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CANADIAN STUDIES: NEW DEVELOPMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Winter quarter provided the Canadian Studies Center with an opportunity to focus on contemporary themes of direct relevance to a global society. In addition to scheduling a diversity of courses the Center organized a seminar, two film series and a workshop and participated in numerous other program and outreach activities.

In February the special topics Second Saturday Seminar, "Health Care Across the 49th Parallel: A Difference of Values," was held. Frank and reflective comments were shared by the presenters and the audience. Presenters included Professor Jonathan Mayer, University of Washington; Assistant Professor Michael Hayes, Simon Fraser University; Mr. David Annis, Manager, British Columbia Health Association, Vancouver; and Terry Rogers, M.D., Senior Vice-President, Medical Affairs, King County Medical, Blue Shield.

That same month two Madrona Elementary School classes began their unit on Canada with a trip to the University of Washington for a mini-Canadian film series. Films shown included Who Are We?; Ten the Magic Number; "Cowboy Opera" as performed by the Canadian Brass, musical scores by the Innu rock band, Kashtin; and Roch Carrier's childhood recollection, The Sweater.

March 21 the Canada Mosaic was held. Co-sponsored with the Washington Council for the Social Studies, the mosaic appealed to elementary and middle school teachers. Emphasis was placed on an eclectic array of portable topics which teachers may take from the workshop to their classroom. Mr. Ray McKeown addressed "The Way of the Pipe"

and native Canadian games; Mr. Rick Mouldon discussed Pacific Rim curriculum packages and in a team-teaching situation Ms. Tarry Lindquist and Mr. Rick Mouldon directed a session concerning native Canadian literature; Ms. Oralee Kramer demonstrated ways of making and including Northwest native art in the classroom; Mr. Paul Desloover spoke about Québec culture; and Mr. Peter Shostak provided a visual recollection of Ukrainian immigration to Alberta and a means to teach about this occurrence.

Off campus the Center involved itself in many activities. Douglas Jackson travelled at the request of El Colegio de Mexico, Mexico City, to discuss Canada and its role in North America; Michael Bittner accepted an invitation to attend the National Study Canada Consortium meeting, Orlando; and the Center faculty and staff participated in lectures on the University of Washington campus, at Western Washington University and Shoreline Community College; responded to requests for interviews from CBC Radio, Vancouver, and Pacific Coast Television, Vancouver; hosted the executive board for the Canadian Society of the Northwest; co-organized a Mardi Gras gathering for the Canadian Society of the Northwest, and provided materials to support Horizon Airlines' Grand Opening of its service to Calgary, Alberta.

Spring quarter on the verge of beginning, the Center's plans include a co-sponsored symposia, conference, seminar and an all-Canadian buffet dinner at the Faculty Club.

SPRING COURSES 1992

- SISCA/GEOG 308: Canada: A Geographic Interpretation. Taught by Douglas Jackson, M,W 6:30-8:50 p.m., 5 credits.
- SISCA 490A: Social Inequality in Canada. Taught by Angela Djao, Daily 10:30-11:20, 5 credits.
- SISCA 498: Seminar: Canadian Problems. Taught by Douglas Jackson, T 1:30-4:20, 5 credits.
- SISCA 499: Undergraduate Research. Supervised by Douglas Jackson, TBA, 3-5 credits.
- FRM 570B: Canadian Forestry and Natural Resources. Taught by Tom Waggener, T 3:30-4:50, 3 credits.
- PBAF 537B: Comparative Federalism. Taught by Walter Williams, M,W 3:00-4:50, 5 credits.
- CMU 498YA: Environment and Media in the Pacific Northwest. Taught by Edward Bassett, T,R 7:00-9:20 p.m., 5 credits.
- HSTAA 432: History of Washington and the Pacific Northwest. Taught by John Findlay, Daily 12:30-1:20, 5 credits.
- ARTH 206: Survey of Native American Art. Taught by Robin Wright, Daily 1:30-2:20, 5 credits.
- ANTH 431: Oral Traditions. Taught by Eric Smith, T,R 1:30-2:50, 5 credits.
- URBDP 571: Analytical Methods in Urban Design. Taught by Anne Vernez-Moudon, W 10:30-1:30, 3 credits.

NEW MATERIALS AVAILABLE FROM THE CANADIAN STUDIES CENTER

- Didatech Software Limited distributes "Crosscountry Canada," a computer assisted learning program that enables grades 4-9 students to assume the role of a truck driver traversing Canada. Through interaction with the program students determine which commodities to pick up,

where to deliver their load and which way is the most efficient and cost effective. Used on an IBM compatible machine the program makes use of a color monitor. For additional information telephone, Didatech Software at 1-800-665-0667 or check with a local educational software dealer.

