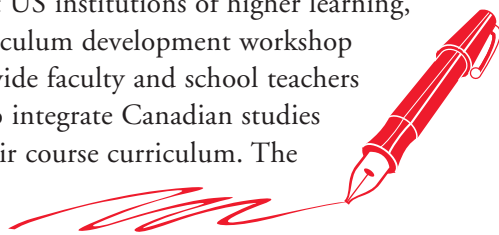


Letter from the President

It is a real pleasure to share this brief message as President of ACSUS. I often must pinch myself lately to realize how much progress ACSUS has made over the past year, and how successful we have been in turning an important corner. It all starts with our Executive Director, David Archibald, whose proficiency, energy, ideas, and effective administration have had a real impact. We set a record for total membership in a non-biennial year last year, and have raised over US\$45,000 for the Fund for the Future. Thanks to a challenge grant from Foreign Affairs Canada, all donations have been doubled.

Additionally, we have launched a number of new programs including the Fund for the Arts to promote the Canadian arts at US institutions of higher learning, and a pilot curriculum development workshop designed to provide faculty and school teachers with the tools to integrate Canadian studies content into their course curriculum. The workshop complements the Canadian Government's Enhanced Representation Initiative by building Canada's profile in regions of the US that have been underrepresented. ACSUS is also partnering with the School of Management at the University of Ottawa and the Canadian Embassy to conduct a week long seminar for US MBA students. The program will feature briefings and roundtables on important issues affecting the Canadian and Canada-US business communities. We are currently in the process of reviewing applicants from US business schools all of whom are excellent and will no



doubt leave a very positive impression on the high level business and governmental community representatives participating in the program.

In October of last year, we had the largest ever ACSUS-in-Canada colloquium held at Simon Fraser University in partnership with the Henry Jackson School of International Studies at the University of Washington, and Western Washington University. Papers are currently being edited for publication. As many of you already know, we are well along in planning for the next biennial meeting at

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Letter from Washington

Like a number of public policy journals and reports out this spring, the March issue of the Fraser Institute's *Fraser Forum* takes a look at what's wrong with Canada-US relations. *Fixing the Canadian-US Relationship* includes an article by Fred McMahon, "The Problem with Sovereignty," in which he talks about the "malign view of Canadian sovereignty." After reading the article, I flipped open Webster's New World Dictionary—"Sovereignty: the state or quality of being sovereign." Fine, so I look at the definition of sovereign—"Sovereign: above or superior to all others; chief; greatest; supreme; supreme in power, rank, or authority". These seem like antiquated meanings of what we

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assume the word sovereignty to imply. Like continents and countries, over time, words like 'sovereignty'—

words we think we understand—are slowly, imperceptively being reshaped and redefined under our noses. This migration of meaning eventually leads to polarization and opposing attitudes—superior attitudes.

At base, opposing attitudes by populations on both sides of the Canada-US border are the reason we

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are seeing so many unhealthy diagnoses in the literature this spring. What is most striking to me is that so many assumptions of basic understanding are incorrect. We perhaps have been tempted to assume that Canadians understand Americans better than Americans understand Canadians. But how accurate is this conclusion? At ACSUS, our mandate is “to promote a greater understanding of Canada in the US,” because we all conclude that Americans don’t know anything about Canada. This is fair to a point. For example, last July while

having lunch in a Chicago restaurant we asked our waiter if he knew what the capital of Canada was. “Quebec?” he replied cautiously. Before we could respond, he said more confidently, “wait, no, Quebec’s a country, right?” For better or worse, this is what one seemingly intelligent American believes as truth.

In any event, the sentence in our mandate about promoting more understanding seems to imply an assumed asymmetry - because we are promoting a greater understanding of Canada here, greater understanding of the US in Canada is assumed to already exist. Does it? Do Canadians really understand the American psyche and character better than Americans understand their Canadian cousins? The average Canadian may understand American materiel and culture but how well do they understand Americans?

In a recently released report, *Renewing the U.S.-Canada*

Relationship, based on a review of the relationship at the 105th American Assembly at Columbia University, a high-level group of 70 American and Canadian opinion leaders concluded that “Canada and the United States need one another more than ever, yet each has a diminished standing in the other’s country.” The report argues for increased efforts by Canada to make itself better understood in the United States from the halls of Congress to the halls of academia...” Clearly, ACSUS occupies a critically important space within this bilateral dialogue, and it is incumbent on our community—present on both sides of the border—to not only continue the pursuit of “creating greater understanding of Canada in the US,” but also contribute towards creating greater understanding of the US in Canada. 🍁

Sincerely,
David Archibald
Executive Director

The Pierre Savard Awards

This program is designed to recognize and promote each year outstanding scholarly monographs on a Canadian topic. The awards form part of a strategy that is aimed at promoting, especially throughout the Canadian academic community, works that have been written by members of the Canadian Studies international network. The awards are intended to designate exceptional books, which, being based on a Canadian topic, contribute to a better understanding of Canada.

See: http://www.iccs-ciec.ca/pages/6_prizes/b_savard_awards.html.


Strong Canadian Presence at Association of American Geographers Meeting

By Soren Larsen and Sue Lucas

A strong Canadian presence will be felt in the American West when geographers convene for the 101st annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers in Denver, April 5-9, 2005. A concerted effort on the part of the AAG, Foreign Affairs Canada, Academic Relations Canada, the Association for Canadian Studies in the United States, and Canadian Studies Specialty Group has produced a series of exciting sessions and events for those interested in Canada and Canadian scholarship. Author of the bestselling book *Arctic Dreams*, featured speaker Barry Lopez will initiate the festivities on Tuesday evening. The following day, in a panel session made possible in part by Foreign Affairs Canada, renowned explorer and photographer Mike Beedell will continue the theme by discussing his extensive travels on land and sea in the Arctic. Mr. Beedell's presentation, entitled "Journeys in Nunavut", explores not only the physical landscape of the arctic but also the changing cultural environment of the region.

The featured plenary session "Geographies of Hope and Fear II" showcases two Canadian geographers, Jennifer Hyndman of Simon Fraser University and Brian Klinkenberg of the University of British Columbia. The Canadian Studies Specialty Group is sponsoring and co-sponsoring several paper and panel sessions of interest to Canadianists. Sponsored panel sessions

are an author-meets-critics session with John Hudson, author of *Across This Land*, and "Teaching Canada in a North American Context. Both these panels will offer stimulating discussions on the role of Canada in North American regionalism. A co-sponsored session with the Cultural Geography Spe-

cialty Group, "Transnationalism and the Construction of Border Narratives" will explore the relationship between borders and identity and identity formation among Canadians living in the United States and Sikhs residing in Canada. We invite the entire geographic community to join  in these

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Paul Raymond, President and CEO of the New England Canada Business Council (NECBC), Joins ACSUS Advisory Council

ACSUS is pleased to welcome NECBC President and CEO, Paul Raymond, to the Advisory Council. Raymond is senior vice president for the New England Region of CGI Group Inc. (CGI), one of the largest independent information technology and business process services firms in North America. The multi billion dollar firm is an industry leader in both the U.S. and Canadian marketplaces. Raymond's experience includes helping run the New England business unit of CGI. As president of the NECBC, one of Raymond's goals has been to make the organization the choice for New England business leaders. The United States and Canada have the largest bilateral trading relationship in the world, accounting for \$400 billion dollars of trade per year. And one of the oldest, closest, and most active trading areas within this bilateral relationship is between the New England States and Canada, in industries as diverse as energy, manufacturing, entertainment, healthcare, forestry, fishing, mining, food products, and a wide range of technology and service-related businesses.

"ACSUS is pleased to connect in this way with the NECBC," said George Sulzner, President, ACSUS. "The aligning of these two organiza-

tions will help to promote economic interaction between New England and Canada as well as add substantially to ACSUS' goal of promoting knowledge and understanding about Canada in the United States."


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advisory council with these individuals that have not only been extremely successful in their own careers, but have also been instrumental in furthering the relations between the US and Canada," said Paul Raymond, NECBC President and CEO. "Being a member of this advisory council will open the NECBC and both New England and Canada to tremendous

opportunities to further trade and relations between the two countries. Very little locally is known about the incredibly strong and large trade that occurs between New England and Canada. Hopefully this will help to bring that to the forefront and get more local interest from both sides in considering conducting business in their neighbors' country."

