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Calendar of Major Events (September 1-October 31)

(Please call 231-1051 for more information about all events unless there is another contact number.)

September 1, noon, i-House, Brown Bag lecture by Bob Beatty, "Cuba: America's Enemy or Obsession? A Look Inside a Communist Dictatorship"

September 11-18, Dietrich Hillebrand and Barbara Cordes will conduct master classes at the departments of Music and Modern Languages.

September 15, noon, i-House, Brown Bag lecture by Cynthia Hornberger, "Global Health: Reflections from the International Conference"

Sept. 17, 7:00 p.m. Stoffer 103, *The Barbarian Invasions* (French, Canada, 2003)

September 29, noon, i-House, Brown Bag lecture by Ron Wasserstein, "China's Explosive Growth in Higher Education"

October 13, noon, i-House, Brown Bag lecture by Steve Cann and Mark Peterson, "The Lightning Impressions of the Faded Empire: Two Kansans in Albion"

October 15, 7:00 p.m., Stoffer 103, *Dracula* (Spanish, USA, 1931)

October 27, noon, i-House, Brown Bag lecture by Gerald Bayens, "Comparative Criminal Justice: Great Britain"

Brown Bag International Lecture Series

September 1, Bob Beatty, Professor of Political Science, led a group of Washburn students to Cuba last summer. The title of his talk is "Cuba: America's Enemy or Obsession? A Look inside a Communist Dictatorship"

September 15, Cynthia Hornberger, Dean of the School of Nursing, traveled to Hungary last summer to explore opportunities for the nursing students. She along with her staff also successfully hosted the 3rd International Conference on Public Health this past July at Washburn. Her topic will be "Global Health: Reflections from the International Conference."

September 29, Ron Wasserstein, Vice President of Academic Affairs, traveled to China and Japan this past summer. His topic will be "China's Explosive Growth in Higher Education".

October 13, Steve Cann and Mark Peterson, both Professors of Political Science, presented papers at a conference in England on American race relations. Their topic will be "The Lightning Impressions of the Faded Empire: Two Kansans in Albion".

October 27, Gerald Bayens, Professor of Criminal Justice, led a group of students to England last summer. His topic will be "Comparative Criminal Justice: Great Britain".

November 3, Lee McGinnis, Professor of Marketing, presented a paper in Seoul, Korea, during summer. His topic will be "McDonald's and More: Marketing in Seoul".

November 17, Mary Dorsey Wanless "Gum Bichromate Photographic Images from the British Virgin Islands."

In the Spotlight---

Six New International Scholars Join Washburn Faculty

Eva Rodríguez, Lecturer of Spanish, is a Ph.D. candidate (University of Kansas) from Galicia, a beautiful northern region in Spain. She graduated from the Universidade de Santiago de Compostela in 1997 in English. She received her MA in Linguistics from the University of Kansas and is currently writing her PhD dissertation. Her specialization includes language acquisition-teaching and cognitivism with an emphasis on Spanish as a second language.

Ayla Hammond Schbley was born in Beirut, Lebanon to an American citizen. He is a Vietnam veteran and an ex-member of the Delta Force that has served in Korea, Japan, and Germany. After 10 years of service, he left the U.S. Army to assist the Drug Enforcement Administration and other intelligence agencies in their counter-narco-terrorism efforts in Europe, Africa, and the Middle East. Schbley received his doctorate from the University of North Texas, and post doctorate studies from the University of Texas at Arlington. Before accepting a position of assistant professor in the Criminal Justice Department at Washburn, he was the director of the Department of Criminal Justice and Homeland Security at College of the Southwest.

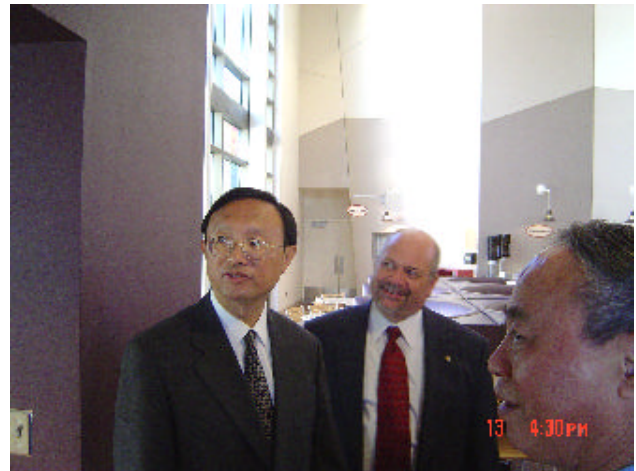
Norman Gamboa is the Director of Orchestral Studies at Washburn University. He has been Music Director of the Waco Symphony Youth Orchestra and Assistant Orchestra Conductor at Baylor University. Additionally, he previously served as Associate Conductor of the Medellin Philharmonic and Artistic Director of the International Music Festival in Colombia. He holds music degrees from Baylor University, University of Nevada Las Vegas, the Castella Conservatory of Costa Rica, and the Costa Rican National Institute of Music. Gamboa has appeared as a conductor and guest artist throughout the United States, Canada, Germany, Austria, France, Costa Rica, Colombia, Venezuela, and the Caribbean.

