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The Newsletter of the Canadian Studies Center

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Calendar: Seminars/Programs for Educators and the Public

On Campus

What Do You Know About Canada?

"Dear [Uncle] Sam,"
writes Pierre Berton

"As for culture -- we don't even speak the same language. You think of culture in terms of opera, ballet and classical music. To us it covers everything from Stompin' Tom Connors to Hockey Night in Canada. What is merely 'industry' to you is culture to us. Books, movies, radio, television -- all culture. Anne Murray is culture. Wayne and Schuster are culture. Maclean's magazine is culture. Farley Mowat is culture. The government subsidizes them all, in one way or another, because all are genuine Canadian artefacts, distinct and unique, something we have that nobody else has -- the ingredients of our national mucilage (p. 9)."

From Why We Act Like Canadians? by Pierre Berton, 1987.

To Learn about Canada
Call the Canadian Studies Center
and Enroll in One of Our Seminars
or Visit the Resource Library!

■ **Friday-Sunday, March 25-27, "NATURE Has No Borders...** A Conference on the Protection and Management of the Northern Cascades Ecosystem" will feature prominent academics, politicians, and scientists from Canada and the United States. They will address the vision and importance of the vast international wilderness area stretched between Vancouver, B.C., Seattle, WA and inland. The conference fee of \$175 U.S. or \$236 CDN includes attendance, meals and conference proceedings when completed. Registration forms will be mailed out in January. For information, call 206-543-6269.

■ **Winter-Spring 1994, Second Saturdays:** *Current Issues in the News* are coming your way. Enrollment forms will be mailed in January.

Saturday, February 12, "Assessing the Cultural and Environmental Impact of Tourism." Call Ms. Maureen Haley Terada 206-543-4800.

Saturday, March 12, "Arms Control: Who's In Control?" Call Dr. Charlotte Albright 206-543-4227.

Saturday, April 9, "Peacekeeping, Peacebuilding, Peacemaking: Changing Roles/Changing Times for the United Nations." Call Mr. Michael Bittner 206-543-6269.

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On Campus

Saturday, May 8, "Sacred Sites: Caught in the Crossfire. Call Ms. Maureen Jackson, 206-543-9606.

■ **Thursday, March 3, Opening exhibition, "Our Chiefs and Elders,"** showcases a collection of Mr. David Neel's photographs of the Kwakiutl. Located in the Burke Museum, the Canadian Consulate-General of Seattle will host a reception opening night. For information call 206-543-5590.

Off Campus

■ **Tuesday, January 25, 7:05 p.m.,** the Canadian Society of the Northwest will venture forth to the Arena at the Seattle Center for "Hockey Night 1994" as the Seattle Thunderbirds take on the Victoria Cougars. Tickets are limited and cost \$8.50 each for the best seats in the house. Make check payable to the Canadian Society of the Northwest and forward to Mr. Michael S. Bittner, C/O: Canadian Studies Center, University of Washington, DR-05, Seattle, WA 98195 or call 206-543-6269.

■ **Thursday, February 3,** Canadian author, Ms. Margaret Atwood, will read from her latest works as part of the Seattle Arts and Lecture Series. First United Methodist Church, Fifth Avenue and Marion, Seattle, 7:30 p.m. For ticket information call 621-2230.

■ **Friday-Monday, February 11-14,** Art Fair of Seattle will take place at The Westin Hotel, 1900 Fifth Avenue, Seattle. Nine Canadian galleries to include Equinox, the Inuit Gallery of Native Art and Canadian Art Galleries will exhibit works. For ticket information and times call 206-624-4829.

■ **Friday, March 4,** Women and Film of Seattle will feature director and guest of honor, Ms. Daniele Suissa, of Québec, for the screening of her most recent film. For location, time and cost call Ms. Deborah Daoust 206-443-1777.

Upcoming Workshops/Seminars for Educators and the Public

At the University of Washington

■ **May 1994,** representatives of the Northern Cree, Hydro Québec and the Québec government will visit the University to outline the issues and present their views on continued hydro-electric development in Québec as it relates to economic, environmental and social concerns. For location, date and time call 206-543-6269.

■ **Thursday-Saturday, June 23-25,** "Regional Cultures of Canada" will be the focus of the 1994 summer educator's seminar. Presentations will cover the history, lifestyles, literature, music and settlement patterns of racial and ethnic groups responsible for shaping the regions that they have made their home. Total cost is \$120 and includes registration fees, tuition for 2 credits or equivalent clock hours and curriculum materials. Registration forms will be mailed out in April. For more information, call 206-543-6269.

