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# Globalization, Diversity, and Inequality in Latin America: The Challenges, Opportunities, and Dangers

On March 23 and 24, 2007, CLAS faculty members **Elizabeth Monasterios** (Hispanic Languages and Literatures) and **Aníbal Pérez-Líñan** (Political Science) convened the conference on "**Globalization, Diversity, and Inequality in Latin America: The Challenges, Opportunities, and Dangers.**" The conference was designed by an interdisciplinary subcommittee of the Center's Advisory Committee that included: **María José Alvarez** (doctoral student, Sociology), **Reid Andrews** (UCIS Research Professor, History), **Louise Comfort** (Professor, Public and International Affairs), **Carly Gordon** (undergraduate student, Spanish), **John Markoff** (Professor, Sociology), **Elizabeth Monasterios** (Associate Professor, Hispanic Languages and Literatures), and **Aníbal Pérez-Liñán** (Assistant Professor, Political Science). Its objective was to address CLAS' overarching multiyear research, teaching, and outreach theme that focuses on the challenges, opportunities, and dangers of globalization for conventional political movements, new social movements, indigenous communities, women, and ethnic/racial minorities. The conference was made possible by a Global Academic Partnership Grant from the Global Studies Program of the University Center for International Studies and the University of Pittsburgh's Office of the Provost, with additional financial support from CLAS' U.S. Department of Education National Resource Center grant. Significant logistical support was provided by Center staff members **Nerissa Lindenfelser** and **Adriana Maguiña-Ugarte**.

The fundamental goal of the conference was to create and disseminate new knowledge about the current crises facing two structural models of building societies—the neocolonial and the neoliberal—using the four interrelated panel themes and the Latin American/Caribbean region as the starting points. Copies of the presentations can be accessed via the Center's web page at: <a href="http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/events/gap\_conference.html">http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/events/gap\_conference.html</a>. An edited volume of the conference proceedings is being planned.

A list of the conference panels and presenters follows.

### Friday, March 23, 2007

9:00 - 9:30 a.m.—Opening Remarks

**Eileen Weiner** (Acting Assistant Director, University Center for International Studies) **Kathleen Musante DeWalt** (Director, Center for Latin American Studies)



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Kathleen Musante DeWalt and Eileen Weiner.

Left to right: Louise Comfort, Michael Handelsman, Omar Cardona, and Nuno Themudo.

9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Panel 1—Global Communications and New Technologies

Moderator: **Louise Comfort** (Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh)

**Omar Cardona** (Instituto de Estudios Ambientales, IDEA, Universidad Nacional de Colombia): "A System of Indicators for Disaster Risk Management in the Americas"

**Michael Handelsman** (Department of Modern Foreign Languages and Literatures, University of Tennessee): "New Technologies and Old Grammars: Decoloniality and Alternative Globalizations"

**Nuno Themudo** (Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh): "Linking the Web and the Street: Internet-Based 'Dotcauses' and the 'Anti-Globalization' Movement'



Miguel Angel Centeno and Ricardo Forster.

2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Panel 2—Increasing/Decreasing Inequality

Moderator: **Kathleen Musante DeWalt** (Department of Anthropology and Graduate School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh)

Miguel Angel Centeno (Department of Sociology, Princeton University): "Globalism, Inequality and Latin America"

Ricardo Forster (Principales Corrientes del Pensamiento Contemporáneo de la Facultad de Ciencias, Universidad de Buenos Aires): "Globalización, populismo y política: el laberinto latinoamericano"

**Humberto Lopez** (Office of the Chief Economist, Latin American Department, The World Bank): "Poverty Reduction and Growth: Vicious to Virtuous Circles"

**Humberto Lopez and Kathleen Musante DeWalt.** 





Front: Ana María Bejarano and Kenneth Roberts. Back: Aníbal Peréz-Liñán and Javier Auyero.

2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Panel 4—Social Movements in National and Transnational Contexts

Moderator: **Elizabeth Monasterios** (Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, University of Pittsburgh)

**Ana Rebeca Prada M.** (Universidad Mayor de San Andrés, Bolivia): "Los movimientos sociales vistos desde el feminismo radical: *Mujeres Creando* y su crítica al masculinismo popular"

Saturday, March 24, 2007 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Panel 3—Leadership and Access to Power

Moderator: **Aníbal Peréz-Liñán** (Department of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh)

**Javier Auyero** (Department of Sociology, State University of New York at Stony Brook): "Clandestine Connections: On the Makings of Collective Violence"

**Ana María Bejarano** (Political Science Department, University of Toronto): "Opening Up Political Space: Inclusion and Constitution-Making in the Andes"

**Kenneth Roberts** (Department of Government, Cornell University): "From 'The End of Politics' to a New 'Left Turn': The Repoliticization of Social Exclusion in Latin America"



Left to right: Mario Gustavo Guzmán Saldaña, Ana Rebeca Prada, and Elizabeth Monasterios.

**Mario Gustavo Guzmán Saldaña** (Ambassador of Bolivia to the United States): "Globalización, diversidad e inequidad en Latinoamérica: desafíos, oportunidades y peligros"

Closing Remarks: Kathleen Musante DeWalt (Director, Center for Latin American Studies)

### Songs in Spanish and Portuguese

On December 10, 2006, CLAS sponsored the concert "Songs in Spanish and Portuguese" at the Frick Fine Arts Auditorium on the campus of the University of Pittsburgh. The concert was coordinated by CLAS faculty member **Lilly Abreu** (Portuguese Instructor, Hispanic Languages and Literatures). The recital featured a variety of compositions and styles, beautifully performed by **Lilly Abreu** (soprano), **Yeeha Chiu** (piano), **Mark Lucas** (guitar), and **Simon Cummings** (cello).

The songs included;

Ausente del Alma (Rafael Antonio Castellanos), Adiós (Raúl Borges), Canción al Arbol del Olvido (Alberto

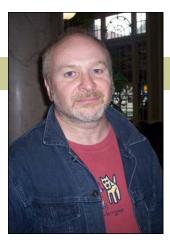


Left to right: Mark Lucas, Yeeha Chiu, James Craft, Lilly Abreu, and Simon Cummings.

Ginastera), Armando's Rhumba (Chick Corea), Bachianas Brasileiras #5 (Villa-Lobos), Lamentos (Pixinguinha/Vinicius de Moraes), Manhã de Carnaval (Luis Bonfá/Antônio Maria), Tango Op. 165 No. 2 (Isaac Albeniz), Só Danço Samba and Modinha (Tom Jobim/Vinicius de Moraes), Foi Boto, Sinhá!, Tamba-tajá, and Uirapuru (Waldemar Henrique), and ¿Con qué la lavaré? and De los Álamos vengo, madre (Joaquin Rodrigo).

The concert was dedicated to **James A. Craft** by the staff of the Center for Latin American Studies for his ongoing contributions to the operations and personnel of CLAS. Dr. Craft served as Acting Director of the Center in an exemplary and gracious manner during 2006, just as he did previously in 2000. The staff wishes him the best in his return to full-time duty as Professor of Business Administration in the Katz Graduate School of Business.

## 37th Annual Linguistics Symposium on Romance Languages



Nearly 50 renowned specialists from around the world gathered to present the state-of-theart in Romance linguistics at the 37th Annual Linguistics Symposium on Romance Languages from March 15 through 18, 2007. The symposium was hosted by the Department of Linguistics and coordinated by CLAS faculty member **Pascual José Masullo** (Associate Professor, Department of Linguistics). The event was held in the Cathedral of Learning and the Holiday Inn University Center in Oakland and sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh's School of Arts and Sciences, English Language Institute, Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, Center for Latin American Studies, European Studies Center, and European Union Center of Excellence, and Carnegie Mellon University's Department of Modern Languages.

**Heles Contreras** (Professor of Linguistics, University of Washington) opened the symposium with the Outreach Lecture titled "Word Order and Minimalism," which highlighted the differences among the Romance languages concerning word order and made accessible to a general audience the technical aspects of the field.

There also were four plenary lectures delivered throughout the symposium. Speakers and their topics were: **Eulàlia Bonet** (Facultat de Lletres, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona): "DP-internal Phonological Asymmetries and the Structure of Grammar"

**Javier Gutiérrez-Rexach** (Professor of Spanish Linguistics, The Ohio State University): "Relativization Structures and Degree Quantification in Spanish"

**Luigi Rizzi** (Professor of Linguistics, Università di Siena): "Criterial Freezing, EPP, and ECP Effects" **Julia Herschensohn** (Professor of Linguistics, University of Washington): "Developing I-language in L1 and L2"

In addition, papers were presented in 15 sessions and covered an array of topics including syntax, phonology, morphology, microparametric variation, lexical semantics, historical linguistics, acquisition, and interfaces. For information about the conference and to access audio recording of the of plenary and outreach lectures, see: http://www.linguistics.pitt.edu/lsrl37/index.htm.

## 12th Latin American Social and Public Policy Conference

The Twelfth Latin American Social and Public Policy Conference was held on February 22 and 23, 2007. **José C. Moya,** the 2007 Carmelo Mesa-Lago Distinguished Latin American Social and Public Policy Lecturer, delivered the keynote address on "Immigration and the Development of Regional Inequalities in the Western Hemisphere."

The annual Latin American Social and Public Policy conference features presentations on social and public policy research in Latin America by graduate students from the University of Pittsburgh and other universities, with comments by University of Pittsburgh faculty. For the twelfth conference, 15 students from seven departments and schools at the University of Pittsburgh, two Pitt alumni (who traveled from Mexico and Washington, DC), and three non-Pitt students (from Columbia University, the State University of New York, and the University of Texas at Austin) presented papers, and seven faculty members provided discussion.

The 2007 conference was organized by Latin American Social and Public Policy Fellows **Alejandra Boza** (History), **Jorge Delgado** (Education), **Yolanda Hernández-Albújar** (Sociology), **Verónica Lifrieri** (Linguistics), **Gabriela Núñez** (Communication), **Oscar de la Torre** (History), and **Javier Vázquez** (Political Science), with direction and support from **Luis Bravo** (Coordinator of International Relations and Fellowships, CLAS). The organizers and the Center would like to thank everyone involved in the conference.

The conference was sponsored by the Latin American Social and Public Policy Program of the Center for Latin American Studies, with supplementary support from a U.S. Department of Education (Title VI) grant to the University of Pittsburgh. A list of the conference panels, presenters, and discussants follows.

Thursday, February 22, 2007

8:30 a.m.

Welcome: **Eileen Weiner** (Acting Assistant Director, University Center for International Studies)

9:00 a.m. Education in National Contexts

Moderator: Alejandra Boza

Matt Rhodes (University of Pittsburgh): "Models of Community School Interaction in Venezuela"

Yadira García (University of Pittsburgh): "Escuelas Bolivarianas"

**Jorge Delgado** (University of Pittsburgh): "Inequalities in Colombian Higher Education"

Discussant: **John Myers** (Assistant Professor, School of Education)



Left to right: Yadira García, Matt Rhodes, John Myers, and Jorge Delgado.



José C. Moya is Professor of History, University of California, Los Angeles; Professor of Latin American History, Barnard College; and Senior Fellow, Columbia University, Institute for Latin American Studies. He is the author of Cousins and Strangers: Spanish Immigrants in Buenos Aires, 1850-1930 (Berkeley: University of California Press, 1998), which won five prestigious awards and was the

subject of a forum in the journal *Historical Methods* (Winter 2001), where its theoretical and methodological contributions to the field of migration studies were discussed. Professor Moya was raised in socialist Cuba, sent to Franco's Spain at the age of fourteen, and came to the United States a year later. He spent a decade working in sundry jobs that ranged from truck driver to janitor. These experiences engendered in him, first, a fancy for ideological rhetoric and debates and, later, a desire to understand how people respond and adapt to large historical forces

and shifts that seem beyond their control. His research and teaching reflect this interest and a general curiosity about the veiled realities that seem to exist under official discourses and structures everywhere.

