

ILO Decent Work Research Prize Awardee **Carmelo Mesa-Lago**
and wife Elena. (See page 2)



Coastal South America Archaeology Conference Organizers:
Alexander Martin, Enrique López-Hurtado, and Robyn Cutright.
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Eduardo Lozano Memorial Dissertation Prize Winner
Christine Hippert. (See page 5)

Carmelo Mesa-Lago Awarded the Inaugural International Labour Organization Decent Work Research Prize

University of Pittsburgh Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus of Economics and Latin American Studies **Carmelo Mesa-Lago** has been awarded the inaugural International Labour Organization (ILO) Decent Work Research Prize. The prize was created by the ILO's International Institute for Labour Studies (IILS) to recognize extraordinary lifetime contributions to knowledge, understanding, and advocacy on the central concerns of the ILO. Professor Mesa-Lago was nominated by 10 of his former graduate students (from Pittsburgh, Germany, Spain, and Latin America) who occupy important positions in academia, international organizations, and governments in six countries. The competition for the prize was worldwide and the final decision was made by a jury of eminent international experts on labor-social policy issues.



The prize was awarded to Professor Mesa-Lago in recognition of his 50 years of research on social security and pension reforms around the globe and his major scholarly contributions to the analysis of socioeconomic relationships and policy instruments for the advancement of decent work. His work focuses on countries with private or partially public health care systems, and he has found that private or partial systems tend to discriminate against low income families, self-employed workers, and women. His research results have successfully guided many governments toward broad-based public programs that provide better care for all people and have played a pivotal role in the social security reforms of countries in Latin America and the Caribbean as well as in Egypt, Thailand, Germany, and Spain.

Dr. Mesa-Lago came to the University of Pittsburgh in 1967 and served as director of the Center for Latin American Studies from 1974 to 1986. In the field of social security alone, he has published 53 books and pamphlets, as well as 141 chapters in books and scholarly articles in eight languages in 33 countries.

The award was presented on June 15, 2007 during the closing plenary of ILO's 96th International Labour Conference in Geneva, Switzerland. The annual conference was attended by 3,000 workers, employers of labor, and government representatives from the 180 ILO member-states, as well as heads of state and government including President Michelle Bachelet of Chile, President John Kufuor of Ghana, President Abdoulaye Wade of Senegal, President Mahinda Rajapaksa of Sri Lanka, President Lech Kaczyński of Poland, Prime Minister Portia Simpson-Miller of Jamaica, Crown Prince Shaikh Salman Bin Hamad Al-Khalifa of Bahrain, and Prince Felipe de Borbon of Asturias.

Nelson Mandela, former President of the Republic of South Africa and Nobel Peace Laureate, also was awarded a prize at the conference for his lifetime contribution to knowledge, understanding, and advocacy on the central concerns of the ILO, particularly making decent work—work free from discrimination and oppression, and infused with social justice and dialogue—an essential base for progress. A transcript of Professor Mesa-Lago's remarks at the ILO conference follows.

IILS Prize on Decent Work Presentation

International Labour Conference, Geneva, June 15, 2007
Carmelo Mesa-Lago



Deseo primero expresar mi gratitud en español, mi lengua materna hoy hablada por 450 millones de personas en 18 países de América Latina, más España, y los Estados Unidos de América donde es el segundo idioma.

He dedicado los últimos 50 años al estudio, enseñanza

y asistencia técnica en seguridad social, y este Premio del Instituto Internacional de Estudios Laborales es el más importante que he recibido en mi vida, por lo cual estoy profundamente agradecido y lo dedico a todos aquellos que carecen de cobertura de seguridad social en el mundo. Muchas gracias también al Ministro de Trabajo y Seguridad Social de Argentina Carlos Tomada por su generosa introducción.

En la audiencia está mi esposa Elena, compañera por más de 40 años y sin la cual no sería lo que soy, ella se merece este premio tanto como yo. También está nuestra hija menor Helena y mi hermana Lourdes a las cuales agradezco que me acompañen en este momento maravilloso.

Mi presentación sobre la necesidad urgente de mantener y extender la cobertura de la seguridad social en América

Latina y otros países en desarrollo será en inglés. Un artículo mío sobre esto acaba de ser publicado en la *Revista Internacional de Seguridad Social* y está disponible en los tres idiomas oficiales de la Conferencia.

Several Latin American countries were pioneers in the introduction of social insurance in the Western Hemisphere: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Cuba, and Uruguay; Costa Rica established its programs later but rapidly developed them. Currently all 20 countries have pension and health programs albeit with divergent degrees of population coverage. Social security has maintained income and provided health services to millions of people in the region.

In the last 25 years, however, coverage has been harmed by a contraction of the formal sector and expansion of the informal sector (self-employed, family workers, micro-enterprises, etc.), as well as by labour market “flexibilization” through subcontracting, part-time employment, and jobs without contract, which usually lack social insurance protection. The informal sector averages 47% of the regional urban labour force; one third is self-employed either excluded or with little-effective voluntary coverage in 16 countries; only in four it’s mandatory and have higher effective coverage. Although most countries of the region are now predominantly urban, in the least developed a substantial proportion of the labour force and the population are still rural and four of them exclude rural workers from coverage. Indigenous peoples are largely excluded also because they are in the informal sector or live in rural areas.

Only seven countries provide social assistance pensions for the uninsured elderly who lacks resources, the pioneers and Bolivia. Because of the low and declining coverage of the labour force, combined with lack of non-contributory pensions, protection of the elderly is projected to decrease.

The labour market transformation is not the only cause of low and declining coverage. With some laudable exceptions, social security institutions in the region has not adapted to such transformation, for instance, the self-employed are charged the sum of the percentage contributions paid by salaried workers and employers, a formidable barrier to their affiliation. Structural reforms that substituted public social insurance pension programs in ten countries by defined contribution, fully-funded, privately managed schemes have resulted in declining coverage in all of them. The reason is that said schemes were essentially designed for formal urban workers with stable jobs and high density contributions and virtually left out the informal sector including the self-employed. The reforms also accentuated gender inequalities as they eliminated solidarity mechanisms that transferred resources from men to women. In the last two years, reforms in three countries were either annulled or declared unconstitutional or are pending full implementation; Chile the first to introduce structural reforms has now a legal draft to reform its pension system strengthening its solidarity and aiming for coverage extension. Segmentation in the healthcare system (by social insurance, public and private sectors) results in overlapping and makes more difficult to extend coverage. Healthcare reforms extended legal coverage in five Latin American countries but actual coverage declined or was stagnant in nine of them.

Relying on statistics and surveys from the 20 countries, I have calculated that either 34% or 60% of the regional labour force lacks pension insurance; the first estimate is based on affiliates and the second estimate on more reliable active contributors. Concerning healthcare insurance, 60% of the total population lacks it; when adding access to public services, still 38% of the population is unprotected. Coverage of the elderly ranges from 62-87% in the pioneer countries to 5-20% in the least developed and, with one exception, coverage of women is substantially lower than men. The most developed countries are also the pioneers, have the lowest informal and rural sectors, provide social assistance pensions and exhibit the highest coverage. Conversely, the least developed are those that introduced their programs latest, have the largest informal and rural sectors, lack social assistance pensions and endure the lowest coverage. There are significant geographical differences in healthcare coverage: the best-covered areas are those developed and urbanized, whereas the worst covered are the least developed and rural.

The ILO and the ISSA have given priority to the extension of coverage and some international financial organizations recently have joined that orientation. For instance, a recent study by World Bank experts concludes that Latin American structural reforms in the last ten years placed too much emphasis on the mandatory savings pillar (capitalization) and neglected the poverty prevention pillar hence they recommend a reversal of previous priorities in favour of public PAYG non-contributory pensions targeted on the poor. United Nations regional branches in the region, such as ECLAC and PAHO, also give priority to the extension of coverage in both pensions and healthcare, as does the IADB.

Despite such consensus, however, there is not a common front of all international organizations to confront the grave and worsening problem of coverage in developing countries, because of their divergent views on how to tackle it (healthcare cooperation agreements exist between the ILO and PAHO). I have identified areas in pension and health programs where international organizations share common approaches and policies, a base for future cooperation. But the main effort must be done by the countries themselves based on successful policy experiences to extend coverage in the region and the substantial body of technical work available. The following are the principal suggestions:

- Social security should adapt to the transformation of the labour market, expanding coverage to informal and rural workers and peasants.
- Affiliation of these groups could be more flexible, e.g., permitting them select one program instead of mandated incorporation in all at once, allowing payments in shorter and longer periods than one month, using unions, cooperatives and associations as intermediaries for enrolment and perhaps collection.
- Countries with legal mandatory affiliation of said groups (Argentina, Brazil, Costa Rica and Uruguay) have higher coverage than countries with voluntary affiliation, but legal inclusion by itself is insufficient. Low-income self-employed should only paid the percentage contribution assigned to salaried workers, combined with fiscal subsidies in lieu of the employer contribution (as in Costa Rica).

Mesa-Lago (continued)

- Special pension regimes for rural workers or peasants get better coverage than those with voluntary or restricted coverage but with diverse results; government commitment and financial resources are vital (as in Brazil; other programs to be considered are those of Ecuador and Mexico).
- Non-contributory pensions targeted on the elderly poor have significantly reduced poverty at relatively low cost (universal flat pensions are much more expensive and regressive, hence inadequate for least developed countries).
- Integration or high coordination of segmented healthcare systems is needed to extend protection; Costa Rica's unified social insurance, Cuba's unified public system and Chile's well coordinated public-social insurance and private sectors are alternative means to achieve that end.
- A guaranteed basic package of healthcare benefits should be mandatory in all sectors (public, social insurance and private) for the entire population regardless of income, age, risk and gender.
- Integral coverage in social insurance healthcare should be legally extended to the spouse, as well as children below age 18.
- Coverage of indigenous people should be a priority, targeting the geographic areas where they are concentrated

and assigning the needed fiscal funds.

- Geographical inequalities in healthcare coverage can be reduced by compensation funds such as those in Argentina, Brazil, Chile and Colombia.
- Fiscal subsidies granted to pensions and healthcare separate schemes for groups of the labour force that have sufficient income to self-finance their coverage are regressive and should be eliminated and the saved resources used to extend coverage to vulnerable groups.
- There is a crucial need to compile standardized reliable statistics on coverage from all countries, with data on the socio-economic-financial characteristics of those excluded in order to design adequate programs to incorporate them.

My first social security book published 30 years ago was dedicated to "the millions of workers and peasants in Latin America who suffer from lack of coverage or poor protection against social risks." My latest book, currently in press, repeats the same dedicatory. It is my hope that coverage is substantially expanded in the next decade with a combined effort from the ILO, the ISSA and other international organizations, as well as all countries represented in this Conference.

Postscript

On September 18, 2007, CLAS and the Department of Economics cosponsored a reception to recognize Professor Mesa-Lago's ILO Decent Work Research Prize. **David DeJong** (Chair, Department of Economics), **Kathleen M. DeWalt** (Director, Center for Latin American Studies), **James V. Maher** (Provost, University of Pittsburgh), and **Jack Ochs** (Professor, Department of Economics) contributed remarks in honor of Dr. Mesa-Lago, who made a brief presentation on "Lessons for the United States from Social Security Reform in Latin America." Current and former faculty, students, and staff attended, as did many of Carmelo's other friends.

At the Reception

Barry Dietrich and former CLAS staff member June Belkin-Dietrich.



Jack Ochs.



Doug Wilson and former CLAS staff members Carolyn (Kay) Wilson and Erma MacPherson.



Professor Emeritus of Sociology José Moreno.

First Eduardo Lozano Memorial Dissertation Prize Awarded

Shortly after Eduardo Lozano passed away on August 25, 2006, the Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures and the Center for Latin American Studies created a fund to support the Eduardo Lozano Memorial Dissertation Prize. The prize honors the life and work of Eduardo, who directed the Latin American collection at Hillman Library from 1967 to August 2006 and developed it into one of the most outstanding collections of its kind in the world. The prize will be awarded annually for the best doctoral dissertation at the University of Pittsburgh on a topic related to Latin America, the Caribbean, or Latin American communities in other countries. Eligible dissertations must have been successfully defended and nominated by a faculty member (or members) who also must justify the nomination on the bases of quality and originality. A committee of CLAS faculty members then evaluates the dissertations and makes the award. **G. Reid Andrews** (University Center for International Studies Professor of History), **John Beverley** (Professor of Spanish and Latin American Literature and Cultural Studies), and **Carmelo Mesa-Lago** (Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus of Economics and Latin American Studies) comprised this year's committee.

We are pleased to announce that **Christine Hippert** (PhD in Anthropology) was selected as the recipient of the first Eduardo Lozano Memorial Dissertation Prize (for 2006-07)—which included a cash award of \$1,250.00. She was nominated by her advisor **Richard Scaglion** (Professor of Anthropology) for her dissertation "Identity and Development in Rural Bolivia: Negotiating Gender, Ethnicity, and Class in Development Contexts." Dr. Hippert graduated in April 2007 with a PhD/MPH joint degree in Anthropology and Public Health. Prior to coming to Pitt, she completed an MA in medical anthropology at the University of Wyoming and a cum laude BA in psychology with concentrations in education and Spanish at Clark University. She will assume a tenure-track position as an assistant professor in the Department of Sociology and Archaeology at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in fall 2007.

A bound copy of the winning dissertation will be on display in the Latin American Reading Room of Hillman Library. The Room, inaugurated in September 2002, represents the fulfillment of Mr. Lozano's aspiration for a special place where Latin Americans and Latin Americanists could meet and "exchange ideas and thoughts." The reading room houses a variety of newspapers, recent journals, reference materials, and two of Lozano's own paintings. The dissertation abstract follows.



Identity and Development in Rural Bolivia: Negotiating Gender, Ethnicity, and Class in Development Contexts

Christine Hippert, PhD
University of Pittsburgh, 2007

This dissertation examines participatory development in its cultural context: how people define it, the significance of their definitions, who participates in it, and how. Since the passage of the Law of Popular Participation in 1994, participation has become obligatory and emblematic of Bolivian citizenship. At the same time, identity based on culturally determined conceptualizations of gender, ethnicity, and class has become increasingly salient in questions of policy, politics, the law, education, and the Bolivian economy. In this social milieu, local people first and foremost must engage identity discourse in order to "do development." My central argument is that local people are required to deliberately accommodate, resist, and/or construct their own particular "development identities" in different development contexts. They employ a variety of subject positionalities – either forged themselves or imposed on them – on instrumental grounds, so that they sell the community as a good risk for development in order to garner development funding, and for transformative reasons, to engender community social relations.

