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# Indiana State University

## The History Department's

### Annual Newsletter

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Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN 47809.

1998-99

#### **Chair History**

Frederick Robert Hunter (Harvard) 1979 will join the Department of History as Chair beginning August, 1999. He will be leaving Tulane University where he is Professor of History and the Department's Director of Graduate Studies. We look forward to him and Joan, his wife, joining the community.

Richard Clokey served as Acting Chair during the 1998-99 year.

#### **Faculty Changes**

On April 27th the Department of History gave a reception to honor the faculty retiring at the end of the 1998-99 school year. We appreciate the years of dedication that they gave to the department. We will miss Richard Clokey, Gary Daily, Arvid Perez, Herbert Rissler and Edward Spann.

We are looking forward to new colleagues joining the department this fall. Besides F. Robert Hunter, Ann Chirhart (Emory) will join us from the University of Georgia to teach 20th Century United States history. Christopher Olsen (Florida) will join us

from Virginia Wesleyan University to teach 19th Century United States history. Edward Slack (Hawaii) will join the department to teach East Asian history, having served in the department as a visiting assistant professor during 1998-99.

#### **Research Grants**

Don Layton and Gale Christianson were awarded ISU Research Grants for 1998-99 in the amounts of \$2,523 and \$4,215, respectively.

#### **Enrollments**

A total of 1,866 students registered for 5,545 credit hours for Fall 1998. Spring 1999 had an enrollment of 1,577 students and a total of 4,691 credit hours. Both totals are among the largest in the department's history.

#### **Social Studies Education**

The number of Social Science Education majors rose from 157 in 1998 to 163 as of April 1999. Over 80% choose US history or World Civilization as their primary area of teaching.

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## Graduate Students

Fifteen graduate students were enrolled during the 1998-99 year.

The Fall Welcome Back Party for faculty and graduate students was held at the Schneirov residence on August 28.

## Graduate Awards

The Roll award, presented to the outstanding graduate student was presented to Charles Clark. The Biel award, presented to a graduate student who demonstrates exceptional knowledge of US and related history went to Rhonda Owens.

## Undergraduate Awards

The Gemmecke Award for the outstanding senior was jointly awarded to Van Hutchison and Brandon Smith. The Harr award for the outstanding junior was presented to Jennifer Campbell. The DAR Award presented to an undergraduate with good performance in US history was awarded to Katherine Lloyd.

## Office Staff

Sue Dolle, our part-time secretary resigned in October. Her place has been ably filled by Barbara McNeil who looks after all Social Science Education work.

## Alum News

Jan P. Doolittle (1995, MA) recently received State University of New York at Birmingham Graduate School's annual Excellence in Teaching and Research Award. She is a doctoral candidate in history at the university and is presently working on her dissertation.

## First Year Student Receptions

The Department held a reception for first year students on August 27th. The reception for the history majors was held in the department office. The reception of the social science education majors was held in a classroom next door.

## Professional Activities

(Publications listed are those for the calendar year 1998.)

1998 was a good year for Department scholarship with two new books, three re-publications of books, ten articles or chapters in books, seven encyclopedia articles, and nine conference papers produced by the History faculty at ISU.

**Gale E. Christianson's** books *Edwin Hubble: Mariner of the Nebulae* (Chinese Translation) and *Isaac Newton and the Scientific Revolution* were re-published this year. He made two presentations, one as a consultant and on-camera participant in "Mysteries of the Universe" PBS series "A Science Odyssey," January 13, the other for the *ISU Department of History Seminar* on October 21 entitled "The Greenhouse Effect: An Episodic Biography of an Idea." He was awarded an University Research Grant from Indiana State University in the amount of \$4,215.00. His book *Isaac Newton and the Scientific Revolution* was chosen by the New York Public Library as a "Book for the Teen Age 1998." He served as chairperson of the University Research Committee, member of the Research-Creativity Awards Committee, and chairperson of the College of Arts and Sciences Program Review Committee.

**Richard M. Clokey** served as acting chair of the Department of History for the 1998-

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99 year. He was editor of the book Alan C. Rankin, *Challenges and Opportunities. A Memoir of Indiana State University in Transition* Indiana State University, 1998. He was also a member of the General Education Council, chair of the Mathematics and Quantitative Skills Committee, member of the NCAA Certification Steering Committee, and chair of the NCAA Compliance Committee.