He is currently working on a social, cultural, and intellectual history of anarchism in belle époque Buenos Aires. This movement represented the most vital working-class and bohemian ideology during the period, and Buenos Aires was its most important center in the world after Barcelona and, perhaps, Paris. This project has been supported by grants from the Fulbright Commission, the Fundación Antorchas, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the University of California's President Research Fellowship in the Humanities, and the American Council of Learned Societies's Burkhardt Fellowship. He also is working on a sociocultural history of May Day (the international labor day, not the maypole spring festivity) in New York, Buenos Aires, London, Paris, and Barcelona. On those infrequent occasions when he is not pursuing research on these projects, he enjoys classical European music, modern art, artsy films, chess, and fine wines (if he is in elitist-mode), and salsa dancing, baseball, and beer otherwise.

### Latin American Social and Public Policy Conference (continued)



Giancarlo Marcone and Angela Foster.

1:00 p.m. Reshaping the Urban Space
Moderator: Gabriela
Núñez
Giancarlo Marcone
(University of Pittsburgh):
"Modern Social Forces at Ancient Sites"
Discussant: Angela Foster
(Assistant Profesor, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs)



Left to right: Gabriela Núñez, Katia Silva, Erik Ness, and Alison Tweedie.

3:00 p.m. Social Inequality and Education

Moderator: Javier Vázquez

**Alison Tweedie** (University of Pittsburgh): "Latino Population Growth and Educational Attainment"

**Gabriela Núñez** (University of Pittsburgh) "Importance of Intercultural and Oral Communication in Andean Peruvian Rural Education"

**Alison Tweedie** and **Katia Silva** (University of Pittsburgh): "Projeto Aprendiz: Youth on the Go, 'Rumo Certo'" Discussant: **Erik Ness** (Assistant Professor, School of Education)



5:00 p.m. Institutional Performance in New Democracies

Moderator: Javier Vázquez

**Ana Carolina Garriga** (University of Pittsburgh): "Regime Type and Foreign Policy: Evidence from Latin America (1950-1979)"

**Juan Negri** (University of Pittsburgh): "Coalitions and Presidentialism: An Institutional Explanation"

**Andrea Castagnola** (University of Pittsburgh) "Instability of Argentine Justices in Office: A Critical Appraisal"

**Lisl Brunner** (University of Pittsburgh): "The Arancibia Clavel Decision of the Argentine Supreme Court"

Discussant: **William Keech** (Emeritus Professor of Political Economy, Carnegie Mellon University)

Left to right: Andrea Castagnola, Juan Negri, Ana Carolina Garriga, William Keech, and Lisl Brunner.

Friday, February 23, 2007

10:00 a.m. Contemporary Debates

Moderator: Yolanda Hernández-Albújar Luís Martín del Campo Fierro

(Universidad Iberoamericana, México): "México: Crisis, Stabilization, and Crisis Again"

**René Alberto Ramos** (Columbia University): "The Centennial Social Adjustment in Mexico"

Catherine Pees Scott (University of Texas at Austin): "Did Social Policy Success win a Presidential Reelection? Bolsa Familia and Lula"

April Karen Baptiste (State University of New York): "Evaluating Environmental Awareness: A Case Study of Nariva Swamp, Trinidad, W.I."

Discussant: **Lara Putnam** (Associate Professor, Department of History)



Left to right: Catherine Pees Scott, April Karen Baptiste, Luís Martín del Campo Fierro, Yolanda Hernández-Albújar, Lara Putnam, and René Alberto Ramos.



Left to right: Luis Vivaldi, Laura Wills-Otero, Aníbal Pérez-Liñán, and Oscar de la Torre.

1:10 p.m. *Political Regimes and Democratic Governability* Moderator: **Oscar de la Torre** 

**Laura Wills-Otero** (University of Pittsburgh): "Presidential Public Support in Colombia: Economic, Contextual, and Symbolic Determinants"

**Luis Vivaldi** (University of Pittsburg): "Crisis and Political Learning: Shantytown Movements and Political Parties in Chile, 1973-1988"

Discussant: **Aníbal Pérez-Liñán** (Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science)

3:00 p.m. States and Social Movements

Moderator: Verónica Lifrieri

**Felipe A. Zuluaga** (alumnus, University of Pittsburgh): "The Historical Evolution of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC): From Guerrillas to Terrorists"

Oscar de la Torre (University of Pittsburgh): "A Middle Class Project: Afro-Brazilian Political Activism in

1927-1937"

**Alejandra Boza** (University of Pittsburgh): "Costa Rican Indians and the State: Indian Reservations and Indigenist Policies, 1930-1970"

Christian Frenopoulo (University of Pittsburgh): "Resource Mobilization and Indigenous Groups: The Struggle for Management of Biomedical Health Services in the Brazilian Amazon"

Discussant: **Joshua Lund** (Assistant Professor, Department of Hispanic Language and Literatures)



Left to right: Felipe A. Zuluaga, Joshua Lund, Verónica Lifrieri, Alejandra Boza, Oscar de la Torre, and Christian Frenopoulo.

5:00 p.m.

2007 Carmelo Mesa-Lago Distinguished Latin American Social and Public Policy Lecture

*Introduction*: **Alejandro de la Fuente** (Associate Professor, Department of History)

Lecture: "Immigration and the Development of Regional Inequalities in the Western Hemisphere" by **José C. Moya** (Professor of History, University of California, Los Angeles, and Professor of Latin American History, Barnard College)

## **Latin American Lecture and Symposium Series**

CLAS' Latin American Lecture and Symposium Series primarily supports visits by scholars invited to the University of Pittsburgh by CLAS faculty members as well as public lectures by faculty members themselves. As the list below indicates, this results in presentations on a broad range of topics from a variety of disciplines and professions. One goal of the series is to provide the opportunity for CLAS faculty, students, and the general public to be exposed to the great breadth of research approaches that contribute to knowledge about the Latin American and Caribbean region.

September 16, 2006

U.S. TRAVEL POLICY ON CUBA: IMPACT ON CUBAN-AMERICAN FAMILIES AND OTHERS; WHAT ACTION CAN THE COMMUNITY TAKE TO BRING ABOUT CHANGE?—by **Geoff Thale** (Program Director and Senior Associate for Cuba and Central America, Washington Office on Latin America)

September 18, 2006

THE BRAZILIAN HEALTH REFORM AND THE CHAL-LENGE OF DECENTRALIZATION—by **André Medici** (Senior Social Development Specialist – Health, Sustainable Development Department; Inter American Development Bank) September 20, 2006

THE FLOATING DUNGEON: A HISTORY OF THE SLAVE SHIP—by **Marcus Rediker** (Professor, Department of History, University of Pittsburgh)



September 22, 2006 CROSSING LA LÍNEA: A RE-PORT FROM THE OTHER SIDE—by **Randall H. McGuire** (Professor, Department of Anthropology, State University of New York at Binghamton)

#### Lecture Series (continued)

September 26, 2006

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION WITH JUNIOR DIP-LOMATS FROM LATIN AMERICA—Pablo Agustin Escobar Ullauri (Third Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ecuador); Jean François Merlet Mazzotti (Academia Diplomática del Peru); María Fernanda Melo Bueno (Third Secretary, Latin America and Caribbean Section, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Colombia); Ivan Yuri Castillo Encinas (Specialist in Service Marketing, Unit of Multilateral Trade Agreements, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bolivia)



September 26, 2006 NEW ALLIANCES IN THE CARIB-BEAN AND ANDES: CASTRO, CHAVEZ, AND MORALES—by **Aníbal Pérez-Liñán** (Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh)

September 28, 2006
RACE WAR AND RACIAL DEMOCRACY IN CARTAGENA, COLOMBIA, 1810-1832—by

Marixa Lasso (Assistant Professor, Department of History,
Case Western Reserve University)

September 29, 2006 BOOK SYMPOSIUM ON *AFRO-LATIN AMERICA*, 1800-2000 (Oxford University Press, 2004) BY G. REID ANDREWS (Professor, Department of History, University of Pittsburgh)—presentations by **Marixa Lasso** (Assistant Professor, Department of History, Case Western Reserve University), **John Markoff** (Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Pittsburgh), and **Ben Vinson III** (Professor, Department of History, Johns Hopkins University)

October 4, 2006 COUNTING WOMEN: WOMEN WHO COUNT: GENDER AS COMMODITY IN THE POST SOVIET CUBAN LIT-ERARY SPHERE—by **Barbara D. Riess** (Associate Professor of Spanish, Department of Modern and Classical Languages, Allegheny College)



October 9, 2006
NEWSROOMS IN CONFLICT:
JOURNALISM AND THE DEMOCRATIZATION OF MEXICO—by
Sallie Hughes (Assistant Professor, School of Communication, University of Miami)



Left to right: María Fernanda Melo Bueno, Jean François Merlet Mazzotti, Pablo Agustin Escobar Ullauri, and Ivan Yuri Castillo Encinas.



October 16, 2006 FROM VOTERS TO MORAL GUARDI-ANS: WOMEN AND POPULISM IN LATIN AMERICA—by **Ximena Sosa-Buchholz** (Adjunct Professor of Foreign Languages/Social Sciences, Missouri Southern State University)

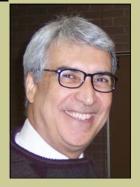
November 2, 2006 OUTSIDE IN: DIEGO DE OCAÑA'S LONG JOURNEY HOME, 1599-1608—by **Kenneth Mills** (Professor of History and Director of Latin American Studies, University of Toronto)



January 30, 2007

MEMORIA ORAL Y HEGEMONIA EN LOS ANDES—by Silvia Rivera Cusicanqui (Professor Emeritus, Universidad Mayor de San Andrés, La Paz, Bolivia; Professor, Andean Program of Human Rights, Andean University Simón Bolivar, Ecuador; and Visiting Professor, Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures of the University of Pittsburgh)

February 8, 2007
INDIGENOUS FILMMAKING AND POLITICAL ORGANIZING IN LATIN AMERICA: CASE STUDIES FROM CHIAPAS AND OAXACA (A VIDEO SCREENING AND DISCUSSION)—Alexandra Halkin (The Chiapas Media Project) and Juan José García Ortiz (Ojo de Agua Comunicación Indigena)



February 16, 2006 REGIONAL PRODUCTION OF STEEL: AN ECONOMIC MODEL FOR A BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY IN MATO GROSSO DO SUL, BRAZIL—by **João Menezes** (Senior Management Consultant, Rio Consulting Group, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)





February 28, 2007 THE PRIMITIVISTA ART MOVE-MENT IN NICARAGUA—by **José Ignacio Fletes Cruz** (Nicaraguan Artist)

March 30,2007 SOVEREIGN SPACE IN EARLY CITIES: THE 4TH BI-ANNUAL EARLY CHINA SYMPOSIUM IN HONOR OF CHO-YUN HSU—this transregional and interdisciplinary conference featured noted scholars from three continents who discussed aspects of "sovereign space" among the early cities in a number of regions (including Mesopotamia, the Indus Valley, China, Mesoamerica, and Africa). Participants were: **Liu Qingzhu** (Director, Institute of Archaeology Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing); **Marc Van De Mieroop** (Professor of Assyriology, University of Oxford, Oriental Institute); **Rita Wright** (Associate Professor of Anthropology, New York University); CLAS faculty member **Marc Bermann** (Associate Professor of Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh); CLAS faculty member **Olivier de Montmollin** (Associate Professor of Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh); and **Paula Jean Davis** (Faculty, Department of Africana Studies, University of Pittsburgh).