About NECBC

The New England-Canada Business Council, Inc. (NECBC) was formed in 1981 to bring together businesses and individuals with an interest in promoting commercial, political and cultural relationships and trade between the United States and Canada. Today, the Council's membership is composed of business leaders from a wide range of sectors including banking, law, consulting, energy, and high technology, as well as government and academic officials and individuals with links to Canada. Membership in the NECBC is open to all with an interest in stimulating the growth of New England-Canada ties. Website: <http://www.necbc.org> 

ACSUS Community Rises to the Challenge Raising over US\$47,000 for the Fund for the Future

The Fund for the Future was established by members and friends of ACSUS to build a sustainable fund that will be used strategically to enhance Canadian Studies in the U.S. With corporate giving priorities changing and increased competition for funding by groups promoting Canada and Canada-US relations, ACSUS will need to rely more heavily on internal fundraising campaigns to raise revenue. With the assistance of a matching challenge grant made available by Foreign Affairs Canada in 2004, and through a proactive inside campaign, ACSUS has been successful in raising over US\$47,000 from its membership and a handful of Canadian studies programs. This amount has been doubled by the challenge grant.

ACSUS wishes to recognize and thank all the individuals and institutions who recently invested in ACSUS and the future of Canadian studies by contributing to the Fund for the Future. Giving forms are available here: <http://www.acsus.org/display.cfm?id=271>.

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ACSUS and The University of Ottawa Offer New Program for US MBA Students

A major new program for ACSUS in 2005 is the MBA Business Seminar organized in partnership with the School of Management at the University of Ottawa and the Canadian Embassy and Consulates in the U.S. The week-long seminar in Canada for U.S. MBA students is designed to sensitize U.S. students to Canadian business culture and practices. The program will feature panel sessions and briefings on Canada's economic, industrial, and financial market structures, US market and investment strategies of Canadian companies and Canadian market and investment strategies of US companies in Canada, Canadian business practices and Canada-US political and

trade relations. The new program will serve as a valuable vehicle in cultivating relations with and engaging the corporate community in the initiative.

Among the many invited notable speakers are Leonard Brody, author *Innovation Nation: Canadian Leadership from Java to Jurassic Park*, and Arthur Carty, National Science Advisor to the Prime Minister. Thomas d'Aquino, President of the Canadian Council of Chief Executives, will speak on *Forging, A North American Partnership: Nafta and Beyond*. The first three days of the five day program will take place in Ottawa. The Hautes Etudes Commercial (HEC) is helping to organize the last two days in Montreal. ✿

Western Washington University Awarded \$1 million to establish Border Policy Research Institute

Western Washington University in Bellingham, WA, has been awarded \$1 million to establish a new Border Policy Research Institute (BPRI) by the U.S. Department of Transportation. Dr. Donald K. Alper, Director of the Center for Canadian-American Studies at WWU, has been appointed Director Designate of BPRI, a multi-disciplinary research institute focused on policy research dealing with transportation, mobility and security issues affecting the Canada-U.S. border. The University established the Institute to further its mission of promoting research, academic programs and public programming on critical pol-

icy issues affecting the Pacific Northwest region and Canada.

In its work, the BPRI is especially dedicated to fostering creative thinking about the border and the complex relationships and infrastructure that connect the northern 1-5 corridor with Canada. The Institute will work closely with cognate programs at Western such as the Center for Canadian-American Studies, the Center for Economic and Business Research and Huxley College of Environmental Studies. The Institute is especially interested in conducting its work in collaboration with the numerous transportation-oriented public and private

entities within the Pacific Northwest region and in Canada.

Projects

The diversity of projects that the BPRI has underway reveal its capacity for wide ranging transportation, trade and environmental policy research. Projects include trade and transportation impacts stemming from new border security practices, port competitiveness and environmental regulations, impacts of deepening economic integration on border communities and economic and perceptual factors affecting cross-border travel and transportation modes.

Events

On April 26, an inaugural symposium, "The Effect of Border Security on Canada-United States Integration: Toward a Border Policy Research Agenda," will serve to help define the new Institute's multi-disciplinary research agenda. Contact: Chuck Hart, Program Manager, Center for Canadian-American Studies at chuck.hart@wwu.edu or 360-650-3728.

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Carleton University and Trent University Offer Joint Ph.D in Canadian Studies

The School of Canadian Studies at Carleton University in Ottawa and the Frost Centre for Canadian Studies and Native Studies at Trent University in Peterborough, Ontario, will admit their fifth class of doctoral students in 2005. Initiated in 2001, this joint Ph.D. in Canadian Studies is the first and only one of its kind in Canada. The program links faculty and students of both universities in an exciting program that provides for teaching and research in five distinct fields: culture; literature and the arts; environment and heritage; policy, economy and society; and identities and women's studies. For more information, visit: <http://www.trentu.ca/frostcentre> and <http://www.carleton.ca/cdnstudies>.



Canadian Studies Calendar

April

Ohio-Canadian Roundtable, Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio, **April 1**.

Canada Days in Idaho at Boise State University and Albertson College of Idaho, **April 4-8**.

American Council on Education, Call for Presentations, "Educating All of One Nation, Realizing America's Promise: Embracing Diversity, Discovery, and Change," October 6-8, 2005, Phoenix, Arizona. Deadline (proposals): **April 8, 2005**. See: http://www.acenet.edu/programs/caree/conf_main.cfm.

SMALL NATIONS, BIG NEIGHBOURS. The British Association for Canadian Studies (BACS) and the New Zealand Studies Association (NZSA) joint annual conference, University of Kent, **April 11-14, 2005**. Contact: Jodie Robson, BACS Administrator, jodie.robson@ed.ac.uk.

Bridgewater State College, Canadian Studies Program, 7th Distinguished Canadian Annual Address, "Ethics in Government...?", Dr. Bernard Shapiro, Ethics Commissioner of Canada, **April 12**, Bridgewater, MA. Contact Susan Williams: swilliams@bridgew.edu.

Western Social Science Association's 47th Annual Conference (includes CANADIAN STUDIES SECTION), **April 13-16, 2005**, Albuquerque: http://wssa.asu.edu/wssa_conference.htm.

7th Annual Michigan-Canadian Studies Roundtable at the University of

Michigan at Ann Arbor, **April 15**: <http://mcsrt.org/annual/2005/index.htm>.

Case Western Reserve University, Canada-United States Law Institute 2005 Annual Conference, Understanding Each Other Across the Largest Un defended Border in History, **April 15-16, 2005**, Cleveland, Ohio. See: http://law.case.edu/student_life/journals/canada-us/.

Semantics of Under Represented Languages of the Americas, University at Buffalo, The State University of New York, Buffalo, New York, **April 15-17**. jb77@buffalo.edu

The Jeanne Kissner Undergraduate Essay Award: **April 15, 2005**. See: <http://acsus.org/display.cfm?id=274&Sub=337>.

"Canada's Game? Critical Perspectives on Ice Hockey and Identity," **April 15 and 16, 2005**, Canadian Studies Program, Bridgewater State College: <http://www.bridgew.edu/Canada/hockeyconf.cfm>.

Journal of Indigenous Nations Studies—Call for Submissions. Deadline (manuscripts): **April 16 2005**: insj@ku.edu.

8th Annual Indiana-Canadian Studies Roundtable at Franklin College, Indiana, **April 22**.

"Increasing Foreign Language Capability and Integrating Language into the Curriculum," Montreal, **April 28-30, 2005**: www.plattsburghcas.com.

The 3rd Annual Fort Garry Lectures in History Graduate Student Conference, **April 28-30th, 2005**, University of Manitoba. Contact: Gillian Covernton, GillianCovernton@hotmail.com.

NEW ENGLAND POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION, Portland, Maine, **April 30-May 1, 2005**. Contact: Dr. James T. McHugh, Roosevelt University, jmchugh@roosevelt.edu.

May

DIS/LOCATION: Writing Exile/Migrancy/Nomadism/Bordercrossing Colloquium, **May 5-7, 2005**, Concordia University: http://artsandscience.concordia.ca/cmll/Call_for_papers_Dislocation.htm.

Canadian Nautical Research Society 2005 Annual Conference, Hamilton, **June 16-18, deadline: May 6, 2005**: <http://www.marmus.ca/cnrs/confe000.htm>.

Making National Security Accountable: International Perspectives on Intelligence Review and Oversight, Carleton University, Ottawa, **May 18-19**: http://www.carleton.ca/npsia/research_centres/cciss_conferences.html.

'Nap' Lajoie, Baseball and Nationalism in Canada and the United States, May 20, University of Washington: <http://jsis.artsci.washington.edu/programs/canada/index.html>.