At Western Washington University

■ **Monday-Friday, June 27-July 1,** the 1994 annual "Study Canada Summer Institute for Teachers" will be held in Bellingham. Topics will include Canadian history, geography, government, Canada-U.S. relations, culture and Canada's role in the world. Total cost is \$185 and covers the registration fee, tuition for 2 credits, room, board, curriculum material and field trip. Interested! Call the Center for Canadian-American Studies at 206-650-3728.

National Resource Center Developments and Activities

HAPPY New Year from the Pacific Northwest National Resource Center on Canada at the University of Washington and Western Washington University.

At the University of Washington

Every autumn is equated with grant writing. Fall 1993 was no different, except the Center in conjunction with Western Washington University submitted a new competitive application to the U.S. Department of Education for 1994-97.

Expanding the scope of the Program, several faculty with research and teaching interests on Canada decided to affiliate themselves with the Canadian Studies Center:

- *Mr. Thomas J. Dowd, Affiliate Professor, School of Marine Affairs, has a distinguished national and international record of meritorious service to the global community, especially in Canada and the United States, on matters related to trade and transportation.*

- *Professor Marc Hershman, School of Law and Interim Director, School of Marine Affairs, teaches two Canadian content courses, advocates outreach and represents one of the visionaries behind the Odyssey Project to create Seattle's Contemporary Maritime Museum, where "Imagination Meets the Sea."*

- *Dr. Barbara Iliff, Lecturer, Art History, recently completed her Ph.D. at the University of Washington under the guidance of Dr. Robin Wright, Curator for the Burke Museum and Professor of Art History. Dr. Iliff currently teaches a Program elective course and one of the most popular classes on campus, "Northwest Coast Indian Art."*

- *Assistant Professor Anne Ilinitich, Business, is a recipient of a CIBER grant to study the competitive response of Canadian, U.S. and Scandinavian wood product exporters to changes in European standards. She is also involved in testing the Porter model of competitive, international advantage while holding industry constant and comparing Canada, U.S. and New Zealand forest product producers.*

- *Assistant Professor Katharyne Mitchell, Geography, received her Ph.D. in 1993 from the University of California - Berkeley. Her dissertation was titled, "Facing Capital: Cultural Politics in Vancouver." Research interests include immigration and settlement in Western Canada.*

- *Professor David Olson, Political Science, currently occupies the Harry Bridges Chair in Labor Studies, teaches "Politics of Labor" and conducts research in matters related to Canadian ports and organized labor. He is the author of "Comparative Analysis of West Coast Port Authorities" and a frequent lecturer off campus.*

During the quarter several other activities were undertaken. Center faculty and staff attended the Association of Canadian Studies in the United States biennial conference in New Orleans. Preparation for winter and spring conferences and seminars was ongoing. The programs are highlighted on page one of the newsletter. Two, mini-Canadian video series were held at the University for elementary children and their parents. A draft of the Center's resource lending list was assembled for use by k-12 teachers, community college instructors, faculty and students. Furthermore, the Center has drafted a proposal in support of distance education related to course offerings and outreach.

At Western Washington University

In the aftermath of Western's conference, "Building Bridges to Sustainable Communities," an executive summary was released. The summary emphasized the need and rationale for conferences of this type, reiterated the goals and objectives, described the conference format and highlighted the perceived outcomes. A party to the National Resource Center, Western wrote their portion of the 1994-97 Title VI proposal. Several of their faculty attended the ACSUS conference in New Orleans and presented papers. Among those were Dr. Debra K. Salazar and Dr. Donald Alper, who presented "Environmental Politics and Forest Policy in British Columbia;" Dr. Maurice Foisy, who presented "NAFTA and Continental Democracy;" Dr. Robert Monahan, who presented "Canadian Studies Developments in Pacific Northwest Washington;" and Ms. Lynne Masland, who presented "From Abjection to Transformation: The Mother Figure in Works by Hébert, Blais, Roy and Boucher."

Faculty and Staff Activities

At the University of Washington

■ Assistant Professor Sharon Louise Hargus, Linguistics, is the principal investigator for research on "Babine-Witsu Wit'en Verbal Morphology." Supported by a grant from the National Science Foundation, the research and funding are scheduled for a three year period ending in 1995. As a team, Dr. Hargus and Ms. Kris Gunlogson plan to prepare a detailed description of the productive patterns of verbal morphology with the syntax and the phonology; improve the lexical documentation of this language via augmentation and refinement of existing computerized dictionary files and make the results of this research available in a form that will be useful to language teachers and community leaders.