The study is based on 13 months of anthropological fieldwork in the small, rural community of Huancarani near Cochabamba, Bolivia. I conducted participation observation in three development contexts: 1) the local governing body, 2) a grassroots food security organization, and 3) a local women's organization. Although many of the same community members participate in more than one of these contexts, they forge different development identities for each. Participation observation was also complemented with intensive, unstructured interviews with 10 key informants and semi-structured interview schedules with 30 community members and 20 community leaders.

Identity politics has the potential to both limit community participation and empower local people. My study shows that participatory development work in Bolivia is squarely a matter of negotiating and reformulating collective community identities. Instead of leveling the playing field, participation in Bolivian development often means that not having the right development identity restricts people from competing for already very scarce development resources. Under these conditions, the current model of development in Bolivia is one in which external political processes attempt to regulate not only the direction of rural development, but the very identity of communities.



Martha Mantilla Appointed Latin American Studies Collection Librarian

We are very pleased to report that Martha Mantilla has accepted the position of Librarian of the Eduardo Lozano Latin American Studies Collection, Hillman Library. Martha is already well known to most of us from her many years of service within the University Library System. Martha most recently served as the Acting Librarian for the Latin American Studies collection, and prior to this was the assistant to Eduardo Lozano from 1993 to 2006. She also has experience as Coordinator of Public Services at Carlow College, Evening Reference Librarian at Point Park College, and Library Director for the Center of Studies on Economic Development (Universidad de los Andes, Bogota, Colombia). Her degrees include a PhD in Administrative and Policy Studies in Education (University of Pittsburgh), the Master in Library Science, and a Graduate Certificate in Latin American Studies. She has been active in many professional associations, participated in numerous conferences and presentations, and is involved in multiple community activities, including the "Latin American Radio Magazine"—a weekly radio program on WRCT that she produces and hosts. Martha is one of the most knowledgeable, helpful, and nicest persons we know. You can seek Martha's advice on the collection at her office in 171 Hillman Library (next to the Latin American Reading Room). CLAS congratulates Martha on her appointment and looks forward to many more years of fruitful collaboration.

Honoring Student and Faculty Achievements

On April 18, 2007, the Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS) held its annual reception to celebrate the achievements of students and faculty in Latin American Studies at the University of Pittsburgh. The occasion recognizes fellowships, awards, and grants administered through CLAS as well as those from other units of the University and from organizations outside the University. A welcome and opening remarks were provided by **Wolfgang Schlör** (Interim Director, University Center for International Studies), and **James B. Richardson III** (Professor of Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh, and Former Chair of the Division of Anthropology, Carnegie Museum of Natural History) delivered the feature address.



Wolfgang Schlör.

CLAS SUPPORT TO FACULTY AND STUDENTS FOR STUDY, RESEARCH, AND TRAVEL

Each year, CLAS conducts competitions to provide funding for its faculty and students to undertake study, research, and travel that will enhance their expertise on the Latin American/Caribbean region. During 2006-07, CLAS faculty and students were the recipients of 124 awards administered through the Center. Funding for the awards came from a variety of sources, including: The Tinker Foundation, Inc., Howard Heinz Endowment, The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, the U.S. Department of Education, anonymous donors, V. F. Rodriguez, the Research and Teaching Fund for Latin American Studies, the University of Pittsburgh's Center for International Studies and Office of the Provost, and the University of Pittsburgh.

Numerous faculty members served on committees to select the recipients of these awards. The staff of CLAS extends their appreciation to these faculty for taking time from their busy schedules to accomplish this task: **Reid Andrews** (History), **Ana Paula Carvalho** (Hispanic Languages and Literatures), **Bobby Chamberlain** (Hispanic Languages and Literatures), **Patricia Documét** (Public Health), **Erin Graff Zivin** (Hispanic Languages and Literatures), **Cecilia Green** (Sociology), **Gonzalo Lamana** (Hispanic Languages and Literatures), **Joshua Lund** (Hispanic Languages and Literatures), **Pascual Masullo** (Linguistics), **Scott Morgenstern** (Political Science), **John Myers** (Education), **Paul Nelson** (Public and International Affairs), **Aníbal Pérez-Liñán** (Political Science), **Lara Putnam** (History), **Nuno Themudo** (Public and International Affairs), and **David Watters** (Anthropology).

FACULTY RESEARCH GRANTS

Purpose: To help support small-scale research projects or provide seed money for larger projects by faculty members.

Awardees:

Alvaro Bernal (Assistant Professor, Spanish, University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown): “Buenos Aires by Washington Cucurto: Research on Contemporary Literary Representations of Buenos Aires, Argentina”

Melanie Dreyer-Lude (Assistant Professor, Theater Arts): “Establishing Artistic Ties in Buenos Aires”

Gonzalo Lamana (Assistant Professor, Hispanic Languages and Literatures): “From Given to Examined: Andeanism, Colonialism, and Culture in Late 16th Century Peru”

Joshua Lund (Assistant Professor, Hispanic Languages and Literatures): “The Mestizo State: Writing the Politics of Race in Modern Mexico”

John Myers (Assistant Professor, Education): “Brazilian Adolescents’ National-Global Identities of Citizenship”

Erin O’Rourke (Assistant Professor, Linguistics): “Quechua Allophony: A Laboratory Analysis of Consonantal Variation in Dialects of Quechua”

Aníbal Pérez-Liñán, (Assistant Professor, Political Science): “Judicial Independence and Supreme Court Stability in Latin America”

Erin Graff Zivin (Assistant Professor, Hispanic Languages and Literatures): “The Ethics of Latin American Literary Criticism: Reading Otherwise”/“The Wandering Signifier: Rethoric of ‘Jewishness’ in the American Imaginary”

GRADUATE STUDENT FIELD RESEARCH GRANTS

Purpose: To help support short-term field research projects by graduate students.

Awardees:

Debbie Bensadon (Hispanic Languages and Literatures): “The Impact of Jewish Immigration in the Urban Cultural Production of Buenos Aires, Argentina”

Alejandra Boza (History): “Indians and Missionaries in a Tropical Frontier: Vincentians in Costa Rica, Panama, and Colombia (1890-1950)”

Roberto Campbell (Anthropology): “Households and Social Differentiation in Prehispanic and Early Colonial Araucania”

Mathew Casey (History): “The Experiences of Haitian Migrant Workers in Cuba”

Maria Andrea Castagnola (Political Science): “Judicial Independence in New Democracies: The Argentine Supreme Court and Federal Courts, 1950-2006”

Oscar de la Torre Cueva (History): “From Slaves to Peasants? Afro-Brazilians and the Rubber Boom, 1888-1920”

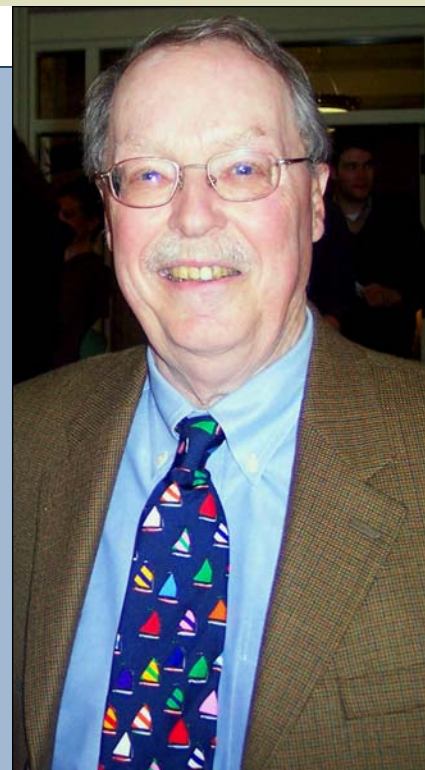
Christian Frenopoulo (Anthropology): “Indigeneity, Indemnity and Biomedical Health Services in the Brazilian Amazon”

James B. Richardson III

was the first archaeologist to look at the impact of climatic change on the development of Peruvian culture. His interest in maritime adaptation spans decades and continents but that is only part of his many accomplishments as a scholar, researcher, and administrator. Dr. Richardson has expertise in prehistory, North American archaeology, New World Pleistocene/Holocene paleoecology, cultural ecology, agricultural origins, primitive art, New World ethnohistory, and New England whalers. He has conducted field research in Peru for four decades, excavated sites in Martha’s Vineyard, and directed

historic and prehistoric research on the archaeology of the Upper Ohio Valley. Professor Richardson also was Chief Curator and later Chair of Anthropology at the Carnegie Museum of Natural History (CMNH). At CMNH, he developed and coordinated numerous exhibits—including the permanent exhibits “Polar World: Wyckoff Hall of Arctic Life” and “Alcoa Foundation Hall of American Indians”—and was instrumental in bringing the much-heralded traveling exhibit on Machu Picchu to Pittsburgh. He is responsible for obtaining major collections, such as the outstanding collection from the Amazonian region of South America, and for having University of Pittsburgh graduate students work with the collections.

Dr. Richardson was one of four CLAS faculty members involved in the establishment of the Latin American Archaeology Program in 1988—which was begun thanks to a developmental grant from the Howard Heinz Endowment. The program provides fellowships to pursue PhD studies in archaeology and publishes a series of bilingual volumes on archaeological research in Latin America. The archaeology fellowships have brought outstanding students from Latin America to Pittsburgh for graduate training, and the publication series has become a unique vehicle for dissemination of results of archaeological research to the international scholarly community and to the people of the countries in Latin America where the research has been conducted. These two activities have been critical in propelling the Latin American Archaeology Program at the University of Pittsburgh to the very forefront of the field. An endowment fund for the program was created in 1996 with contributions from the Howard Heinz Endowment and The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. As a member of the CLAS faculty since the 1960s, James B. Richardson III has made a lasting contribution to Latin American Studies.



Honors (continued)

Miguel García (Political Science): "Electoral Results in Violent Contexts: Evidence from Colombia"

Michael Gill (Anthropology): "The Impact of Ecotourism on the Selection and Representation of Medicinal Plants in Belizean Conservation Efforts"

Lucia Guerra-Reyes (Anthropology): "The Cultural Adaptation of Childbirth in Peru: The Role of Culture in Reproductive Health Policies"

Bayete Henderson (History): "'Through Our own Eyes': The International Dimensions of Black Power in the Caribbean and North America, 1960-1970"

Julie Hoggarth (Anthropology): "Terminal Classic Transitions and Changes: Examining Ancient Maya Commoner Social Mobility"

Carolina Maldonado (Education): "Teacher-Child Relationship Quality and Children's Adjustment to School in Colombia"

Stefano Muneroni (Theater Arts): "Teatro la Fragua and Modern Jesuit Theater"

Orlando Pacheco (Education): "The Role of Non-State Actors in the Building of Higher Education Accreditation and Quality Assurance in Central America"

Juan Antonio Rodríguez-Zepeda (Political Science): "Campaign Strategies during the 2006 Presidential Elections in Mexico and Brazil"

Amy Erica Smith (Political Science): "Social Networks and Neighborhood Association Participation in Brasilia"

Laura Wills-Otero (Political Science): "Institutional Choice in the Colombian Political System: The Design of Electoral Systems, 1991-2003"

US DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND AREA STUDIES FELLOWSHIPS (Academic Year 2006-07)

Purpose: To support graduate students (U.S. citizens or permanent residents) in their study of Latin American languages and the area.

Awardees:

Alana DeLoge (Anthropology), Quechua

Eric Hartman (Public and International Affairs-GSPIA), Quechua

Caleb Holtzer (Development Planning and Environmental Sustainability-GSPIA/Behavioral and Community Health Sciences-GSPH), Quechua

Penelope K. Morrison (Anthropology), Portuguese

Matthew Rhodes (Administrative and Policy Studies-Education), Quechua

Eric Rosenfeld (Law), Quechua

Amy Smith (Political Science), Portuguese

Sarah Wagner (Public and International Affairs), Portuguese

US DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND AREA STUDIES FELLOWSHIPS (Summer 2007)

Purpose: To support graduate students (U.S. citizens or permanent residents) to study a language of Latin America in a summer intensive language training program.

Awardees:

Daniel Breneman (NGOs and Civil Society-GSPIA), Portuguese

Sarah Wagner (Global Political Economy-GSPIA), Portuguese

LATIN AMERICAN SOCIAL AND PUBLIC POLICY FELLOWSHIPS (Academic Year 2006-07)

Purpose: To assist Latin Americanist scholars interested in various dimensions of social policy to pursue advanced graduate studies.

Awardees:

Alejandra Boza from Costa Rica (History)

Jorge Delgado from Colombia (Education)

Yolanda Hernández-Albujar from Spain (Sociology)

GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS IN LATIN AMERICAN ARCHAEOLOGY—DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY (2006-07)

Purpose: To provide support for students (primarily from Latin America) to pursue studies in archaeology leading to the doctoral degree in the Department of Anthropology at the University of Pittsburgh.

Awardees:

Roberto Campbell (Chile)

Laura L. Gamez (Guatemala)

Roberto López Bravo (Mexico)

Giancarlo Marcone (Peru)

Eva Martínez (Honduras)

Francisco E. Romano (Colombia)

Cecilia Josefina Vásquez (Ecuador)

TUITION REMISSION FELLOWSHIPS (Academic Year 2006-07)

Purpose: To provide support for students (primarily from Latin America) in the form of full or partial tuition remission fellowships.

Awardees:

Jaclyn Belczyk from United States (Law)

Edison Ivan Cárate Tandalia from Ecuador (Sociology)

José M. Castro from Peru (Global Political Economy-GSPIA/Business Administration-Katz GSB)

José Manuel del Río Zolezzi from Mexico (Urban and Regional Affairs-GSPIA)

Christian Frenopoulo from Uruguay (Anthropology)

Yadira Garcia from United States (Administrative and Policy Studies-Education)

Gerardo Gomez-Michel from Mexico (Hispanic Languages and Literatures)

Lucia Herrera from Ecuador (Hispanic Languages and Literatures)

Bridget Himmel from United States (Administrative and Policy Studies-Education)

Magdalena López from Venezuela (Hispanic Languages and Literatures)

Juan Negri-Malbran from Argentina (Hispanic Languages and Literatures)

Yonca Özdemir from Turkey (Public and International Affairs-GSPIA)

Jungwon Park from Korea (Hispanic Languages and Literatures)

Rosario Rodríguez from Bolivia (Hispanic Languages and Literatures)

Katia Silva from Brazil (Development Planning and Environmental Sustainability-GSPIA)

Marco Ivan Velarde from Peru (Human Security / Security and Intelligence Studies-GSPIA)

Luis Vivaldi from United States (NGOs and Civil Society-GSPIA)

Sarah Vuong from United States (Law)

Asha Monifa Williams from Trinidad and Tobago (Development Planning and Environmental Sustainability/Global Political Economy-GSPIA)

CLAS STUDENT AMBASSADORS

Purpose: For outstanding students to assist the Center in disseminating information (principally to undergraduates) about training programs and other research and study opportunities. Student ambassadors may receive support in the form of full or partial tuition remission fellowships.