**Robert G. Clouse** continued to serve on the following: Faculty Senate; Executive Committee, Faculty Senate; Board of Directors, Friends of Cunningham Memorial Library; Health Benefits Review Committee; Faculty Economic Benefits Committee; President's Planning and Resource Committee; President, Faculty Club; ISU Division of University Advancement, Strategic Planning Task Force for Fund Raising and University Advancement; director, Eugene V. Debs Foundation, director, Central Renaissance Conference; director, Conference on Faith and History; member, Board of American Heart Association, West Central Indiana Chapter; member, Board of Organ Donor Awareness Council of West Central Indiana; member, Heartland District Fellowship of Brethren Ministers; and member, Major Gifts Committee, AHA, Indiana Affiliate. He published "Scholarship as Prophecy, The Beloved City of Johann Heinrich Alsted" *Habent sua fata Libelli, Books Have Their Own Destiny*, ed. by R. B. Barnes et. al., Kirksville, MO: Thomas Jefferson University Press, 1998, pp. 27-38 and "Changes and Partings: Division in the Progressive/Grace Brethren Church" *From Age to Age: Historians and the Modern Church*, ed. D.B. Eller, Elgin, IL: Brethren Life and Thought, 1998, pp. 180-199. He read the following conference papers "Prophecy for Simple People, Two Renaissance Millennial Works" *Central*

*Renaissance Conference*, University of Missouri, Kansas City, MO, April 10; "Prophetic Failures and the Christian Hope in the New Millennium" *Conference on Faith and History*, David Lipscomb University, Knoxville, TN, September 26; and "The Peace Churches and World War I" *Earlham School of Religion*, September 17. He was chosen *Distinguished Fellow of Early Modern Studies*, 1998 by the Sixteenth Century Studies Conference.

**Gary Daily** served on the Women's Studies Advisory Board and the Women's Studies Curriculum Committee at Indiana State University.

**William W. Giffin** serves as a member of the College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Council and the Debs Fellowship Committee. He serves as Treasurer as well as a member the Executive Council and Membership Committee of the Indiana Association of Historians. He is also a member of the Membership Committee of the Organization of American Historians.

**Donald L. Layton** continued to be active in the Vigo County Historical Society. He remains faculty advisor to the Roller Hockey Club, Social Dance Club, and Sigma Nu Fraternity. He re-published *World War II: A Global Perspective*, Second Edition, Kendall-Hunt (originally published in 1995) and wrote seven articles in *World War II in Europe: An Encyclopedia*, 1998. He was awarded a University Research Grant from Indiana State University in the amount of \$2,523.00.

**Arvid Perez** continued to serve as Coordinator, Arts and Sciences Seminar and faculty advisor to Sigma Chi Fraternity.

**Richard Pierard** served as secretary-treasurer for the Conference on Faith and

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History; member, Board of Managers, American Baptist History Society; vice-chair, Heritage Commission, Baptist World Alliance; member, International Project on Evangelicalism and Globalization; member, North American Committee, North Atlantic Missiology Project; member, University Faculty Senate; member, Administrative Affairs Committee (all-university); and faculty sponsor, American Baptist Students. He published the following articles "Viewing Denominational Histories in Global Terms" *A Global Faith: Essays on Evangelicalism and Globalization* ed. by Mark Hutchinson and Ogbu Kalu, Sydney, Australia: Centre for the Study of Australian Christianity, 1998, pp. 140-155; "Evangelical and Ecumenical Leaders in Mainline Protestantism, 1900-1950" *Re-Forming the Center: American Protestantism, 1900 to the Present* ed. by Douglas Jacobsen and William Vance Trollinger, Jr., Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 1998, pp. 150-171; "Christianity Outside North America" *World War II in Asia and the Pacific and the War's Aftermath, with General Themes: A Handbook of Literature and Research* ed. by Loyd E. Lee, Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 1998, pp. 364-384; "The Historical Importance of Dietrich Bonhoeffer" *Fides et Historia*, Vol. 29, Summer 1997, pp. 5-10; "Shaking the Foundations: World War I, the Western Allis, and German Protestant Missions" *International Bulletin of Missionary Research*, Vol. 22, January 1998, pp. 13-19; "Vouchers: The Wrong Medicine" *Christian Ethics Today*, Vol. 4, February 1998, pp. 8-11. He presented the following papers: "'Orphaned' German Missions in World War I" *War and Peace in the History of Missions*, Yale Edinburgh Group on the History of Missionary Movement and Non-Western Christianity, University of Edinburgh, Scotland, July 4; "The Confusion of Calendars and the

Meaning of the Millennial Change to Other Peoples" *21st Fall Meeting of the Conference on Faith and History*, David Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN, September 24; "The Church and the East German Revolution" *Annual History Conference* Spring Arbor College, Spring Arbor, MI, October 2.