### **Faculty Publications**

Mark B. Abbott (Geology and Planetary Science)

- •P.J. Polissar, **M.B. Abbott**, A.P. Wolfe, M. Bezada, V. Rull, and R.S. Bradley. 2006. "Solar Modulation of Little Ice Age Climate in the Tropical Andes," *The Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 103:8937-8942.
- •P.J. Polissar, **M.B. Abbott**, A. Shemesh, A.P. Wolfe, and R.S. Bradley. 2006. "Holocene Hydrologic Balance of Tropical South America from Oxygen Isotopes of Lake Sediment Opal, Venezuelan Andes," *Earth and Planetary Science Letters* 242:375-389.
- •L. Anderson, **M.B. Abbott**, B.P. Finney, and M.E. Edwards. 2005. "Paleohydrology of the Southwest Yukon Territory, Canada, Based on Multiproxy Analyses of Lake Sediment Cores from a Depth Transect," *The Holocene* 15(8).
- •L. Anderson, **M.B. Abbott**, B.P. Finney, and S. Burns. 2005. "Regional Atmospheric Circulation Change in the North Pacific during the Holocene Inferred from Lacustrine Carbonate Oxygen Isotopes, Yukon Territory, Canada," *Quaternary Research* 64:21-35.
- •M.B. Bush, B.C.S. Hansen, D. Rodbell, G.O. Seltzer, K.R. Young, B. Leon, **M.B. Abbott**, M.M.R. Silman, and W.D. Gosling. 2005. "A 17,000 Year History of Andean Climate and Vegetation Change from Laguna de Chochos, Peru," *Journal of Quaternary Science* 20:703-714.
- •V. Rull, **M.B. Abbott**, P. Polissar, A.P. Wolfe, M. Bezada, and R.S. Bradley. 2005. "Late Quaternary Paleoecology and Paleolimnology of High-Altitude Tropical Environment in the Venezuelan Andes," *Quaternary Research* 64:308-317.
  •N.D. Stansell, **M.B. Abbott**, P.J. Polissar, A.P. Wolfe, V. Rull, and M. Bezada. 2005. "Late Quaternary Deglacial History of the Merida Andes, Venezuela," *Journal of Quaternary Science* 20:801-812.
- •S.V. Smith, R.S. Bradley, and **M.B. Abbott**. 2004. "A 300 Year Record of Environmental Change from Lake Tuborg, Ellesmere Island, Nunavut, Canada," *Journal of Paleolimnology* 32:137-148.
- •M.B. Abbott and A. Wolfe. 2003. "Intensive Pre-Incan Metallurgy Recorded by Lake Sediments from the Bolivian Andes," *Science* 301:1893-1895.

- •M.B. Abbott, B. Wolfe, A.P. Wolfe, G.O. Seltzer, R. Aravena, B.G. Mark, P.J. Polissar, R.T. Rodbell, H.D. Rowe, and M. Vuille. 2003. "Holocene Paleohydrology and Glacial History of the Central Andes using Multiproxy Lake Sediment Studies," *Palaeogeography, Palaeoclimatology, Palaeoecology* 194:123-138.
- •B.S.C. Hansen, D.T. Rodbell, G.O. Seltzer, B. Leon, K.R. Young, and **M.B. Abbott**. 2003. "Late-Glacial and Holocene Vegetation History from Two Sites in the Western Cordillera of Southwestern Ecuador," *Palaeogeography, Palaeoclimatology, Palaeoecology* 194:79-108.

### Barry Ames (Political Science)

- •A. Pérez-Liñán, **B. Ames**, and M.A. Seligson. 2006. "Strategy, Careers, and Judicial Decisions: Lessons from the Bolivian Courts," *Journal of Politics* 68(2):284-295.
- •A. Baker, **B. Ames**, and L.R. Renno. 2006. "Social Context and Voter Volatility in New Democracies: Networks and Neighborhoods in Brazil's 2002 Elections," *American Journal of Political Science* 50(2):382–399.

### George Reid Andrews (History)

•2005. "Afro-Latin America: 2000 and Beyond," "João Cândido," and "Jesus Menéndez," in K.A. Appiah and H.L. Gates (eds.), *Africana: The Encylopedia of the African and African American Experience* (New York: Oxford University Press); vol. 1:127-131, 728-729; vol. 3:796-797.

#### Robert S. Barker (Law)

•2006. "La Independencia de la Corte Suprema de los Estados Unidos," 7 Revista Peruana de Derecho Público 169.
•2005. La Constitución de los Estados Unidos y su dinámica actual (Lima: Asociación Peruana de Derecho Constitucional and the Instituto Iberamericano de Derecho Constitucional).
•2005. "I Do Solemnly Swear: A Historical Perspective on the Nomination, Confirmation, and Appointment of Justices of the United States Supreme Court," in The Supreme Court: Highest Court in the Land (U.S. Department of State, April).

### **Faculty Publications (continued)**

**Alvaro Bernal** (Spanish, Humanities Division, Johnstown campus)

- •2004. "Transformación del espacio urbano e incursión de nuevos habitantes en *Prohibido salir a la calle*, la Bogotá de Consuelo Treviño," *Estudios de Literatura Colombiana* (Universidad de Antioquia, Colombia) 15 (juliodiciembre):11-23.
- •2004. "Desencuentros: posmodernidad y multitemporalidad literaria," in Daniel Balderston et al. (eds.), *Actas del XXXIV Congreso del Instituto Internacional de Literatura Iberoamericana* (Iowa City, University of Iowa).

### Alejandro de la Fuente (History)

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# Juan R. Duchesne-Winter (Hispanic Languages and Literatures)

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# Carys Evans-Corrales (Spanish, Division of Communication and the Arts, Bradford campus)

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# **Elizabeth Monasterios P.** (Hispanic Languages and Literatures)

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#### **Faculty Publications (continued)**

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## **Faculty Highlights**

Clementina Acedo (Assistant Professor, Department of Administrative and Policy Studies, School Education) has taken a two-year leave to serve as Director of the International Bureau of Education at UNESCO. Clementina came to the University of Pittsburgh in 2001 and has served as Codirector of the Institute for International Studies in Education. Previously, she worked as the National Director of a UNDP Social Development Programme in Venezuela, then as Researcher, International Consultant, and Professor at a Research and Public Policy Institute (Instituto de Estudios Superiores de Administración-IESA) in Caracas and as Education Specialist at the World Bank. She holds a Licenciatura en Sociologia (1982) from Universidad Católica Andrés Bello (Caracas, Venezuela), an MA in International Development Education (1984), an MA in Philosophy (1988), and a PhD in International Comparative Education (1997), all from Stanford University. Clementina assumed the role of Director of the IBE on February 15, 2007.





**Reid Andrews** 

The Department of History recently announced that the University of Pittsburgh has been selected to host the editorial offices of the *Hispanic American Historical Review*, the flagship journal of historical scholarship on Latin America, for a five-year period beginning in July 2007. Department of History and CLAS faculty members **George Reid Andrews**, **Alejandro de la Fuente**, and **Lara Putnam** will serve as Senior Editors of the journal; pro-

fessors Paul Eiss and John Soluri of Carnegie Mellon University will serve as Associate Editor/Book Review editor. Among the activities surrounding the *Hispanic American Historical Review* will be a series of yearly workshops, which will convene small groups of scholars from

around the world to debate emerging themes within historical and other research on Latin America. The University of Pittsburgh's successful bid to host the journal was made possible by the generous support of the Dean of Arts and Sciences, the Center for Latin American Studies, and the Provost's Office.



Alejandro de la Fuente



Lara Putnam

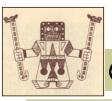
The University of Pittsburgh's **Mascaro Sustainability Initiative** (MSI) received the Carnegie Science Center's 2007 Awards for Excellence "Environmental Award." MSI is codirected by CLAS faculty member **Eric J. Beckman** (Bayer Professor of Chemical Engineering and Codirector of the Mascaro Sustainability Initiative, School of Engineering) and CLAS colleague **Gena M. Kovalcik**.

#### Alicia Valero Covarrubias

(Associate Professor of Spanish, Greensburg campus) is a Visiting Professor in the School of Philosophy and Letters at the University of Guanajuato, Mexico during 2007, where she will teach two literature courses.



Alejandro de la Fuente (Associate Professor, Department of History) is the recipient of a 2007 University of Pittsburgh Chancellor's Distinguished Research Award. According to Chancellor Mark A. Nordenberg: "You [de la Fuente] are widely regarded as the best scholar of colonial Cuba working today... Your publication record of a book, 34 scholarly articles, and 16 shorter pieces, as well as your service as editor of two special issues of scholarly journals are particularly noteworthy. It is exciting to see that your work has been published in five languages and in eight countries... You have been described by your peers as among those very special young scholars who... demonstrate a combination of historical imagination, literary skills, and intellectual poise."



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Carmelo Mesa-Lago (Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Economics and Latin American Studies and former Director of CLAS) is the inaugural recipient of the International Labour Organization's (ILO) Decent Work Research Prize. The prize was created by the ILO's International Institute for Labour Studies. It is to be awarded annually to an individual for her/his outstanding

contribution to the advancement of knowledge about the ILO's central goal of decent work for all. Dr. Mesa-Lago will receive the prize during the next International Labour Conference in June 2007 in Geneva. In addition, Oxford University Press has accepted for publication Professor Mesa-Lago's manuscript "Reassembling Social Security: Pension and Healthcare Reforms and their Effects in Latin America." CLAS played a key role in supporting the research for the manuscript through two grants—which are gratefully acknowledged in the preamble to the forthcoming volume.

Larry J. Shuman (Professor of Industrial Engineering and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, School of Engineering) was recognized as one of 12 new fellows of the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) at a special awards ceremony held at the ASEE Annual Conference and Exposition in June in Chicago, IL. Fellow member status is a distinction conferred upon those who have been members for at least 10 years and have made outstanding contributions to engineering or engineering technology education. Dr. Shuman's primary areas of research are improving the engineering educational experience, applying operations research to health-delivery systems, and studying the ethical behavior of engineers and engineering managers. He also is the founding editor of the ASEE's new journal *Advances in Engineering Education*.

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# ¡Felicitaciones/Parabéns to the most recent CLAS graduates!

### **Undergraduate Certificate in Latin American Studies**

December 2006

Alex A. Aguirre—Spanish

Carly Rie Ally—Biological Sciences

Ariana L. Bower—Nursing

Analena B. Bruce—Sociology

Justin Hammill—Economics

Matthew Scott Heller—Film Studies

**Brooke M. Odle**—Bioengineering (School of

Engineering)

Andrew L. Patari—Environmental Studies

Mahogany Thaxton—Communication Greer A. Tiver—Anthropology/Biological Sciences

# Graduate Certificate in Latin American Studies December 2006

**Javier Coronado-Aliegro**—Instruction and Learning (School of Education), PhD 2006

Charlene Deborah Milliken—Anthropology, PhD 2006

Manuel A. Román-Lacayo—Anthropology

Nancy Vieira Sterniak—Administrative and Policy Studies (School of Education)

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Left to right:
Victor Gonzalez
(Colombia),
Florencio Delgado
(Ecuador),
Rafael Gassón
(Venezuela),
Claudia Rivera
(Bolivia),
Rodrigo Liendo
(Mexico), and
Luis Gonzalo
Jaramillo
(Colombia).

### Anthropologists in Bolivia

Thanks to María Auxiliadora Cordero (PhD 1998 Anthropology) who provided us with this photo of Pitt alumni reunited in La Paz, Bolivia on September 21-23, 2006 for a conference. Claudia Rivera Casanovas tells us that the occasion was the Seminario Taller Internacional "Arqueología para la Integración," organized by el Convenio Andrés Bello, el Ministerio de Educación y Culturas de Bolivia, y la Embajada de Francia en Colombia. CLAS alumni include the following recipients of the doctorate in anthropology: Delgado (2002), Gassón (1998), Rivera (2004), and Jaramillo (1994).

Morenada Laykakota, Candelaria 2007—Puno, Peru Each February, a grand celebration is held in honor of the Santisima Virgen de la Candelaria, patron saint of the city of Puno, Peru. This is a very important festivity for all puneños, whose devotion to the Mother of Christ has been recorded for over 400 years. It is an all-out festivity for the Virgen or Mamita Candelaria, which is carefully organized for over a year and sponsored by prominent, elected community leaders. It lasts for just about one week, yet over 15,000 folk dancers take over the streets of Puno to dance in honor of the Virgen. Their elaborate and colorful attire is admired by locals and visitors nearly as much as their dance.

Left to right: Lucio Salomé and

Left to right: Lucio, Salomé, and Mery Condori.

For puneños this is a time to get together to promote their traditions, identify themselves with their rich past, and renew their beliefs. **Lucio Avila Rojas** (MPIA 1975 GSPIA—Economic & Social Development; BA 1973 Economics), Mery Condori de Avila, and their sons were co-Presidents of the Junta Directiva for the 2006-07 celebration. They invited their long-time friend and Pitt's Quechua Instructor **Salomé Gutierrez** to join them for the celebration. Salomé not only flew from Pittsburgh to Puno in the middle of a very busy term but she participated as a Morenada dancer, dancing through the streets of Puno (at an altitude of about 11,000 feet!) for four hours!!!!!