2005 CANADA-US YOUTH SUMMIT, **May 21-28, 2005**: <http://www.forum.ca/diplomat/english/index.htm>.

Turning the knobs on writers' closets: Archives and Canadian Literature Conference, McMaster University, **May 24-26 2005**: Christl Verduyn cverduyn@wlu.ca.

European Perspectives on Canadian Women's Writings. Conference program available on the Marc Bloch University website from **May 2005**: <http://www-umb.u-strasbg.fr/anglais.html>.

June

Canadian Foreign Policy under Review. The Canadian Foreign Policy journal is sponsoring a conference on Canada's international policies, Ottawa, **November 10-11, 2005**. **Deadline: June 1, 2005**: elizabeth_james@carleton.ca.

2005-06 CANADA AMERICA SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIPS / STUDY IN CANADA Applications due by **June 1 2005**. Contact: Kevin Cook, Canadian Consulate General Seattle: kevin.cook@dfait-maeci.gc.ca.

The Center for the Study of Canada at Plattsburgh SUNY presents the 26th Quebec Summer Seminar (QSS), Québec City, **June 5-11, 2005**: <http://www.plattsburgh.edu/offices/academic/cesca/>.

Canadian Studies Program Enhancement, Outreach, and Conference Grant applications due, Canadian Embassy, Washington, DC, **June 15**. <http://www.canadianembassy.org/education/grantguide-en.asp>

Historical Geographers Association, "Convergence in the Strait of Belle Isle, NL," **June 21-27, 2005**, University of Maine: <http://www.umaine.edu/canam/>.

Indigenous Knowledges Conference: Reconciling Academic Priorities with Indigenous Realities, **June 22, 2005**, Wellington, New Zealand: www.vuw.ac.nz/indigenousknowledges/index.html.

TransCanada: Literature, Institutions, Citizenship conference, **June 23-26, 2005**, Wosk Centre for Dialogue, Vancouver: www.transcanadas.ca.

Teacher's Workshop on Grade 4: Teaching Canada, Central Massachusetts, **June 28-30**.

Le Conseil International d'Etudes Francophones (CIEF) invite les membres de l'ACQS d'organiser une session pour le congrès CIEF qui aura lieu à Ottawa/Gatineau du **27 juin au 3 juillet 2005**: r-dufauult@onu.edu.

July

The thirteenth annual conference of the Society for the History of Authorship, Reading and Publishing (SHARP, Dalhousie University, **July 14-17 2005**: www.dal.ca/SHARP2005.

August

Summer Explorations in Canadian Cultures at Trent University, Peterborough, Ontario, **August 14-28**. <http://www.trentu.ca/secc>

The ACSUS Distinguished Dissertation Award to honor outstanding doctoral research on Canada at American institutions: **August 15, 2005**. See: <http://acsus.org/display.cfm?id=274&Sub=309>.

September

Aboriginal Issues, Experiences and Interpretations, 1995-2005: A Decade of Change? University of Trent, **September 22-25, 2005**. **Deadline (abstracts): July 1**: wanaipiteicolloquium@sympatico.ca.

Faculty Research Grant Applications due, Canadian Embassy, Washington, DC, **September 30**. <http://www.canadianembassy.org/education/grantguide-en.asp>

October

10th International Metropolis Conference, Toronto, **October 17-21**: <http://www.toronto.ca/metropolis/index2.htm>.

International colloquium 2005 "Resistance and Convergence: Francophone and Metis Strategies of Identity in Western Canada," **October 20-23, 2005**, University of Regina: <http://prometheus.cc.uregina.ca>.

Faculty Enrichment and Graduate Student Fellowship applications due, Canadian Embassy, Washington, DC, **October 31**. <http://www.canadianembassy.org/education/grantguide-en.asp>

November

The Association for Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS), 18th Biennial Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, **November 16-20, 2005**: <http://acsus.org/display.cfm?id=386>. 🍁

CONGRATULATIONS

Diddy R.M. Hitchins, ACSUS VP, has been awarded an MBE by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in the 2005 New Year's Honours List for her services as British Honorary Consul for Alaska.

Lifetime Member: Anne Griffin

Vacationing in Quebec as a child during the 1950s, Anne Griffin was captivated by its distinctive traditions and language. She had no idea then that she would return to Quebec to research the emerging independence movement there, nor that three decades later she would publish the first American study of that movement: a psycho-social analysis of its origins and rise to power. *Quebec: The Challenge of Independence*, which appeared in 1984, was based on her 1975 doctoral dissertation in the Department of Politics at New York University, where she studied comparative politics and political theory after graduating from Wellesley College. The choice of Quebec represented a convergence of several influences: a lifelong interest in, and love of, the French language, an academic interest in the problems and tensions of federal systems, especially where languages and cultures were involved, and the historical background of the 1960s, when many new states came into existence and older ones began to recast their traditional alliances. Her dissertation research, done under the direction of the behavioral scientist Alfred de Grazia, and based on extensive in-depth interviews with separatists throughout Quebec, found that the independence movement satisfied the perceived needs of its adherents in ways that no other institution did, and that it was likely to continue until a competing institution emerged to replace it. Griffin also found, based on a comparative analysis of bilingual and bicultural societies, that popular memory was an important factor in the mobilization of independence movements.



This interest in politics and memory, which developed in her early work on Quebec, has informed much of her subsequent research. With the aid of an NEH summer stipend, she developed a course on “Politics and Collective

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Memory,” which she teaches regularly, and she has integrated the issue of public and collective memory into courses on public policy and ethno-national conflict. “So my work on Canada encouraged me to introduce themes into political science that were new or non-traditional, in ways that I could not have anticipated at that time.”

“In 1973,” she recalls, “the fact

that there was an independence movement in Quebec was virtually unrecognized here. Yet the *Parti Québécois* had already won seven seats in the legislature. I wanted to find out who was supporting this movement, and why people wanted to separate from Canada.” She rented a sparsely-furnished apartment on the Boulevard Edouard Monpetit in Montreal, bought three airline tickets, and flew up with her two-year old son and a sitter. “In addition to my books, my tape recorder, and a pack of cassettes, I packed some kitchen ware and of course a folding potty chair. I was fortunate that it didn’t rain so that the babysitter could take David to the playground at Côte des Neiges every day.” She returned to continue the interviews in the Quebec area. Few people were willing to talk openly about their involvement in the movement, and often the interviews had to be conducted at off-hours so as not to attract suspicion. She defended her dissertation in December 1974; a second son, Ted, was born one month later. [Son David Lefer is now a journalist; Ted is a first-year medical student.]

After teaching as an adjunct at New York University for several years, she accepted a position as assistant professor at The Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art in New York City in 1978. The school, founded by the American inventor Peter Cooper in 1859, offers full-tuition scholarships for gifted students pursuing degrees in art, architecture and engineering. The students are “a constant challenge, a constant delight.” She was tenured in 1981 and became a

full professor in 1992. She has been president of the faculty-student Senate and has also been a negotiator for the faculty union. At Cooper Union, she met Dr. Joel Fisher, who was then on a two-year leave from his position as a scientist with the International Joint Commission, and they have collaborated on several projects on Canada.

In addition to her appointment at Cooper Union, Anne has been a Visiting Scholar at New York University since 2000, and is a member of two of Columbia's ongoing University seminars. She has also presented several papers at the *Conseil International d'Etudes Francophones*. In the early 1980s she became involved in several projects dealing with science and public policy at the New York Academy of Sciences. With Dr. Jeri A Sechzer and other members, she was responsible for drafting a set of international guidelines for the ethical use of animals in research, testing and education; later she was co-editor of two Academy Annals, *Forging a Women's Health Research Agenda: Issues for the 1990s*, and *Women and Mental Health*. She has reviewed books for Quebec Studies and the Canadian Journal of Studies in Nationalism.

Although she participates regularly in ACSUS and ACQS meetings, Griffin's interests have migrated somewhat in recent years. Since 1998 she has been working on an oral history of the resistance in Belgium during World War II. "It was pure serendipity. Quite by accident, I found myself the guest speaker at a meeting of the *Fédération Royale des Chevaliers avec Glaives*, an organization of former resisters, in Brussels in 1996. I was jet-lagged, hungry, and totally unprepared, so I just opened my mouth and started speaking about the importance of memory and how necessary it was that their deeds not be forgotten.