Awardees:

Full Awards

Emily Haimowitz (Spanish)

Alexa Ray (Molecular Biology)

Partial Awards

Meagan Carnahan (Psychology)

Derek Reighard (Biological Sciences)

TRAVEL TO PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS (Academic Year 2006-07)

Purpose: To provide faculty, students, and staff with travel funds to support their participation in conferences/meetings on Latin America.

Awardees:

FACULTY

Jerome Branche (Hispanic Languages and Literatures), **María Auxiliadora Cordero** (Anthropology), **Alicia Covarrubias** (Spanish, Greensburg campus), **Alejandro de la Fuente** (History), **Cecilia Green** (Sociology), **Salomé Gutierrez** (Linguistics), **Steven Hirsch** (History, Greensburg campus), **Gonzalo Lamana** (Hispanic Languages and Literatures), **Martha Mantilla** (Library), **Scott Morgenstern** (Political Science), **Shalini Puri** (English), **Lara Putnam** (History), **Rob Ruck** (History), **Nuno Themudo** (Public and International Affairs), **David Watters** (Anthropology), **Sarah Williams** (Hispanic Languages and Literatures)

STUDENTS

José René Argüeta (Political Science), **Roberto Campbell** (Anthropology), **Matthew Casey** (History), **Robyn Cutright** (Anthropology), **Jorge Delgado** (Education), **Alejandro Dever** (Anthropology), **Miguel García** (Political Science), **Betina Gonzalez** (Hispanic Languages and Literatures), **Lizardo Herrera** (Hispanic Languages and Literatures), **Veronica Lifrieri** (Linguistics), **Carolina Maldonado** (Education), **Citlali Martínez** (Hispanic Languages and Literatures), **Adam Menzies** (Anthropology), **Gabriela Nuñez** (Communication), **Matthew Rhodes** (Education), **Juan Antonio Rodríguez-Zepeda** (Political Science), **Manuel Román-Lacayo** (Anthropology), **Sarah Taylor** (Anthropology)



Back (left to right): Corey Clyde, Ricardo Bromley, David Thyberg.
Center (left to right): Emily Hric, Steven Hirsch, Emily Broich, Michael Santos, Colleen Masker, Kaley Walsh, Lewis Lehe.
Front (left to right): Lupe Staigers, Natalie Swabb, Erin Rodriguez.

UNDERGRADUATE SEMINAR/FIELD TRIP, AREQUIPA, PERU (2007)

Purpose: Each year CLAS subsidizes most of the cost of sending a group of undergraduates, selected on a competitive basis, to a Latin American country where each student conducts an individually designed research project. Completion of the field study is one requirement for the Undergraduate Certificate in Latin American Studies.

Project Director: **Steven Hirsch** (History, Greensburg campus)

Project Assistant: **Lynn Guadalupe Staigers** (NGOs and Civil Society-GSPIA)

Undergraduate Participants:

Emily Broich (Environmental Studies)

Ricardo Bromley (Economics)

Corey Clyde (Undeclared)

Emily Hric (Business)

Lewis Lehe (Spanish/Mathematics/ Economics)

Colleen Masker (Spanish/Political Science)

Erin Rodriguez (Anthropology)

Michael Santos (Biological Sciences)

Natalie Swabb (Anthropology/History)

David Thyberg (Politics and Philosophy-UHC)

Kaley Walsh (Spanish)

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT FOR EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH

Purpose: To provide support for graduate students in Latin American Studies.

Awardees:

Yadira Garcia (Administrative and Policy Studies-Education)

Luis Vivaldi (NGOs and Civil Society-GSPIA)

CLAS GRADUATE STUDENT ASSISTANT, FALL 2006

Purpose: To provide support for graduate students in Latin American Studies.

Awardee: **Lynn Guadalupe Staigers** (NGOs and Civil Society-GSPIA)

Honors (continued)**UNDERGRADUATE TEACHING FELLOWSHIP IN LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES**

Purpose: Award made to an outstanding undergraduate in the Latin American Studies program to assist a professor in teaching a Latin American course.

Awardees:

Fall 2006

Tyler McCloskey (English Writing, Greensburg campus) with **Dr. Alicia Covarrubias** (Spanish, Greensburg campus)
Spring 2007

Analena Bruce (Sociology) with **Dr. Cecilia Green** (Sociology)

Stephanie Schuessler (Spanish) with **Dr. Lara Putnam** (History)



Javier and Gavin.

Javier Vázquez D'Elía (graduate student, Political Science)

THE COLE AND MARTY BLASIER AWARDS

Purpose: For meritorious effort as a volunteer in support of the programs of Latin American Studies.

Awardees:
Kavin Paulraj (graduate student, History)

V. F. RODRIGUEZ AWARDS

Purpose: To provide an incentive for undergraduates to study abroad.

Awardees:

David Thyberg (Politics and Philosophy-UHC)

Kaley Anne Walsh (Spanish)

David and Kaley.



2006-07 UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH AND EXTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

FACULTY

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

National Academy of Sciences, elected member: **Robert D. Drennan** (Anthropology)

Distinguished Professor of Anthropology, to: **Robert D. Drennan** (Anthropology)

University Professor of Sociology, to: **John Markoff** (Sociology)

Distinguished Professor of Sociology, to: **Kathleen M. Blee** (Sociology)

Emeritus Appointment, the title of Emeritus, for meritorious contributions to the educational mission and programs of the University, to: **Gerald Martin** (Hispanic Languages and Literatures)

2007 Chancellor's Distinguished Research Awards, for excellence in research as evidenced by colleagues at the University of Pittsburgh and national and international leaders in their respective fields, to: **Alejandro de la Fuente** (History)

2007 Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Awards, for excellence in teaching as evidenced by students, colleagues, and department chairs or deans, to: **Kathleen M. Blee** (Sociology)

Pennsylvania Sociological Society Distinguished Sociologist Award, for distinguished contributions to historical sociology, to: **Kathleen M. Blee** (Sociology)

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

2006 American Institute of Chemical Engineers Gary Leach Award, for outstanding team and collaborative efforts, to: **George Klinzing** (Chemical and Petroleum Engineering)

2006 American Institute of Civil Engineers Geo-Institute Best Paper, to: **Luis E. Vallejo** (Civil and Environmental Engineering)

American Society for Engineering Education, elected fellow, for outstanding contributions to engineering or engineering technology education, to: **Larry J. Shuman** (Industrial Engineering)

George M. Bevier Chair in Engineering, to: **Eric J. Beckman** (Chemical and Petroleum Engineering)

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

2006 ACTFL-MIJ Paul Pimsleur Award for Research in Foreign Language Education, to: **Richard Donato** (Instruction and Learning)

KATZ GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Best Paper Award, to: **Frits Pil** (Business Administration)

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (GSPIA)

Fulbright Senior Specialist Grant, selected by the William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board, to: **Louise Comfort** (Public and Urban Affairs)

National Academy of Public Administration, elected fellow, to: **Louise Comfort** (Public and Urban Affairs)

Teacher of the Year Award, awarded by the GSPIA Student Cabinet, to: **Nuno Themudo** (International Affairs)

GRADUATE STUDENTS

ALFAGUARA PUBLISHING HOUSE PREMIO CLARIN DE NOVELA AWARD FOR BEST NOVEL, to: **Betina González** (Hispanic Languages and Literatures)

FRIENDS OF FRICK FINE ARTS SUMMER TRAVEL FELLOWSHIP, to: **Miguel Rojas-Sotelo** (History of Art and Architecture)

GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH GRANT, to: **Nathan D. Stansell** (Geology and Planetary Science)

K. LEROY IRVIS FELLOWSHIP, for outstanding academic achievement by graduate students from groups underrepresented in the national pool of earned doctoral degrees as well as within the professoriate at the University of Pittsburgh, to: **Bayete Henderson** (History)

Sarah Soanirina Ohmer (Hispanic Languages and Literatures)

K. LEROY IRVIS SUMMER GRADUATE RESEARCH AWARD, to: **Marcela Esqueda** (Anthropology)

Bayete Henderson (History)

Alexander Martin (Anthropology)

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION DOCTORAL DISSERTATION IMPROVEMENT GRANT, to:

Rebecca C. Englert (Anthropology)

Alexander Martin (Anthropology)

Adam C. Menzies (Anthropology)

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP, to: **Rebecca C. Englert** (Anthropology)

SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES RESEARCH COUNCIL OF CANADA FELLOWSHIP, for highly qualified graduate students in the social sciences and humanities, to: **Adam C. Menzies** (Anthropology)

UMBERGER GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP, for outstanding graduate students of political science, to:

Ana Carolina Garriga (Political Science)

Luis Jimenez (Political Science)

Javier Vázquez D'Elía (Political Science)

ANDREW MELLON PREDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS, to outstanding graduate students who have demonstrated superior performance in the academic disciplines of Arts and Sciences, to:

Maria del Pilar Melgarejo-Acosta (Hispanic Languages and Literatures)

Scott D. Palumbo (Anthropology)

Kimberly J. Rak (Anthropology)

Salome Skvirsky (English)

EDUCATIONAL ALUMNI DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP, to: **Gabriela Silvestre** (Administrative and Policy Studies-Education)

PAUL H. MASONER ENDOWMENT, to: **Carolina Maldonado** (Psychology in Education-Education)

DR. JAMES AND REBECCA MAUCH ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FOR GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH, to: **Gabriela Silvestre** (Administrative and Policy Studies-Education)

HORACE MANN BOND-LESLIE PINCKNEY HILL SCHOLARSHIP, in recognition of academic achievement, to: **Giana S. Lawrence** (Urban and Regional Affairs-GSPIA)

DEZAFRA LEADERSHIP FELLOW, to support the development of leadership skills in women in public and international affairs, to: **Adriana U. Dobrzycka** (Development Planning and Environmental Sustainability-GSPIA)

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS FACULTY AWARD, for academic distinction in international development, to:

Caleb C. Holtzer (Development Planning and Environmental Sustainability-GSPIA/Behavioral and Community Health Sciences-GSPH)

Asha M. Williams (Development Planning and Environmental Sustainability/Global Political Economy-GSPIA)

2007 NATIONALITY ROOMS SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDY ABROAD, STANLEY PROSTREDNIK GRANT, to research the effects of political values on citizen participation in government in La Paz and El Alto, Bolivia, to: **Amy Erica Smith** (Political Science)

2007 NATIONALITY ROOMS SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDY ABROAD, AFRICAN HERITAGE ROOM COMMITTEE SCHOLARSHIP, to research security systems within Buduburam Refugee Camps and collect data for the Ford Institute near Accra, Ghana, to: **Penelope Nelson-Bissett** (Human Security-GSPIA)

FULBRIGHT GRADUATE STUDENT AWARD FOR 2006-07, INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION, to:

Edison Ivan Carate Sandalia (Sociology)

María Andrea Castagnola (Political Science)

José Manuel del Río Zolezzi (Urban and Regional Affairs-GSPIA)

Ana Carolina Garriga (Political Science)

Juan Javier Negri-Malbran (Political Science)

Marco Ivan Velarde (Human Security/Security and Intelligence Studies-GSPIA)

Asha Monifa Williams (Development Planning and Environmental Sustainability/Global Political Economy-GSPIA)

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE SUMMER FELLOWSHIP, to: **Juan Javier Negri-Malbran** (Political Science)

FORD FOUNDATION REGIONAL GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES, to: **José Manuel del Río Zolezzi** (Urban and Regional Affairs-GSPIA)

2006-07 PROVOST'S DEVELOPMENT FUND FELLOWSHIP, to a PhD candidate to finish their dissertation, to: **Christine Hippert** (Anthropology)

THOMAS MERTON AWARD FOR ACADEMIA AND MEDIA ACTIVISM, to: **Miguel Rojas Sotelo** (History of Art and Architecture)

PITT LEGAL INCOMING SHARING FUND, a grant for work at the Women's Law Project for the summer of 2007, to: **Rachel Rosnick** (Law)

Honors (continued)

SCHOOL OF LAW DEAN'S SCHOLARSHIP, to: **Rachel Rosnick** (Law)

2006-07 ARTS AND SCIENCES GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP, to: **Veronica Lifrieri** (Hispanic Linguistics)

2007 GEORGETOWN LINGUISTICS SOCIETY CONFERENCE AWARD FOR BEST PAPER, to: **Veronica Lifrieri** (Hispanic Linguistics)

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

GOLDEN KEY NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY, for the top fifteen percent of the junior and senior classes. Initiates for 2006-07 are:

Cassidy Budd (Biological Sciences)

Cortney Hudak (Communication Science-SHRS)

Lauren Krainski (Marketing-CBA)

Lauren McCalla (Political Science)

Megan Soukup (Linguistics)

PHI ETA SIGMA, an honor society promoting academic excellence in which students of high ideals find companionship and fellowship. Open to any freshman who has attained a 3.5 QPA during either of the first two terms:

James A. Ostendorf (Political Science/History)

LaMonica M. Wiggins (Political Science)

CROSS EXAMINATION DEBATE ASSOCIATION NATIONAL SCHOLASTIC ALL-AMERICAN DEBATER AWARD, given at the 2007 CEDA National Tournament in Oklahoma, to: **Melissa Mistretta** (History)

ROBERT W. AVERY AWARD, for excellence in sociology, to: **Analena B. Bruce** (Sociology)

LEONARD BAXT UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH AWARD, for three months of summer support to engage in research, to: **Nicholas Zaorsky** (Pre-Medicine)

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES FIELDWORK / TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP, HEINZ ENDOWMENT, to: **Luke C. Leiden** (Environmental Studies/Anthropology)

NORMAN K. FLINT FIELD GEOLOGY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP, to: **Nerissa M. Lindenfeser** (Geology and Planetary Science)

JOSEPH C. JOHNSON JR. SCHOLARSHIP, for students who are residents of Washington County, to: **Kathryn E. Charlton** (English Literature/Linguistics)

THE PITTSBURGH FOUNDATION WELLINGTON C. CARL SCHOLARSHIP, for outstanding performance at the undergraduate level, to: **Zachary N. Esber** (Civil Engineering)

DENISE E. WALDEN MEMORIAL AWARD, for service, to: **Brooke M. Odle** (Bioengineering)

STUDY ABROAD OFFICE SCHOLARSHIP, for summer study abroad to Peru, to: **Natalie J. Swabb** (Anthropology)

2006-07 VIRA I. HEINZ SCHOLARSHIP FOR EDUCATION ABROAD, for women, to: **Nicole Makrinos** (Spanish)

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARS, for attaining the top two percent in cumulative undergraduate academic standing by school.