- Entrex Software, Inc. markets "Quest for Canada" and "Nor'Westers to the Pacific" for grades 5-9. "Quest" sets the time of 1608 and students must choose either French or English expeditions. "Nor'Westers" allows students to assume the role of explorers, attempting to map a route to the Pacific. Both are available for Apple or IBM compatible machines. For additional information, telephone Entrex Software at (604) 727-2216.

"Crosscountry Canada," "Quest for Canada" and "Nor'Westers to the Pacific" are available to preview in the Canadian Studies Center Office and are regularly made available at teacher workshops on campus.

- "Identifying Values: Health Care Coverage" is a 2 day unit for elementary and middle school students to help them understand the different health care systems in Canada and the United States.
- "Compare and Contrast: Health Care Reform" is a 2 day unit for secondary students that acquaints them with the differing perspectives and the issues associated with health care in Canada and the United States.

TEACHER EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

- The 1993-94 Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program is seeking applications for teacher's proficient in French, who would be interested in a one-year assignment in Québec, Canada. Requirements include U.S. citizenship, three-years full-time teaching experience, and current full-time employment. The deadline for application is October 15, 1992. For more information contact the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Office 1-800-726-0479.

FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR PROGRAM

■ *The Foundation for Educational Exchange Between Canada and the United States has announced the third year of Fulbright exchanges for American Scholars to lecture and or/do research in Canada. Recipients of awards will spend between three and nine months in Canada with a maximum award of \$25,000.00. Preference will be given to faculty who will return to the United States to develop a Canadian Studies component at their institution. Applications will be accepted for the 1993-94 period through August 1, 1992. To receive an application package telephone (202) 686-7877. Additional questions should be directed to Dr. Karen Adams (202) 686-6245 or Ms. Thitaya Rivera (202) 686-6239.*

WORKSHOPS/SEMINARS FOR EDUCATORS AND PUBLIC

■ *Tuesday, March 31, "Crime and Justice in Natural Settings" will be held in Social Work Building, 4101 15th Avenue, N.E., Room B-14, 1:30-3:30, University of Washington campus. Presenters will include Curt Sauer, East District Ranger, Olympic National Park, Washington State; Dan Vedova, Warden, Pacific Rim National Park, British Columbia; and Dr. Gary Machlis, University of Idaho. For more information telephone Michael Pendleton, Society and Justice Program, (206) 543-6523 or Michael Bittner, Canadian Studies, 543-6269.*

■ *Friday-Saturday, May 15-16, "Canada: Federalism in Troubled Transition" represents the subject of a two-day conference, co-sponsored by the Canadian Studies Center and the Graduate School of Public Affairs. Prominent Canadians to include Dr. David Elton, Director, Canada West Foundation; Professor Robert Jackson, Carleton University; Professor Roger Gibbins, University of Calgary; Mr. Daniel Latouche, INRS Urbanisation, Montréal; and Professor Peter Leslie, Queen's University, will join one American, Professor Walter Williams, University of Washington, to deliver papers. Papers will be presented individually, enabling other presenters and the audience an opportunity to comment.*

Each day's proceedings will begin at 8:30 a.m. and take place in the Forum, Parrington Hall, Room 309, University of Washington campus. There is no charge and the public is invited.

■ *Thursday-Saturday, June 18-20, "Hemispheric Culture, Politics and Trade," summer teachers' seminar. NAFTA nearing completion, reports the press: "U.S., Mexico eager for deal, Canada says," (Globe and Mail, 3/14/92, A1-2). Scholars and knowledgeable officials from Canada, Mexico and the United States will initiate discussions. The seminar will conclude with a working session to assemble materials and generate ideas for implementation in the classroom.*

Registration forms will be mailed out in early April. \$76.00 for 2 credits or non-credit option and \$24.00 fee for materials. Enrollment is limited to 35. For more information call (206) 543-6269.

■ *Saturday-Saturday, July 18-25, Pacific Northwest Canadian Studies Consortium's 5th Annual Faculty Development Workshop, "Alberta and the Prairie Provinces," will be held at the University of Calgary. History and culture represent the focus and numerous field outings will supplement in-class learning. Approximately \$450.00 per person covers room, board and workshop expenses. Deadline is March 31, 1992. For more information telephone Bryan Downes (503) 346-3817 or FAX (503) 346-2040.*

WANTED

Five teachers and one librarian to participate in a summer K-12 discussion group, concerned with student literacy about Canada. Participants will represent different grade levels and include Canadian content in their teaching at present. Up to 25 hours will be spent working as a group to identify critical or essential themes that would represent the basis of a Canadian studies curriculum component -- one that would provide some assurance that a student is literate about Canada. Clock hours and materials will be provided to those participants selected. For more information contact Michael Bittner 543-6269.