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This is the sixth volume of History at Lehigh, the official newsletter of the Department of History at Lehigh University. History at Lehigh is published twice per year in an effort to maintain contact and share information with students, alumni, and faculty. Please let us know if you have information or updates you would like to see appear in future issues of History at Lehigh.

NEW(S) AND NOTEWORTHY

History graduate students Amey Scnape and Andrea Freimuth commemorated the end of production at Bethlehem Steel with a multi-media production entitled "The Last Cast: A Community Reflects as It Forges Its Future," held at the Zoellner Arts Center on November 19, 2005. Retired steelworkers and other community members performed monologues about life at "the Steel" and local singer/songwriter and Lehigh professor Roland Kushner entertained the audience with a number of original compositions about steelworkers' experiences. The event received accolades in the local press and from the many ex-Steel employees who attended, and was nominated for a National Council of Public History Student Project award.

Michelle LeMaster will be joining the History department this fall as an Associate Professor. Formerly of Eastern Illinois University, Dr. LeMaster's areas of concentration include Native American history, Colonial British American history, and the American Revolution. She was the recipient of a Fulbright award in 1992, and obtained her M.A. and doctorate from the Johns Hopkins University after attending Western Washington University as an undergraduate.

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GRADUATE STUDENT NOTES

Joe Eldred published an article entitled "Indian Raids Against Colonists" in ABC-CLIO’s "United States at War" database.

Mark Nicholas was appointed book review co-editor of H-AmIndian, co-organized a symposium at UC Riverside for a volume of essays to be submitted to UNC Press, and had an article accepted by the American Indian Culture and Research Journal.

Nathan Friend presented a paper entitled "Walter Rauschenbusch’s Victorian Family: A New Christian Utopia" at a brown-bag luncheon this April.

Amey Senape won the Alumni Association Graduate Merit Award and the Vice Provost Award for Service, two prestigious honors for service to community and campus, for her work on the Last Cast commemoration (see p.1). Save Our Steel, and related historic preservation efforts.

Adam Bentz is currently working with Professor John Smith on a research project about Pennsylvania’s numerous industries for inclusion on ExplorePAHistory.com.

Michael Gunther presented papers at the Barnes Club Annual Meeting at Temple University and at the New England Historical Association. He has also received fellowships for continuing dissertation research from the David Library of the American Revolution and the Huntington Library in California.

Tim Hayburn presented papers at the 11th Annual "History in the Making" conference at Concordia University in Montreal and at the annual Barnes Club Conference at Temple University this April.

Courtney Smith presented portions of her dissertation at the Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Convention in Philadelphia this January, is working with the Philadelphia Sports Hall of Fame, and will assist the city’s National Constitution Center with its upcoming exhibit "Breaking Records, Breaking Barriers."

Holly Kent and Christianne Gadd both presented papers at the annual joint conference of the Popular Culture Association and the American Cultural Association in Atlanta, Georgia this April.

Chris Dougherty has had a chapter on twentieth-century science and technology in Pennsylvania published on ExplorePAHistory.com, a website funded in part by the U.S. Department of Education, the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT NOTES

Brian Regan was honored for his extensive community service with the Vice Provost Award for Service.

The following History majors and minors were inducted into the Alpha Alpha chapter of Phi Alpha Theta this year:

Lauren Volpe  Justin Shady  Liam Wall
Sarah Brennan  John Clark  Eddy Silverman
FACULTY NOTES

Michael Baylor published an article in early 2006 entitled "Karlstadt's politische Haltung im Aufbruch der Reformation," which can be found in *Mennonisches Geschichtsblätter* 62 (2005), 9-20. This article, based on a paper delivered at a 2004 conference in Toronto, examined the politics of Andreas Bodenstein von Karlstadt, a colleague and later an opponent of Martin Luther at the University of Wittenberg during the early years of the Reformation and focused on Karlstadt's role in the Peasants' War. *Mennonisches Geschichtsblätter* is the leading German-language journal for the history of the Radical Reformation. He also published a review of the new book by Wolfgang Behringer, *Witches and Witch-Hunts: A Global History in Archive for Reformation History in Literature Review* 34 (2005), 8-10.

John Savage will be giving a paper at the Economic and Business History Conference in Pittsburgh and traveling to Dakar, Senegal, to give a paper at the annual conference of the French Colonial History Society, hosted by the Université Cheikh Anta Diop. Conference participants will visit Goreé Island, the famous slave trading port, and the former capital of Saint Louis. This will be Dr. Savage's first visit to Africa! In the coming months, he will also have articles presenting research on French slave society of Martinique published in *French Historical Studies* and *The Journal of Social History*.

Stephen Cutcliffe attended the annual meeting of the American Association for Environmental History in St. Paul, Minnesota in March. He was recently appointed Editor for the Technology and Environment Series published by the University of Akron Press, and is co-chairing the planning committee for the fiftieth anniversary meeting of the Society for the History of Technology, to be held in 2007. Additionally, Dr. Cutcliffe has been serving as the College of Arts and Sciences' Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies for the past two years, and will finish his tenure this summer.

ALUMNI NOTES

David Orinski (MA '05) is currently employed by the History Factory in Virginia. He is hard at work on research projects for the Robert Bosch Corporation and the Fireman's Fund Insurance Company, and recently curated an exhibit on the evolution of the locomotive for the Norfolk Southern Corporation.

Roger Fortin (Ph.D. '69) is serving as the Provost at Xavier University in Cincinatti, OH.

Gregory Dehler (Ph.D. '02) published *Chester Alan Arthur: The Life of a Gilded Age Politician and President* as part of the "First Men: America's Presidents" series released by Nova Publishers.

Paul Gillespie (Ph.D. '02) announces that his book, *Weapons of Choice: The Development of Precision Guided Munitions*, will be published by the University of Alabama Press. He is the Associate Professor and Director of Military History at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, and has made several appearances as a consultant on the History Channel's "Military Marvels" series.

Rob Reynolds (Ph.D. '03) is currently serving as the Freyburger Professor of Pennsylvania German Culture at Kutztown University and is the Executive Director of the University's Pennsylvania German Heritage Center. He recently published an essay in "New Jersey's Environments: Past, Present, and Future" (Rutgers University Press) in addition to authoring a commemorative volume entitled *Beaver Lake Centennial, 1905-2005*. 
PASSING THOUGHTS
I asked a man in prison once how he happened to be there and he said he had stolen a pair of shoes. I told him if he had stolen a railroad he would be a United States Senator.
—"Mother" Mary Jones

HISTORIAN, KNOW THYSELF: 2006 Edition
Match the following events with the years in which they occurred:
ANSWERS ON PAGE 2

1) He's grrrreat: William Kellog invents cornflakes
   A: 1786
2) Rock around the clock: Billboard magazine publishes its first "hit parade"
   B: 1956
3) Go for broke: John Law founds Banque General in France
   C: 1666
4) Stick it to the man! George de Metral perfects Velcro
   D: 1716
5) Isaac Newton develops calculus, much to the chagrin of high school students to come
   E: 1486
6) Ach, laddie! Robert Burns publishes Poems Chiefly in the Scottish Dialect
   F: 1936
7) Patent pending: The first known copyright is granted in Venice
   G: 1906