College of Arts & Sciences*Seniors*

Nicole Makrinos (Spanish)

Amelia B. Marritz (Spanish)

Junior

Emlyn R. Mandel (Political Science/Spanish)

College of Business Administration*Senior*

Lauren E. Krainski (Marketing-CBA)

School of Nursing*Junior*

Ainsley Marshall (Nursing)

UNIVERSITY HONORS COLLEGE BRACKENRIDGE SUMMER RESEARCH FELLOWS, for two or three months of summer support to engage in unfettered undergraduate research to a completed work of independent scholarship, to: **Melissa A. Mistretta** (Political Science/Spanish/History)

CHANCELLOR'S SCHOLARS, four-year academic scholarships awarded on the basis of merit to provide undergraduate educational opportunity for students of talent, attainment, scope, drive, imagination, and curiosity, to:

Junior

Benjamin Mericli (Engineering Physics)

Sophomore

Lewis Lehe (Spanish/Mathematics/Economics)

CHANCELLOR'S UNDERGRADUATE TEACHING FELLOWS, for proposing and implementing an innovative teaching project in collaboration with a sponsoring faculty member, to: **Michael A. Santos** (Biological Sciences) with **Dr. Iain Campbell** (Biological Sciences), *Spring 2007*

BETA ALPHA PSI, a national scholastic and professional fraternity encouraging and recognizing scholastic and professional excellence in the fields of accounting, finance, and financial information systems. Open to any junior or senior accounting, finance, or information systems student who has attained a 3.5 cumulative QPA, initiate for 2006: **Jeanette D. Keene** (Accounting-CBA)

LAMBDA SIGMA, for sophomore scholarship, leadership, and service. Initiate for 2006-07 is: **Natalie J. Swabb** (Anthropology/History)

MORTAR BOARD, for students who have demonstrated the combined qualities of scholarship, leadership, and meritorious service to the University and the community, with emphasis placed on the growth of the individual and the organization. Initiate for 2006-07 is: **Melissa Dougherty** (Linguistics)

OMICRON DELTA KAPPA, for meritorious leadership in extra-curricular activities, superior scholarship, and campus citizenship with an emphasis on the development of the whole person, both as a member of the college community and as a prospective contributor to a better society, initiates: **Bianca R. Gresco** (Communication Science-SHRS) **Derek A. Reighard** (Biological Sciences)

Conferences and Workshops

Workshop on “Research in Sustainable Community Development”

On April 13 and 14, 2007, CLAS faculty members **Kathleen DeWalt** (Professor of Anthropology and Public Health) and **Larry J. Shuman** (Professor of Industrial Engineering and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs) convened the workshop on “**Research in Sustainable Community Development.**” The workshop was a project based on the collaboration between the Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS) and the Mascaro Sustainability Initiative (MSI) on several endeavors with Brazil in general and the University of Campinas (UNICAMP) in particular. One specific result of this collaboration was the awarding of a National Science Foundation (NSF)-funded Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship (IGERT) Program grant that will send U.S. engineering graduate students to the University of Campinas for research rotations. The goal of the workshop was to bring key UNICAMP faculty to Pittsburgh to work with colleagues from Pitt, Carnegie Mellon University, and the University of Puerto Rico-Mayagüez (a second IGERT partner) in order to establish a broad research agenda that would not only lead to the development of joint proposals and the identification of specific projects that teams of Pitt-UNICAMP students and faculty would address, but also would much better define the cross-cultural issues, ethical awareness, and training that the U.S. students would need to have prior to going to Brazil. The conference was made possible by a Global Academic Partnership Grant from the Global Studies Program of the University Center for International Studies as well as the Office of the Provost, MSI, and CLAS. A list of the conference panels and presenters follows. Copies of the workshop presentations can be accessed via the Center’s web page at: http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/events/gap_workshop.html.

PROGRAM

Friday, April 13, 2007

8:30 a.m.—Opening Remarks

George Klinzing (Vice Provost for Research, University of Pittsburgh)

Gerald Holder (US Steel Dean of Engineering, School of Engineering, University of Pittsburgh)

9:00 a.m.—Introduction of Keynote Speaker

Kathleen M. DeWalt (Director, Center for Latin American Studies)

9:05 a.m.—Keynote Address “Sustainable Community Development: Some Thoughts”

Gilberto Januzzi (Dean of Graduate Studies in Energy Planning, Mechanical Engineering Faculty, State University of Campinas [UNICAMP] and Executive-Director, International Energy Initiative)

10:00 a.m.—Charge to Workshop Participants

Wolfgang Schlör (Interim Director, University Center for International Studies, University of Pittsburgh)

10:15 a.m.

Session I: *Greening the Built Environment*

Moderator: **Robert Ries** (Assistant Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Pittsburgh)

Laura Schaefer (Deputy Director, MSI and Associate Professor, Mechanical Engineering, University of Pittsburgh): “Greening the Built Environment: Power Generation and Utilization”

Felicia Wu (Assistant Professor, Environmental and Occupational Health, University of Pittsburgh): “Realigning Economic Incentives to Achieve Healthy Indoor Environments”

Volker Hartkopf (Professor, Architecture, and Director, Center for Building Performance and Diagnostics, Carnegie Mellon University): “Can Technology Save Us? Global and National Implications in Building Design”



Felicia Wu, Laura Schaefer, and Vanessa Gomes da Silva.

Vanessa Gomes da Silva (Assistant Professor, Civil Engineering, Architecture and Urban Design, UNICAMP): “Greening the Built Environment: R&D in Sustainable Building in Brazil”

1:30 p.m.

Session II: *Urbanization and Air Quality*

Moderator: **Larry Shuman** (Professor and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, School of Engineering, University of Pittsburgh)

Deborah Lange (Executive Director, Steinbrenner Institute for Environmental Education and Research and the Western Pennsylvania Brownfields Center, Carnegie Mellon University): “Western Pennsylvania Brownfields Center”

Cliff I. Davidson (Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering and Engineering and Public Policy, Carnegie Mellon University): “Urbanization and Air Quality: Thoughts from the CMU Center for Atmospheric Particle Studies (CAPS)”

Doris Kowaltowski (Associate Professor, Architecture and Construction, UNICAMP): “Urbanization: Some Aspects Found in Brazilian Cities”

Conferences/Workshops (continued)**Saturday, April 14, 2007**

8:30 a.m.—Summary of First Day

Laura Schaefer (Deputy Director, MSI and Associate Professor, Mechanical Engineering, University of Pittsburgh)

8:45 a.m.

Session III: *Water Management and Water Quality*Moderator: **Charles D. Blumenschein** (Vice President, Industrial Research and Development, N.A. Water Systems, Veolia Water)**Jeanne M. VanBriesen** (Associate Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering and Biomedical Engineering, Carnegie Mellon University): “Water-Quest: Water Quality in Urban Environmental Systems—A Research Center at Carnegie Mellon University”**Radisav Vidic** (Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Pittsburgh): “Safe and Economical Water Supply for the Growing World”**Ricardo de Lima Isaac** (Civil Engineering, Architecture and Urban Design, UNICAMP): “Drinking Water: Water Source Quality—Urban Watershed”

11:00 a.m.—Wrap-Up Session

Facilitator: **Eric J. Beckman** (George M. Bevier Professor of Engineering, Chemical and Petroleum Engineering, and Co-Director, MSI, University of Pittsburgh)**Area Studies, Regional Studies, and Transnational Paradigms: Views from the South and North**
by *Lara Putnam* (History)

In recent years, disciplines such as anthropology, sociology, political science, and history have turned unprecedented attention on “transnational” phenomena—from migration to disease spread to NGOs. Cross-cutting geographic paradigms such as Atlantic History have vaulted to prominence in teaching and research. Issues relating to political and economic development are now routinely framed as global rather than area studies inquiries.

These trends raise complex methodological, theoretical, and political issues. What procedures do different disciplines employ to define the spatial bounds of research, select locales for comparison, or seek transnational connections? How can supranational and subnational regional analyses enrich each other? How does this new intellectual playing field affect the possibilities for knowledge production from within the global South?

To address these questions, we brought together scholars and students from the University of Pittsburgh and the Universidad de Costa Rica (UCR)—Central America’s flagship public university—for an intensive week-long workshop in San Jose, Costa Rica, from May 14 to 18, 2007. Faculty attending from Pitt were: **G. Reid Andrews**, **Alejandro de la Fuente**, **Lara Putnam**, and **Marcus Rediker** from History, and **Scott Morgenstern** from Political Science; graduate student participants included: **Alejandra Boza**, **Jamie Holean**, **Natalie Kimball**, and **Matt Casey** from History, and **Aaron Abbarno** from Political Science. Funding for travel was provided by Pitt’s Center for Latin American Studies and University Center for International Studies; lodging and a meals stipend were provided by the Universidad de Costa Rica. Other invitees funded by the UCR included professors from the Universidad del Norte in Barranquilla, Colombia, the Universidad de Oriente in Cuba, and Bowling Green State University.

Activities included faculty teaching sessions on theoretical and methodological issues in regional and comparative analysis; student presentations of research in progress; and a roundtable discussion of trends in Atlantic History (see program on next page). More than two-dozen faculty members and graduate students from the Universidad de Costa Rica and Universidad Nacional (Heredia) attended the five-day event, and additional Costa Rican students, both graduates and undergraduates, attended the evening presentations by Scott Morgenstern and Marcus Rediker. For the graduate students from the University of Pittsburgh, the workshop presented an all-too-uncommon opportunity to learn alongside faculty and students in a premier academic institution based outside of North America.

**Scott Morgenstern.**

The benefits of cross-disciplinary dialogue regarding shared analytic dilemmas were clear. Speakers also stressed the need for international circulation of publications and research results in order to maximize collective advance. Participants discussed the possibility of circulation of students and faculty from the Universidad de Costa Rica to the University of Pittsburgh, particularly given that the resources provided by the Eduardo Lozano Latin American Library Collection are unparalleled within Central American academia. The Memorandum of Understanding currently at “mutual review stage” between the UCR and Pitt would enable UCR faculty and students to access UCR funding for travel to the University of Pittsburgh.

Finally, presentations of current research by scholars based in Cuba, Colombia, Costa Rica, and the United States alike demonstrated the significant growth of interest in the frontier zones, cultural borderlands, and diasporic communities of the *Gran Caribe*: a phrase that refers to the dense web of connections that have long stretched from Louisiana to Campeche and Barranquilla to Barbados, and today encompass immigrant-rich cities like Toronto, New York, Miami, London, and Amsterdam as well. We are eager to explore possibilities for a future workshop that would spotlight this emerging field of inquiry and highlight the wide array of research underway at the University of Pittsburgh that is contributing to it.

Universidad de Costa Rica-University of Pittsburgh
Seminario: Historia Regional de Centroamérica y el Caribe
 San José, Costa Rica, 14 al 18 de mayo del 2007

Profesores Internacionales Invitados

Marcus Rediker, Universidad de Pittsburgh
 Lara Putnam, Universidad de Pittsburgh
 Reid Andrews, Universidad de Pittsburgh
 Alejandro de la Fuente, Universidad de Pittsburgh
 Scott Morgenstern, Universidad de Pittsburgh
 José Antonio Escalona Delfino, Universidad de Oriente Cuba
 Antonino Vidal, Universidad UNINORTE, Colombia
 Valeria Grinberg Pla, Bowling Green State University

Los programas de investigación en “Historia Económica y Social” e “Historia Regional Comparada de Costa Rica, Centroamérica y el Caribe” del Centro de Investigaciones Históricas de América Central, en coordinación con el Posgrado en Historia y el Department of History, University of Pittsburgh, organizaron el Seminario de Investigación Historia Regional de Centroamérica y el Caribe.

CRONOGRAMA DE ACTIVIDADES

Lunes 14 de mayo

9:00 a.m.—Inauguración Seminario de Investigación Historia Regional de Centroamérica y el Caribe

9:30 a.m.

Marcus Rediker: “La historia atlántica en blanco, negro y rojo” [en inglés con traducción]

Antonino Vidal: “El Caribe colombiano y la inserción mundial”

José Antonio Escalona Delfino: “Desarrollo cultural y regional en el Caribe, una perspectiva desde Cuba”

1:30 p.m.—Exposiciones Estudiantes Pittsburgh

Jamie Holean: “‘La Indispensable Humanidad de Los Hacendados’: Images of a Benign Cuban Slavery in the Writings of Cuban Planters and Foreign Travelers”

Comentarista: Ana Paulina Malavassi

Alejandra Boza: “Indians and Missionaries on Tropical Frontiers: Vincentians in Costa Rica, Panama, and Colombia, 1890-1950”

Comentarista: Antonino Vidal

Matthew Casey: “Race, Nation, and Migration in Haiti and Cuba, 1898-1933”

Comentarista: José Antonio Escalona Delfino

Aaron J. Abbarno: “Kinder and Gentler? Demands for Immigration Control and Protectionist Policy Outcomes in European Consensus Democracies”

Comentarista: Ronny Viales

Natalie Kimball: “Representations of Bolivian Women and Indians in the Context of the Revolución Nacional, 1940-1964”

Comentarista: Juan José Marín

Martes 15 de mayo

9:00 a.m.

G. Reid Andrews: “Región y raza: Perspectivas comparativas”

Alejandro de la Fuente: “Raza y esclavitud en las Américas: Perspectivas y debates”

Lara Putnam: “Fronteras movedizas: Migración, género, ‘raza’ y etnicidad en el gran Caribe”

Ronny Viales: “Alcances y límites de la historia comparada”

3:00 p.m.—Defensa de Candidatura Doctoral

Guiselle Marín: “Bocas del Toro y la Comarca Ngöbe: Bugle, inmigrantes, economía y sociedad en el Caribe Occidental Panameño, 1879-1950”

5:00 p.m.—Conferencia con Estudiantes del DOGOPO: Preguntas y Métodos de Investigación en las Ciencias Sociales
Scott Morgenstern

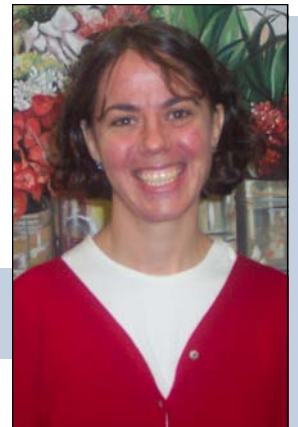
Miércoles 16 de mayo

9:00 a.m.

Jorge León: “Una propuesta de historia regional y sub-regional de los mercados de trabajo en Centroamérica”

Adriana Baltodano: “Usos y posibilidades de la cartografía digital en los estudios de la estructuración regional, un análisis a partir de los censos territoriales 1864-2006”

Esteban Rodríguez: “Trazando regiones de Costa Rica: Un estudio histórico comparativo de los censos agrícolas y de población 1890-1940”



Conferences/Workshops (continued)

Anthony Goebel: "Región condenada e istmo bendito. El determinismo natural como estrategia de representación de los exploradores extranjeros en la Centroamérica decimonónica. Los casos de Moritz Wagner y Carl Scherzer, 1853-1854"

Edgar Solano: "La integración regional de Centroamérica. Una representación económica y política del istmo"

1:30 p.m.—Mesa Redonda: Historia Atlántica y las Políticas Regionales

Moderadora: **Ana Paulina Malavassi**

Marcus Rediker, José Antonio Escalona Delfino, G. Reid Andrews, Alejandro de la Fuente, Lara Putnam

5:00 p.m.—Conferencia

Marcus Rediker: "Hacia una historia popular desde el mar" [en inglés con traducción]

Jueves 17 de mayo

9:00 a.m.