Jennifer Anukem, a senior majoring in political science and communication who was born in Nigeria, moved to Maryland when she was six years old. She was featured in an article in the *PITT Magazine* (summer 2006, p. 36): "...Anukem's GPA is impressive—3.8—and her resume is dazzling. Among other things, she's a member of the University's Student Government Board, a resident as-

sistant in Sutherland Hall, a Pitt Pathfinders student re-

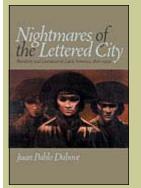
cruiter, the vice president of the University's African Students Organization, and the former president of the Collegiate YMCA. But what's most striking about Anukem is her clarity about her future. She can rattle off her 10-year plan without a moment of hesitation: First, she'll attend a tier one law school; then she'll spend a few years doing pro-bono work before she secures a position as a corporate attorney; and finally she'll run for political office using the leadership skills she honed at Pitt. But all of this is just a means to an end. Anukem's ultimate goal is to serve the people of Nigeria one day. She wants to be part of a solution for some of the many problems that plague her birthplace..."

Lisl Brunner, law student, completed a summer 2006 internship with the Committee of Legal Affairs at the Permanent Assembly for Human Rights in Buenos Aires, Argentina. She wrote of her experience in the fall 2006 issue of *CILE Notes*, the newsletter of the Center for International Legal Education, School of Law, University of Pittsburgh. The complete article, entitled, "The Facade and the Forgotten Sides of Human Rights in Argentina" can be found in the publications section of www.law.pitt.edu/cile.

**Emily Cherne**, doctoral student in Hispanic Languages and Literatures, participated in Cornell University's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Graduate Students' Conference on Latin America held on March 2-3, 2007. Emily presented a paper entitled, "El Huérfano and the Achachi-Guagua: Images of Infancy in Vallejo and Churata".

Annabelle Conroy (PhD 2002 Political Science) was interviewed for an article that appeared in the September 29, 2006 issue of The Chronicle of Higher Education: "At Central Florida, Hispanic Women Give Each Other Advice and a Sympathetic Ear." The article focuses on Muieres Universitarias Asociadas (Associated University Women) at the University of Central Florida. The organization provides professional and emotional support for Latina professors at the university. The members share information on university procedures, compiling tenure portfolios, etc.; they also help each other through personal crises—one woman's home was leveled during Hurricane Charley, another had survived breast cancer. Annabelle is an assistant professor of Political Science, a mother of two, and an Andean specialist.

Renato, the son of Leda Cozzarelli (MA 1983 Education) and Giovanni Cozzarelli (MA 1985 Economics) will be attending Pitt in the fall. Renato has been admitted to the School of Engineering where he is considering a major in Mechanical Engineering. Tatiana, the Cozzarelli's daughter, is a junior at Swarthmore College where she met Luciano Martinez (PhD 2005 Hispanic Languages & Literatures). Giovanni is the Director of Finance and Administration at a non-profit, the American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence in Washington, DC. Leda has been teaching Spanish in a Catholic school in Arlington. Three years ago the Diocese of Arlington, VA required that all Catholic elementary and middle schools include a Foreign Language in the curriculum. Leda implemented the program at St. Leo School. Initially she taught 16 classes but now has scaled back to grades four through 8—10 classes, 2 per grade, with a total of 261 students. Leda always liked to keep busy....



In June 2007, the University of Pittsburgh Press will release Juan Pablo Dabove's book, *Nightmares of the Lettered City: Banditry and Literature in Latin America, 1816-1929.* The book is described as: "...an original study of the popular theme of banditry in works of literature, essays, poetry, and drama, and banditry's pivotal role during the conceptualization and forma-

tion of the Latin American nation-state. Juan Pablo Dabove examines writings over a broad time period, from the early nineteenth century to the 1920s, and while *Nightmares...* focuses on four crucial countries (Argentina, Mexico, Brazil, and Venezuela), it is the first book to address the depiction of banditry in Latin America as a whole" (<a href="http://www.upress.pitt.edu/">http://www.upress.pitt.edu/</a> BookDetails.aspx?bookId=35860).

Many thanks to Juan Pablo for acknowledging CLAS in the book! **Juan Pablo Dabove** (PhD 2002 Hispanic Languages and Literatures) is an Assistant Professor and Associate Chair for Undergraduate Studies in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Colorado at Boulder.

http://www.colorado.edu/spanish/dabove

**Oscar de la Torre** and Irene Vidal were married on July 15, 2006, at noon, in the town of Clariana de



Cardener (Barcelona, Spain). Oscar and Irene are happily settled in Pittsburgh, where Oscar is a doctoral student in the Department of History.

Jorge Enrique Delgado, doctoral student in education, has been the editor of the Latin American Cultural Union newsletter, *NOTICIERO* (www.lacunet.org/noticiero.htm), since June 2005. The purpose of the newsletter is to promote Latin American culture, history and expression in addition to promoting activities and events of the Latino community in the region and the

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US. Jorge is working closely with LACU members to make the newsletter the periodical of the Latino community in the region.

Jorge also writes a section entitled "Conoce Latinoamerica" for El Centinela, a Catholic newspaper published in Portland, Oregon. Each month, Jorge writes about one Latin American country. To date, he has done Argentina, Uruguay, Chile, Paraguay, Brazil, and Bolivia. When all countries have been covered, he will focus on specific topics concerning the region, including history, culture, gastronomy, literature, music, government, religion, education, etc. Rocio Rios, the editor of El Centinela (www.elcentinelacatolico.org), is one of Jorge's best friends from Colombia. She invited Jorge to write this section to promote Latin American knowledge through the publication. Jorge: "This is an honor and an incredible opportunity because El Centinela is one of the most important Catholic newspapers in the country and has received several awards from the Catholic Press....Rocio's goal with the newspaper is to serve as an advocate of Latinos...."

Ligia D. Díaz de Román (MEd 2006 Education: Administrative & Policy Studies) is the Education Program Manager for Nicaragua of innerChange Associates International. Ligia is working to improve the educational system for all segments of Nicaraguan society, but especially the poor. She returned to the states in February 2007 for professional meetings in Washington and Pittsburgh. Ligia was a staff member in CLAS from 2000 to 2002 and we were delighted to welcome her back. She left CLAS to devote full time to caring for her son, Eduardo. Later she returned to Pitt as a full-time student in education and a part-time instructor of Spanish.

# In Memory of

Charles V. Ehmann studied, lived, and worked in Cumana, Venezuela from 1971 to 2004. He received the doctorate from the School of Education's International and Development Education Program in 1977. We extend our belated sympathy and condolences to Judith Ehmann and other family members. Charles died on September 24, 2004.

**Laura L. Fleischer** (BA 2000 Interdisciplinary Studies) has been promoted from Program Associate to Technical Associate at Freedom from Hunger in Sacramento, CA. Laura's work now focuses on curriculum design and training with overseas partners. In 2006, she spent three weeks in Bolivia doing market research

with an NGO. In working with the NGO's clients, she learned that the health needs of these predominantly poor, rural, indigenous women are not met. The Aymara are reluctant to use the health services; they also seem to be losing their knowledge of the use of medicinal herbs. The goal is to work with these Aymara women to develop educational and financial services to meet their needs and establish linkages with good health service providers. Prevention, proper use of medicinal herbs, savings for health, and emergency health loans are just a few of the issues being addressed. This microfinance/health initiative is being funded by the Gates Foundation in five countries in Asia, Africa, and Latin America. Laura's husband, Santiago Proano, presented his second art exhibit at the Phoenix Gallery; see: http://www.phoenixinsac.com/blog/index.php. Laura, Santi, and Laura's family continue to support the work of ArtePapel in Ecuador (where she was a Peace Corps volunteer) by providing the co-op's recycled paper products to sell at the Latin American and Caribbean Festival sponsored by CLAS.

Oscar Fonseca (MA 1977 Anthropology) was appointed Rector of the Interamerican University of Costa Rica. Oscar reports that his time is completely dedicated to university administration. Higher education is a field that always has been an important part of his life, so even though he is very busy, he is very happy as well. Oscar's son, Eduardo, finished the *licenciatura* in English translation and now is working for a master's in the same field. Irene, his daughter, finished the bachelor's degree in special education and also is pursuing a master's. Hilda, the wife and mother of the family, is happily retired and is thoroughly enjoying painting, Pilates, and Tai Chi.

**Christian Frenopoulo**, a doctoral student in anthropology, is the author of "Small-Scale Anthropology. Societies and Regional Networks. Uruguay and the Mercosur," *Anthropology News*, February 2007. Christian is secretary of the Uruguayan Association of Social and Cultural Anthropology (AUAS). See the full article: www.aaanet.org/press/an/index.htm.

Betina González, a doctoral student in Hispanic Languages and Literatures, has been selected to receive the Clarín Prize for Best Novel. This prize is awarded annually by the Clarín Newspaper/Alfaguara Publishing House in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The Clarín Prize is the best known literary prize in Argentina—one of the most important publishing centers in the Spanish-speaking world. Betina's novel, *Arte menor* 

(Alfaguara, 2006), was selected from among 816 entries by authors from eleven countries in the Americas and Europe. The selection committee was composed of Nobel Prize winner José Saramago (Portugal), Rosa Montero (Spain), and Eduardo Belgrano Rawson (Argentina). [Thanks to Deborah Truhan, CLAS alumna and Hispanic Department staff member, for this information.]

Jorge M. Gorostiaga (PhD 2003 Education: Administrative & Policy Studies) is the Secretario Académico, Escuela de Posgrado, of the Universidad Nacional de San Martín in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Jorge was in Pittsburgh for a few days in late



February where he met with his many friends, played a little guitar, and had lunch with CLAS staff and students.

Scott Jablonski (JD 2004 Law; MPIA 2004 GSPIA: Global Political Economy) from South Beach, FL: "I'm part of an exciting Latin America/ international transactions practice with a great law firm [Hogan & Harston LLP]. I have some interesting trips ahead over the next few weeks to Costa Rica and Colombia, and the [work] I now have on my desk will certainly take me to Guatemala, Venezuela and the Dominican Republic in the near future, and most likely to Mexico and Brazil later in the year. Of course, I never know what is going to pop up, so I could end up somewhere else, but it most likely would be in the Western Hemisphere or in Europe (Spain)." Scott and Professor Ron Brand (Law) completed a six-year project—their book will be published by Oxford Press in the spring. Scott also has been doing much research on Cuba, which he will use in preparing a paper for presentation at the Annual Meeting for the Association of the Study of the Cuban Economy (ASCE) in Miami; the paper will be published later in 2007.

Margarita Jara (PhD 2006 Hispanic Languages and Literatures) is an Assistant Professor of Spanish at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas (UNLV). Margarita reports that at first the transi-

tion from Pittsburgh to Las Vegas was "a little hard" because she missed her friends as well as the parks and museums of Pittsburgh. Nonetheless, Margarita got off to a quick start by teaching a summer Spanish course—it was good to be indoors teaching because Margarita quietly stated that it was "too hot" [this writer imagines an oven]. In the fall, she was warmly welcomed by colleagues in the Department of Foreign Languages who have been very friendly and supportive. She taught two classes (Intro to Spanish Linguistics and Spanish Conversation) in the fall and is now teaching Current Applications of Technology in Foreign Languages. Margarita also is involved in a departmental search for an Associate Professor of Spanish. "It is exciting and weird to be in a search committee. Now I am on the other side." She also was asked by the Institute of Latin American Studies at UNLV to participate in an application for a grant.

**Carlos Jáuregui** (PhD 2001 Hispanic Languages and Literatures) and Tatiana Botero are the proud parents of a third son. Felipe was born on Novem-

ber 17, 2006. Carlos is Assistant Professor of Latin American Literature and Anthropology in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese at Vanderbilt University.



**Patricia Kanashiro** (MID 2005 GSPIA: Development Planning and Environmental Sustainability)



entered the doctoral program in economics at George Washington University in the fall 2006. Before the term began, Patricia returned to Pittsburgh to visit with friends in CLAS, GSPIA, and in the city at large.

