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The Newsletter of the Canadian Studies Center

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CANADIAN STUDIES: NEW DEVELOPMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Winter quarter the Center received word from the U.S. Department of Education of its successful continuation proposal for Title VI funding in 1993-94. This grant represents an integral source of funding for the principle investigator, the University of Washington, and Western Washington University, which together comprise the Pacific Northwest Resource Center for the Study of Canada. The Northwest Center represents one of three federally funded resource centers on Canada in the United States. Coinciding with this award Professor Donald Alper was appointed Director of the Canadian and Canadian-American Studies Program at Western Washington University. Dr. Robert Monahan, his predecessor, assumed the responsibility for the development of an international studies program at Western Washington University.

Returning to the University of Washington campus, the Canadian Studies Center authored a successful grant proposal to fund the development of an A/V room with the most up-to-date audio-visual equipment on the market. The equipment will be used jointly by all the Jackson School Outreach Centers (Canada, East Asia, Middle East, South Asia and South East Asia) in their combined effort to meet the needs of thousands of individuals, interested in international studies, who are not enrolled as regular University students.

Winter quarter the Center held the most extensive series of lectures and programs in a three month period to date.

In January guest speakers spoke on forest management and the environment of the Queen Charlotte Islands.

In February presentations included cultural diversity in Québec, NAFTA and the Mexican perspective, the pitfalls of free trade, the future is free trade, the changing attitudes in business to achieve the competitive edge, transportation and the evolution of Toronto, Canadian cities and symbolism of Pacific Native Canadian art.

In March seminar topics emphasized multiculturalism in the media and the Canadian economy.

Literary readings were arranged for Canadian poets Ms. Maya Bannerman, Mr. Robin Skelton and Mr. Richard Harrison. 90 elementary school students from Madrona Elementary and their parents sat through three, two-hour mini-Canadian film and video series, including The Black Fly, Every Dog's Guide to Complete Home Safety, and Propaganda Message.

Special visits were made by Dr. Victor Konrad, Executive Director, The Canada-United States Fulbright Program, and the Honorable Ian McDonald, Minister, Canadian Embassy.

Spring and summer quarters, a solid block of Canadian courses will be offered, Canadian poetry readings will continue, an all-Canadian buffet dinner in the Faculty Club will be held, three mini-Canadian film series for the Seattle International Children's Festival are scheduled and the annual summer educators' seminar -- this year comparing Canadian and American societies -- completes the Center's plans.

If you are interested in any activities, telephone 206-543-6269.

**CALENDAR: READINGS/SEMINARS
FOR EDUCATORS AND PUBLIC**

SPRING COURSES 1993

■ SISCA 498: Canadian Problems. Professor Douglas Jackson, T 1:30-4:20, 5 credits.

■ SISCA 499: Undergraduate Research. Professor Douglas Jackson, TBA, 3-5 credits.

■ HSTAA 432: History of Washington and the Pacific Northwest. Professor John Findlay, Daily, 10:30-11:20, 5 credits.

■ ARCHY 468: Cultural Resources Management. Professor James Nason, TBA, 1 credit.

■ URBDP 370: Reading the City. Professor Anne Vernez Moudon, TBA, 3-5 credits.

■ WOMEN/AES 322: Race and Gender. Professor Shirley Yee, Daily 10:30-11:20, 5 credits.

■ AIS 240: American Indian Women in Society. Professor Marilyn Bentz, M,T,W 8:00-9:20, 5 credits.

■ AIS 475A: Plains Indians. Professor Marilyn Bentz, T 12:30-3:20, 3 credits.

■ ENGL 376: Women Writers. Professor Catherine Cummings, T,R 1:30-3:20, 5 credits.

■ LAW B584: Indian Law Seminar. Professor Ralph Johnson, W 3:30-5:20, 3 credits.

■ LAW B564: Ocean Policy and Resources Seminar. Professor William Burke, T 3:30-6:00 p.m., 3 credits.

■ LAW B565: U.S. Law and the Marine Environment. Professor Mark Hershman, M,W,F 11:30-12:30, 3 credits.

■ Wednesday, April 28, Ms. Heather Spears, artist, poet and native to Vancouver, B.C., will read from her latest works. She is the author of *Asylum Poems, From the Inside, and The Word for Sand.* 7:30 p.m., Gould Hall, Room 322, University campus.

■ Wednesday, May 19, Mr. John Barton, poet and director of the National Aviation Museum in Ottawa, will read from *Notes Toward a Family Tree*, a collection of love poems, descriptions of different types of families and political events that form the backdrop to everyday life. He is the author of *A Poor Photographer, West of Darkness: a portrait of Emily Carr, and Great Men.* 7:30 p.m., Gould Hall, Room 322, University campus.