Those remarks seem to have opened a floodgate. One after the next, these people, whose average age was then 75, came up to me to tell their stories. Their histories were so poignant! I decided this was a project that I *had* to do." There were other things in the pipeline, however, and it wasn't until two years later that she placed a notice on the ICCS list-serve: "Urgently seeking moderately-priced lodging in Brussels." The person who replied was

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Lucette Nobell, a native of Gaspé and a former officer at the Canadian Embassy in Stockholm, then living in Brussels with her husband Arad. "From that contact, we became close friends, and over the next four years, while they remained in Brussels, I'd stay with them on each of my field trips."

Though she had expected this to be an interim project, one that could be completed in a year or two, it has turned into a major effort, supported by a 2001-2002 Fulbright Senior Scholar award and a yearlong NEH fellowship. Like her dissertation research, it is based on interviews, but "this time I have allowed myself to become far more subjectively involved, something that I tried very hard to

rule out (and I found easier to do) in my research on the Quebec independence movement. But here I felt it was necessary, in order to give the fullest possible expression to their memories." The book, when finished, will include the edited testimonies of ten to fifteen resisters, ranging from *maquisards* and saboteurs to rescuers of Jewish children. This year, an exhibition, *Images of Resistance: Past and Present* will open at The Cooper Union in New York. The fruit of a collaboration with the French photographer Jean-Marc Gourdon, it will pair wartime photographs and contemporary portraits of 25 resisters, and also include excerpts from the testimonies Griffin has recorded over the past seven years.

"My work on Belgium is not a departure from Canadian studies, but rather a parallel track that will enable me to take a more comparative approach in the future," she says. "The problem now is what to call these conflicts: In Belgium it's considered inappropriate to refer to the conflict as an ethnic one; one must refer instead to 'Linguistic communities,' which in some situations transcend time and even space. In Quebec, on the other hand, identities now transcend both time and language and align themselves with space. As you can see, it's an endlessly fascinating issue."

Griffin attributes much her interest in psychological dimensions of politics to the influence of her husband, Dr. Jay Lefer, a psychiatrist and psychoanalyst and a professor at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. They have collaborated on several articles, and they are currently preparing a paper based on the last letters of resisters executed for their activity. She also credits him with having helped her improve her French, and they usually spend part of their vacation in the French Alps. 🍁



5th ACSUS-in-Canada Colloquium held in Vancouver, BC


The 5th ACSUS-in-Canada colloquium was held in partnership with Simon Fraser University, Harbour Centre, Vancouver, Canada, October 29-30, 2004. Additional partners included the Canadian Studies Center, Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington, and the Center for Canadian-American Studies, Western Washington University.

Our call for papers struck an interest among scholars and researchers who focus on the convergence and divergence in the development of Canada and the United States as nations, societies, polities, and traders. The colloquium provided a forum for Canadianists, not only to present and debate their finding, but also to compare their emergent perspective and enhance their research linkages. Four

major objectives of the colloquium were: (1) to create original and interdisciplinary research and dialogue on Canadian-American convergence and divergence; (2) to establish international linkages between scholars working on similar research projects; (3) to foster opportunities for faculty and graduate students to participate in, or benefit directly from, the conference presentations, and to print the conference proceedings, and produce refereed articles that foster critical intellectual understanding; (4) to become a useful resource for public policy and for a better understanding in both countries of scholarship focused on Canada-US similarities and differences.

For its plenary sessions, the international conference planning committee decided to highlight convergence

and divergence with several keynote speakers, including Ken Coates, historian (University of Saskatchewan), Joseph Taylor, environmental historian (SFU), James D. Nason expert in repatriation practices Burke (Washington State) Museum, and Donat Savoie, Chief Federal Negotiator for Nunavik, Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa. The opening plenary address was delivered by Ambassador Paul Cellucci. An evening event sponsored by the Governments of Canada and the United States featured Deputy Consul General, Joni Scandola, US Consulate Vancouver, and Consul General Jeffrey Parker, Canadian Consulate Seattle.

The full text of Cellucci's speech may be accessed here: http://www.usembassycanada.gov/content/embconsul/cellucci_102904.pdf. 

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Conference information will be made available at www.acsus.com. Email: info@acsus.org.

Maine Academic Prominence Initiative Award Goes to Canadian-American Center

Orono, Maine—The University of Maine granted \$150,000 over three years to the Canadian-American Center as one of the first four recipients of its new Maine Academic Prominence Initiative (MAPI). Recipients such as the Can-Am Center will achieve significant program enhancement by applying grant funds to move their current research projects to the next level of quality and distinction.

The proposed project, submitted by Can-Am Center's director Stephen Hornsby, is to expand the capabilities of the Center's Cartographic Laboratory with three initiatives: to develop digital content educational material derived from the Historical Atlas of Maine for the Maine Learning Technologies Initiative laptop program; to create high-quality, well-researched cultural and environmental tourism materials for Maine and cross-border regions in Quebec and Atlantic Canada; and, to pro-

vide creative support to academic and other units on campus and throughout the University of Maine System.

The need for such a nationally-recognized laboratory at the university has been shown by the scholarly, public, and government interest in the products that have already come out of the laboratory. "These and future products have the potential for having a major beneficial effect in the state and surrounding region", said Director Hornsby.

The expansion of the Cartographic Laboratory will begin July 1, 2005. Two professional cartographers, Mike Hermann, Senior Cartographer and cartographic designer, and Matt Cote, currently staff the Lab. Current projects include the Historical Atlas of Maine with a publication date of 2006, and the Ice Age Trail Map produced in collaboration with the Climate Change Institute and Maine Department of

Tourism. Recent projects include the Explanatory Maps of Saint Croix & Acadia, and a virtual 50-map atlas of colonial North America. Among the first projects were the Campus Map and Campus Trail Map, now both campus standards.

Center history

The Canadian-American Center, established in 1967, is one of the leading institutes for studying Canada in the United States. Designated a National Resource Center on Canada by the U.S. Department of Education in 1979, the Center coordinates an extensive program of undergraduate and graduate education; supports a major research library collection on Canada; promotes cross-border research in the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and professions; and directs outreach programs to state, regional and national audiences. 🍁

University of Missouri—Columbia and the University of New Brunswick Sign Student Exchange Agreement

Patrick James, Frederick A. Middlebush Professor of Political Science and Coordinator for the Working Group in Canadian Studies at the University of Missouri, visited the Fredericton campus of the University of New Brunswick in mid-February. UNB and Missouri now have in place a student exchange, scheduled to begin in the fall of 2005.

James visited with administrators, attended classes and toured facilities in an effort to obtain information that might be valuable to students at Missouri looking into the possibility of a semester- or year-long visit to UNB. Both the people and facilities at UNB came off extremely well. Peter Kent, a historian and highly respected dean, provided an interest-

ing overview of both academics and life in general at UNB. Other visits included the director of international relations and the director of residence halls. The school's facilities are extremely modern and high in quality. Contacts with faculty and students alike suggest that visitors from Missouri will truly enjoy a visit to this interesting campus to the north. 🍁

Writers from Newfoundland and Nova Scotia to Appear at ACSUS '05 in St. Louis

The 18th biennial ACSUS conference this November will feature a number of notable personalities from the Arts including three acclaimed writers from Atlantic Canada. Sheldon Currie, Leo Furey, and Beatrice MacNeil will give readings and interact with the audience during the Coffee with Writers event, Sunday morning, November 20 at the Millennium Hotel. J.C.B. Kinch, Professor of English and Theatre Arts at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, is moderator and organizer of this year's Coffee with Writers event.

Sheldon Currie

Currie is retired from teaching English at St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, NS and now writes full time. He has written two collections of short stories, three novels three plays and several articles on Flannery O'Connor and several on Canadian writ-

ers. His novel *The Glace Bay Miners' Museum* was the basis for the movie, *Margaret's Museum* which is based on one of his short stories and includes episodes from several other pieces of his work. At the moment he is working on the screenplay based on his novel *Down The Coaltown Road*. In 2004-05 he will be writer in residence at the Pictou/Antigonish Regional Library. Currie is also on the board of the Nova Scotia Writers' Federation, and is a leading figure in the Atlantic cultural community

Leo Furey

Furey is the Executive Director of the Newfoundland and Labrador Film Development Corporation. He holds an honours degree in English Literature from St. Francis Xavier University, an Education degree from Memorial University, and graduate degrees

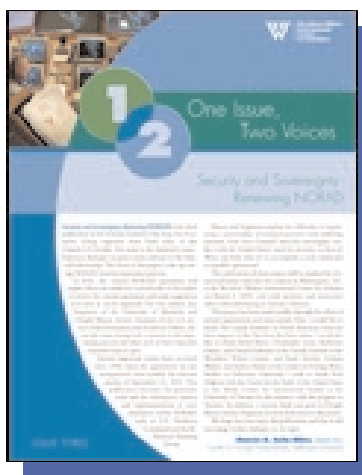
from Memorial University and the University of Ottawa. He taught high school English for ten years. For over thirty years, he has been involved in high school, college and community theatre, directing numerous award-winning plays. His poetry, short stories and reviews have been published in several literary journals, including *The Newfoundland Quarterly*, *Tickleace*, *The Antigonish Review*, *The Fiddlehead* and *The Nashwaak Review*. *The Long Run* is his first novel. He is currently working on a book about Newfoundland writers.