Hwa Chi Liang joins Washburn faculty as Assistant Professor of Math and Statistics from Idaho State University, where he was a visiting professor. Before that he held various positions including Research Scientist at the Behavioral Health Research Center of Southwest and Senior Statistician, Clinical Nutrition Program, University of New Mexico. Liang received his B.A. from Soochow University, Taiwan, M.A. in statistics from University of Texas at Austin, and Ph.D. in statistics from the University of New Mexico.

Robert J. Rhee, born in Korea, joins Washburn Law School as associate professor from Choi Rhee & Fabian in Phoenix, Arizona, a general litigation firm, where he specialized in insurance bad faith litigation, electronic freedom/ privacy issues, and financial advisory work. He held previous positions as a law clerk to the Honorable Richard L. Nygaard of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit; and as a trial attorney in the Honors Program of the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division (Torts Branch), where he represented the U.S. Government in HIV/AIDS and other complex tort cases. He has experience in trial and appellate work, and is a member of the State bars of Arizona and Illinois.

David Jeffery was born and educated in Canada. He joins Washburn as Lecturer of Physics and Astronomy. Previously he has held visiting professorships at UNLV, New Mexico Tech, Idaho State, and Middle Tennessee State. His research interests include supernovae, bipolar jet model for supernova polarization, and analytic averaging prescription for Monte Carlo radiative transfer. Jeffery holds a B.Sc., M.Sc., and Ph.D. in physics all from McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

China's Ambassador Visiting Washburn



Mr. Yang Jiechi (left), Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of China to the US and Mr. Xu Jinzhong (right), Consul General of China at Chicago, visited Washburn on July 13 accompanied by Tom Ellis (center), Special Assistant to the President. Payless and the Greater Topeka Chamber of Commerce facilitated their visit to Topeka.

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Fulbright Scholar on Campus



Ahmed Makhoukh, Chair of the Department of English, University Moulay Ismail, Méknès, Morocco, is a visiting Fulbright Research Scholar at Washburn University until October 9. Prof. Makhoukh was trained as a linguist, receiving his Ph.D. from the University of Moulay Ismail.

In light of current reforms in the Moroccan system of higher education and his directorship of his department's graduate program in Language, Culture, and Communication, Dr. Makhoukh will be researching how such courses as Public Speaking and Debate are taught in American universities, as well as more general issues in communication, translation, and sociolinguistics.

Chinese Administrator on Campus

Ma Jihua, Vice President, Wuhan University of Science and Technology, was on campus April 13-24 as participant of the Sino-American Leadership Training Program. The project began as a pilot effort in 2002 of partnership between AASCU and the China Education Association for International Exchange (CEAIE) to exchange senior leaders to explore ideas, programs, and best practices; develop greater understanding of the partner's institution and its context; and establish mutually beneficial long-term relationships.

International and Regional Conferences Held at Washburn

The **Nursing School** successfully hosted the third International Conference under the theme of "Promoting Global Health: Sharing Visions & Strategies", July 10-13. The conference attracted health professionals locally as well as representatives from 30 nations.

The Office of **International Programs** hosted the Kansas Association of Foreign Student Advisor (KAFSA) spring 2004 conference at Washburn. Around 80 advisors and international education professionals from the entire state attended the conference on April 27.

Summer Sweet & Cool for Some Faculty

Fifteen Washburn University faculty members were awarded Sweet Sabbaticals by the Washburn Endowment Association. Funding for Sweet Sabbaticals is provided by an endowment established in 1955 by Mary B. Sweet. The faculty summer grants are designed to enable recipients to study at a university outside Kansas to further their education and training in their individual capacities. The recipients of the fund are:

Gary Baker, professor, School of Business, visited Florida, Ohio, Spain, Greece and Mexico. He visited retirement communities and compiled information on strategies involved and options considered when making financial and social decisions for this phase of life. He plans to present the results of the study at a conference in 2005, submit a journal article and use information in teaching finance and investment classes.