■ May 1993, Assistant Professor Michael Pendleton, Society and Justice, will hold the second seminar in a series that supports the "Natural Settings Project" examining forestry and the relationship between community and government institutions in Canada and the United States. Specific dates have not been set. A notice will be mailed in April. For more information call 206-543-6523 or 543-6269.

■ Wednesday, May 5, join the Canadian Studies Center and the Canadian Society of the Northwest for "An All Canadian Buffet Dinner" in the Faculty Club at the University of Washington. Reservations are required. R.S.V.P. by Friday, April 30 to Dr. Paul Heppe 206-682-7571. \$17.50 per person includes a gourmet buffet dinner, wine and coffee. Following the meal the Canadian Studies Center will show 5 short animated films/videos produced by the National Film Board of Canada.

■ Thursday, May 27, Professor Douglas Jackson, Director, Canadian Studies, will deliver the final spring 1993 lecture, "Will Canada Survive?", as part of the Last Lecture Series, the Husky Union Building (HUB), Room 200 AB, 11:30 a.m.

OFF CAMPUS EVENTS ON CANADA

■ **Friday, April 16**, the Canadian Society of the Northwest will host an informal gathering to taste award winning British Columbia wines and Canada's non-alcoholic specialty waters. A silent auction will also be held. There is a \$10.00 contribution. R.S.V.P. by Monday, April 12, to Dr. Paul Heppe at 206-682-7571.

■ **Monday, April 19**, Mr. Robert Marro, Minister-Counselor, Commercial Affairs, American Embassy, Ottawa, will address local business leaders and interested guests at the Westin Hotel, Adams Room, 1900 5th Avenue, Seattle, 12:00-1:30 p.m. Mr. Marro will speak to "Conflict and Interference: Conducting Business under Free Trade." The audience will be encouraged to raise concerns and issues during a question period. The luncheon will cost \$25.00 per person. Reservations are required. R.S.V.P. by April 14 to Mr. Don Jackson, Washington State Department of Trade and Economic Development, 206-464-7143.

■ **Monday-Saturday, May 10-15**, the Canadian Studies Center will show a cross-section of National Film Board of Canada films and videos as part of the 1993 Seattle International Children's Festival held at the Seattle Center. To make sure that you receive a schedule with the times and location, telephone the Children's Festival Office at 206-684-7338 or write Seattle International Children's Festival, 305 Harrison, Seattle, WA 98109.



FACULTY AND STAFF ACTIVITIES

■ Professor Edward Bassett, Director, School of Communications, established the framework for a systematic examination of the relative success of native peoples of Canada in comparison to the Samish of Washington State and the Maori of New Zealand in his course, Media in Pursuit of Diversity.

■ Mr. Michael Bittner, Assistant Director, Canadian Studies, joined colleagues in Orlando for the annual meeting of the National Consortium on Teaching Canada.

■ Associate Professor Anthony Chan, Communications, received a 1992-93 Canadian Embassy Faculty Enrichment grant.

■ Associate Professor Katherine Cummings, English, continues with her research and writing on the United States' response to the AIDS epidemic, incorporating the perspectives of Canadian artists.

■ Associate Professor John Findlay, History, and Director, Center for the Study of the Pacific Northwest, is planning an autumn 1993 symposium on "sacred encounters" between whites and native peoples. Drawing from examples and research on the west, the focus will be on religious conversion, resistance and incorporation.

■ Professor Douglas Jackson, Director, Canadian Studies, returned as a guest to Shoreline and Edmonds Community Colleges and Western Washington University to speak about cultural diversity in Canada.

■ Assistant Professor Tsianina Lomawaima, Anthropology, is writing an article on native people's boarding school experiences in Canada and the United States.

■ Professor James Nason, Anthropology, spent the last year collecting data on Indian museums in North America. In November he delivered the preliminary findings to the Pacific Conservation Group and in February 1993 gave the completed version of his survey at the Museum of Anthropology, University of British Columbia.

■ Curator Robin Wright, Burke Museum, and Assistant Professor, Art History, published "Kadashan Staff: The Work of a Mid-Nineteenth Century Haida Argillite Carver in Another Medium" in American Indian Art Magazine, Autumn 1992;17(4):48-55. The article traces the gift from a tribe on the Queen Charlottes to a tribe in Alaska and the influence the staff had on other art forms like totems.

SUMMER COURSES 1993

■ SIS 490B: Mexico, the U.S. and Canada: Towards a New Partnership. Dr. Gustavo Vega, B term, Daily 9:40-11:50, 5 credits.

■ SISCA/GEOG 308: Geography of Canada. Professor Douglas Jackson, Full term, Daily 8:30-9:30, 5 credits.

■ SISCA/POLS 341: Government and Politics of Canada. Dr. Raymond Hébert, A term, Daily 9:40-11:50, 5 credits.



MATERIALS AVAILABLE FROM THE CANADIAN STUDIES CENTER

Updated!