Valeria Grinberg Pla: "Narrativa Afrocaribeña, lo regional visto desde los estudios literarios"

Patricia Clare: "La producción de palma aceitera en la región del Pacífico Central costarricense: Las dinámicas regionales y sus interacciones"

Orlando Castillo: "Imaginario radical y mercado lingüístico en una región de colonización tardía: El Valle General"

William Solano: "Avance de un estudio histórico de la población y producción de la región caribeña 1900-2000"

1:00 p.m.—Encuentro de Trabajo con los Funcionarios del DOGOPO: Ciencias Políticas y Posgrado de Ciencias

Scott Morgenstern

Viernes 18 de mayo

9:00 a.m.

Juan José Marín: "Programa de Historia Regional en el CIHAC"

William Solórzano: "Elementos de análisis para estudiar una región en forma comparativa"

Ana Lucía Hernández: "La región sur - sur de Costa Rica"

11:00 a.m.—Cierre de la Actividad

Conference: Perspectivas Comparativas Sobre la Arqueología de la Costa Sudamericana/Comparative Perspectives on the Archaeology of Coastal South America

by *Robyn Cutright, Enrique López-Hurtado, and Alexander Martin*

From August 3 to 5, 2007, the international archaeological conference *Perspectivas Comparativas Sobre la Arqueología de la Costa Sudamericana/Comparative Perspectives on the Archaeology of Coastal South America* took place in Lima, Perú at the Museo de la Nación and the Museo de Sitio de Pachacamac. The conference was designed to provide a venue for young scholars working on the Pacific coasts of Ecuador, Peru, and Chile to present recent and ongoing research and to facilitate discussions of theoretical and thematic issues shared across this wide but cohesive geographic area. Presenters represented institutions in Canada, the US, Spain, Ecuador, Perú, and Chile. The conference organizers were CLAS graduate students **Robyn Cutright, Enrique López-Hurtado, and Alexander Martin** (all from the Department of Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh).

An average of 75 people attended each session, though over 100 people signed in for at least one session. The audience was diverse, and included local professional archaeologists, members of the Instituto Nacional de Cultura (INC), students and professors from universities in Lima and elsewhere in Peru, a group of students from Ecuador, students and scholars from the US, and other interested members of the public. In exchange for the use of the INC facilities at the Museo de la Nación and Pachacamac, the conference organizers committed to restoring and repairing the auditorium and bathrooms at the Pachacamac site museum. They provided materials and oversaw workers as they cleaned and painted the bathrooms, repainted the auditorium, repaired the doors and roof, and cleaned and painted chairs. This work represents a lasting and concrete investment in the infrastructure of Pachacamac, and it is hoped that it will set a precedent for future events to be held at Pachacamac.

Restoration of bathrooms at Pachacamac: left—work in progress; right—finishing touches.



This very successful conference was made possible thanks to financial support from the Department of Anthropology, Center for Latin American Studies, Center for International Studies, and Dean of Arts and Sciences of the University of Pittsburgh and el Museo de Sitio de Pachacamac, el Instituto Nacional de Cultura del Perú, la Pontificia Universidad Católica de Ecuador, and el Centro de Investigaciones Arqueobiológicas y Paleoecológicas Andinas ARQUEOBIOS. Support for the publication of selected presentations as a bilingual edited volume is currently being sought. A list of the conference sessions and presenters appears below.



Left to right: Salomé Gutierrez (University of Pittsburgh), Florencio Delgado (Universidad San Francisco de Quito), Estanislao Pazmiño (Pontificia Universidad Católica de Ecuador), Dayuma Guayasamin (Pontificia Universidad Católica de Ecuador), Alexander Martin (University of Pittsburgh), and Ernesto Salazar (Pontificia Católica Universidad de Ecuador) at the conference reception.

Programa/Program

Viernes 3 de agosto/Friday August 3

9:00 a.m.—Bienvenida/Welcome

Dra. Cecilia Bákula (Directora del Instituto Nacional de Cultura)

9:30 a.m.

Sesión 1: Entendiendo el Contacto Cultural/ Understanding Cultural Contact

•**Roberto Campbell** (University of Pittsburgh):

“Cambiano Unidades de Investigación: 3 Casos de Chile/Changing Units of Investigation: 3 Cases from Chile”

•**Henry Tantaleán** (Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona): “Los Pueblos sin (Pre)historia: Arqueología en un ‘Área Marginal’ de la Costa Centro Sur Peruana/People without (Pre)history: Archaeology in a ‘Marginal Area’ of the South-Central Peruvian Coast”

•**Eva Pajuelo** (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), **Jerry D. Moore** (California State University), y **Carolina Vilchez Carrasco** (Proyecto Arqueológico Tumbes): “Nuevos Apuntes y Problemas Presentes en la Arqueología de Tumbes, Perú/New Observations and Present Problems in the Archaeology of Tumbes, Peru”

•**Giancarlo Marcone** (University of Pittsburgh): “El Imperio de Arriba, la Política de Abajo: Razones por las que los Wari no Dominaron la Costa Central/Highland Empire, Lowland Politics: Reasons that the Wari Did Not Dominate the Central Coast”

•**Sarah Taylor** (University of Pittsburgh): “La Importancia de la Interacción Intersocial en el Surgimiento de la Complejidad: Conceptualización y Metodología/The Role of Inter-societal Interaction in Emergent Complexity: Conceptualization and Methodology”

•**Howard I. Tsai** (University of Michigan): “Espacio Ritual como Área de Producción de la Identidad Étnica: El Caso de Las Varas, un Sitio Intermedio Tardío del Valle Medio del Jequetepeque, Perú/Ritual Space as an Area of Ethnic Identity Production: The Case of Las Varas, a Late

Intermediate Period Site in the Middle Jequetepeque Valley, Peru”

2:45 p.m.

•**Margaret Brown Vega** (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign): “Patrones Regionales Defensivos y Fortificaciones: Evaluando Cómo Se Articulan las Dinámicas Sociopolíticas Regionales y Los Eventos Focalizados/Regional Patterns of Fortifications and Single Forts: Evaluating the Articulation of Regional Sociopolitical Dynamics with Localized Phenomena”

•**Sofía Chacaltana Cortez** (University of Illinois at Chicago), **Christopher Dayton**, y **Mónika Barrionuevo**: “Sistemas de Almacenamiento Inca en la Costa y la Sierra de Colesuyo/Inka Storage Systems in Coastal and Highland Colesuyo”

3:45 p.m.—Comentarios/Comments

Izumi Shimada (Southern Illinois University Carbondale) y **Mauricio Uribe** (Universidad de Chile)

Sábado 4 de agosto/Saturday August 4

9:15 a.m.

Sesión 2: Manejo de Recursos/Resource Management

•**Nathan Craig** (The Field Museum of Chicago), **Manuel Perales**, **Nicholas Tripcevich**, **Kit Nelson**, **Alvaro Ruiz**, **Jonathan Haas**, **Winifred Creamer**, **Miguel Aguilar**, y **Marco Lopez**: “Sistemas Geográficos de Información Móviles para la Recolección y Análisis de Grandes Bases de Datos Regionales Comparativos de Sitios Arqueológicos/Mobile Geographic Information Systems as a Spatial Data Infrastructure for the Collection of Analysis of Large Regional Comparative Databases of Archaeological Sites”

•**Carola Flores** (University of California Santa Barbara), **Carlos Ocampo**, y **Pilar Rivas** (Fundación Wulaia): “Estrategias de Aprovechamiento del Intermareal Prehistórico: Cazadores Recolectores Costeños del Seno de Reloncavi, Chile/Exploitation Strategies in the Prehistoric Intertidal Zone: Coastal Foragers of Reloncavi Sound, Chile”

Conferences/Workshops (continued)

•**Alexander Martin** (University of Pittsburgh):

“Comparando el Papel del Sector Exportador en las Economías Prehistóricas: La Importancia de la Industria Malacológica para las Poblaciones Ecuatorianas Costeñas/Comparing the Role of the Export Sector in Prehistoric Economies: The Importance of Shell Manufacture in the Livelihood of Coastal Ecuadorian Populations”

•**Rafael Segura** (Southern Illinois University Carbondale), **María del Carmen Vega**, y **Cecilia Carmargo**: “Agua, Vida, y Muerte en Cajamarquilla: Aproximaciones Preliminares al Entendimiento del Hombre y su Paisaje en la Costa Central Peruana/Water, Life, and Death at Cajamarquilla: Preliminary Approaches to Understanding People and their Landscape on the Peruvian Central Coast”

•**Teddy Abel Traslaviña Arias** y **Carlos Andrés Morales Castro** (Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos): “Lomas y Representaciones Rupestres: Apropriadción y Transformación en un Espacio Costero/Lomas and Rock Art: Appropriation and Transformation in a Coastal Space”

12:00 p.m.—Comentarios/Comments

Rafael Vega-Centeno (Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos) y **Daniel Sandweiss** (University of Maine)

2:30 p.m.

Sesión 3: Ideología y Estrategias de Poder/ Ideology and Power Strategies

•**Juan Carlos De La Torre Cevallos** (Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona), **Pedro V. Castro Martínez**, **Trinidad Escoriza Mateu**, **Maria Concepción Godoy Allende**, **Barbara Lapi**, **Israel Navarro Mayor**, y **Julio César Zavala Vargas**: “Proyecto La Puntilla: Centralización Comunitaria y Circulación de Productos en la Cuenca del Río Nasca (Costa Sur del Perú)/Proyecto la Puntilla: Community Centralization and the Circulation of Goods in the Nasca Basin (South Coast of Peru)”

•**Julio Rucabado-Yong** (University of North Carolina Chapel Hill): “Reorganización Sociopolítica en la Región Jequetepeque-Chamán: Tumbas Colectivas y Festines en San José de Moro/Sociopolitical Reorganization in the Jequetepeque-Chamán Region: Collective Tombs and Feasting at San José de Moro”

•**O. Gabriel Prieto Burmester** (Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú): “Mujeres, Culto a los Ancestros, Productividad, y Presencia Política en San José de Moro, Valle de Jequetepeque: Una Visión Provincial del Fenómeno Lambayeque/Women, Ancestor Worship, Productivity, and Political Presence at San José de Moro, Jequetepeque Valley: A Provincial Vision of the Lambayeque Phenomenon”

•**Enrique López-Hurtado** (University of Pittsburgh) y **Jason Nesbitt** (Yale University): “Centros Religiosos Provinciales en el Imperio Incaico: ¿Difusores de la Ideología Oficial o Espacios de Resistencia Local?/Provincial Religious Centers in the Inka Empire: Diffusors of Official Ideology or Spaces of Local Resistance?”

•**David Chicoine** (Simon Fraser University): “Acción, Poder, y Sociedad: Perspectivas Comparativas en la Costa Peruana del Primer Milenio A.C./Action, Power, and Society:

Comparative Perspectives on the Peruvian Coast in the First Millennium B.C.”

5:15 p.m.—Comentarios/ Comments

Richard Burger (Yale University) y **Luis Jaime Castillo Butters** (Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú)

Domingo 5 de agosto/Sunday August 5

9:45 a.m.

Sesión 4: Organización Doméstica vs. Organización Política/ Domestic Organization vs. Political Organization

•**Hugo Ikehara** (Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú): “Organización Social y Tecnología de la Producción de Cerámica Utilitaria de Festines durante el Formativo Medio y Tardío en los Andes Centrales/The Social Organization of and the Technology of Utilitarian Ceramic Production for Feasts during the Middle and Late Formative in the Central Andes”

•**Robyn E. Cutright** (University of Pittsburgh): “Comida, Familia, e Imperio: ¿Cómo Podemos Relacionar Cambios Domésticos y Cambios Políticos?/Food, Family, and Empire: How Can We Relate Domestic Change and Political Change?”

•**Ana Cecilia Mauricio** (Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú): “Cerámica Doméstica y Organización Política en el Jequetepeque: Nuevas Perspectivas de Análisis e Interpretación/Domestic Ceramics and Political Organization in the Jequetepeque: New Perspectives on Analysis and Interpretation”

11:30 a.m.—Comentarios/ Comments

Krzysztof Makowski (Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú) y **Florencio Delgado** (Universidad San Francisco de Quito)

12:00 p.m.—Visita Guiada al Sitio Pachacamac/Guided Tour of the Pachacamac Site



Enrique López-Hurtado, Pilar Rivas, and Robyn Cutright.

At LASA2007

The Latin American Studies Association (LASA) celebrated its XXVII International Congress in Montreal, Canada from September 5-8, 2007. The congress was attended by over 5,000 persons. CLAS students, faculty, alumni, and friends were a major presence at the meetings once again—chairing panels, presenting papers, or acting as discussants. CLAS staff member **Adriana Maguiña-Ugarte** (Center Administrator) organized (with guidance from **Shirley Kregar**) a reception for CLAS-affiliated congress participants. The reception was a great success, and we wish to thank all of those who attended and are pleased to present a selection of photographs from the event.



Victor Uribe and Shirley Kregar.

Aldo Vacs.



Linda Stevenson and Brooke Harlow.

María José Alvarez and
Juan Carlos Rodríguez-Raga.



Left to right:
Kathleen DeWalt,
Martha Mantilla,
Gabriela Nuñez, and
Luciano Martinez.



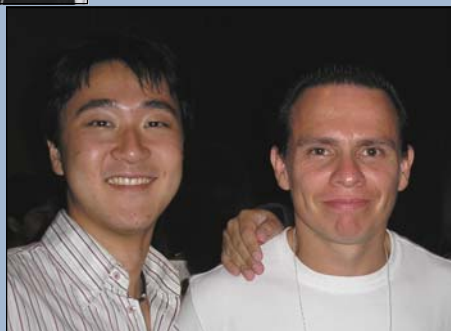
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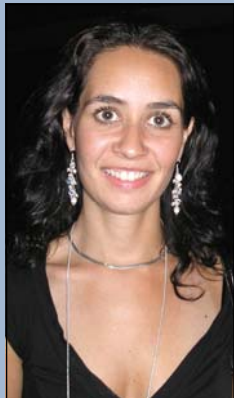
Lara Putnam and Monty (Squint-Eye) Roper.



Koichi Hagimoto
and
Rubén Sánchez-Godoy.

Veronica Garibotto.



At LASA (continued)

Laura Wills.