Frank Chorba, professor, Mass Media, visited museums and broadcasting stations in nine states to increase his competency in cultural studies, science, transportation and art while observing the interaction with mass media. He also observed how radio and television stations are adapting to and integrating the internet into their programming.

Amy Fleury, associate professor, English, researched the influence of European environments on the creative and intellectual endeavors of Western writers and during her visits to Switzerland and Italy. The information will benefit students in the creative writing, advanced poetry writing and contemporary literature classes she teaches.

David Freeman, professor, Political Science, conducted research at the University of Missouri -Columbia and Lincoln and Omaha campuses of the University of Nebraska. The study focused on the relevance in today's world of the works of 17th century English philosopher John Locke and the levels of understanding expressed by scholars regarding Locke's contribution to the founding of the U.S. He also participated in a research workshop in Pamplona, Spain, for the International Society for the Study of European Ideas.

Rachel Goossen, associate professor, History, visited several archive and historical libraries in the U.S. to complete an article on the historiography of Mennonite peace movements and activism during the post-World War II era. She also traveled to Great Britain, France, Germany and Switzerland to gather primary source teaching materials on the intertwined history of European countries and peoples with the developments of the political, economic, social, military and religious elements in the U.S.

Reinhild Janzen, associate professor, Art, continued her study of the role of the visual arts in hospitals during travels in Germany, Italy, Greece, France, and Sudan. She focused on the types of visual art created for hospitals and the aesthetic role of art in the healing process in both Christian and Islamic cultures. Her goal is to prepare a book-length manuscript on the Western cultural tradition of art in medical settings and the spiritual influences realized by patients and staff.

Teresita Leyell, professor, School of Business, attended a seminar in Antwerp, Belgium, organized by the Center for International Business Education and Research and a meeting of the Council for International Educational Exchange in San Jose, Costa Rica, where she studied the socio-economic aspect of the country's membership in the common market, Mercado Comun del Caribe. Leyell also continued her research of the penetration of Enterprise Resource Planning System during her visit to Brazil and Argentina.

Carl Myers, assistant professor, Social Work, acquired knowledge about social work program designs and methods of instruction offered in a distance education format by comparing programs conducted by Colorado State University and the University of Denver. The information gleaned will be used the development of distance education components in both the bachelor's and master's degree programs offered by the Social Work Department.

Marie-Luce Parker, professor, Modern Languages, updated her knowledge of contemporary French social, cultural, linguistic and political evolution while attending a workshop at the Center for Living Approaches of Modern Languages in Vichy, France. She also was going to travel through Normandy, Brittany and the Loire Valley to acquaint herself with the areas and gather materials to be used in the future.

J. Karen Ray, professor, English, studied the construction of the Canal du Midi at the University of Toulouse, France, to gather information to be used in a course on the major ideas of the 18th century. She also surveyed the works, culture and milieu of female playwright Aphra Behn while in England and studied the letters of 18th century playwright and novelist Maria Edgeworth while in Ireland. Ray was keynote speaker at the Gerrard Manley Hopkins Summer School in Ireland.

Cliff Roberson, professor, Criminal Justice, planned to increase his knowledge of how concepts and attitudes in issues involving the ethics of law enforcement are shaped and developed by cultural identity, association with social groups and nationality. He attended the Central University for Nationalities, Beijing, China, and the International Executive Symposium in Vancouver, British Columbia, co-hosted by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Azyz Sharafy, associate professor, Art, participated in an artist camp in Bangladesh, conduct Web development workshops for faculty in India, research holdings at the British Film Institute in London and attended the SIGGRAPH 04 conference in Los Angeles. Sharafy also studied the Bombay film industry while in India and surveyed graphic styles while in France, Germany, Russia, and England.

Ann Marie Snook, assistant professor, Music, and **Lee Snook**, associate professor, Music, studied with Elio Battaglia in Turino, Italy, and attend Battaglia's masterclass at the Mozarteum in Salzburg, Austria. They also studied in Chicago with Inci Bashar and attend the Cleveland (Ohio) Art Song Festival.

Thimios Zaharopoulos, professor, Mass Media, traveled to Greece where he will analyze the media's content and coverage of preparations for and presentation of the summer Olympic Games. He studied the role of the Games in the domestic and international perception of the host nation and will use the information in teaching classes on international media and sports and media.