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Shirley Kregar (MA 1983 Anthropology) was the recipient of the W. LaMarr Kopp Lifetime Achievement Award. The award is presented to "an outgoing international educator who has demonstrated long-standing excellence, commitment, and leadership in the field of international education in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania." The award was presented to her by the Pennsylvania Council for International Education at the annual conference awards dinner in September 2006. Shirley was truly thrilled to receive this honor, thanking (or meaning to do so...she was terribly excited) Michael Stuckart (Anthropology at Bradford) for nominating her and fellow staff members of CLAS for their support and help. For nearly 40 years, Shirley has devoted herself to helping students become more internationally aware and accepting of cultural differences through the outstanding academic programs of CLAS. She has had the opportunity to work with the crème-de-la-crème of Pitt students and bask in their accomplishments. Since her Peace Corps years in Peru, her life-long goal has been to increase international understanding—if just a few students who have passed through CLAS have learned that cultural differences are to be treasured, then she has had great success in life. Shirley thanked PaCIE for the honor and read a quote from Dr. Lamar Kopp: "This is an interdependent world, in which we have to know our



neighbors and to understand that they have their own priorities, just as we do. It is incumbent on us in our role as educators to develop a generation of new leaders who are globally informed." Dr. Kopp was Deputy Vice President for International Programs at Pennsylvania State University; he retired from Penn State in 1996 after 33 years of service.

**Timothy A. Locher** and **Monique Puig-Antich** were married on July 29, 2006. Both completed the master's degree in education at Pitt, with a specialization in Administrative and Policy Studies. Monique continues her work for a Latino non-profit in Chelsea, MA. Timothy is working in East Asian Studies at Harvard Law School. Timothy registered for a course called Comparative Politics of Latin America; one of the required readings for the class is by **Aníbal Pérez-Liñán** (Assistant Professor of Political Science at Pitt).

**David McKenzie** graduated with a BA in History and Political Science and the Related Concentration in Latin American Studies in 2002. After graduation, David moved back to his hometown of San Antonio, Texas,

where he worked as a history interpreter at the Alamo. In January 2003, David went to El Salvador as a Peace Corps Volunteer. While there, he became very ill and, after ten months, had to return to the States. "I was fortunate enough that my old position at the Alamo was still open, so I did that while I was applying to graduate school. Then in 2004, I moved to Washington, DC, to work on my MA in Museum Studies, with an academic focus in history, at George Washington University. I also met my soon-to-be wife in the program." The wedding date is set for June 30. "After graduating, I got a job as an exhibit developer for an exhibit design firm, The Design Minds Inc. (http://www.thedesignminds.com). My job, which I love...consists of researching

the subject for the exhibit (usually for museums and small historical societies), planning how...to present the content, writing the script and labels, doing artifact and photo research, and some graphic design. So, that's how I'm using my history degree—it came in handy!"



Dan Ference and Erin Mease.

Erin Mease (BS 2003 Psychology/Spanish) and Dan Ference were married on June 25, 2005. The photo (above) is from their honeymoon which was spent in Los Cabos, Mexico. Erin is currently teaching Spanish at Osbourn Park High School in Manassas, VA. She had begun graduate studies in psychology but found that she was working more with computers than with people and she missed using Spanish. Thus, she sought and quickly found a teaching position.

Alejandro Meter (PhD 2003 Hispanic Languages and Literatures) recently returned from Argentina where he taught two classes at FLACSO "thanks to a friend called **Kevin Hanes**!!!" Kevin also is a CLAS alumnus, having received the BPhil from the University Honors College in History in 2002. Alejandro coedited, with Ariana Huberman, a book on memory and representation published by Beatriz Viterbo Editora in Argentina in 2006. It includes articles by Jacobo Sefami, Naomi Lindstrom, Margo Glantz, Jeffrey Lesser, and others: Ariana Huberman y Alejandro Meter, eds., Memoria y representacion: configuraciones culturales y literarias en el imaginario judio latinoamericano (Rosario: Beatriz Viterbo Editora, 2006 www.beatrizviterbo.com.ar). The anthology contains an introduction by Alejandro and Ariana. Alejandro also contributed a chapter entitled "Barbarie y memoria: el Holocausto y la dictadura en la narrativa argentina de hoy." The book also contains a chapter written by Erin Graff Zivin, (Assistant Professor, Hispanic Languages and Literatures): "Cuerpos errantes, sujetos patológicos en la obra de Luisa Futoransky y Margo Glantz." Alejandro is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Languages and Literatures, University of San Diego.

"Ana María Mieles joined Cohen & Grigsby PC...as an associate in the immigration group. Mieles concentrates her practice in the area of employment-based immigration, including temporary and permanent visas, family-based immigration and naturalization. Prior to joining Cohen & Grigsby, she was an associate with the law firm of Jones Day" (*Pittsburgh Business Times*, Dec. 15-21, 2006, p. 37). Ana María received the JD in Law in 2002 as well as the MPIA from the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs.

**Melissa Mistretta**. a senior with a dual major in history and political science, and (como no) Latin American studies, participated in a debate hosted by the University of Pittsburgh on "Network Neutrality." On February 23, 2007, Pitt student debaters were joined with expert advocates from Washington, DC. The debate centered on whether the elimination of "net neutrality" would lead to higher-quality services, as proponents claim, or will restrictions lead to service providers blocking the competition? "Corporate heavyweights are lined up on both sides of the issue, with Google and Yahoo! advocating the status quo, while Verizon, Comcast, and AT&T are pursuing the right to filter and prioritize their customers' Internet traffic. The debate, which attracted the attention of the US Congress, was entitled 'Should Congress Guarantee Net Neutrality?' Panel questioner Jon Peha is a professor of engineering and public policy at Carnegie Mellon University. Debate moderator Gordon Mitchell is a Pitt associate professor of communication, senior researcher at the Ridgway Center for International Security Studies, and the WPDU director of debate. Teaming up with expert advocates were student debaters Michael Mangus and Guy Risko. Melissa Mistretta acted as student panel questioner. The event was sponsored by Pitt's WPDU and the Departments of Communication and Computer Science." (NewsFromPitt [web site]: 02/20/07)

Anna Myers (BA 2004 Spanish) is a Peace Corps Volunteer in Costa Rica where she works in community development, teaches English, and does what every RPCV fondly remembers as anything that needs doing. "My level one English finished in August and I had 20 out of 22 graduates. We are currently working on level two and I have about 17 people left over from the original group. We are down to one English class a week, which is better for me because teaching English at night for 3 hours is quite tiring....So the experienced and less experienced have merged into one group and the people who remain are my most solid students...we are finally going to get about half of the money needed for the community center, so we will begin construction on that in December. It's taken over a year to get the

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money...[to] construct the floor, columns, and roof....I was able to get about 22 used computers and a couple laser printers donated to my community (mainly for use in the school). I am working with a non-profit group here to get them shipped to CR and then have them overhauled and Windows in Spanish installed. But because the donation was much bigger than expected, I have started a new project, which is to build an English/ Computer Classroom project ....basically I am working with Peace Corps to have my project put up on their website where people back home can go and donate money (with tax credits) to my project....And just so you know there is a mandatory community contribution so my community is also providing money for the project to demonstrate the importance of the project and their willingness to help it get finished....I am slowly but surely working on the nutrition project I have with a fellow volunteer and we hope to incorporate some other volunteers and have the project completed by December. I also am going to start another group of girls (self-esteem talks, etc) in the coming school year...and I hope to have D.A.R.E. come in and give some anti-drug and alcohol talks to the elementary kids. My work with the local development association is slow but sure....We are also working on getting all the public lands formally transferred into the name of the development association so we can get government and outside funding to improve the structures located on the lands like the soccer field and the basketball court. It's taking forever and costs a fortune but is the right step towards long term organization and protecting the public interests of the town." This is the Peace Corps in action. Congratulations, Anna!

Jorge Nállim (PhD 2002 History) reported that he has not yet frozen solid in the winter of Canada. "...the weather is not too bad. Other than a week of some cold (-30 celsius), it has been quite warm for Manitoban standards (around -10), and even in the last days we broke all records for January with 5 celsius." "I am teaching another... 'world history' course, for which I assume the extremely arrogant role of knowing something as impossible as that. I also teach a graduate course on Latin American history from 1960 to now, which is more fun but a lot of work." Jorge traveled to New York "for a couple of talks" in February, during his university's spring break. Jorge is Assistant Professor of History at the University of Manitoba in Winnipeg, Canada.

**David Ott** (BA 1996 Interdisciplinary Studies) appeared in "The Increased Difficulty of Concentration," a new translation of a historic play that was presented

as part of a festival celebrating Havel's 70th birthday. The True Comedy Theatre Company presented the play in the Ohio Theatre in Manhattan (NYC) from November 2-26. Václav Havel wrote and produced the play in spring 1968 in Prague, Czechoslovakia. The Havel Festival was presented by Untitled Theater Co. #61, Edward Einhorn, Artistic Director. <a href="http://www.untitledtheater.com/havel/havel-festival.html">http://www.untitledtheater.com/havel/havel-festival.html</a>



David Ott on left (standing). Photo credit: John Matturri.

**Eva Paus** (PhD 1987 Economics) is the Carol Hoffmann Collins Director of the Center for Global Initiatives and Professor of Economics at Mount Holyoke College. The Center for Global Initiatives hosted a conference in 2006 on the "winners" and "losers" of offshore outsourcing. They wish to share the outcome of the conference with colleagues in the U.S. and Latin America. What better way to do so than via

### **CLASicos!**

DVD on New Global Realities: Winners and Losers from Offshore Outsourcing Edited version of a conference in March 2006, co-

sponsored by the Center for Global Initiatives at Mount Holyoke College, the New York Times Knowledge Network, and the Rockefeller Brothers Fund

The rapid expansion of offshore outsourcing is the key characteristic of the current process of economic globalization. As production processes become increasingly fragmented and globalized, companies source abroad parts, components, and services they used to produce in-house, at home. The ramifications of globalized production are the subject of intense debate. On the one hand, the globalization of production offers new opportunities for economic growth, development, and human well-being. But, on the other hand, it poses fundamental challenges, as some countries and groups of people will benefit more than others, some will benefit at the expense of others, and some may simply lose out.

The conference brought together leading scholars and practitioners on different sides of the debate, from

different backgrounds and with different analytical entry points to analyze who are the winners and losers in this great transformation, and set out the policies needed to harness the benefits of globalized production for more people and countries. The speakers include Richard Freeman (Harvard University), Catherine Mann (Institute for International Economics), Will Milberg (New School University), Vivien Ann Schmidt (Boston University), Hans-Peter Martin (European Parliament), Bart Kaminski (World Bank), Gary Jefferson (Brandeis University), Luis Abugattas (UNCTAD), Louis Uchitelle (New York Times), Hugh Dyar (Accenture), Guy Standing (ILO), Jerry Epstein (University of Massachusetts).

To obtain a copy of the DVD, go to: http://www.mtholyoke.edu/acad/programs/global/conferences/2006conf\_dvd.html



David Pawlak (JD 1996 Law; MPIA 1996 GSPIA: International Affairs) and Biljana Pawlak are the proud parents of Jon Gabriel, who celebrated his first birthday on 04/09/07.

Kitty Petrucelli (BA 1992 Liberal Studies) is a freelance writer by the sea...or at least residing in Seaside, CA. Between her regular assignments, writing and doing readings of her poetry, publishing some essays, and being a mom to baby Isaac, she is one very busy lady. She and **Trudy** 



**Singzon** (BA 1991 Political Science)—friends from their CLAS years—are on the same coast once again, as Trudy is doing her medical residency in San Francisco.



Arturo Porzecanski (PhD 1975 Economics) was featured in an interview by Alejandro Sáez Rojas in the Chilean newspaper, *El Mercurio*, in 2006 (B8 Enfoques, Entrevista, 13 de agosto). Part of the interview from the

article, "Este país está estancado en reformas microeconómicas," follows:

"Hace casi una década, en 1997, Arturo Porzecanski saltó a la fama en Chile cuando criticó duramente al gobierno de Eduardo Frei y el manejo económico de el entonces ministro de Hacienda, Eduardo Aninat. Fue 'El Mercurio' quien lo invitó junto con otros destacados especialistas de Wall Street a desmenuzar el panorama nacional.... Desde el competitivo mundo de la Gran Manzana, Porzecanski analizó América Latina y otros países emergentes por casi tres décadas. Hace un año y medio se retiró para dedicarse a la docencia. Sin embargo, la vida le tenía una desagradable sorpresa: hace 8 meses una rara enfermedad a la sangre (síndrome de derrame capilar sistémico) lo tuvo al borde de la muerte. Requirió tres meses de hospitalización y otros tres de fisioterapia intensiva. Pese a una docena de operaciones en sus extremidades, el mal lo dejó parcialmente discapacitado. "Esta es mi primera entrevista con la prensa chilena después de haber pasado por el purgatorio", confiesa.