Written Resources

■ Brief annotated reading list of Canadian books with suggested age levels which reflect varied disciplines and include fiction and non-fiction. For a list call 206-543-6269.

■ A comprehensive research guide to Canadian holdings in the University of Washington libraries. For a copy of the guide please telephone 206-543-6269.

■ An elegant and frameable Jackson School Outreach Poster. To request a copy, one per school, telephone 206-543-6269.

Canadian Cinema on Video

- The Black Fly, 1991.
- Every Dog's Guide to Complete Home Safety, 1986.
- Sitting in Limbo, 1992.
- Welcome to Canada, 1992.

Videos are available to faculty and arrangements may sometimes be made for university students and k-12 instructors to borrow. For a video list call 206-543-6269.

SUMMER SEMINARS FOR EDUCATORS AND PUBLIC

At the University of Washington

■ Thursday-Saturday, June 24-26, "Multicultural Societies: Explorations into Canadian and American Cultural Diversity" represents the Center's 1993 summer seminar for teachers, librarians and media-resource specialists.

Topics will examine the historical context of Québec as a founding nation in relation to cultural diversity and minority rights; Francophone populations outside Québec; the Acadians; native populations in Canada and the United States; the future of native rights; immigration policies: who do we accept?; the impact of immigration on Vancouver and Seattle; cultural diversity and the urban complexion; the educational response to cultural diversity; choosing multicultural resource materials; and weaving multicultural materials into the curriculum.

Participants will receive two credits or the equivalent in clock hours and an assortment of useful materials. Total fee: \$110.00. Registration forms will be mailed out in April. For more information call 206-543-6269 or FAX 685-0668.

At Western Washington University

■ Monday-Friday, June 21-25, the Study Canada Summer Institute for Teachers will be held. Topics will include Canadian history, geography, government, Canada-U.S. relations, aspects of Canadian culture and Canada's role in the world.

Participants will receive 2 credits and a guide for teaching Canada. \$150.00 covers all registration fees, room and board. For more information call 206-650-3728 or FAX 650-3044.



OUTREACH FAVORITES

■ Canada and the World is periodical devoted to the discussion of contemporary themes and concerns in Canada and abroad. Written for secondary teachers, articles are short, concise and follow-up with suggested classroom activities. Published monthly during the school year, recent issues focused on the role and structure of government, immigration, trade and violence. A one year subscription costs \$25.00 US. For further information write, Canada and the World, Box 7004, Oakville, Ontario, L6J 6L5, Canada, or call 416-338-3394.

FULBRIGHT TEACHER EXCHANGE PROGRAM

■ The 1994-95 Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program is seeking applications for university and college faculty, secondary and elementary school educators and educational administrators interested in exchanges abroad. More than 34 countries are participating in 1994-95. Applications will be available in late spring and must be completed by October 15, 1993. For more information contact the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program, 600 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Room 142, Washington, D.C. 20024 or call 1-800-726-0479.

WANTED: STUDENT PAPERS!

■ The Center for Labor Studies at the University of Washington announces a competition open to undergraduate and graduate students. The Standing Committee of the Center for Labor Studies will review submissions and select the best undergraduate and graduate paper. A \$250.00 award will be made to each author whose paper was chosen as the best. Papers should focus on themes relating to work, workers, or the role of labor in society and politics. Submissions should be made to David Olson, Gowen 147, DO-30, by May 30, 1993. For further information call 206-543-7948.

ARMORIAL BEARINGS CAN YOU IDENTIFY THEM?

■ Answers for the winter 1993 newsletter beginning in the upper left corner and moving clockwise around the map of Canada: Ontario, Québec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Yukon, Northwest Territories, Newfoundland, Alberta, Prince Edward Island and Manitoba.

UNRESOLVED QUESTIONS ON CANADA?

■ The question put to us: "Who was the real M'okwina?"

Correctly spelled in native orthography, Mukwina, other spellings included Macina, Maquilla, and Maquinna. Mukwina was the hereditary family name of the leaders of the bands in the inlets around Nootka Sound. The most famous leader referred to as Mukwina, meaning "possessor of pebbles," led his people from the early times of European exploration. Through his intelligence and shrewd interaction with the Spanish and British Mukwina was able to amass great wealth and prestige among the native bands. He thought of himself as an equal with the European captains and graciously received them providing they acknowledged his status as the Nootka leader. On occasions when the Europeans behaved in manners inconsistent with the expectations of guests, Mukwina's behavior changed accordingly. Frustration, anger and violence did result. To be sure this was not one-sided. Many foreign explorers of the late 1780's and early 1790's did not share the same respect for the natives that previous visitors expressed.

For additional reading the following may be useful:

Flood Tide of Empire by Warren Cook.
Maquinna the Magnificent by Bruce McKelvie.

The Nootka Connection by Derek Petchick.
The Northwest Coast by Barry Gough.