**Herbert J. Rissler** continued to be Graduate Advisor in the Department. He served on the University Archives Committee as well.

**Richard S. Schneirov** served as a member of the Debs Fellowship Committee and faculty advisor to the History Club as well as a member of the Faculty Economic Benefits Committee and President of the ISU Chapter of the American Association of University Professors. He also published a book entitled *Labor and Urban Politics: Class Conflict and the Origins of Modern Liberalism in Chicago, 1864-1897*, Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1998; and an article entitled "The Haymarket Affair" *The Oxford Companion to United States History*, March 1, 1998. He presented the following conference paper: "The Political Economy of the Eight Hour Movement during and after the Great Upheaval" *North American Labor History Conference* Detroit, MI, October 15-17.

**Rebecca S. Shoemaker** continued to advise Phi Alpha Theta. She coordinated the Department of History Assessment of Student Outcomes Initiative. She was the ISU representative for the James Madison Scholarship and a juror for selecting winners of Judge Paul Buchanan, Jr. scholarships to the 1990 Indiana University High School Speech and Debate workshop.

**Thomas E. Siefert** returned to teaching in the Department of History after serving as Associate Dean of School of Graduate

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Studies for several years.

**Edward K. Spann** received the Indiana State University 1998 College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Professor Award in the Spring of 1998. He also made a conference presentation in Edinburgh, Scotland, entitled "The Regional Planning Association of America" *Patrick Ledde International Conference*.

**Maryann Valiulis** served as Director of the Women's Studies Program at ISU; member of the editorial board of the *Irish Journal of Feminist Studies*; member of the executive board of the Irish Association for Research in Women's History; member, Women's Studies Advisory Board; member, Women's Studies Curriculum Committee; and member, Arts and Sciences Distinguished Professor Selection Committee. She sponsored the Women's Studies Minors' Association.

She made presentations at the American Conference of Irish Studies 37th Annual National Meeting and at the Seventh International Congress on Women at the University of Tromsø in Norway.

**Wilson J. Warren**, the coordinator of the Social Science Education Center, was active as a member of the following committees: Indiana Council for History Education, Advisory Committee; School of Education Congress, Special Methods Faculty Member; Teacher Education Committee, School of Education; and Special Methods Task Force, Teacher Education Committee, School of Education. He also served as faculty advisor to the Social Science Association. He was awarded the *Throne/Aldrich Award* by State Historical Society of Iowa Board of Trustees Outstanding Article for an article published in 1997 *Annals of Iowa* entitled "Evangelical Paternalism and Divided Workers: The Nonunion Era at John

Morrell and Company in Ottumwa, 1877-1917."

**John H. Williams** made the following presentation: "Cuba in the 1980s" at *The Foreign Policy Association*, Charleston, SC, February 20.

### **History Department Graduate Students, 1998-99**

<i>Name</i>	<i>University</i>
<i>Raphael Alcalde</i>	University of Toronto
<i>Todd Carpenter</i>	Kentucky Wesleyan University
<i>Charles Clark</i>	Oakland City College
<i>Kari Ellis</i>	St. Mary-of-the-Woods College
<i>Trevor Gordon</i>	Queens University (Belfast)
<i>Kevin Griffith</i>	Indiana State University
<i>Andrew Hartsock</i>	Purdue University
<i>Tamara Loudermilk</i>	Indiana State University
<i>Larry Lynch</i>	Indiana State University
<i>Rhonda Owens-Baird</i>	Indiana State University
<i>Elizabeth Robbins</i>	University of Alaska
<i>Brian Rush</i>	Indiana State University
<i>Matthew Schaffer</i>	State University of New York (Buffalo)
<i>Marcella Shumway</i>	Brigham Young University
<i>William Treadway</i>	Indiana State University