### ¿Cómo le cambió la visión de la vida la dura enfermedad por la que atravesó?

"De varias maneras, porque hasta el día que los médicos me vaticinaron 48 horas de vida, había estado en perfecta salud por 56 años. Ahora valoro más que nunca a mis familiares, que me apoyaron física y espiritualmente en un 150%. Segundo, creo en milagros, porque por ejemplo, mis arterias se llenaron de coágulos y se disolvieron misteriosamente antes de bloquear la circulación de sangre a mis órganos. Tercero, ahora sé que los médicos—y no sólo los economistas y los meteorólogos—también se equivocan en sus pronósticos una y otra vez, y en mi caso, ¡menos mal!".

### ¿Se mantuvo enterado de los acontecimientos económicofinancieros?

"Sí. Apenas comencé a sentirme mejor, los médicos me traían diarios financieros por las mañanas, ¡para luego pasar al final de las tardes conversando conmigo y recogiendo sugerencias de inversión! Un anestesista tuvo la caradurez de demorar el ponerme a dormir previo a una de mis operaciones ¡hasta que le contesté todas las preguntas bursátiles que se le ocurrieron!"....

# En América Latina, ¿qué riesgos ve para gigantes como Brasil y México?

"Los riesgos vienen mayormente por el lado político. Mi expectativa es que el Presidente Lula gane la reelección, y eso va a contribuir a la estabilidad financiera, dándole mayor espacio al Banco Central de Brasil para seguir bajando las tasas de interés e incentivando el crecimiento. En México, por el contrario, tenemos incertidumbre política, y aunque se confirme la elección del conservador Felipe Calderón, él va a ser un Presidente impotente, ya que la izquierda lo va a hostigar desalentandola inversión y las reformas".

# ¿Qué opinión le merecen los líderes de Venezuela y Argentina?

"Hugo Chávez y Néstor Kirchner son nacionalistasy populistas peligrosos que forman parte de un club de líderes afines que también tiene miembros en La Habana,Quito y La Paz. Todos son factores de inestabilidad en la región y Chávez es

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de lejos el más peligroso, porque tiene más dinero para derrochar en armamentos, tráfico de influencia y lo que fuera. Menos mal para la imagen y el porvenir de Latinoamérica que todavía tenemos líderes responsables en Brasil, Chile, Colombia, Perú, Uruguay y en otros países más al norte!".....

# ¿Siente que Chile se ha quedado estancado en el proceso de reformas?

"Chile está estancado en reformas microeconómicas, y menos mal que ahora eso se puede decir en voz alta, porque cuando lo declaré años atrás, durante el gobierno de Eduardo Frei, las autoridades se ofendieron y exigieron que me echaran como economista de un banco de Wall Street. Pero hoy todo el mundo sabe que hay problemas serios en la educación, la salud pública, el sistema previsional, el desarrollo energético, el mercado de trabajo y la innovación tecnológica....Ya veremos qué logra el gobierno de Michelle Bacheleten estas áreas".

# ¿Es un mal síntoma para Chile que la popularidad de la Presidenta Bachelet sea inferior al 50%?

"Mi impresión es que el gran 'destape' social que representó la elección de Bachelet ha llevado a un aumento desmesurado de las expectativas del pueblo chileno, parte del cual se siente defraudado porque las cosas no mejoraron de la noche ala mañana. Yo pienso que es bueno que los ciudadanos sean exigentes con sus líderes políticos, porque si no ellos se sientan sobre sus laureles y no hacen nada muy original, de manera que soy optimista que algo bueno pudiera salir de este descontento inicial".

For the rest of the interview, see: http://diario.elmercurio.com

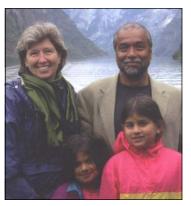
Suzanna Publicker (BA 2006 Spanish and Political Science) is finishing her second semester in Law School at New York University, ranked fourth in the country. Suzanna reports that she did well during her first semester studying law and has been offered a few positions for the summer, including one in a very wellpaying firm. However, she chose instead to take a job with the public sector. In summer 2007, Suzanna has an internship with the NYPD, advising officers in the field on legal matters and helping to develop sound policy. "I will be going on ride-alongs at 3:00 in the morning, and going out on nuisance abatement calls to brothels, drug dens, and offending bars," Suzanna writes. "I wanted to let you know that CLAS at Pitt prepared me for a life of critical thinking, making connections between the past and present, and striving for excellence...Thank you for all the opportunities you provided me...." Be safe, Suzanna! (e-mail: shp292@nyu.edu)

**Rosario Queirolo** is one of the most recent doctorates from the University of Pittsburgh. Rosario returned to campus from Uruguay in December 2006 to defend her dissertation, "The Impact of Neoliberal Political Re-



forms on Latin Americans' Voting Behavior (1980-2004)." She is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Communications at the Universidad de Montevideo. Our warmest congratulations to a very dear CLAS alumna.

Janette Rawlings (MPIA 1985 GSPIA: Economic & Social Development) and Anthony D'Costa (PhD GSPIA) are back in Tacoma, Washington after spending the summer of 2006 in Oslo, Norway where Anthony was working with a Norwegian colleague. They enjoyed travels to Stockholm and trips by boat to the fjords. Anthony then



Back: Janette and Anthony. Front: Olivia and Camille.

traveled to Copenhagen, where he was a guest of the Nordic Institute of Asian Studies, a consortium of Scandinavian universities promoting Asian Studies. He also presented lectures in Bergen, Helsinki, and at Lund University in Sweden. Anthony's book on Indian industrialization was published last year; it includes contributions by scholars from Sudan, Germany, Argentina, the Philippines, Poland, India, and the U.S. Janette continues work on an indexing project of the Pacific Northwest Quarterly.

Theodore Rectenwald (BA 1977 History/English Literature) is the Planning Officer for the United Nations Mission in Sudan. He "commutes" from Pittsburgh to Khartoum, where he is in charge of planning for the Office of Return, Reintegration and Recovery of the United Nations Mission in Sudan. Ted's wife, Marie-Louise, and the children have relocated from the DC area to Pittsburgh. In addition to Portuguese and Spanish. Ted also has studied Latin. Greek. Italian. Portuguese, French, Spanish, Lingala, and can function in Wolof. Ted has worked as an international development professional for more than twenty years in Africa, Latin America, the Balkans, and the Middle East, culminating in recent years with assignments revolving around humanitarian affairs, emergency relief, and human rights program management. He completed the master's degree in International Management with a

specialization in international marketing at the American Graduate School of International Management (Thunderbird) in 1978.

"CLAS Students take Global Approach to Public Health" by Derek Reighard

While many college students spent their winter breaks sleeping in and partying until sunrise, three students currently enrolled in the University of Pittsburgh's Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS), Charise Shively, Michael Santos, and Derek Reighard spent their break promoting public health in the Dominican Republic.

Working with Student Leaders in International Medicine (SLIM), a new organization comprised of pre-health undergraduate students from the University of Pittsburgh, Shively, Santos, and Reighard helped educate children in poverty-stricken areas of Santiago and Santo Domingo, two major cities of the Dominican Republic, using a learning tool called "Henry the Hand: Champion Handwasher." Henry the Hand isn't a doctor, nurse or any sort of health official. He's a cartoon character, a bright yellow hand clad in red sneakers and always wearing a smile. Using Henry's kid-friendly image along with specially created music and games, Shively, Santos, Reighard and others conducting these presentations were able to make health education accessible and fun for children as young as three years old.

SLIM's trip to the Dominican Republic marked the second time Shively took Henry the Hand abroad. In the summer of 2005, Shively participated in a program that spread Henry's message to southern regions of Brazil. Following a study abroad experience in the Dominican Republic last year, Shively realized the country's need for programs like Henry the Hand.

"This past summer, I studied abroad for seven weeks in Santiago doing a community-health practicum. During the last week of the program, I volunteered in a rural clinic, experiencing firsthand the need for clean water and health education," Shively said. Shively's stay in the clinic also served as an eye-opener about the lack of clean, potable water available to Dominicans living in poor, rural areas.

"At the clinic, the water we used to bathe with was rain water, which had been sitting in a collecting tank for months," Shively explained. "One day it was my responsibility to gather water from the tank, and I realized that tadpoles were actually living in the water we used for bathing and cooking. These unsanitary water conditions put people in this area at risk for a number of health problems."

As coordinator of SLIM's trip to the Dominican Republic, Shively designed the project to include the building of artesian well systems in impoverished rural areas such as Hondonitas and Salcedo, the site of the rural clinic where she had previously volunteered. To help carry out the well-building, Shively looked to Water Equals Life (WEL), a non-profit organization concerned with improving the availability of potable water in developing nations. Santos commented on SLIM's well-building efforts in village of Hondonitas: "The well that we built in Hondonitas... will benefit the daily lives of the entire community. Having access to clean water is a right that everyone should be entitled to."

In addition to implementing health improvements in the areas they visited, Shively, Santos, and Reighard used their time in the Dominican Republic to fine-tune their Spanish-speaking skills. "My fluency improved greatly in terms of being able to better construct ideas as well as integrate all the grammatical rules I've studied in my classes at Pitt," said Santos. "I found that the only way to truly get better in any language is to be immersed in that culture. I know that sounds like a cliché, but it's true."

Shively, Santos, and Reighard will continue to work with both SLIM and WEL on a series of fundraisers that they hope will further their work in the Dominican Republic. Shively is optimistic about SLIM and WEL's accomplishments in the Dominican communities. "I feel our project was a great success overall," she said. "Not only did we help educate and impact needy communities overseas, but I also feel that the other group members gained insight about the harsh reality of impoverished nations." Shively offers words of encouragement to her fellow SLIM members: "I hope they'll take from this experience the willingness to continue this type of work. Volunteering is essential for a meaningful life."

**Derek Reighard** and **Michael Santos** are majors in Biological Sciences; **Charise Shively** is in Neuroscience. All three will be completing the undergraduate certificate in Latin American Studies within the next year and all three plan to attend graduate school in the field of medicine or public health.

Samantha Roberts and José Zevallos brought their children, Nicolas and Emilia, back to visit Nico's birth-place of Pittsburgh in October 2006. Sam completed the doctorate in economics at Pitt in 1995. José was the Director of Research at CLAS from 1987-1993 and currently works at the International Finance Corporation in DC. "After being in Washington (and Ecuador before that), Pittsburgh felt like a very stable and peaceful community. We enjoyed the visit a lot and plan to be there again soon."

Carlos Antonio Romero Mendez (MA 1979 Political Science): "Aprovecho la ocasión para notificarte que estoy pasando al retiro luego de 29 años de servicio en la Universidad Central de Venezuela aunque sigo trabajando como consultor internacional, comentarista en los medios de comunicación y docente en la Universidad Metropolitana de Caracas. Al mismo tiempo, quiero compartir con ustedes la noticia del bautizo, a principios del mes de noviembre, de mi último libro titulado *Jugando con el Globo* editado este año por la editorial Brugera de España." The book is an analysis of Venezuela's foreign relations since 1999.

**Susana Rosano** (PhD 2005 Hispanic Languages and Literatures) nos cuenta: "...[soy] profesora de literatura latinoamericana en la Universidad Nacional de Rosario. Además, soy colaboradora permanente en la revista cultural  $\tilde{N}$ , del diario Clarín. En estos días...la Editorial

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Beatriz Viterbo publica mi libro *Rostros y máscaras de Eva Perón: Imaginario populista y representación*, que ganó en 2005 el tercer premio del Fondo Nacional de las Artes....Me reparto entre las clases que tengo que dar, trabajos de edición en editoriales, y escribiendo notas culturales y papers."

**Eric Rosenfeld**, law student, served as an intern at the Estudio Ferrero Abogados law firm in Lima, Peru, in summer 2006. We believe that it is a fair assumption that Eric is one of the few full-time Law students in the U.S. to be studying Quechua. Ari, tatay!

