

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY MARYLAND

HISTORY DEPARTMENT NEWSLETTER

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The New History (Historians, anyway)

After much effort, many illuminating presentations, intrusion into one another's courses, and too many restaurant visits, the Loyola history department is delighted to introduce two new faculty colleagues: Dr. Chad Diehl as assistant professor of East Asian history and Dr. David Carey as Doehler Chair and professor of Latin American history.

Professor Diehl holds a Ph.D. from Columbia University and specializes in the history of Japan. His current book project examines the aftermath of the atomic bombing of Nagasaki and the controversies surrounding preservation and rebuilding in that ruined city. A second project, tentatively titled "Vernaculars of the Skin," will explore the place of tattooing in Japan's Asian empire. Chad joins us from Emmanuel College in Boston, where he is assistant professor of history. In Fall 2014, Professor Diehl will teach HS 105—the Making of the Modern World: East Asia and HS 377—History of Modern China.

Talking Points

Cardin Lecture; Jonathan Sarna, April 1, 7:00 pm, McGuire Hall: *"General Grant and the Jews: The Election of 1868 and the Origins of Jewish Politics in the United States."*

Keith Schoppa's Doehler Chair Lecture, April 7, 5:00 pm, KH 003: *"Friendship, Murder, & Revenge in Rev. China."*

John Hosler's Medieval Lecture, April 22, 5:30pm, room TBA; *"Thomas Becket and John of Salisbury: Men of God, Men of War"*

Fun fact: Chad was raised near Yellowstone National Park in the small community of Gardiner, Montana. He also plays bass and sings in a band made up of Boston area academics and professionals.

Professor Carey, the second occupant of the Doehler Chair, is a distinguished historian of the society, culture, and gender dynamics of the Maya people of Central America. His Ph.D. is from Tulane University. David's books include *Our Elders Teach Us: Maya-Kaqchikel Historical Perspectives* (2001), *Engendering Mayan History: Mayan Women as Agents and conduits of the Past, 1875-1970* (2006), and *I Ask for Justice: Maya Women, Dictators, and Crime in Guatemala, 1898-1944* (2013). He is also the author of numerous articles in such journals as *Hispanic American Historical Review*, *Ethnohistory*, *Agricultural History*, and *Journal of Family History*.

David comes to us from the University of Southern Maine, where he is professor of history and Associate Dean. In Fall 2014, Professor Carey will teach HS 385—the History of Mexico.

Fun fact: David played varsity lacrosse at the University of Notre Dame.

Auld Lang Syne

Although change is exciting, it also moves in two directions. At the end of this semester, we will mark the retirement of Keith Schoppa, Doehler Chair and Professor of East Asian history and Joanne Dabney, Academic Administrative Assistant for history and classics, two people who have become Loyola institutions over their many years of service. Keith inaugurated the Doehler Chair and helped

Summer in the City

This summer there will be three courses available through the History Department. During the first session, Prof. Scalenghe will offer HS101 "Making of the Modern World: Europe" and Prof. Walsh will offer HS322 "Gladiators and Roman Spectacles." During the second session, Prof. Somebody will offer HS341, "U.S. since the Civil War."

to make it a truly distinguished position. After sixteen years of energetic publishing, passionate and challenging teaching, and wise counsel, Keith is formally retiring. He will still teach an occasional course and continue his scholarly career, but we all acknowledge the significance of this milestone. We wish him lavish opportunities for travel, uninterrupted research, and continual engagement in scholarly enterprise. Joanne has manned the command center in the history department for twenty-eight years, longer than the Loyola careers of most of those who depend on her to get through the day. She is not only an expert on how to get things done at Loyola, but has been a confidante, adviser, and companion to her faculty colleagues, as well as the only authority figure who mattered to a long line of work study students. Ignore the morning alarm, Jo, and enjoy the sweet taste of freedom.

Changing Trains

Between now and the Fall semester, there will be some notable comings and goings among the history faculty. Returning from sabbatical leaves will be Katherine Brennan and Matt Mulcahy. Going on sabbatical will be current department chair Steve Hughes. Professor Brennan has spent the spring semester in Paris, while Professor Mulcahy, after a first semester trip to Edinburgh and London, has been closer to home in Roland Park, but he wishes he were farther away. Job searches and policy discussions have brought both of our absent colleagues into closer consultation with the rest of us than is usually the case, for which we offer both thanks and apologies.

