### UNBC UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA

Fall 2008

# History Program "Know your History—Know your World!"

### **Points** of Interest

- Check out our bulletin board—3rd floor Admin Building for current awards and scholarships.
- While you're here, check out the History program faculty publications opposite the awards board.
- Conference listings are posted around the corner on the main HIST board, as well as employment opportunities for positions in History at other institutions.
- Check out the bulletin board next to room 3007a on the 3rd floor AdminBldg for History and Anthropology student job opportunities.

# Contest Winner





Angela Quibell For coming up with the winning name:



For her effort and imagination, Angela is the recipient of "Black Adder 1485—1917 " DVD set

We hope you have many hours of laughter and entertainment.

## History Program Research Room

The History Program has been allocated an office for research. We have a small library of books on topics such as Latin America, War & Society, International Relations.

This room has been designated for the History Program faculty, graduate students and research assistants.

Recent message from Dr. Morrison from Ladysmith on Vancouver Island: "**gorgeous late summer weather here**!" Are we jealous?

### Coming soon:

Alumni News & Testimonials

MA History changes

**Student Profiles** 

#### **Please Note**

Important notices, class cancellations, etc will be posted on the Home Page of the History Web Site.

## Awards and Scholarships

There are many opportunities for Awards and Financial Aid listed in the calendar. There are also many funding opportunities that come through email. The History program maintains a bulletin board at the south end of the corridor, 3rd floor Admin Building and we try to ensure these opportunities are listed on our web page.

## **Conferences**

## **Photo Gallery**

Check out our updated photo gallery! www.unbc.ca/history/news\_and\_events

Bring us your old, your new, your funny, your not-so funny photos of anything History related. If you toured a noted historical site, or you took photos of one of your classes or your prof—we'd like to feature them in our photo gallery. You will even get a 'by-line'.

Check out our web page www.unbc.ca/history click on 'News & Events' and follow the link to 'Conferences' .

## **History Program**

## What will a History Degree do for me?

Check out an article from Chronicle of Higher Education, by Sam Bittner, an Omaha businessman, titled:

'I forgot to tell him that I was sending him for the impossible'.

www.unbc.ca/history/ careers.html

# Film Nights & Guest Speakers

The History Program hosts at least two 'Film Nights; during each semester. Many of the films complement courses being taught during the semester. We also sponsor guest speakers whose research interest is related to current courses being offered, or hot topics of interest.



The following films are scheduled for Fall 2008:

- Oct 21 Zulu Dawn HIST 241 Empire: Europe and the World (Dr. Cousineau)
- Nov 4 The Searchers HIST 320 The Western United States (Dr. Binnema)
- Nov 13 Machuca HIST 281 Republican Latin America (Dr. Holler)

We are currently working on the Winter 09 film schedule.

for their Master's Degree

with you:

Check out our website "News & Events" for films and guest lectures coming up.

**Velcome Bac** 

We would like to welcome the recent History

Graduates who have elected to stay with us

Kelsey Wiebe

Blake Bouchard

Alison Matte

Kelsey, Blake and Alison are also working

as teaching assistants for the History pro-

Welcome and we look forward to working

# History Majors / Minors

The History Program hosts a 'meet-andgreet' for potential graduate students selected from our History majors. The History faculty is in attendance to answer questions and provide feedback.



**history** *n*. **1a** a continuous record of past events. **b** the past considered as a whole. **2a** the study of past events. **b** a critical account of a past event, development, etc. **3** an eventful past. **be history** *informal* be longer existing, or important.

## Student News

Congratulations (again) to Trish Cundy. Last year *Patricia Cundy* and nine other UNBC

students received \$2500 bursaries from Spectra Energy Transmission. This summer Trish was offered and has accepted the Vancouver Foundation First Nations Bursary for 2008-2009.



# Join us and Make History!

*Kelsey Wiebe*, one of our incoming graduate students and a former undergraduate, was awarded a SSHRC Masters scholarship to support her proposed research on notions of masculinity in the fur trade around Fort Simpson on the northwest coast of British Columbia between 1834 and 1887.

Congratulations from everyone in the program!

*Yvan Prkachin,* a History graduate in 2006, successfully defended his thesis for his Master's degree in History from Guelph University. Yvan's thesis, "The Chemophilic Society': Addiction Research after the Classic Period of Narcotic Control, 1957-1975," continued his research into drug regulation in Canada. He has been approached to publish the data by Nancy Campbell who just published a book on his topic. Yvan plans to take a year off and has been debating applying to the Harvard Institute for the History of Science and to work with Dr. Anne Harrington, whose work, according to Yvan "is right up his alley". *Congratulations, Yvan!* 

# **History Links**

## www.unbc.ca/history/links

We have a good selection of websites dealing with history and historical themes. Some of the categories are: General Purpose & Search Engines, Canadian Studies, Economics, History General. These links will take you to other universities, history associations, journals and publications including historical texts and documents.