■ Professor Douglas Jackson, Geography and International Studies, made television appearances on KIRO, KING and KOMO TV stations in the aftermath of the Canadian federal election. He also spoke on Canada at a Rotary luncheon in Lynnwood and at Shoreline Community College and Western Washington University.

■ Associate Professor Richard Kielbowicz, Communications, completed the required paperwork for his new course, "Mass Media in Canada," which will become a permanent class in the School of Communications curriculum. It will be cross-listed with Canadian Studies and represents a 100% Canadian content course.

■ Assistant Professor Robin K. Wright, Art History, and Curator, Burke Museum, edited A Time of Gathering: Native Heritage in Washington State. The book is described by the University of Washington Press as "... the first comprehensive ethnography and history of the diverse cultures of Washington State." "Beautifully illustrated," asserts Choice. "A wonderful work of art and culture.... An eyedazzler," proclaims Montana: The Magazine of Western History.

French Language Study in Québec

■ June 29-August 13, CIC Summer Study Program at the University of Laval offers students an immersive experience in French. Home-stay and residence hall housing are available. Deadline is March 1 for former and April 1 for latter. The basic cost for the program, is \$1985 U.S. and includes tuition, an estimate for full room and board, on-site orientation, selected activities, administrative fees and limited transportation. For program and scholarship application forms write Mr. Roger Kurtz, CIC Summer Study Program in Québec, Office of International Education and Services, University of Iowa, 120 International Center, Iowa City, IA 52242-1802 or call 319-335-0335.

NCTC Teacher Award for 1993-94

The National Consortium for Teaching Canada is pleased to announce that Ms. Arlene Vosti of Madrona Elementary School in Seattle is the Pacific Northwest's recipient of the 1993-94 award for outstanding contributions and dedication to raising the level of understanding of Canada. Ms. Vosti is graduate of the University of British Columbia and a veteran teacher with twelve years experience. Her energy and effort have touched many students and made a lasting impact on the Accelerated Pupil Progress Program by establishing the study of Canada as a permanent part of the grade 3 curriculum. Ms. Vosti will receive a certificate, a personal copy of Let's Celebrate: Canada's Special Days and a check for \$100.00 to purchase curriculum materials or library books related to Canada. Congratulations Ms. Vosti!

Winter Courses 1994

- AAS 372: Internment Camps in North America: United States and Canada. Professor Tetsuden Kashima, T,R 10:30-12:30 and F 10:30-11:20, 5 credits.
- AIS 340: American Indian Children and Families. Dr. Marilyn Bentz, M,T,W 10:30-12:00, 5 credits.
- ANTH 310: Native North American Societies. Professor Eric Smith, Daily 10:30-11:20, 5 credits.
- ARTH 435: Themes and Issues in Native American Art: Native American Women Artists. Professor Robin Wright, T,R 12:30-1:50, 3 credits.
- CMU 498A: Mass Media in Canada. Professor Richard Kielbowicz, M,W,F 12:30-1:20, 3 credits.

- ENVS 481: Environmental Law. Mr. Richard Du Bey, M,W 3:30-5:20, 5 credits.
- HSTAA 412: History of the North American West. Professor John Findlay, Daily 1:30-2:20, 5 credits.
- LAW B584: Indian Law Seminar. Professor Ralph Johnson, W 3:30-5:20, 3 credits.
- LING 480: Native Languages and Language Families of Washington State. Professor Sharon Louise Hargus, W 2:30-4:50, 3 credits.
- SISCA 499: Undergraduate Research. Professor Douglas Jackson, TBA, 3-5 credits.
- SMA 509/LAW B566: Law and Principles of Coastal Zone Management. Professor Marc Hershman, M,W,F 11:30-12:20, 3 credits.
- URBDP 571: Analytical Methods in Urban Design. Professor Anne Vernez-Moudon, T,R 9:00-10:20 a.m., 3 credits.
- WOMEN 383: Social History of North American Women. Professor Shirley Yee, Daily 12:30-1:20, 5 credits.

Outreach Favorites

Children of the Canadian Mosaic: A Brief History to 1950 is short, tightly written and well documented. With crisp visual images that captivate and stir the emotions of audiences from ages k-adult Children helps to focus attention on the experiences and views of children and adolescents. From the centrality of youth, Children offers a comprehensive look at the vast diversity of Canadian society from the Aborigines to the Blacks to the Japanese to the Doukhobors. Children is written by Ms. Mary Ashworth and published by The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (ISBN 0-7744-0391-8).