After a busy year as chair, Professor Hughes will head to Rome where he will be a Visiting Scholar at the American Academy in Rome and work on a book analyzing honor killings in Italy (there is always a nasty bit involved when historians go abroad). As Steve departs, Professor Elizabeth Schmidt will step in as chair of the history department for 2014-2015. While being chair doesn't offer the opportunity to go away for research or rest, it does present the interesting experience of going out of one's mind. The rest of us thank Professor Schmidt for taking up this significant responsibility. Although she didn't have to leave town, Betsy also organized a roundtable, "The Academy and the Community: Student and Faculty Engagement with African Refugees" for the November meeting in Baltimore of the African Studies Association, a meeting attended by several Loyola history majors. Other department members have traveled far and wide in their academic pursuits. Professor Angela Leonard traveled to Ghana to present a paper at an international conference: "Revisiting the First International Congress of Africanists in a

*SEE THE SNAKE, SIGN THE
PLEDGE, JOIN PHI ALPHA
THETA*

Phi Alpha Theta, the national history honor society, will be holding its annual induction ceremony in April (featuring the cold-blooded creature mentioned in the headline).

That in itself is a sight to behold, but membership in Phi Alpha Theta at Loyola also puts you in contact with like-minded history students and affirms your strong performance in history courses.

*Membership in PAT is not restricted to history majors or minors. Requirements for membership include completion of 12 credits of history (four courses), a 3.1 history GPA and overall 3.0 GPA. Please obtain a transcript from Records and submit it to Professor Edwards (HU 308) along with your cell number. Professor **Jane Edwards** is accepting new applicants through March 31st. Then you feel the spirit of history and eat Indian food.*

Globalized World" at the Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana; and Fr. Charles Borges journeyed to India to present a paper at a conference commemorating the 200th anniversary of the Restoration of the Society of Jesus. And just this last week, Professor Sara Scalenghe gave a paper at a conference entitled "Disabilities, Revolution, and the Politics of Hope" held in Cairo, Egypt.

Printer's Row

Loyola history faculty members are about to reap an inky harvest of scholarly works. Professor Sara Scalenghe's book, *Disability in the Ottoman Arab World, 1500-1800* will soon be published by Cambridge University Press. Matt Mulcahy's *Hubs of Empire: The Southeastern Lowcountry and the British Caribbean* is due out from Johns Hopkins University Press. Professor Thomas Pegram will publish two articles this April: "Brewing Trouble: Federal, State, and Private Authority in Pennsylvania Prohibition Enforcement under Gifford Pinchot, 1923-1927," *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography* and "Reconstruction during the Grant Years: The Conundrum of Policy," (someone else's idea) in Edward O. Frantz, ed., *A Companion to the Reconstruction Presidents, 1865-81* (John Wiley & Sons, 2014). Steve Hughes actually has an article in print, "Dueling after Il Duce: Post-war Conflicts of Honor in Italy," *Journal of Modern Italian Studies* (December 2013). In a rare example of positive reinforcement from Chris Christie's office, Professor Robert Chiles received a grant from the New Jersey Historical Commission to pursue research and assist with publication negotiations. Not to be outdone, Professor Kelly DeVries

excelled in the article production department with “Owain Glyndŵr’s Way of War,” in: *Owain Glyndŵr: A Case Book*, University of Exeter Press, 2013; “French and English Literary Acceptance of Early Gunpowder Weapons,” *Journal of Medieval Military History* 11 (2013); and last but not least “The English in the Southern Low Countries during the Fourteenth Century: the Medieval ‘Belgian’ Perspective.” In: *The Hundred Years War (Part III)*, Brill, 2013. Dr. DeVries also just finished an interview with NPR on the depiction of the Middle Ages in the *Game of Thrones*. Some of you may have heard of it.

One may be the Loneliest Number, but 100 will soon be Popular

Beginning in Fall 2014, History 101 will be joined by an assortment of options for the introductory component of the history core, The Making of the Modern World. In addition to MMW 101—Europe since 1500, incoming freshmen will also choose from HS 102—America through Reconstruction, HS 103—U.S. since the Civil War, HS 104—South Asia, HS 105—East Asia, HS 106—Africa, HS 107 Middle East, and HS 108—Latin America. That will allow incoming students who want to focus on Africa, the Middle East, East Asia, and so on to take an introductory survey course exploring global historical themes in their field of interest. Current Loyola students still adhere to the requirements of the 2013-2014 catalogue, meaning that HS 101 is still the first core course, to be followed by a 300-level course. History majors will be able to take **two** of these 100-level courses (not counting 101) as major courses (essentially replacing current 300-level versions of those courses), but only starting in the spring. Beginning in the spring semester of 2015, majors and second-core students may take 100-level surveys as substitutes for the current catalogue 300-level versions of those courses (magic from the Records Office and one extra paper will make this possible). We will all experience hiccups and moments of confusion as the 100-level courses are introduced, but we will work hard to make everything clear and functional for you.

Save the Date!

The annual History

Department Student

Reception will be Monday,

April 28 at 5:30 in the Hug

Lounge

Look for more details in

the next few weeks.