### Got a favorite history site?

Email it to us at:

history@unbc.ca\_and we will feature it on our web site.

Course Outlines Condensed course outlines will be published on the web as they become available.



### **History Program**

# **Faculty News**

Dr. Jonathan Swainger, Chair

- Dr. Gordon Martel (On leave)
- Dr. Ted Binnema
- Dr. Jacqueline Holler
- Dr. Aileen Espiritu (On leave)
- Dr. Bill Morrison
- Dr. Stephanie Cousineau
- Dr. Emily Spencer



Visit our website for contact information.

Dr. Gordon Martel published A Companion to International History, 1900-2001 in 2007; The Origins of the First World War (3rd edn: Joll & Martel) was translated into Polish and Turkish in 2008 and will be published in 2009; an essay, 'Explaining the First World War: Debating the Causes' is to be published later this year in Themes in Modern European History, 1890-1945. Dr. Martel is currently editing a 6volume Encyclopedia of War and finishing a monograph on Political Intelligence in Britain, 1900-39. Dr. Martel has completed his one year term as acting Dean for CASHS and has embarked on a research year which will take him to England and Australia.

*Dr. Jonathan Swainger*'s third edited collection—*The Alberta Supreme Court at 100: History and Authority*—was published by University of Alberta Press and the Osgoode Society for Canadian Legal History in October 2007. This autumn will see the publication of two articles, "Judicial Scandal and the Culture of Patronage in Early Confederation, 1867-1878", in *Essays in the History of Canadian Law*, vol. X: *A Tribute to Peter Oliver* (2008) and "Not in Keeping with the Traditions of the Cariboo Courts": Courts and Community Identity in Northeastern British Columbia, 1920-1950" in *History's Living Legacy: Essays on Colonial Legal Culture in Canada, Australia and New Zealand* (2008). He also gave an invited talk on Confederation-era judicial scandals to a research seminar at the University of Toronto Law School in late October 2007. As of 1 July 2008 he was promoted to full professor.

Dr. Stephanie Cousineau is recently back from a summer of German language training in Freiburg, also the home of the German military archives, which gave her the chance to finish up some outstanding research for her dissertation-based manuscript "Ruthless War: German and American "Unrestricted" Submarine Warfare Campaigns of the Second World War" (University Press of Kansas, forthcoming). Dr. Cousineau is also working on two forthcoming articles and a conference paper: "So Solly! Treatment of Shipwrecked by the American Submarine Service in the Pacific War, 1942-1945" (forthcoming in «Racisme et eugénisme», GRER); "Mörchingen-Saarburg, Plan XVII, and the Battle of the Frontiers, August 1914" (forthcoming in *War and Society*); and "Men First and Nazis Second? Nazis in German and Non-German Feature Films since 1989", (to be presented at the FHAANZ Conference at the University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand).

*Dr. Jacqueline Holler* published "Conquered Spaces, Colonial Skirmishes: Spatial Contestation in Sixteenth-Century Mexico City" in *Radical History Review*, no 99 (Fall 2007). She also contributed a chapter entitled "The Holy Office of the Inquisition and Women" to *Religion and Society in Latin America: Interpretive Essays from the Conquest to the Present*, scheduled to be published in 2008. After a near-fatal Mexican journey in late 2007, Dr. Holler hit the conference trail in June, delivering a paper at the Berkshires Conference on the History of Women in Minneapolis. She was also honoured with an invitation to deliver the annual Tangney lecture at Bates College; in May. Dr. Holler travelled to Maine to deliver a lecture on Sexuality, Women's History and the Inquisition.Dr. Holler was also elected as UNBC's representative to the Canadian Federation of Social Sciences and Humanities .

Dr. Ted Binnema's co-edited essay collection (with Susan Neylan), New Histories for Old: Changing Perspectives on Canada's Native Pasts, was published by UBC Press in the spring of 2008. Dr. Binnema also delivered an invited paper in the Faculty of Law at the University of Toronto in November 2007 as well as a paper at the Rupert's Land Colloquium (2008) held at Rocky Mountain House, Alberta in mid May 2008. The meeting marked the 200th anniversary of David Thompson's arrival at Rocky Mountain House. He continues to be a member of the Canadian Historical Review's editorial board and as of 1 July 2008, Dr. Binnema was promoted to full professor.