Stephanie Roth (BA 1992 Spanish/Political Science) traveled to Hawaii in December. She and her friend, Mark, were there for events surrounding the 65th anniversary of the Pearl Harbor attack. Stephanie is suffering from a severe case of the Travel Bug, which she contracted as an undergraduate at Pitt. The disease is highly contagious but thoroughly harmless, except for the effect it has on one's bank balance. In September 2006, she was in Paris on vacation and wrote: "Now I have to learn French! I think the... highlights for me were going to the top of the Eiffel Tower, a bike trip I took of Versailles, and...the first day I walked in the Tuileries gardens and sat by a fountain... just enjoying the day..."

**Carolina Santamaria** completed the doctorate in music at Pitt in 2006 and returned to Colombia to begin her position as Assistant Professor of Music at the Pontificia Universidad Javeriana in Bogotá.

Denise Schaan (PhD 2004 Anthropology) is mentioned in an article in *National Geographic* (the Portuguese edition of *National Geographic*, No. 96, setembro 2006). The article, entitled "UMA LUZ SOBRE O PASSADO: Na ilha de Marajó, cacos da cerâmica de antigas civilizações iluminam os estudos sobre a desconhecida pré-história do Brasil" (texto e fotos por Maurício de Paiva e Mônica Trindade Canejo), describes Denise's archeological work on the island of Marajó for the Museu do Marajó. Denise is a faculty member with the Universidade Federal do Pará, Departamento de Antropologia, in Belem, Para, Brazil. For complete information on Denise's work, see her web site: www.marajoara.com.

Celeste Scheib Angus (BA 1981 Political Science/ Spanish) has been Director of International Cooperation, American ORT, located in Washington, DC since 1989 and has worked with ORT International since 1986. She has had over 20 years' experience developing and directing complex multisectoral international development assistance programs and grants totaling more than \$40 million. A few of the funding sources with which Celeste has worked include: USAID, The World Bank, the UN Development Programme, ExxonMobil, and Hewlett Packard. She is the principal ORT liaison with the international development community, including the United Nations. Celeste's many contributions are best described by ORT:

Ms. Angus has been with ORT International Cooperation for more than 20 years, and has developed a body of work managing democracy-building activities and human resource/workforce development programs in the Balkans and Newly Independent States as well as significant training experience in Africa and Asia. She is responsible for developing and presenting strategic plans and proposal preparation, designing program approach and strategy, contract negotiations and administration, project implementation, financial management, recruiting and supervising personnel, budgeting, accounting, monitoring and reporting. She also handles all ORT management and financial reporting issues, subcommittee reports/presentations; Board of Directors meetings and drafting and presentation of five-year strategic plan, and oversight of US Government...audit compliance. Ms. Angus has directly supervised the field assessments, design stages, start-up operations and implementation, staff recruitment, home office visits, monitoring and reporting, staffing, budget process and management and evaluation of...ORT technical assistance and training projects.

Prior to working with ORT, Celeste was Operations Manager with American Export Group International Services, Inc 1984-86; managed a \$6 million USAID funded-project on Pakistan in 83-84; and served as an intern in the summer of 1982 with the US Export-Import Bank. Celeste completed the MBA at Georgetown University in 1983 with a concentration in Finance and International Business. On the personal side, Celeste's son, Sean, is a sophomore at Tufts University in Boston where he studies Chinese and Economics, Cory is a senior in high school and is busy with college applications, and Nicholas, an eighth grader, enjoys soccer and lacrosse.

Former CLAS Director (1986-1992) and alumnus **Mitchell A. Seligson** (PhD 1971 Political Science) continues to keep us up-to-date on his activities as well as those of a number of other CLAS alumni. He sent the following for us to share.

Vanderbilt University LAPOP Affiliates, Former Pitt Faculty/Students at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, DC

In the fall issue of *Noticias*, the newsletter of the Latin American Program of the Woodrow Wilson Center for Scholars, several Latin American Public Opinion Project (LAPOP) affiliates were featured. LAPOP was housed at Pitt for a number of years, but moved to Vanderbilt University when Mitchell Seligson, former CLAS Director, moved there in 2004. In a feature story on the

symposium, "Comparative Peace Process in Latin America," Ariel Armony, Dinorah Azpuru, Ricardo Córdova, and José Miguel Cruz were all cited for their work on this topic. All are former or current PhD students of LAPOP Director Mitchell A. Seligson. Armony, from Argentina, holds an endowed chair at Colby College. Azpuru, from Guatemala, is Assistant Professor at Wichita State University. Córdova, from El Salvador, is President of the FundaUngo. Cruz, also from El Salvador and a Professor at the Universidad Centroamericano Simeon Cañas, recently completed his M.A. at Oxford University and is now at Vanderbilt working on his PhD. All (except Armony) are lead scholars in the 2006 LAPOP AmericasBarometer. Also noted in the newsletter was Juan Pablo Luna of the Universidad Católica de Chile. Juan Pablo won a Wilson Fellowship "Junior Scholars in the Study of Democracy in Latin America" and is the lead researcher in the 2006 LAPOP Americas Barometer in Chile. Julio Carrión. Director of the Center for Latin American Studies at the University of Delaware, and also a former Pitt PhD student of Mitchell Seligson, lectured at the Wilson Center on Elections in Peru. Julio is regional coordinator of LAPOP for Central America and the Andean region and is also lead scholar for the 2006 Peru study. Web site: www.lapopsurveys.org.



Kevin Skillin (MPIA 1998 GSPIA: Economic & Social Development), Becky, and children (Timmy 7, Laura 5, and Anna 2) spent their first Christmas in the U.S. in their own home in 2006.

Last year Kevin worked at the 24-hour Operations Center, where he helped connect calls for the Secretary of State, kept track of breaking news from around the world, and alerted senior State Department officials of important developments. With the new year, Kevin began a new assignment as Staff Assistant in the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs. Working for the Assistant Secretary in charge of Latin American affairs, he reads and edits memos and speeches written by desk officers covering the western hemisphere. In June, Kevin begins eight weeks of training before the family moves to Ecuador. In Quito, Kevin will be the Cultural Affairs Officer at the U.S. Embassy. His responsibilities include helping to lead the Fulbright Program. Life is indeed cyclical because when Kevin and Becky lived

in Quito in 1998-99, he was a Fulbright Scholar. Kevin also will be working with other US-Ecuadorian cultural exchange programs, as well as advising Ecuadorian students who want to study in the U.S., coordinating programs for visiting American artists and performers, and overseeing the Information Resource Center. The Skillins will call Quito home until mid-2010.

**Douglas Spatz** (BA 1981 Anthropology/Political Science) reminisces about his travels (and adventures) in Bolivia and shared some startling photos. "Old roads traveled in the past" indeed! "...you can better understand why the bus driver and passengers were so upset with me having my head out the window enjoying the views." Those of us who have spent much time in the Andes relate very well to this photo...the thrill and the fear.



Josefina Vásquez P., doctoral student in anthropology, published "Cuenteros en la radio: el coyote en la mitología Hopi del Norte de Arizona," in *Antropología, Cuadernos de Investigación* (6) 2005:139-155. The journal is a publication of the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador. Her husband, Florencio Delgado-Espinoza (PhD 2002 Anthropology) also had an article in the same issue of the journal (pp. 255-276): "Organización política en la baja cuenca del río Guayas, Ecuador, durante el periodo de integración (ca. 500 d.c.- contacto español)."

Mirellise Vazquez (MPIA 2000 GSPIA: International Affairs) is now residing in Stamford, CT. She and her fiancé, Tom, have moved to the Northeast. Mirellise left DC in July and in August started a new job with the Christian Children's Fund in the New York City United Nations liaison office. Mirellise also caught the travel bug! In 2006, she travelled to: Ethiopia, Kenya, Brazil, and Switzerland for work; Puerto Rico to visit family; Canada, New Hampshire, California, and DC for fun.

"Working at the United Nations (UN) is amazing! I really enjoy...watching member states negotiate treaties,

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resolutions, and...life altering actions. I also enjoy working with representatives from other non-governmental organizations in trying to influence UN action on critical issues and humanitarian situations. It is fascinating to... get a sense for the complexity of the UN system, which ultimately must cater to its 192 member states, which don't always agree....many of the issues I work on can...be very sad (refugees and internally displaced persons, natural disasters, children affected by armed conflict, child labor, HIV/AIDS, and poverty – just to name a few), though I never lose hope or optimism and try to always keep perspective. I am humbled every day by how much we have in the United States, and I am very fortunate to work on development and humanitarian issues for an organization that really cares about children, people, and communities."



Luz Villasana (MPIA 1997 GSPIA: Public & International Affairs) is reported to have been tracking down "Ted," a member of the Pittsburgh Banjo Club, in Manley, Australia. Luz, her husband,

Dieter, and their two daughters are living in Sydney. The family is residing there during Dieter's sabbatical. The family will spend the end of their leave, April-May, traveling throughout Australia to discover its many wonders. Upon queries from this writer (SK), Luz responded that she doesn't always understand the "oz" accent. "It can be pretty hard for a Mexican with American-English experience." However, her daughter Sofia likes to point out the different words for things, such as lift vs. elevator or pram vs. stroller, and she can use both interchangeably. Children **are** amazing.

Christine Louise Waller Loan (BA 2006 English Writing/Communication) works for CEMEX (Cemento Mexicanos) at their global headquarters in Monterrey, Mexico. Christine is a communications analyst, mainly responsible for global internal communications, the internal magazine, speech writing for executives, etc. Christine has kindly provided her work contact information for Pitt students going to Monterrey: CEMEX Corporate Communications & Public Affairs, <a href="mailto:christinelouise.waller@cemex.com">christinelouise.waller@cemex.com</a>, San Pedro Garza Garcia, N.L. México.

María Victoria Whittingham Munevar (PhD 2006 GSPIA) is living in Madrid, where she works with the Fundación Carolina. "I have a wonderful new job which provides a unique opportunity to contribute in the creation of a more equitable world." http://www.fundacioncarolina.es

Patrick Wilson (PhD 2002 Anthropology) and Andrea Cuellar (PhD 2006 Anthropology) returned to Pittsburgh in February 2007 to visit friends. Both have positions in the Department of Anthropology at Lethbridge University in Canada. From Pittsburgh they traveled on to New Haven, CT where Patrick presented a paper, "Teaching Ethnography in



the Study Abroad Context," at the AAPLAC conference. (A complete agenda from the conference is available on the web site of the Association of American Programs in Latin America and the Caribbean: http://www.aaplac.org.)

Congratulations to **Felipe Zuluaga** and **Lindsey Jones** who were married on September 16, 2006. They are residing in the DC area where Felipe has a research position at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. Previously, he had an internship with the American Council for the United Nations University. Lindsey is currently working at the Colombian desk in the Department of State. Prior to that, her government position was with the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs. Lindsey and Felipe returned to Pittsburgh in February 2007 when Felipe presented a paper in the 2007 Latin American Social and Public Policy Conference. His paper, "The His-



torical Evolution of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC): From Guerrillas to Terrorists," was presented as part of the panel on "States and Social Movements." Both Felipe and Lindsey are GSPIA graduates; Lindsey focused on NGOs and Civil Society, while Felipe studied Security and Intelligence.

# In Memorium

### Silvia Del Cid: 1954-2006

Silvia Del Cid, a dear friend, confidante, and humanitarian, succumbed to cancer after a characteristically brave struggle. Silvia was an individual who gave more than she received; her passing leaves us with less than we had.

Silvia came to Pittsburgh in 1991 with a Fulbright scholarship matched by a CLAS tuition fellowship. She quickly completed the master's degree in sociology along with the Graduate Certificate in Latin American Studies (1993). Faculty in sociology and staff of CLAS encouraged her to continue; a Teaching Fellowship from the Department of Sociology enabled her to continue studies for the doctorate from 1993-1995. In 1995-96, Silvia was selected by an interdisciplinary committee of Latin American specialists to receive the Graduate Fellowship in Latin American Social and Public Policy awarded by the Center for Latin American Studies. And, in 1996, Silvia completed the doctorate in sociology. Completing a doctorate in five years is a significant achievement for anyone. In Silvia's case, it was truly an outstanding accomplishment. Silvia persevered with her studies and research through health problems (multiple hip replacement operations followed by months of painful physical therapy). She held her family together through personal tragedy. Any one of these traumatic incidents would have stopped others with less determination. Throughout all, her beaming smile and unfailing optimism made those around her feel better about life.