Beatrice MacNeil

MacNeil has written ten plays, four of which have won awards, and two of which have been adapted for Halifax CBC Radio. Her short story collection, *The Moonlight Skater*, won the 1994 Dartmouth Book Award. Her children's book, *There Is a Mouse in the House of Miss Crouse*, won the 1996 Marianna Dempster Canadian Author's Award for Nova Scotia. She is the recipient for the 1999 Tic Butler Award for her outstanding contribution to Cape Breton writing and culture, and is the founder of Cape Breton's Reading Ceilidhs. Her work has been published in *The Globe and Mail*, the *Toronto Star*, the *Halifax Herald*, and has been dramatized on CBC radio. Of Acadian and Scottish descent, MacNeil grew up in Lower L'Ardoise in Cape Breton. She lived in Toronto for an extended period and currently makes her home in Cape Breton. *Butterflies Dance in the Dark* is her debut novel. 🍁

One Issue, Two Voices

The Canada Institute at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars is pleased to announce the latest publication in the One Issue, Two Voices. *Security and Sovereignty: Renewing NORAD*. To access the document, see: http://wwics.si.edu/index.cfm?fuseaction=topics.home&topic_id=1420.



The Challenges for a Northern Dimension Foreign Policy in International Relations

Approximately 60 participants, including representatives of academia, government, NGOs, and media, attended a two-day "Northern Dimensions" conference held on the campus of Georgia Tech in Atlanta, March 3—5, 2005. The international conference explored the roles of the "Arctic Eight" nations in a range of circum-polar issues. Sponsoring institutions included the Center for Canadian Studies at the University of West Georgia; the Northern Research Forum; the University of Lapland, Finland; the Sam Nunn School of International Affairs at Georgia Institute of Technology; the Southern Center for International Studies; and the Canadian Consulate Atlanta. An entire panel devoted to discussion of "Canada, the US and the North: an Evolving Relationship" featured Robert Huebert of the Centre for Military and Strategic Studies, University of Calgary, and Andrea Charon of the Royal Military College of Canada, along with Sarah K. Brandel, the Senior Arctic Official of the US Department of State. Participants in a panel on "Cultural Identities and Northern Dimensions" included Donat Savoie, Chief Federal Negotiator (Nunavik), Comprehensive Land Claims Branch of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada; Gail Fondahl from the University of Northern British Columbia; and Chris Southcott from Lakehead University.

Friday's luncheon speaker Randall Tetlich, representing the Vuntut Gwich'in First Nation, proved to be the star of the show with his gentle reminiscences of the lessons he learned from his father and grandfather and other tribal elders about the circles of

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life, the seasons, the directions and winds, and his relationship with his family, the community, the animals, and ultimately with all of life. He described tracking caribou as a small child, and learning to use every part of the animal for food, clothing, shelter, games, tools and medicine. He also discussed the impact of climate change/global warming on the Arctic ecosystem, and particularly on the caribou. On Friday evening, conference participants were invited to a reception and a screening of the docu-

mentary film *Being Caribou* (National Film Board of Canada).

There was also high-profile participation from Finland, Iceland and Norway. The opening keynote address was given by the Finnish Ambassador to the US, Jukka Robert Valtasaari, and the luncheon keynoter on Saturday was Markku Heiskanen, Chairman of the Finland-Northeast Asian Trade Association. Bryndis Kjartansdottir of Iceland's Ministry of Foreign Affairs spoke on "Emerging Foreign Policy in the Arctic," and Katrine Borga, representing the Norwegian Polar Institute, gave a presentation on "Arctic Pollution: International Collaboration for Increased Knowledge, Management, and Regulation."

Internationally syndicated radio hosts Paula Gordon and Bill Russell conducted a one-hour interview with Lassi Heininen, scheduled for broadcast on CNN Radio April 9 ("The Paula Gordon Show: Conversations with People at the Leading Edge" and "CNN LookOut with Paula Gordon"); The interview will be available at <http://www.paulagordon.com> for a month beginning on April 16.

Conference organizers were Heather Nicol, Director of the Center for Canadian Studies at University of West Georgia, and Lassi Heininen, Chair of the Northern Research Forum and a professor at the University of Lapland in Finland. There are plans to publish conference proceedings later this year. 🍁

ACSUS Welcomes Newest Members to the Association



Gerald ADKINS, Georgia College and State University

Robert BARSKY, Vanderbilt University

Alisa BELANGER, Rochester, NY

Ruth BENANDER, University of Cincinnati/Raymond Walters College

Irene BLOEMRAAD, University of California Berkeley

Frederick BRIGHAM, Essex, MA

Jenny BROPHY, Fort Frontenac Library

Kirk BUCKMAN, The Catholic University of America

C.P. CHAMPION, Montreal, QC

Susan DESROCHES, Carleton University

Walter EISENBEIS, Canadian Institute of International Affairs

Richard ELLING, Wayne State University

George FUJII, Goleta, CA

Arlene GEHMACHER, Royal Ontario Museum

Trevor HARRISON, University of Lethbridge

Philip HOWARD, University of Washington

Michael JONES, Bridgewater State College

Sara KEOUGH, University of Tennessee

Janice LAAKSO, University of Washington

Louise LADOUCEUR, University of Alberta

Isaac LARSON, Ottawa, ON

Kofi MARFO, University of South Florida

Donald MAXWELL, Indiana University

Helen MCCLURE, Washington, DC

Constance MCDERMOTT, Yale University

Peter MCINNIS, St. Francis Xavier University

Samantha NESBITT, University of Oregon

Robert PAQUET, Royal Military College of Canada

Doris REICH, Kelowna, BC

Jason RIDLER, Royal Military College of Canada

Emily ROTHWELL, Queen's University

Jean ROUX, Royal Military College of Canada

Donat SAVOIE, Department of Indian & Northern Affairs Canada

William SHANNON, Woodside, NY

Norman SHIELDS, Queen's University

Blake SHIVER, Georgia College and State University

Michael STEINMANN, University of Southern California Sacramento

Coll THRUSH, University of Washington

Canada in Colorado: ACSUS to Offer Pilot Curriculum Development Workshop

A forthcoming pilot workshop, planned for Denver September 21—22, 2005, will convene at the Canadian Consulate General. The first day of the 2 day program will target college/university professors and administrators. The second day of the program will address K-12 constituents.

The availability of Canadian Studies curriculum—i.e., courses and pro-

grams—is, geographically uneven and in many instances, decidedly under-represented. There exist many regions of the United States where Canadian Studies could be more effectively promoted, represented and integrated into the higher education curriculum. Specific universities, states and regions have longstanding histories of serving as “torchbearers” for Canadian Studies

in the U.S.; conversely, a number of prominent areas are essentially devoid of any meaningful Canadian Studies curriculum presence. All workshop participants will be provided with *Canadian Studies in the United States: A National Curriculum Development Information Kit* that will be developed by ACSUS for distribution effective Fall 2005. 🍁

Problems Threaten Canada U.S. Relationship

(March 1, 2005)

Canada and the United States need one another more than ever, yet each has a diminished standing in the other's country, concludes a high-level group of 70 American and Canadian opinion leaders in a just-published report.

"It is by now evident that Canada is losing influence in Washington," says the document, *Renewing the U.S.-Canada Relationship*. "At the same time that Canada has lost clout in Washington, U.S. leadership's judgment post 9/11 has been met with skepticism and even hostility by Canadians."

There has been an apparent chill since Prime Minister Paul Martin announced last week that Canada would not participate in the U.S. missile defense program.

The 20-page study is the work of an American Assembly, an affiliate of Columbia University established by former President Dwight Eisenhower.

Participants in the early February Assembly at Arden House in N.Y. included former Canadian Ambassador to the United States Allan Gotlieb, former Prime Minister Joe Clark, former governor of Michigan James Blanchard and Terry Breese, Director, Office of Canadian Affairs in the State Department.