Aurelia Gomez de Unamuno
and
Leonel Delgado-Aburto.

Jungwon Park.

Visiting Scholar: Yvon Grenier

The Center was very happy to host its long-time friend, **Yvon Grenier**, for two weeks in June 2007. Yvon, who is currently Professor and Chair of the Department of Political Science at St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, Nova Scotia, Canada, was a visiting scholar at CLAS and the University of Pittsburgh from fall 1989 to spring 1991. During that visit, Yvon managed to find the time to maintain his expertise on the saxophone and to eat pizza with the CLAS staff on a regular basis while also carrying out his academic research.

Over the past few years, his research has focused on the oeuvre and itinerary of Mexican writer and intellectual Octavio Paz and on art/literature and politics in Latin America. He is in the final stages of completing a book on "Literature and Politics in Latin America" with coauthor Maarten Van Delden of Rice University. The book will be published by Vanderbilt University Press.

Yvon is currently working on a project about culture and political transition in Cuba that examines both the cultural policies and the responses from below—especially from intellectuals and artists. During his most recent visit to Pittsburgh,

he spent most of his time mining the Eduardo Lozano Latin American Library Collection for recent materials on the topic of his project as well as on recent political development in Cuba generally.

We certainly hope that Yvon does not wait another 16 years before visiting the Center again!

Programa de Capacitación Gerencial (PROCAGE)

The Programa de Capacitación Gerencial (PROCAGE) is a training program offered through the Institute for International Studies in Education (IISE) of the School of Education. The program is for professionals and managers from Latin America and consists of classes and other experiences (conducted in Spanish) that focus on the selection, design, implementation, and evaluation of policies, programs, and projects in the area of education and other sectors. PROCAGE is a reincarnation of SEMLA (Seminario Latinoamericano de Selección, Diseño, Evaluación e Implementación de Políticas, Programas y Proyectos), which was created by the late Professor Hector Correa in 1987 and directed by Dr. Correa until his death in August 2005.

Each summer, PROCAGE plays host at the University of Pittsburgh to a group of eight to ten Latin American professionals and managers. The participants attend a ten-day program where they learn the essentials of top-level management—including strategy, decision making, and process improvement. Upon returning to their home countries, they apply their acquired knowledge and write a paper to obtain their certificates from the University of Pittsburgh.

Some facts about PROCAGE:

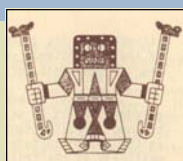
- Although they come from a number of different Latin American countries (in 2007, from Costa Rica, Guatemala, and Colombia), 50 percent of attendees usually come from one city in Colombia—Barranquilla (Shakira's hometown!).

- Over the past ten years, more than 100 professionals have participated in the program. Since Barranquilla is a relatively small city, it is not unusual to see cars with University of Pittsburgh logos driving downtown. Also, since PROCAGE alumni usually return to take key administrative positions in their home cities, Pitt is the best-known university in Barranquilla.
- The course modules are taught in Spanish by local and foreign instructors.
- The most recent group of students (see photograph) started the program on June 7, 2007 and completed their courses on June 16. Classes take place daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Cooley Lab (5th Floor Posvar Hall).
- PROCAGE is sponsored by the Institute for International Studies in Education (IISE), School of Education, University of Pittsburgh.
- Program Administration:
Enrique Mu, PhD (Director, PROCAGE, University of Pittsburgh Faculty)
Guillermo Baena, MBA (Co-Director, PROCAGE [Barranquilla, Colombia – Latin American Director])
John C. Weidman, PhD (Director, IISE, School of Education, University of Pittsburgh)
Orlando Pacheco (Associate Director, IISE, School of Education, University of Pittsburgh)



Left to right: Juan Sarue (Colombia), Carlos Cepeda (Colombia), Jorge Gomez (Colombia), Cinthia Gonzalez (Guatemala), Guillermo Baena (Instructor), Mario Ribero (Colombia), Nilda Cano (Instructor), Andres Bathen (Guatemala), Enrique Mu (Instructor), Kristian Federspiel (Costa Rica), Luis Plata (Colombia), Leopoldo Barrionuevo (Instructor).

Unfortunately for Pitt, CLAS faculty member and PROCAGE Director Enrique Mu left the University in August 2007 to assume the position of Chair of the Information Technology Management Program at Carlow University. However, he will continue to be involved in PROCAGE and other activities at Pitt through his affiliation with CLAS. Congratulations and best of luck to Enrique!



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¡Felicitaciones/Parabéns to the most recent CLAS graduates!

Related Concentration in Latin American Studies

April 2007

Arel Ackerman—Biological Sciences
Rachel A. Agunga—Biological Sciences
Jennifer A. Anukem—Political Science
Alison Haley Barnett—Spanish/Political Science
Nathaniel D. Berger—History/English Writing
Alyson M. Dean—Political Science
Kate E. Gonzalez—Accounting (College of Business Administration)
Michael J. Graybeal—History
Cortney Janele Hudak—Communication Science (School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences)

Jennifer Ann Kacin—Civil Engineering (School of Engineering)

Colin J. Lewis—Spanish (Minor: Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Culture)

Brendan A. O'Donnell—Spanish/Political Science

Andrew J. Petrovich—Psychology

Jessica A. Sweeney—Spanish/Communication

Darrell E. Williams, Jr.—Political Science

Marie Zettek—Political Science/History

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Alexis Dombrowsky—Spanish

Tara Gainfort—Politics-Philosophy

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Jesús Alonso-Regalado (MLS 2000 Library and Information Science) is Bibliographer of the Latin American, Caribbean, and U.S. Latino Studies, Romance Languages, Literatures, and Cultures of the University Library, University at Albany, SUNY. Jesús, Denise Hibay and other friends of

Eduardo Lozano put together a panel in his honor for the SALALM 52 conference held in Albuquerque, New Mexico on April 26- May 1, 2007. The panel, “El amor no es una cosa que se vaya de pronto: Homenaje a Eduardo Lozano,” was convened and moderated by Denise Hibay of the New

York Public Library. Angela M. Carreño, New York University, served as Rapporteur. In addition to Jesús, other presenters included: Fernando Acosta-Rodriguez (Princeton University), Luis Retta (Luis Retta Libros), and Alvaro Risso (Libreria Linardi y Risso). In preparing his presentation (entitled “Eduardo Lozano: un Bibliotecario Humanista y Heterodoxo” [Eduardo Lozano: A Humanist and Unorthodox Librarian]), Jesús used an article co-written by Eduardo Lozano and Carmelo Mesa-Lago that was presented at the 1977 SALALM conference. The papers will be published in the SALALM proceedings.

Matthew Austin (BA 2004 English Literature/Philosophy/Spanish) began graduate studies in the fall in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese, Tulane University. He and Kristen Boyles (see below) both received funding for four of their five years of graduate study at Tulane. Matt and Kristen met in the CLAS Undergraduate Field Trip/Seminar on Chile in 2003.

Laird Bergad (PhD 1977 History) has a new book, *The Comparative Histories of Slavery in Brazil, Cuba, and the United States*. Published by Cambridge University Press in June 2007, the book is part of the publisher's series on “New Approaches to the Americas.” The descriptive blurb from the press states: “This book is an introductory history of racial slavery in the Americas. Brazil and Cuba were among the first colonial societies to establish slavery in the early sixteenth century. Approximately a century later British colonial Virginia was founded, and slavery became an integral part of local culture and society. In all three nations, slavery spread to nearly every region, and in many areas, it was the principal labor system utilized by rural and urban elites. This is the first work that systematically surveys slavery in the three nations from comparative perspectives. Chapters focus on slave narratives, demography, economy, culture, resistance and rebellions, and the causes of abolition.”

Kristen Boyles (BA 2005 Spanish/Political Science) was admitted to **five** outstanding universities for graduate study! She accepted the offer from Tulane University which provided her with a teaching fellowship for four years in addition to the Monroe Fellowship which she will share with Matt Austin (see above).

Although **Ivan Brenes** (MPIA 1991 GSPIA-International Affairs) could not attend CLAS Honors Day in April 2007, we were delighted to welcome his mother (Grace) to our year-end celebration for students and faculty. Ivan, Sayumi, and their two beautiful daughters were in Pittsburgh last year. Ivan spent August-October 2006 using the Lozano Latin American Library Collection. His research resulted in a book chapter by Ivan and wife, Sayumi Saijo, entitled, “To Conform to Spanish Orthography or Not: The Stances of Indigenous Language Academies in Guatemala and Peru” (pages 289-300 in *Perspectives on Language and Culture* [Japanese title: GENGO TO BUNKA NO TENBO] edited by Sachiko Takagi, Tokyo:



Grace Brenes and Violeta F. Rodríguez at Honors Day.

Eihosha, 2007). Ivan is a Specially Appointed Associate Professor, Graduate School of Language and Culture, Osaka University, Japan.

Gonzalo Bruce and Joanna May Bruce are proud parents again. Vincent Alain Bruce, who weighed 7



pounds, 15 ounces and measured 20 inches, was born on May 12. With the arrival of their second child, Gonzalo returned to the work force as Director of International Programs at East Stroudsburg University. He continues to work on his dissertation

and (we are sure) will finish the doctorate in Higher Education Administration at Ohio State University. Joanna is taking a year off from her job to care for Vincent and daughter Claire, who is now 4. Both Gonzalo and Joanna are Pitt/CLAS 1998 graduates; Gonzalo completed the master's in International Affairs (GSPIA) and Joanna, the bachelor's in Spanish and Business.

Eliseo R. Colón Zayas (PhD 1982 Hispanic Languages and Literatures) is the Director, Escuela de Comunicación Pública, Universidad de Puerto Rico, Río Piedras. Eliseo participated in LASA2007 in Montreal where he presented a paper entitled: “Comunidades juveniles en el ciberespacio: Usos, sentidos e identidades en yahoo.mx yahoo.ar y yahoo.br.”

Javier Coronado-Aliegro is an Assistant Professor of Spanish at the University of Akron. Javier completed the doctorate in Foreign Language Education at Pitt in 2006. His MA is in TESOL from West Virginia University. His undergraduate degree from the Universidad de Antioquia is in translation (*Profesional en Idiomas*) and he later completed the EFL (Especialista en la Enseñanza de Lenguas Extranjeras). Prior to coming to the U.S., Javier

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taught English as a Foreign Language at the Universidad de Antioquia and at the Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana. While at Pitt, Javier was an instructor of Spanish for the Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures. As a recipient of a Graduate Student Assistantship from CLAS, he coordinated the School Visit Program. Javier's dissertation focused on self-assessment and its effect on self-efficacy among undergraduates studying Spanish as a foreign language. For more information, see the University of Akron web site: <http://www3.uakron.edu/modlang/>

Cozzarelli...the second generation...

Leda Cozzarelli (MA 1983 Education-International and Development Education Program) and **Giovanni Cozzarelli** (MA 1985 Economics) returned to Pittsburgh to move their son into the Towers—the second generation of Cozzarellis to attend Pitt. Renato is a student in engineering and, we hope, will follow in his parents' footsteps as a CLAS alumnus.



Emilio del Valle Escalante (PhD 2004 Hispanic Languages and Literatures) and Sherry met in Pittsburgh in 2001; they were married in Guatemala in June 2005. In August 2006, they became the parents of a baby boy whom they named Dakota James del Valle. This fall Emilio began a new job as As-

stant Professor of Spanish in the Department of Romance Languages and Literatures at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (<http://roml.unc.edu/>). Emilio refers to this as "my dream job" and we in CLAS would agree that the UNC/Duke consortium on Latin America is one of the very best!!! So we'll gladly "share" Emilio.

Andrew Dempster (BA 1993 Anthropology) is a course writer for the Defense Language Institute at the Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. His training in Latin American Studies as well as his Spanish and Portuguese language skills are being put to the test.... After leaving Pitt, Andrew completed the master's degree in TESOL.

Patricia Documét (DrPh 2001 Public Health) was recognized by the Allegheny County Health Department for her efforts to promote breastfeeding. "We salute Dr. Documét for her passionate work as a pediatrician, researcher and educator to promote breastfeeding among diverse populations, especially in our Latino community," said County Health Director Dr. Bruce W. Dixon. "She has been a strong advocate for delivering breastfeeding information

that is culturally sensitive and language appropriate, and actively works to design, develop and promote the use of such programs for our region's Spanish-speaking residents." Dr. Documét received a Certificate of Achievement from the Health Department's Women, Infants, and Children Program. Patricia has been a very active member of the community since she arrived in Pittsburgh from Lima, Peru nearly two decades ago. In her own words: "In the past six years, I have taken the lead in designing and implementing a church-based service fair offering a single event with information about several health and human services available to Spanish-speaking residents of Allegheny County. I serve on the board of the Area Health Education Centers (AHEC).....I facilitate the meeting of the Latino Round Table, a group that attempts to coordinate and unite the efforts of Latino organizations in Southwestern Pennsylvania." Patricia is an Assistant Professor and the Doctoral Program Coordinator, Department of Behavioral and Community Health Sciences, Graduate School of Public Health. [From: LACUNUEVAS, the weekly e-bulletin of the Latin American Cultural Union, 7 septiembre 2007. www.lacunet.org]

Laura L. Fleischer (BA 2000 Interdisciplinary Studies/Business) visited Peru in February 2007 as part of her work assignments. The Lima office of Freedom from Hunger works with microfinance institutions in Ayacucho, Junín, and Huancavelica. Laura traveled there to conduct a training session with the institution's staff. Together she and the staff researched the feasibility of a community-based distribution (CBD) program—a program where a community member would be trained to provide information about family planning, contraceptives, and referrals to local health providers.

José Flores Barboza (MEd 1980 Education-Curriculum and Development) is Director de Desarrollo Académico de la Universidad Ricardo Palma in Lima, Peru as well as Director de la Oficina de Calidad y Acreditación de la Facultad de Educación de la Universidad de San Marcos.

Jason (Jake) Fox (PhD 2007 Anthropology) began work in the fall as an Assistant Professor of Anthropology at Radford University in Virginia. Jake specializes in archaeology; his research interests include small-scale and middle-range societies, subsistence and settlement systems, social organization, early agriculture and pastoralism. Jake's regional focus is the Andes; his dissertation is entitled "Time and Process in an Early Village Settlement System on the Bolivian Southern Altiplano."

T. Kenn Gaither (MFA 2000 English 2000; BA 1992 English Writing) is an Assistant Professor of Communications at Elon University in North Carolina. Kenn stopped by the Center in July to visit but, unfortunately, the Khipukamayuc did not learn of his visit until she returned to the office in mid-August. Saludos, Kenn!



Antonio Gómez completed the doctorate in Hispanic Languages and Literatures in April 2007 by presenting his dissertation on “El discurso latinoamericano del exilio: Extraterritorialidad y novela en Argentina y Cuba desde los años setenta.” He, his wife, and two children are spending academic year

2007-08 in New Orleans. Antonio is a Visiting Assistant Professor in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese at Tulane University.