Silvia was thought one of those friends who are as close as kin. Two special friends, Andrew Stein and Vince McElhinny, traveled from the East Coast to California to attend the services for Silvia. Included below is part of the eulogy that Andrew gave at services for Silvia held on October 17, 2006.

Pittsburgh was perhaps one of the places in her life—along with the years with her family in Guatemala City and at the San Carlos—that left the deepest mark on her and where she in turn, made the strongest ties with those she met. Silvia originally came for two years, but that became five when her professors, convinced of her ability, urged her to stay on to complete the doctoral degree....

[Silvia] was caring (cariñosa), selfless, generous, giving and reliable....Silvia was also determined, driven and disciplined. This is very clear in the five degrees she obtained and many other achievements in her life despite having to overcome health, money limitations and other obstacles. Silvita was also compassionate—underscoring in her own life the way Guatemala's conflict impacted her personally...and in her abiding concern for the poor....Her compassion also extended to her scholarship and teaching in social work/sociology at the San Carlos, and in her becoming an expert on Guatemala and the Mayans through survey research in Pittsburgh. It is symbolic, as Alvaro [Silvia's brother] mentioned, that she was born in 1954, a tumultuous year in Guatemalan history, and that she completed her dissertation in early December 1996...three weeks before the government and guerrillas signed the peace accords at the United Nations that ended a 40-year civil war.

Our friend was demanding (exigente), and this also explains the loyalty and quality of her friendships.....Lastly, I would mention Silvita's deep love for her family....In the dedication to her dissertation, Silvia said it was for the three women in her life who had shown her the way—Doña Irma [her mother] and her grandmothers....

Andrew later wrote: "Sure, there was some sadness today, but also a lot of love and celebration of what and who she was, how she affected people. This ranged from the burn victims she was working with...to...[those] whom she taught...in Guate, to her church, friends, family. [She worked] in Guatemala City with Covenant House and street kids in the 1980s...as far back as 1976, after the massive earthquake that year, she volunteered with a US (Alabamachurch) based program to help disabled victims of the disaster recover and get job training and other aid....if there was one [part]...of her life that unified everyone...today, it was her other-oriented focus on helping people, making the world a better place, and standing up for the weak and poor...whether that was a glue-sniffing street kid, a burn victim...or Mayas who were the focus of all her scholarship and concern at the San Carlos and at Pitt."

The family asks that donations on Silvia's behalf be made to the: Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation, 2501 West Burbank Blvd. # 201, Burbank, CA 91505 (www.aarbf.org).

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### Friends of CLAS

**Ivan Amayo** and Margarita were married in 1996; they live with their two daughters, AnaSofia (age 5) and Alexa (3), in Miami. Margarita, who is from Mexico



City, and Ivan met while studying at Thunderbird in Arizona, where Ivan completed the master's degree in

International Management in 1996. "Thunderbird was a great experience...met so many people from all over the world, US students were the minority!" Four years ago, Ivan and Margarita started a real estate investment and brokerage company, <a href="www.Auroradevrealty.com">www.Auroradevrealty.com</a>. Ivan loves the freedom of having their own company; it allows them to be with their daughters during their early years. Ivan looks forward to hearing from others from the CLAS "Brazil–Guarapari 1990" field trip group. He, Mark V., and Kenn G. have already been in touch.

Janil Greenaway received the master's degree in Global Political Economy from the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs in 2004. Janil is living in New York where she has been working for the Antigua and Barbuda Mission to the United Nations for the past two years. Janil is thoroughly enjoying her work, applying much of what she learned at Pitt.

Maria **Emperatriz** Ruiz Merroth is greatly enjoying life in southern California (as one can see from this photo). She is working as an educational consultant and raising two brilliant and beautiful children. Viva Venezuela! Viva CLAS!



Mark Vanderven has created a blog about the search for the ivory-billed woodpecker. See: <a href="http://featheredghosts.blogspot.com">http://featheredghosts.blogspot.com</a>. Mark will update the site once every week or two. "I encourage folks to post on the blog, or to e-mail me if you have any questions." <a href="http://featheredghosts.blogspot.com/">http://featheredghosts.blogspot.com/</a>. To learn more about what Mark has been doing, see his web site: <a href="http://myweb.facstaff.wwu.edu/~vanderm6">http://myweb.facstaff.wwu.edu/~vanderm6</a>.

# **CLAS Update**

We are pleased to report that CLAS Director **Kathleen Musante DeWalt** returned safe and sound in January 2007 from her sabbatical leave during 2006. The staff would like to welcome her back and to thank **James A. Craft** (Professor of Business Administration) for his service as Acting Director in 2006.

In **CLASicos** 58, we reported that **Devon L. Taliaferro** became the full-time secretary/receptionist for the Center on May 1, 2005. Since then, things have been relatively stable in the Center in relation to staff.

However, Center Administrator Colleen M.

McCafferty (who came on board in January 2003) completed her MBA and, in September 2006, decided to enter the real world and left for a job with Accenture (a global management consulting and technology services company). While the search to fill the Center Administrator position was underway, Nerissa Lindfelser was hired as a part-time student employee to assist with the tasks related to the job. Nerissa's work has been exceptional and she was instrumental in

coordinating the conference on "Globalization, Diversity, and Inequality in Latin America: The Challenges, Opportunities, and Dangers" held in March 2007. In February 2007, Adriana Maguiña-Ugarte was hired as the Center Administrator and immediately thrown into the fray of assisting with the "Globalization" conference and taking primary responsibility for coordinating the workshop on

"Research in Sustainable Community Development" held in April 2007. Adriana smoothly transitioned into the position and has done an outstanding job. In addition, in fall 2006, we welcomed Justine Cortez as our work-study student. Justine has been a great help and we look forward to her returning next year. Some brief background information on these relatively recent arrivals follows.



Justine Cortez was born and raised in Washington, DC. While attending Wilson High School's International Studies Academy, she had the opportunity to travel to Costa Rica, Spain, Morocco, Greece, and Turkey. She also spent a summer in Honduras living with a family in the countryside and helped to teach at a local school. Justine has visited El Salvador, where her father's family lives, on numerous occasions. For most of her high school years, she worked in an after-school program at a bilingual elementary school. Justine is considering a major in social work and a certificate in Latin American Studies. She notes that "working in the Center for Latin American Studies has enabled me to continue to be in a diverse environment. I plan to do study abroad in Chile during my junior year."

Nerissa Lindenfelser is from Rochester, NY, and came to the University of Pittsburgh as a junior to study Mechanical Engineering. However, for reasons not divulged to us, she quickly changed her major to Environmental Geology and completed the degree and the Undergraduate Certificate in Latin American Studies in Spring 2006. Currently, she is a master's student in the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs. Nerissa is studying International Development with a focus on Environmental Sustainability. She also is completing a Graduate Certificate in Latin American Social and Public Policy. This summer, she will be working in Cochabamba, Bolivia, as an intern for an environmental non-profit. The Center is pleased to report that Nerissa will be back in Fall 2007 as a graduate student assistant, working with Associate Director for Academic Affairs Shirley Kregar on National Resource Center projects and Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship reports.





Adriana Maguiña-Ugarte is a Peruvian, born in Belgium and raised in Lima. She studied in the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú (Lima), where she obtained her BA in archaeology. She specialized on the archaeology of the Northern Coast of Peru. She came to Pittsburgh in 1995 to pursue a PhD in Anthropology and attained ABD status by May 1999—the same day she received her MA in Anthropology. Later that year, however, she changed gears and decided to pursue an MS in Information Sciences. She was admitted to the School of Information Sciences at the University of Pittsburgh and graduated in December 2000. As a graduation present of sorts, she accompanied her husband, Francis Allard (1995 PhD in Anthropology at Pitt) on the first leg of his Semester at Sea (SAS) teaching experience during the Spring 2001 term. Adriana visited Nassau (Bahamas), Havana (Cuba), and Salvador (Brazil), all of which, according to Adriana, were terrific. She later was hired by the Institute for Shipboard Education (ISE), the not-for-profit that runs Semester at Sea, and worked for them between May 2001 and early September 2006 as the Information

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Systems Analyst. She was also very lucky to visit Japan (2001) and Greece (2002) while working for them. With the encouragement of Shirley Kregar, she also completed the Graduate Certificate in Latin American Studies in 2002. When ISE left the University of Pittsburgh early last Fall, Adriana had the opportunity to try the corporate world by working for Mellon Financial Corporation. However, she soon found out that she really missed the academic environment where she had been so happy. Hence, in a lucky turn of events, she applied for the Center Administrator position at the Center for Latin American Studies. When offered the job, she more than happily came back to work at her alma mater, a place where one can learn even by osmosis... Adriana notes that "She is very excited about this career opportunity, the new friends and colleagues she is developing, and grateful for the warm welcome from all at CLAS."

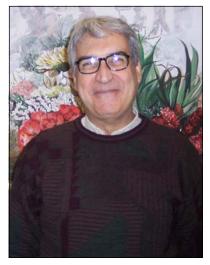
### **Visiting Scholars**



Eric Rendón Schneir visited the University of Pittsburgh and CLAS during February 2007 as a United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Norman Borlaug Scholar. Mr. Rendón works in the Planning Area of the National Agrarian Research Institute (INIA) of Peru and is pursuing doctoral studies in environmental economics at the National Agrarian University La Molina through an agreement with the Economics Faculty of UNAM in Mexico. Eric's research focuses on environmental changes in the Ica River valley of Peru in relation to agricultural exports and preferential trade agreements. The Ica River valley is the most important region in Peru devoted to agriculture for exports. Exports are directed primarily to the United States and the European Union and include asparagus, grapes, onions, paprika, peppers, and artichokes. CLAS faculty member Steven Hirsch (Associate Profes-

sor of History, Greensburg campus) served as Mr. Rendón's mentor during his stay in Pittsburgh. Eric utilized his stay to undertake research and to establish contacts with scholars in Western Pennsylvania.

João Orlando R. de Menezes came to Pittsburgh to work with Professor Frank Giarratani in the Department of Economic's Center for Industry Studies (which Dr. Giarratani directs). João's research focuses on the Brazilian steel industry, and he hopes to apply findings from Professor Giarratani's recent research on US minimills to the Brazilian development context. João holds an MS in Management of Information Systems (1991) from Claremont Graduate University, California. In addition to being a staff member of the Rio Consulting Group and a faculty member at the Veiga de Almeida University, he is currently a doctoral student in the School of Chemistry of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, where he is working on a project to develop a business strategy for regional steelmaking in Brazil. He arrived in Pittsburgh in January 2007 and will leave in early May. His specific plans are to analyze data from interviews conducted by Dr. Giarratani and his team in relation to Electric Arc



Furnace slab mills and their potential application to regional steelmaking in Brazil. He also will consult with personnel at Carnegie Mellon University's Center for Iron & Steelmaking Research about continuous steelmaking and other cost reduction projects.

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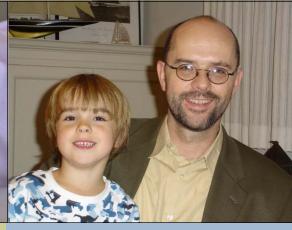
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# **Parting Shots**

Nora Coen-Pirani, born October 1, 2006; 9 lbs., 3 oz., 21 inches. Belated congratulations to mom and CLAS faculty member Marla Ripoll (Economics).

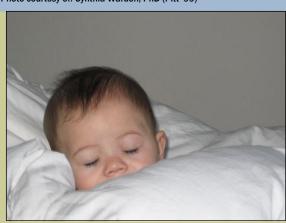




Benjamin and his dad, CLAS faculty member Joshua Lund (Hispanic Languages and Literatures). Photo courtesy of: Cynthia Warden, PhD (Pitt '99)

Some of the CLAS Crew Front: Luz Amanda Villada and Shirley Kregar. Center: Luis Bravo, Kathleen Musante DeWalt, and Devon Taliaferro. Back: Roz Santavicca, James Craft, and John Frechione.

Oscar Ravi Muller-Baviskar after his christening. "Ravi" is the son of CLAS alumni Siddhartha Baviskar and Hanne Muller.





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