Problems on a variety of fronts "threaten what has traditionally been one of the world's most successful bilateral relationships," the report warns, and the security consensus within the western alliance has broken down, with the result that the leadership role of the United States has been called into question.


The report notes the emergence in the United States of a worrisome anti-Canadianism, but the problem "pales beside the disturbing and persistent currents of anti-Americanism in Canada."

The *Renewing the U.S.-Canada Relationship* report takes issue with the view that U.S. and Canadian values are diverging. "Interestingly, there are more differences within the two countries than between them."

The American Assembly was co-sponsored by the Canadian Institute of International Affairs (CIIA) and the Canada Institute of the Woodrow Wil-

son International Center for Scholars, two independent, non-partisan organizations. The report is available on the co-sponsors' websites, www.americanassembly.org, www.ciia.org, and www.wilsoncenter.org/canada/.

The report represents the general agreement of the participants; not everyone agreed with all of it. Papers submitted to the group and the report will be published in a forthcoming issue of the CIIA published *International Journal*.

For further information, see: <http://www.americanassembly.org/index.php>. 

The Jeanne Kissner Undergraduate Essay Award

The award was created in honor of the late Jeanne Kissner, Co-Director of the Center for the Study of Canada at Plattsburgh State University. Professor Kissner was unflagging in her support of Canadian studies education at the undergraduate level and had always hoped that such an award would be established. The award will recognize an undergraduate essay that presents a scholarly exploration of any Canadian studies theme. Essays in all fields—literature, history, and business, for example—are welcome. The competition is open to all undergraduates in the United States who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents of the United States and enrolled in a course in Canadian studies during the two years preceding the biennial ACSUS Conference. The author of the winning essay will receive free registration for the next ACSUS biennial conference, complimentary membership in ACSUS for two years, and a certificate of recognition. Deadline: **April 15**. See: <http://acsus.org/display.cfm?id=337>.

The Honorable Frank McKenna Arrives in Washington to Begin New Appointment as Canada's Ambassador to the United States

Frank McKenna became Ambassador on March 8, 2005, becoming the 20th representative of Canada to the United States. He has had an illustrious legal career, successfully arguing cases up to the Supreme Court of Canada. One of the highlights was his successful defence of Yvon Durelle, a British and Empire Light Heavyweight Champion, on a charge of murder.

He became a Member of the Legislative Assembly in 1982 and leader of his party in 1985 at the age of thirty-seven. In a dramatic turn around in political fortunes and after 17 years in opposition, he led his party to power in 1987, making political history by winning all 58 seats in the provincial legislature. He was a leading advocate for the Canada-US Free Trade Agreement signed in 1989.

At the height of his popularity and following two successive election victories, he left provincial politics, honoring a promise he made when elected that he would limit his term to 10 years. Under his leadership as Premier, New Brunswick became one of Canada's first provinces to improve its credit rating and start producing a steady series of balanced budgets. He also undertook major reforms of the provincial economy, especially in the area of technology. His efforts earned him the designation of Economic Developer of the Year for 1993 by the Economic Developers of Canada, the first and only time a political leader has been so recognized. New Brunswick also became the first jurisdiction in the world to require com-

puter literacy as a high school graduation requirement.

In 1998, McKenna became Counsel to Atlantic Canada's largest firm, McInnes Cooper, and Consulting Counsel to one of Canada's leading mergers and acquisitions firms, Osler Hoskin & Harcourt in Toronto. He was appointed to the Security Intelligence Review Committee. SIRC oversees the Canadian Security Intelligence Service which is responsible for the country's top secret security matters.

In 2002, Frank McKenna and his wife Julie purchased Glenwood Kitchen

Cabinets which manufactures customized kitchens for the Canadian, U.S. and Caribbean markets. It is currently being run by their son, James McKenna.

Ambassador McKenna was born in Sussex, New Brunswick on January 19, 1948. He completed his post-graduate studies in political science at Queen's University before earning a law degree at the University of New Brunswick. In his leisure time, he enjoys golfing, tennis, fishing, yoga, kayaking, canoeing, walking and running. He and his wife, Julie, have three children, James, Christine and Tobias, and four grandchildren. 🍁

Canada-U.S Fulbright Special Issue of ARCS

The Winter 2004 Canada-U.S Fulbright Special Issue of *The American Review of Canadian Studies* (ARCS), is guest

edited by Dr. Michael K. Hawes, Executive Director of the Canada-US Fulbright Program. This issue offers articles from recent Canada-U.S. Fulbright scholars on the complexities and interrelationships of Canadian and U.S. government policies.

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The American Council for Québec Studies (ACQS) Awarded le Prix du 3-juillet-1608

Québec City—Québec's Minister of Culture and Communications, Line Beauchamp, and the President of the Conseil supérieur de la langue française, Nadia Brédimas-Assimopoulos, honored the American Council for Québec Studies (ACQS) on March 15 with an award recognizing that organization's dynamic and dedicated service in promoting the French language and francophone cultures of North America. ACQS Vice-President Raymond J. Pelletier of the University of Maine's Canadian-

American Center accepted the award which was made for the first time to an organization outside of Canada.

The award, le Prix du 3-Juillet-1608, is presented annually; its name commemorates the date of the arrival of Samuel de Champlain to what is now Québec City. The prize included a sculpture by Montréal artist Sylvia Safdie and a parchment document signed by Premier Jean Charest. A motion on the floor of the Québec Parliament by Minister Beauchamp was passed unanimously to officially recognize the contributions of ACQS.

About ACQS

The American Council for Québec Studies is a multi-disciplinary academic organization promoting the study of Québec and French North America. It is made up primarily of university professors from across the United States and throughout the world who have an active interest in Québec's history, literature, politics, economy, language, and culture. This interest is manifested through articles published in Québec Studies and presentations made at the association's biennial conference, the most recent of which was held at Le Chateau Fontenac in Québec City last November. 🍁

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania hosts Canadian Arts Festival

For five days last October, Edinboro University of Pennsylvania celebrated Canadian artistic talent by hosting more than 20 Canadian musicians, writers, actors, dancers, poets, vocalists, and playwrights. Alistair MacLeod, author of the widely acclaimed novel *No Great Mischiefs*, read from his work, and Beatrice MacNeil whose short story collection, *The Moonlight Skater*, won the 1994 Dartmouth Book Award, spoke on the Canadian cultural experience. Sheldon Cur-

rie, author of the *The Glace Bay Miners' Museum* which served as the basis for the film, *Margaret's Museum*, offered a fiction workshop on Writing a Short Story. Sessions on the Canadian film industry, maritime aboriginal issues, maritime music, and modern Canadian poetry were also offered as part of the impressive week long cultural program at Edinboro University. ACSUS was pleased to be able to provide support for this event organized by Professor J.C.B. Kinch. 🍁

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the Millennium Hotel in St. Louis, Missouri. Under the able leadership of Diddy Hitchins, Biennial Conference Program Chair, Doug Nord, Assistant Chair, and the guidance and assistance of David Archibald, we promise an experience that will appeal to all attendees. In short, ACSUS is in good shape and strengthening financially and program wise on a daily basis. I want to thank all of you for the support you have extended to ACSUS and myself over the past sixteen months of my tenure in office as your President. 🍁

Sincerely,
George Sulzner, President

The 'New' Midwifery: Shifting Geographies of Birth in Québec

By Maria Fannin, University of Washington

Maria Fannin, a doctoral candidate in Geography at the University of Washington, was the only American to receive an International Council for Canadian Studies (ICCS) Graduate Student Scholarship in 2004.


My dissertation research compares the geography of reproductive health care in Canada and France focusing specifically on the emergence in Québec for the practice of midwifery. I compare the recent emergence of professional midwifery in the province with the longstanding practice of midwifery in France, emphasizing the connections between midwives that have facilitated this change in the provision of reproductive health care. The practice of midwives, I argue, is crucial to understanding the efforts by governments in both Canada and France to increasingly 'privatize' the social and economic costs of reproduction.

Funding from a Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship to study French in Montréal in 2002 was crucial to the improvement of my language skills in preparation for extended fieldwork. In the fall of 2004, I returned to Québec to continue my research. I interviewed midwives, public health officials and activists on the recent changes to provincial policies regarding midwifery. The provision of midwifery care in Québec was first established in 1990 through pilot programs in a system of local healthcare centers. Just last year, a Montréal-area hospital reached an agreement with a group of midwives to 'lease' a room in the hospital for mid-

wife attended births. This arrangement, the first of its kind, will serve as the model for agreements between midwives and hospitals throughout the province.