*Dr. William Morrison* continues his extensive publishing career with the release of *Arctic Front: Defending Canada in the Far North*, to be published by Thomas Allen in October. He has also submitted for publication a co-authored book chapter on St. John's, Newfoundland during World War II. Finally, he is in the early writing stages of Discover, a two volume book on the discovery of gold in the Yukon, and the subsequent gold rush. It is fifty years now since Pierre Berton's famous book was published, and this is an expanded version, based on new research.

## The program is pleased to welcome

Dr. Emily Spencer who comes to us from the Canadian Forces Leadership Institute where she was a research associate, and, more recently, from the History Department at the University of Victoria where she was an adjunct assistant professor. Her first book, *Lipstick and High Heels: War, Gender and Popular Culture,* was published with the Canadian Defence Academy Press in 2008. She has also edited *Grass Roots: Senior NCOs on Operations. In Harm's Way, Vol 4.* Kingston: CDA Press, 2008. She is also editing and contributing a chapter to *The Difficult War: Perspectives on Insurgency* and is preparing an article on the current state of military affairs for *Scientia Militaria: The South African Journal for Military Studies.* 



## **History Program**

## The Chair's Corner ...



It seems as if it was only a few days ago that I was approving the grades for the Winter 2008 term and here we are looking at Autumn 2008 and the beginning of a new academic year. As you'll see elsewhere we've bid a fond farewell to Dr. Sharon Wall and an enthusiastic welcome to Dr. Emily Spencer. We're also pleased to have Dr. Stephanie Cousineau "back in the trenches" for another year. Having undertaken a series of curriculum changes over the past three years, the program is looking forward to the prospect of seeing how the new courses work and that, of course, involves hearing from the students. Do let me know what you think of the new courses and if you have suggestions or ideas for where we might build in the future, don't hesitate to send me a line or drop into the office.

I do hope the upcoming year is a success for everyone!

**Preview of 08/09 Courses** 

### Fall 2008

- HIST 125 Crime and Punishment Dr. Jonathan Swainger
- HIST 190 The West & the World to 1660
- Dr. Jacqueline Holler
- HIST 210 Canada Before Confederation Dr. Theodore Binnema
- HIST 241 The Age of Empire Dr. Stephanie Cousineau
- HIST 281 Republican Latin America Dr. Jacqueline Holler
- HIST 300 Historiography
- Dr. Jonathan Swainger HIST 303 British Columbia
- Dr. Emily Spencer
- HIST 312 Introduction to the History of Gender Dr. Emil6y Spencer
- HIST 320 The West United States Dr. Theodore Binnema
- HIST 492 Topics in Cultural History Dr. Emily Spencer
- HIST 493/705 Topics in History: The World at War Dr. Stephanie Cousineau
- HIST 494/702 Themes in Native History Northern BC Dr. Theodore Binnema

### Winter 2009

- HIST 110 Indigena Dr. Theodore Binnema
- HIST 130 History on Film: War
- Dr. Stephanie Cousineau
- HIST 181 War Terror & Society II Dr. Stephanie Cousineau
- HIST 191 The West and the World Since 1660 Dr. Theodore Binnema
- HIST 211 Canada Since Confederation Dr. William Morrison
- HIST 290 The Contemporary World Dr. Stephanie Cousineau
- HIST 301 The Canadian North Dr. William Morrison
- HIST 302 The Prairie West Dr. Emily Spencer
- HIST 309 Canadian Women Women in Canada
- HIST 321 Modern US Social & Intellectual History Dr. William Morrison
- HIST 454 Comparative Women's History -Childbirth & Women's Bodies Dr. Jacqueline Holler
- HIST 458/708 History of the Modern Police Dr. Jonathan Swainger
- HIST 498 War & Society in Canada Dr. Emily Spencer
- HIST 500/700 Honours Historiography -Graduate Historiography Dr. Jacqueline Holler

## Parting is such sweet sorrow!

Dr. Sharon Wall has accepted a tenure-track position in the Department of History at the University of Winnipeg, starting July 1, 2008.

Dr. Wall-we'll miss you.



# What's New

The History program has four new courses: HIST 330 Lectures in Indigenous History

HIST 331

Lectures in Military History HIST 332

Lectures in Social History HIST 334

Lectures in Cultural History

Course content will vary from semester to semester and these may be taken twice for credit, providing course content varies substantially.

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