Claudio Gómez (MPA 2002 GSPIA-Public and Nonprofit Management) has been appointed **DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY OF CHILE** (www.mnhn.cl).

“Fundado en 1830 por Claudio Gay, el Museo Nacional de Historia Natural es uno más antiguos de América Latina. Sin embargo, el peso de la tradición no ha sido un impedimento para emprender un proceso de modernización que lo ha llevado, entre otras iniciativas, a inaugurar varias nuevas salas.

Con el compromiso de fortalecer este impulso modernizador y a la vez resguardar la labor que tradicionalmente ha realizado el Museo, así como promover el trabajo con la comunidad y organismos similares nacionales y extranjeros, el antropólogo Claudio Gómez Papic; quien fue seleccionado a través de un concurso público, asumió esta semana como nuevo director del Museo Nacional de Historia Natural.

Master en Administración Pública de la Universidad de Pittsburgh y ex director del Museo Antropológico Padre Sebastián Englert de Isla de Pascua, Gómez ha desarrollado labores en la National Gallery of Art de Washington y en el National Museum of Natural History del Smithsonian Institution, asesorado a la Subdirección de Museos de la Dibam y a otras importantes instituciones culturales en procesos de renovación y desarrollo de infraestructura y museografía, gestión de colecciones, preparación y evaluación de proyectos. A todo lo anterior, se suma su experiencia académica en importantes universidades del país. Durante una breve ceremonia—en la que el profesional fue presentado a los funcionarios del museo por la directora de la Dibam, Nivia Palma—, Gómez señaló que el principal objetivo del Museo Nacional de Historia Natural debe ser ‘servir a la sociedad mediante la educación y el



acceso a los bienes culturales y naturales’. ‘Los museos deben ser instituciones centradas en las personas. Las colecciones son importantes, nadie podría negarlo, pero sólo cobran sentido cuando son descubiertas y observadas, cuando causan asombro y quizás disgusto, cuando entretienen y cautivan’, agregó.” [From: http://www.dibam.cl/historia_natural/noticias.asp?id=6000]

Carly Gordon graduated *magna cum laude* from Pitt in 2006 with a BA in Spanish and Anthropology, a minor in Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Culture, the Certificate in Latin American Studies, and the Certificate in West European Studies. Carly is now working for the Chilean government’s Ministry of Education “Programa Inglés Abre Puertas.” [<http://www.ingles.mineduc.cl>]. Carly was determined to use her education and skills in Spanish/Portuguese to return to Chile. She did the research and found the Chilean program in which she is now a volunteer. She shared this information with Luke Leiden (see below) who is now also teaching in the program.

Carly wrote the following article at the request of CLAS as an inspiration to undergraduates beginning the study of Latin America.

“During the summer of 2004 I fell in love—with the beautiful South American country of Chile. I took part in the six-week CLAS field trip to Valparaíso, Chile with about 12 other CLAS students. It was my first time studying abroad and I couldn’t have asked for a better experience. I lived with a Chilean family who I became very close with and continued to stay in touch with for the past three years. As part of the CLAS field trip, I carried out a research project on physical fitness patterns and worked with a professor from one of the nearby universities in Valparaíso. I surveyed various people in Chile with a questionnaire to come up with the results for my hypothesis. Besides the research project, I also had the opportunity to travel with the CLAS group to La Serena in the fourth region of Chile, as well as other surrounding cities of Valparaíso such as Viña del Mar and Reñaca. My experience with the CLAS field trip to Chile was one of the best times of my life and I always knew that one day I would have to return.

After graduating from Pitt in April 2006 and working for one year in the field of international education, here I am back again in Valparaíso, Chile living with the same host family as I did three years ago! I am a full-time volunteer English teacher with a program called *Inglés Abre Puertas* through the Ministry of Education of Chile. I teach English at a high school in Valparaíso and am also the ‘coach’ of the English debate team. Teaching a foreign language in a foreign country has definitely been more difficult than I imagined, but I am improving my Spanish a great deal and am learning more and more every day. My program ends at the end of November, but I am going to continue living and traveling throughout Chile and other South American countries for one full year. The past two months have been an incredible experience and I am so happy that I decided to come back here!”

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Tania Csoknyai Guimarães Maia (MPA 2002 GSPIA-Public and Nonprofit Management) was appointed Coordinator of the GESC Institute in June 2007. Tania began her post-graduate career as an intern in Price Waterhouse Coopers and worked as a consultant for IBM (Rio de Janeiro and São Paulo) in large projects, including the Vale do Rio Doce, Unilever, ABN Amro Bank (implementation Fermat) as well as internal projects of IBM. She was instrumental in implementing the infrastructure to improve the reimbursement process of employees in the newly formed outsourcing department of IBM. Tania Maia began working in the GESC Institute as a volunteer, was then hired as a consultant, and now is the executive coordinator, assisting with potential business, proposals, project implementation, and to support the development and maintenance of on-going associations.

“O Instituto GESC (Gestão para Organizações da Sociedade Civil) é uma organização não governamental fundada pela Associação de MBAs da FIA/USP em 2004. A organização se dedica ao fortalecimento da sociedade civil através da promoção de práticas de boa gestão no terceiro setor. Sua missão é fortalecer a qualidade da administração no terceiro setor, através do capacitação de gestores sociais e articulação com diversos setores da sociedade civil. O GESC, junto com seus mais de 6.000 associados da Associação dos MBAs da FIA, tem desenvolvido um trabalho inovador no campo da sustentabilidade pela construção e promoção de networking através de ONGs. Nos últimos 10 anos, o GESC trabalhou com 450 ONGs, capacitou 900 líderes sociais, e mobilizou mais de 550 executivos como voluntários. O GESC é um programa de aperfeiçoamento para líderes sociais, e seus principais objetivos são desenvolver conhecimento, profissionalismo e capacitação para ajudar a melhorar a eficiência e sustentabilidade de organizações no terceiro setor, e conseqüentemente seu impacto social.” [This information was obtained from: www.impactosocial.org.br]

E. Brooke Harlowe (PhD 1993 Political Science) has mixed emotions about leaving St. Kate's for her new position at Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania. St. Kate's was “home” and “provided wonderful support” of Brooke's research and student projects in Bolivia (as described in previous issues of *CLASicos*). However, the opportunity to be in the same institution let alone the same state as her husband, Stan Berard, was the ultimate selling point. Brooke will leave her position as Associate Professor and Chair of Political Science at The College of St. Catherine in St. Paul, MN at the end of the year. She begins teaching at Lock Haven in January. Stanley Berard also received his PhD at Pitt; at Lock Haven he is an Associate Professor of Political Science as well as Chairperson, Department of History, Political Science, and Economics.

Eric Hartman (PhD candidate, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs) became the Director of Amizade in September 2007. Michael Sandy, the former Executive Director and friend of CLAS staff and students, decided to move on to new challenges. “Since its inception in 1994,

Amizade has helped over 4,000 volunteers ages 13 to 79 contribute over 140,000 hours of service. Amizade continuously addresses pressing global issues by connecting volunteers with communities. Volunteers explore, serve, and better understand themselves and others. Host communities gain an improved infrastructure as well as a chance to share traditions and ideas with volunteers from another culture....[Its mission is to encourage] intercultural exploration and understanding through community-driven service-learning courses and volunteer programs.” [www.amizade.org] The Bolivia Service-Learning Semester is one example of the programs offered by Amizade (see: <http://www.globalservicelearning.org>).

Todd Harvey (BA 2002 Sociology/Spanish) completed the master's degree in sociology at the University of Texas-Austin. His research was completed in Brazil in the summer of 2006; the resulting thesis was “Marrying in a Racial Democracy: Does Race Matter?” Todd presented his results (yes, it matters in spite of the discourse) at the Latin American Studies Student Conference at UT. “Outside of academics, life here in Texas is great....Austin does have a lot to offer as far as outdoor activities and local culture....I joined the local samba school for a brief period (time was an issue), and am now trying to get into a salsa dance group—just to keep me on my toes!” [pun intended...we are sure] Todd's parents visited Texas for the first time in June and Todd was to have returned to visit family and friends in the Pittsburgh area but, alas, CLAS staff with whom he worked closely did not see him!

Amy Herlich (undergraduate, Spanish and Business) was interviewed in Guayaquil, Ecuador as a student on the Latin American voyage of Semester at Sea. The July 6 issue of *El Universo* featured an article entitled, “350 universitarios de EE.UU. de visita en la ciudad.” “Barco Explorer. Estudiantes de universidades de EE.UU. Arribaron a la ciudad. Su programa se llama Un semestre en el mar. ‘Conocer otras culturas y una ciudad bonita como Guayaquil ha sido una experiencia maravillosa.’ Las palabras de Amy Herlich, estudiante de la universidad de Pittsburgh (Estados Unidos) en un español muy claro, fueron dichas con emoción mientras recorría ayer el cerro Santa Ana. Aunque admitió que el calor de la ciudad se siente en todo momento...sostuvo que en su visita aprovechará para aprender otras realidades y los progresos que experimentan esta y otras ciudades y países del continente. Ella forma parte de los 350 estudiantes de ese país que llegaron...a Guayaquil a bordo del buque Explorer de la Universidad de Virginia....Los visitantes ya estuvieron en México y Panamá; a más de Guayaquil visitarán Quito, Cuenca, Los Ríos, y la costa; el periplo continuará en Chile, Peru, Guatemala, Nicaragua y retornarán a Estados Unidos en agosto próximo.”

The voyage included quite a few CLAS students as well as alumni who sailed as faculty specialists on Latin America—**Kinnon Scott** (PhD Public and International Affairs), **Jeff Blick** (PhD Anthropology), and former faculty member **Max Brandt** (Music).

Caleb Holtzer received two master's degrees from Pitt in April 2007. Caleb completed the Master's in Public Health with a concentration in Behavioral and Community Health Services as well as the Master's in International Development with a concentration in Development Planning and Environmental Sustainability, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs (GSPIA). GSPIA also presented Caleb with the Faculty Award for International Development for the second consecutive year and asked him to speak at its graduation ceremonies in May. Caleb was a recipient of the Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship in 2005-06 and 2006-07, which he used to study Quechua.

Margarita Jara (PhD 2006 Hispanic Languages and Literatures) returned to Pittsburgh on March 15-18, 2007, to participate in the Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages XXXVII (LSRL 37). Sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh's English Language Institute, the Alfredo Roggiano Fund of the Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, the European Studies Center/European Union Center of Excellence, CLAS, and Carnegie Mellon University's Department of Modern Languages, the 17 sessions of the conference brought together linguists from Canada, the U.S., Latin America, and Europe. Margarita chaired the session on Interfaces II. In April 2007, Margarita again traveled east from Las Vegas, where she is an Assistant Professor at ULV, to present her paper on "Integrating Technology in a Spanish Dialectology Class" at the 60th Annual Kentucky Foreign Language Conference at the University of Kentucky.

Luke Leiden (BA 2007 Environmental Studies/Anthropology) spent a month in Mexico City working as a "village leader" for an organization called Children's International Summer Village (CISV). CISV is "a global community of dedicated volunteers, creating opportunities for all ages to experience the excitement and enrichment of cultural diversity through our educational programmes. We are founded on our belief that peace is possible through friendship—and that the real difference can be made by starting with children." [www.cisv.org/index.html] From Mexico, Luke traveled to Chile where he (and **Carly Gordon**—see above) is a participant in a Chilean government program called *Inglés Abre Puertas*. Luke is teaching in Quilpué, a small city located about 10 kilometers from Valparaíso and Viña del Mar. On his way to Chile, Luke visited **Anne Garland Neel** (BA 2006 Spanish) who is now living in Birmingham, Alabama.

Nerissa Lindenfelser (Master's student, GSPIA; BS Environmental Geology) spent summer 2007 in Cochabamba, Bolivia. "The most rewarding experiences I had...were when I was able to get out of the city and into small towns in southern and western Bolivia. In the town of Independencia, where the only other gringa I encoun-

tered was a Peace Corps volunteer, there was music and dancing nonstop for four days. At Tiahuanaco, near La Paz, I celebrated the New Year on June 21, the winter solstice, as the sun came up for the first time over the frozen altiplano. At Uyuni, I traveled across the world's largest salt flat and gazed down into an ancient volcano, surrounded by llamas. Bolivia was the most diverse and rewarding place that I have been to, and I look forward to returning soon."

And another second generation CLAS student arrives!

Tricia Massey Smith (BA 1983) studied Spanish at Pitt, worked in CLAS, worked in UCIS, and made friends wherever she worked/studied. Now her son, Ben, is carrying on the Pitt tradition. Ben entered the School of Engineering in the fall. Another second generation represented (see Cozzarelli above). CLAS has provided a "home" to many, and that tie bridges generations.

Craig McDonald (BA 2007 Political Science) is working at the Center for Cross-Cultural Study in Amherst, Massachusetts. He is the Programs Associate for the Center, charged with the management of study abroad programs in Spain and Argentina. Craig's area studies courses and language abilities are being put to good use. "...I get to speak Spanish on the phone a lot, which is fun!" Craig has offered to be a contact for CLAS students who are interested in studying in Córdoba, Argentina for summers or semesters. "I've had the opportunity to visit our site there and I really think it's just the kind of quality cultural immersion program that the Center for Latin American Studies aims for." For more information on the programs, see: www.ccs.com

Maria del Pilar Melgarejo (PhD candidate, Hispanic Languages and Literatures) is an Instructor at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Pilar completed the master's at Pitt in 2003 and soon will be completing the doctorate. Her research interests include 19th century narrative, cultural theory, and political philosophy. This fall she is teaching "Intro to Literary Analysis" and "Nation, Race and Science in the Nineteenth-Century Latin American Literature." Pilar's most recent publications include: "Altamirano's Demons," *The Colorado Review of Hispanic Studies* 4(2006):49-63 (coauthor); "El discurso de la lengua nacional en Freyre y Bello" in Joshua Lund and Malcolm McNee (eds.), *Gilberto Freyre e os estudos latinoamericanos* (Pittsburgh: Instituto Internacional de Literatura Iberoamericana), 2006, 181-202.

Anna Myers (BA 2004 Spanish) returns to the U.S. in mid-October from two years' service in the Peace Corps, Costa Rica. She will spend a month or so in the Pittsburgh/Vandergrift area. She then will move to Maryland (about an hour outside of DC) where she will work in insurance sales. After being certified, "we will be marketing to Spanish speaking customers." To those who

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supported Anna's efforts: "...we did build the English/computer classroom and the computers will arrive from the U.S. in the next week or so. The computer lab should be up and running by November. I won't be there to set up the lab, but the Peace Corps is sending another volunteer to my town, so he will be taking over the project. But, I will be there to see the actual classroom finished. So, a BIG THANKS to any of you who helped out with the project."