Activists call for the redefinition of reproduction as a 'normal' part of women's lives and encourage the participation of women and their partners in all aspects of care. Fieldwork in Québec allowed me to observe firsthand how this philosophy is put into practice in the Québec health-care system. I was able to interview midwives on the very recent agreements negotiating their hospital and home birth practice and enriching my comparative work on contemporary midwifery in France, where I also conducted field research. In addition, I established valuable contacts with researchers in universities in Montréal and Trois-Rivières that will hope-

fully form the foundation for future collaborative research projects on the geography of health and health care.

The ICCS Graduate Student Scholarships enable successful candidates to spend 4-6 weeks at a Canadian university or research site other than their own doing research related to their thesis or dissertation in the field of Canadian Studies. The scholarship is not intended to initiate a thesis or dissertation but rather to provide access to crucial scholarly information and resources in Canada in support of a thesis/dissertation that is close to or at the point of writing. Applications are reviewed by an ACSUS committee and forwarded to ICCS for adjudication. For more information on the scholarship, see: http://www.iccs-ciec.ca/pages/4_ICC-Sprogs/a_gradstu.html. 

ACSUS Distinguished Dissertation Award

Faculty serving on dissertation committees at universities in the United States, and individual members of ACSUS are invited to nominate deserving students who have completed a doctoral degree in the two years preceding the Association's biennial conference. The nomination is accompanied by a letter of support from the student's dissertation advisor and from one additional referee. The Dissertation Award Committee is named by the President of ACSUS and includes one ACSUS officer, one ACSUS councilor, and two additional ACSUS members, one from the humanities or fine arts and one from the social sciences or business. At the committee's discretion, additional consultation may be sought. Deadline: August 15, 2005. See: <http://acsus.org/display.cfm?id=309>.


ACSUS and the Wilson Center's Canada Institute Host Author's Conference on Canada-US Relations

Every two years, the Association for Canadian Studies in the United States and the Wilson Center's Canada Institute produce a special issue of *The American Review of Canadian Studies* (ARCS) on the state of the relationship between Canada and the United States. The issue is dedicated to the memory of Thomas O. Enders, the late U.S. Ambassador to Canada. The latest authors conference took place on November 12, 2004. Contributing authors included: Don Barry, University of Calgary, "Chrétien, Bush and the

War in Iraq"; Monica Gattinger, University of Ottawa, "From Government to Governance in the Energy Sector: The States of the Canada-U.S. Energy Relationship"; Frank Harvey, Dalhousie University, "Canada's Addiction to American Security: The Illusion of Choice in the War on Terror"; Tamara Woroby, Johns Hopkins University SAIS and Towson University, "Should Canadian Immigration Policy Be Synchronized With U.S. Immigration Policy? Lessons Learned at the Start of Two Centuries"; Kate O'Neill, University of

California, Berkeley, "How One Cow Can Make a Difference: U.S.-Canada Trade Relations and Mad Cow Disease"; Stacy D. Vandever, University of New Hampshire and Henrik Selin, Boston University, "U.S.-Canadian Environmental Cooperation: Climate Change in the States and Provinces."

Details on the authors and discussants, and abstracts of the papers are available here:

http://wwics.si.edu/index.cfm?topic_id=1420&fuseaction=topics.event_summary&event_id=95996. 

Fixing the Canadian - US Relationship


March's issue of the Fraser Institute's Fraser Report looks at the Canada-U.S. relationship. A table of contents and brief synopses for the document's 12 articles are available online. Articles range from sovereignty to Social Security, from vaccine shortages to missile defense, and from energy to freight security. <http://www.fraserinstitute.ca/shared/readmore.asp?sNav=pb&id=739>.



Canada's Role in the World

The February issue of Policy Options, published by the Institute for Research on Public Policy (IRPP), presents sixteen articles examining Canada's role in the world. See: <http://irpp.org/po/index.htm>.

Course Syllabi Database

In 2004 ACSUS began to solicit and post syllabi in Canadian studies on the ACSUS website. Placing this information in a web based environment makes material easily accessible. As part of the ACSUS course syllabi project, bibliographies representing a compendium of the sources currently listed in the ACSUS syllabus bank are being made available. BUSINESS/ECONOMICS, CANADIAN POLITICS, AND ANTHROPOLOGY & FIRST NATIONS bibliographies are now available on-line. See: <http://acsus.org/display.cfm?id=359&sub=381&dis=1>. 

Tribute to BGSU Historian Stuart Givens

Original article by Kara Hull

Even after Stuart Givens retired from the University in 1997, colleagues say he just couldn't stay off campus.

A combination history professor and University historian with 50 years at BGSU, Givens "represented the very best of what professors should be," said Ed Danziger, distinguished teaching professor of history at the University.

Givens died last August at St. Luke's Hospital in Maumee from complications after a heart attack. He was 80.

"[Givens has] done a yeoman's service here at the University," Danziger said. "He didn't just hang out here at Williams Hall. He was always looking for opportunities to serve. And when you gave him a job you could forget about it because you knew it would be done and done well."

Born in Honolulu and raised in California and Washington, Givens was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1943 during his sophomore year at George Washington University. During World War II, he served as a paratrooper and was in the Battle of the Bulge.

After earning his master's, Givens came to the University in search of his first job and a chance to teach.

Hired in 1952 as coordinator of student activities and a part-time history instructor, Givens became a full-time history instructor four years later, said Florence, his wife of 57 years.

While at the University, Givens chaired the history department from 1965-1969, served in various positions on Faculty Senate, including president from 1975-1976 and various positions on the Arts and Sciences Council, including chair from 1972-1973.

The author of "The Falcon Soars," which chronicles the University's his-

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tory from 1963-1982, Givens was the first faculty member to receive the Hollis A. Moore University Service Award and became an honorary University Alumnus in 1983.

Though its easy for some to get restless in the same place for so long, Givens never dreamed of leaving the

University, Florence said.

"He just likes what he is wherever he is," she said. "I think people do move a lot ... but he got his movement with his students. Each (semester) it was something new."

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But even with all he did at the University, Givens never boasted about his accomplishments, said Christine Drennen, assistant director of the Canadian Studies Program.

"He was such a humble man," she said. "He always wanted to give credit to somebody else."

But service for Givens didn't stop with work at the University, Danziger said. Givens volunteered with the local Kiwanis Club and Meals on Wheels.

"[Givens] was a pillar of the community," he said. "Everywhere he went, he rolled up his sleeves and went to work." 🍁

The Architectural Review focuses on Canada

The October 04 issue of *The Architectural Review* focused on architecture in Canada. Dr. Annette W. LeCuyer, Professor of Architecture at the University of Buffalo, and Dr. Brian Carter, Dean of Architecture at UB, were guest editors. The journal is published in the UK and has an international circulation. For more information, contact Donna Banach, Canadian-American Studies, Canada US Trade Center, University at Buffalo: dbanach@buffalo.edu.

Faculty Research Grant Awards, 2004-05

Security, Prosperity, and Quality of Life

The Canadian Government provides support for teaching, research, conferences and program activities that further the knowledge and understanding of Canada in the United States. Projects that focus on the diverse aspects of Canada-U.S. relations are of particular interest. Priority topics include bilateral trade, Canada-U.S. border issues, security cooperation, environmental and natural resources issues, and cultural relations. 2005/6 Guidelines available here: <http://www.canadianembassy.org/education/canadianstudies-en.asp>.

Security

Mad Cows and Smart Borders: Trade and Security at the Canada-U.S.

Frontier Jason M Ackleson, Department of Government, New Mexico State University, and Justin J. Kastner, Food Safety and Security Program, Kansas State University.

Global Good Samaritans: Canada's Human Rights Foreign Policy Alison Brysk, Political Science, University of California, Irvine.

Canada in NORAD 1957-2007.

Joseph T. Jockel, Canadian Studies Program, St. Lawrence University.

Canadian Border Control Information Technologies, the "Smart Borders" Agreement and International

Cooperation Towards a "Virtual Border" Rey Koslowski, Political Science Department, and Director, Research Program on Border Control

and Homeland Security, Center on Global Change and Governance, Rutgers University-Newark.

Securing the Canada-U.S. Border: Can the European Approach Work in North America? Chris Rudolph, Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University.

Air Traffic Management in Turbulent Times: Evaluating the Performance, Prospects, and Lessons of NavCanada

John S. Strong, Business Administration, College of William and Mary, and Clinton V. Oster, School of Public and Environmental Affairs, Indiana University.

Prosperity

A Comparative Analysis of Regulatory and Incentive Policies Influencing Private Forestry in the United States and Canada Janaki R. R. Alavalapati and Jagannadha Rao Matta, School of Forest Resources and Conservation, University of Florida.

Transnational Corporations and Transfer Pricing: Are Canada and the United States Economic Allies, Yet Taxation Enemies? Susan C. Borkowski, Professor of Accounting and Joint Faculty, Integrated Science, Business, La Salle University.

Canadian Public Diplomacy and US Media: Press and Broadcast News Framing Canada's Issue Positions on Softwood Lumber Trade and Border

Control Issues Nathalie J. Frensley and Gregory S. Brown, Department of Government, University of Texas at Austin.

An Analysis of Contemporary U.S. Foreign Economic Policy Toward Canada Earl H Fry, Political Science, Brigham Young University.

Future of Canada - U.S. Investment in the Post 9-11 Era. Prem Gandhi, Center for the Study of Canada, Plattsburgh State University; Brian O'Neil, School of Business, Clarkson University; and Wayne Glass, Adirondack Economic Development Corporation, Saranac Lake, NY.

A Longitudinal Study of Productivity of Canadian and U.S. Manufacturing Firms Damodar Y. Golhar and Satish Deshpande, Haworth College of Business, Western Michigan University.

Impact of Canadian Family Leave on the Employment and Wages of Women Maria J Hanratty, Sponsored Projects Administration, University of Minnesota Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs and Eileen Trzcinski, School of Social Work, Wayne State University, MI.

Capital Market Behavior of Canadian and American Sub-National Governments in Financing Public Infrastructure W Bartley Hildreth, Hugo Wall School of Urban & Public Affairs, Wichita State University.

North American Migration by Skill Level: Canada, Mexico, and the United States Gary L. Hunt, Economics, University of Maine.

Globalization and Localization: Global Banks and Immigrant Community Development in Canada and the United States Wei Li, Geography, Arizona State University.

Bilateral Canada-U.S. Foreign Direct Investment: Impacts on Productivity and Export Activity John K Mullen, Economics and Finance, Clarkson University.

Secure Borders and Uncertain Trade: Supply Chain Strategies for Canadian Firms in a "Re-bordered" North America Coral R. Snodgrass, Management & Marketing, Canisius College.

Canada-U.S. Economic Integration and the Exchange Rate Regime Paul A. Storer, Economics Department, Western Washington University; Co-applicants: Steven Globerman, Professor and Director of the Center for International Business, Western Washington University and Tom Roehl, Associate Professor, Management Department, Western Washington University.

An Analysis of Shared Governance in Canadian Fisheries Management Ralph E. Townsend and Georges Tanguay, Economics Department, University of Maine.

Equity, Democratic Governance and Global Competitiveness: The Case of Québec's Mega-cities Richard Vengroff, Political Science, University of Connecticut.

Economic Development in the Montreal and Toronto Megacities: Cooperation and Competitiveness. Robert K Whelan, College of Urban and Public Affairs, University of New Orleans.

Quality of Life

Towards Global Health Governance? Canada's Multilateral Approach to the HIV/AIDS Pandemic Jeffrey M. Ayres and Patricia D. Siplon, Political Science Department, Saint Michaels College.

Charting Sustainability in Canadian Suburbs: a Comparative Approach Hugh E. Bartling, Public Policy Studies, DePaul University.

Preference or Behavior? Exploring Societal Attitudes toward Public and Private Environmental Policy Initiatives in the United States and Canada Benjamin W. Cashore and Robert Mendelsohn, School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, Yale University.

The Impact of Welfare State Restructuring on the Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector in Canada & the U.S. Karen A. Curtis, School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy, University of Delaware.

Irrigation and Water Transfers: Sustainable Water Policy in Alberta Sandra K. Davis, Political Science, Colorado State University.

Nova Scotia Project C. S. Giscombe, English Department, Penn State University.

Adaptation and Adjustment Experiences of Somali Refugees in Toronto, Ontario Franklin W Goza, Sociology, Bowling Green State University.

International Garbage: Comparative Michigan and Canadian Perspectives on Toronto's Trash Sarah Hill, Anthropology and Environmental Studies, Western Michigan University.

Political Change and Adaptation in Four Parliamentary Systems: Canada, the U.K., New Zealand and Australia Diddy R. Hitchins, Political Science, University of Alaska Anchorage.

Comparative Study of Fire Policy and the Rules and Relationships between Governments and Indigenous People Amy Lauren Lovcraft, Political Science Department, and Sarah Trainor, Institute of Arctic Biology, University of Alaska Fairbanks.

The Saguenay River in World War II: A Study of American Capital and Canadian Resources David Massell, Department of History, University of Vermont.

Reforming Parliament: Institutional Choices and Member Power Eric M McGhee, Political Science, University of Oregon and Vincent G. Moscardelli, Department of Political Science, University of Massachusetts.

Advocacy Group Strategies in Canadian Environmental Politics Sarah B. Pralle, Political Science Department and The Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University.

Canadian Leadership in Question? Informing U.S. Newspaper Coverage of the Canadian Health System Pauline Rosenau, Management, Policy & Community Health, University of Texas - Houston; School of Public Health.

Comparison of the Evolution of Forest Land Ownership between Canada and the United States: History and Implications Yaoqi Zhang and Larry Teeter, School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences, Auburn University.

Faculty Enrichment (Course Development) Grants, 2004-05

North American Lake Ecology and Management, Virginia M. Card, Natural Sciences, Metropolitan State University, MN.

Understanding the Geography of Canada, Susan W. Hardwick, Geography, University of Oregon.

Great Lakes Environmental History, Lynne Heasley, Department of History and Environmental Studies Program, Western Michigan University and James Feldman, Environmental Studies Program, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh.

Québec: A Francophone Melting Pot, Carole Kruger, Department of French, Davidson College, NC.

Indian Children and Families, Dian L. Million, American Indian Studies, University of Washington.

Contemporary Québécois Film and Literature, Patrice J. Proulx, Department of Foreign Languages and Literature, University of Nebraska at Omaha.

An Introduction to the New Media, James E. Seward, Department of Communication/Journalism, St. John Fisher College, PA.

Canadian-U.S. Business, Marie-Christine Therrien, Maine Business School, University of Maine.

Graduate Student Fellowships, 2004-05

Multiculturalism and the State: Ethno-Cultural Conflict, Globalization, and National Protection in Montreal, 1944-2004, Cory A. Blad, Sociology, University of Tennessee.

Uranium Mining and Native Peoples in the North American West, 1945-1960, Michael N. Crotty, History Department, Duke University, NC.

The Risk of Treatment: Public Health, Tuberculosis and the State, Alan Czaplicki, Sociology, Northwestern University, IL.

Migration, Race, and Empire: South Asian Revolutionaries and White Exclusionists on the Pacific Coast, Seema Sohi, History, University of Washington, Seattle.

Contemporary Indigenous Nationhood Claims and Governmental Responses in Canada and the United States, Erich W. Steinman, Sociology, University of Washington.

Canadian Studies Program Enhancement, Outreach, and Conference Grant applications due, Canadian Embassy, Washington, DC, June 15. <http://www.canadianembassy.org/education/grant-guide-en.asp>

For more information on the Canadian Studies Grant Program, see: <http://www.canadianembassy.org/education/canadianstudies-en.asp>. 🍁

RESOURCES

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- 🍁 “Towards an Integrated Knowledge Ecosystem: A Canadian Research Strategy”: www.kdstudy.ca.
- 🍁 *Security e-Discussion Resources by Dr. Stéphane Roussel*: http://www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/cip-pic/current_discussions/roussel-en.asp.
- 🍁 *Documents on Canadian External Relations*. Foreign Affairs Canada makes available on the Internet many important historical documents at <http://www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/departement/history/menu-en.asp> (under Documents).
- 🍁 *Bibliography of Comparative Studies in Canadian, Quebec and Foreign Literatures*: <http://compcanlit.usherbrooke.ca/search.html>.
- 🍁 *The Association internationale des études québécoises has launched a database in Québec Studies*: http://www.aieq.qc.ca/frame_nouveautes.html.
- 🍁 *CARIAD SERVICES TO PUBLISHERS INTERNATIONAL (CSPI) catalogue of publications relevant to Canadian Studies*: www.cariad.org.
- 🍁 *Entanglements: Collisions and Tensions, Graduate Student Interdisciplinary Conference*, Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada, May 9, 2005: www.carleton.ca/interface.
- 🍁 *Canadians in the World: An Educational Resource Site*: http://www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/ciw-cdm/edu_links-en.asp.

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