David Ott (BA 1996 Interdisciplinary Studies) is caught up in a whirlwind of theater. "The Havel show will be going to Baltimore in October....I am a member of the New York Women in Film and Television....I am on the International Committee....I have recently been asked to sit on the Film Selection Committee, International Pick, for the Hampton's Film Festival (Oct 2007). I was asked to apply to a Master's Class with the Academy of the Performing Arts of Prague (DAMU)...so I applied and was accepted....I just completed a 3 week intensive study here in Harlem with them...this was headed up by Professor Ivan Vyskocil, a contemporary of Vaclav Havel's. Finally, our show was invited to Baltimore Theatre Project, I believe in October." David also worked with the producer on the program and publicity for the "Beebo Brinker Chronicles," a new play by Kate Moria Ryan and Linda S. Chapman, directed by Leigh Silverman—Sept. 27-Oct. 20 at The Fourth Street Theatre, NY. For more info, visit www.beebobrinker.com.



Yonca (on right) with niece Melisa and Yonca's daughter Nikte.

Yonca Özdemir works for the Middle East Technical University at the Northern Cyprus Campus, which opened two years ago. Because this is a new campus and small, Yonca will have the opportunity to help shape programming—both undergraduate and graduate—in the Department of Political Science and International Relations. For more info about the university, see: www.ncc.metu.edu.tr. In 2007-08, she will be a Visiting

Scholar but in 2008 she will become an Assistant Professor in the tenure track. Yonca completed the doctorate in the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs in 2007. Her thesis is entitled: "Politics of Price Stabilization: A Comparative Analysis of Argentina, Brazil, Israel, Mexico, and Turkey." Yonca is the first CLAS graduate to teach in Turkey.



Orlando J. Pérez (PhD 1996 Political Science) was promoted to full Professor in the Department of Political Science at Central Michigan University this fall. Orlando has been at Central Michigan since 1998 (Assistant Professor 1998-2000, Associate Prof 2000-2007). At last count (CLAS' count), he had published: 2 books, 3

monographs/occasional papers, and over 30 articles/chapters in books. He has received over 20 grants/awards for his research/studies. He has served as an international consultant for USAID, projects of the United Nations, the U.S. Dept. of Education, and the U.S. Dept. of State. What is less well-known is that Orlando's first degree was not in political science but in biochemistry! At the recent LASA meetings, Orlando organized a panel on "Seguridad y nuevas vulnerabilidades en Centroamérica." He also presented in the panel organized by **Mitchell Seligson** (Vanderbilt now, CLAS/Pittsburgh formerly) on "Exploring the 'D-Word': An Analysis of the Meaning of Democracy for Central Americans."

Kathryn Petruccelli (BA 1992 Liberal Studies) surprised the heck out of the CLAS Khipukamayuc during a visit in the fall. Kitty was accompanied by her beautiful son Isaac Raphael, and guapo husband, Mike. She continues to do fascinating radio interviews and to write/present her poetry. "In the last couple months, I've interviewed two very interesting women, both authors of short story collections: Helen Simpson, *In the Driver's Seat* and Jean Thompson, *Throw Like a Girl*." The interviews can be found in the KUSP archives (<http://kusp.org/shows/totb.html>) Scroll to June 8 or go to the June 11 podcast of www.trashotron.com) In the world of poetry, Kitty and Julia Alter Canvin participated in the Monterey (California) Bay Poetry Consortium, doing a reading at the East Village Lounge on August 14. The announcement read: "Kathryn Petruccelli is a poet, freelance

writer, and now-and-again radio host. Her work has appeared in <http://literarymama.com>, <http://mamazine.com>, the Anthology of Monterey Bay Poets 2004, and other publications. She holds an M.A. in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages from the Monterey Institute of International Studies which has been of little use in trying to get her son to say his own name. Kathryn chronicles her life as a weary but inspired poet-mama on her blog <http://www.fetalpositions.blogspot.com>.”



Maria Rosario Queirolo, husband Alvaro Cristiani, and daughter Antonia (now three years old) are joined by the newest family member, Felipe, born on April 11, 2007.

Jessica Rathbone (Master's candidate, School of Education) began her study of Peru as an undergraduate. She has spent many summers working in Ollantaytambo with weavers and the staff of the community museum. In this town in the Department of Cuzco but many miles from Cuzco, she has made important connections, even with staff of the Smithsonian Museum. Her research findings were published in 2006 as “Weaving Threads of a Common Identity: Non-Formal, Intergenerational Education and the Community Museum of Ollantaytambo, Peru,” *Journal of Intergenerational Relationships* 4(4), 2006. Her findings also were published as “Weaving Threads of a Common Identity” in the newsletter of the International Consortium for Intergenerational Programmes, November 2006. Jessica notes that her most recent research trip was made possible by the International Intergenerational Project Initiatives and the V.F. Rodríguez Award administered by CLAS.

Danielle Romanetti (MID 2003 GSPIA-NGOs and Civil Society) is Manager of Donor Engagement at the World Wildlife Fund in Washington, DC. She began working at WWF in May 2007 and describes her new job as “a wonderful experience.” “I am...in a unit that works between development and marketing to coordinate all communications to major donors. I have been working in development for five years, since my student worker position with the School of Medicine at Pitt.”

Leonard Sekelick (PhD 1996, MA, BA Hispanic Languages and Literatures) continues his travels and adventures. “I started off my year by spending three weeks in January in Africa visiting South Africa, Botswana, Zimbabwe, and Zambia. Although I loved my time in Cape Town and the Stellenbosch wine country and also while on safari in Chobe National Park, my favorite time from the trip was the 15 minutes I spent on a microlite—or



motorized glider—flying over Victoria Falls. The words exhilarating and awe-inspiring only begin to capture what the experience

was like. I also managed to get away for 10 days in April to Prague, Vienna, and Budapest. All three cities were new to me, and I enjoyed each one of them. Some of the highlights were a classical recital at Prague Castle, visits to the KAMPA Museum in Prague and Budapest's Terror House (a museum that was the headquarters of the Hungarian Nazis between 1944 and 1945 and then taken over by the Communist secret police once Soviet troops liberated, then occupied, Hungary), and a visit to the traditional Rudas bath in Budapest....I will finish out 2007 and welcome 2008 by....[spending] a month in Australia and New Zealand with plans to go camping in the Outback, dive at the Great Barrier Reef, soak up Sydney, and explore Auckland.”

The photographs on the following page are of Len and his host family in Cuenca, Ecuador from the 1988 CLAS field trip. Len returned to Cuenca to visit them in April 2006. “It had been 18 years since we had last seen each other in Ecuador.” The photos are from 1988 and 2006: “...we are all in similar positions in the two pictures. Unfortunately, my youngest host brother (Santiago Durazno Silva), who was 7 years old in 1988 and is the person who undoubtedly has changed the most, could not be present for the updated picture to be taken so one of his brothers held a picture of him to represent where he stood in the earlier picture. Those pictured in the current picture from left to right are: (seated) Iván Durazno Silva and Geovanny Durazno Silva, and (standing) Len Sekelick, Carlos Durazno Silva, Pablo Durazno Silva, Telmo Durazno Montesdeoca, and Aydita Silva de Durazno. I think we look like one, big happy family—then and now!”

CLAS Khipukamayuc (continued)**Len Sekelick and Host Family**

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Lynn Guadalupe Staigers (MID 2007 GSPIA-Development Planning and Environmental Sustainability) is a program officer with the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). The JICA USA office is in charge of collaborative efforts with the World Bank, the United Nations, USAID, and other international donors. "I am actually in charge of the Africa region, which has been good, because I have gotten to learn about a new region."

Luis Vivaldi (MID 2007 GSPIA-Nongovernmental Organizations and Civil Society) until recently could be seen leading groups of students on bike tours in Schenley Park while in disguise (enormous sunglasses). However, later in the summer, Luis left Pittsburgh for the DC area where he began work as a Program Assistant for the Community Foundation for the National Capital Region (CFNCR.org). "They and three other foundations essentially give out grants and help around 700 organizations in implementing projects and the like....it's pretty exciting."

Asha Williams (MID 2007 GSPIA-Development Planning and Environmental Sustainability) was offered and joyously accepted a job with the Organization of American States' Trust of the Americas. Asha is the Coordinator for the Trust's POETA program in the Eastern Caribbean. "Generally speaking, the program is aimed at teaching youth ICT skills and enabling them to attain job placement or further education at the end. POETA is already being conducted in several Latin American countries, where it targets youth and the disabled. The program is now being expanded to the Eastern Caribbean and I [will] be coordi-

nating that process, as well as trying to ensure its continuance in the existing countries and possible expansion to other islands in the Caribbean. I [will] be based at the OAS office in Washington, DC." Congratulations!!! to one of the hardest-working, most deserving but least assuming students we have seen pass through CLAS.

Undergraduate Symposium

The Third Undergraduate Symposium sponsored by the Department of Modern Languages and Cultures and the Department of Political Science of Slippery Rock University was a resounding success. Held on April 9 at Slippery Rock, the symposium highlighted the research of undergraduates from Pitt and Slippery Rock, as well as other colleges and universities in the area. **Donald Kerchis** (PhD 1999 GSPIA-Public and International Affairs and former CLAS staff), an Assistant Professor in Political Science, and **Ana Maria Caula** (PhD 2002 Hispanic Languages and Literatures), an Assistant Professor of Spanish at Slippery Rock, did an outstanding job in organizing the symposium. Pitt students who presented their research included: **Ryan Allan, Melissa Dougherty, Mae Hignett, Nicole Makrinos, Jessica Mills-McLaughlin, Megan Park, Derek Reighard, Nathan Riley, Emily Rupp, Alison Trude, and Jennifer Zehner**. Of the 24 presentations, 2 were given in Portuguese, 12 in Spanish, and 10 in English. All were professionally presented and reflected serious analytical research. In her closing remarks, **Elizabeth Monasterios** (Chair and Associate Professor of Hispanic Languages and Literatures at Pitt) stated that a goal of the symposia is to involve students and faculty from colleges/universities throughout Western Pennsylvania who would host the event on a revolving basis.

Friends of the Center

Ximena Sosa-Buchholz became acquainted with the staff of CLAS in the summer of 2006 while conducting research in the Lozano Latin American Library Collection. She returned to Pittsburgh in October 2006 to present a lecture entitled "From Voters to Moral Guardians: Women and Populism in Latin America." At the LASA meetings in Montreal, she presented a paper on a related topic, "The Silent Work of Gendered Politics: Ecuadorian Velasquista Women (1930s-1970s)." Ximena was an Adjunct Professor of Foreign Languages/Social Sciences at Missouri Southern State University. She recently left that position to work with Trent University, Peterborough, Ontario, Canada. Ximena has been asked to direct the Trent-in-Ecuador Program offered by the International Development Studies Department. The field program held in Sangolquí, near Quito, Ecuador, "enables undergraduates to deepen their understanding of comparative and international development by living, studying, and working in Ecuador."

Carol L. McAllister: 1947 - 2007

We are sad to report that CLAS faculty member **Carol McAllister** passed away on September 15, 2007.

Carol was an anthropologist (PhD 1987 Department of Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh), social researcher, and feminist who worked with the University of Pittsburgh and devoted herself to improving life for women, children, and the disadvantaged. She was a former director of the University of Pittsburgh Women's Studies Program and was active with the Thomas Merton Center, the Women's Resource Center for Greater Pittsburgh, and the Social Justice Action Team of the First United Methodist Church, Pittsburgh. At the Thomas Merton Center she rolled up her sleeves for peace projects and campaigns for women's issues.

"With her strong academic background, and good connections, she was a strong feminist," said Molly Rush, a former head of the Merton Center who worked with Dr. McAllister. But Carol's passion was her work with Early Head Start, a component of Head Start which helps low-income mothers and families prepare sooner for the health and education of their children. After graduate studies in Malaysia, she found that poor children in the United States were often treated more hostilely than in the Third World. In 1993, working with Family Foundations, she went into Terrace Village, Clairton, and other impoverished local communities to study what was needed to make life better for the children. "We found that earlier [intervention] is better," she told the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* a few years ago in an interview. "We try to enroll women during pregnancy so that they have support from the very beginning."

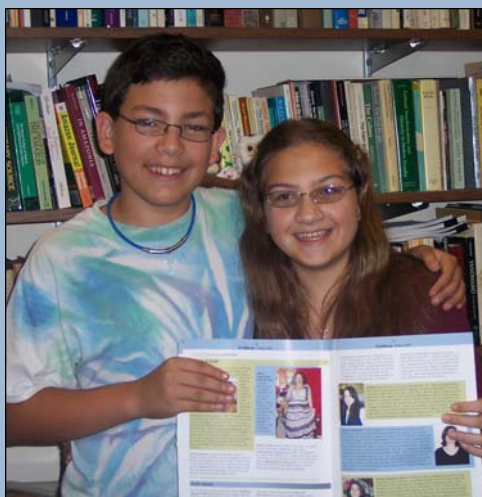
An amateur photographer, she once gave the children in these communities disposable cameras and told them to chronicle their lives. Her work and their photos were published in the *American Journal of Public Health* in 2005. Her studies of Early Head Start were nationally recognized as innovative in shaping programming to help young mothers. In 2003, working with Pitt's Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, she organized a conference with speakers from Rwanda, Israel, and Canada that focused on the roles that women can play in conflict resolution and rebuilding war-torn communities. It was her hope, she said, that the participants learn about the issues of gender and of culture and make a commitment to take action.

An only child, Carol was born in the small industrial town of Port Jervis, N.Y. Her father was a carpenter who died when she was 12. Her mother worked as a seamstress and her harsh treatment in a sweatshop deeply influenced Dr. McAllister's work to seek a better quality of life for women and the working class. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Cornell University in 1969. She then headed to the University of Pittsburgh, where she earned a master's degree and a doctorate in anthropology. Her studies carried her to Malaysia, where she examined the matrilineal society among Islamic women. She was an anthropology/sociology teacher at Carlow College for about 15 years before moving onto the Graduate School of Public Health at Pitt. When first coming to Pittsburgh, Carol lived in Uptown, a racially mixed neighborhood where she began a day-care center with her former husband. To relax, she played tennis, ran, camped, canoed, and once sang for the Community of Reconciliation.

She is survived by her son, Jonah McAllister-Erickson of Friendship; her mother, Harriett of Port Jervis; and her ex-husband, Robert Erickson of Nicaragua.

(Adapted from obituary by Ervin Dyer, *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, Tuesday, September 18, 2007.)

Parting Shots



Charles and Elsa proudly display CLASicos 61, where a picture of their always-ebullient mother, Maria Emperatriz Ruiz-Merroth, appears on page 28.



CLAS graduate student (Anthropology) and son, Venezuela, 1978.



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