Double Header

Elliott, Cannon
Start Program

The 1995-96 HISTORY Associates season begins with two events this month.

On Tuesday, Oct. 17, Asst. Prof. Mark Elliott will talk on "China in Transition" in the University Club, 1332 State St.


Both talks will begin at 5:15 p.m.

Prof. Elliott's talk, which will include observations on a trip to China from which he has just returned, is being co-sponsored by the Associates, the UCSB General Affiliates and UCSB Public Affairs. Admission will be free to members of the Associates. No reservations are necessary.

Columnist Cannon, who served as a Distinguished Visiting Lecturer at UCSB last Spring, will try to predict whether the reforms being undertaken by the Gingrich-led Republican Congress constitute a watershed in American history or are merely a short-term reaction that will soon die out.

Admission to the Cannon lecture will be $6.50 for members and $8 for non-members, a price that includes refreshments. For reservations, call (805) 893-4388.

Van Gelderen Make It a 'Double Dare'

DON AND JOBE TH Van Gelderen have agreed to continue their tradition of matching HISTORY Associates fund-raising efforts this year, but they have added a new twist this year.

"In the past, we have let the Associates use any donations as matching funds," JoBeth said while announcing that the couple would match the first $6,000 in donations again.

"But this time we are only going to match money that is donated for funds that do not have an endowment to draw on."

In effect, this means that only contributions to the Associates Fellowships and the Dick Cook Prize will be matched.

"We always intended this money to be used as a way of encouraging dona-

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The Torch Passes!

PROF. SARAH CLINE became the 11th person to head the History Department since it was formed in 1989 on July 1, replacing Sears McGee, who retired after five years at the helm.

The first female chair of History, Prof. Cline was recommended by vote of the faculty in Spring quarter and formally invited to become chair by Humanities Dean Paul Hernadi of the College of Letters and Science.

"The department changed completely while Sears was chair," Prof. Cline said. "He was responsible for hiring almost half of our present faculty, while also dealing with the disruptions caused by three successive early retirement programs.

"We all owe him an enormous debt."

While preparing to resume his duties as a professor of early modern British History, Prof. McGee learned that he
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The Answer: $63,000!  
What's the Question?

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tions for graduate student support," JoBeth explained. "This is the best way to do that."

Accepting the new conditions, Associates President Cathy Rudolph thanked the Van Gelderens for their continuing generosity.

"This will make it interesting," she said. "But I'm sure our members will rise to the challenge."

The Van Gelderens began contributing a year after the Associates launched their Fellowship program in 1990 by agreeing to fund one fellowship a year for a female graduate student who had returned to studies after working outside of academia.

Now known as the Van Gelderen Fellowship, the award has been given every year.

A year later, the Van Gelderens decided to make their gift in matching funds, and steadily increased the amount each year, until it reached the present $6,000 last year.

New Chair
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had been made a member of England's Royal Historical Society.

Comparing that honor to chairing the department, McGee said, "Both are equally gratifying, but this one has far less paperwork."

Prof. Cline came to UCSB from Harvard in 1986. A professor of colonial Mexican history, she is the author of studies of the legal process by which native peoples and culture adapted to Spanish rule.

PAT Plans Films, Talks

By Radha Patel

The Gamma-Iota chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, the national history honorary, will hold its first meeting of the quarter on Thursday, Oct. 12th, at 4 p.m. in Ellison 4824.

The chapter is headed this year by Pres. John Renehan and Vice Pres. Ronit Gechter. Prof. Mark Elliott is the new faculty advisor.

A number of activities already have been planned for the current year, Renehan said.

In order to mitigate the sometimes grueling and painful application experience, PAT’s peer advisor think tank is preparing a workshop for students who plan to apply to graduate school.

In collaboration with Dr. Harold Marcuse and other faculty advisors, the peer advisors plan on being available for 10-12 hours every week.

Pres. Renehan said the chapter is pleased about the recognition it has received

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From the Chair

On A Personal Note

The History Department at UCSB has been my home for more than ten years now. This department is much more to me than merely the place I happen to work. I have deep friendships and loyalties to many of my colleagues, a strong commitment to the excellence of our department at this major public university, and a desire to see our department renew itself after the multiple changes of the past few years.

All of us at UCSB are delighted that our institution was elected to the American Association of Universities and that our department was rated as "strong" by the National Research Council based on data collected in 1992.

Since then, many senior members with international reputations have retired, and our program now has many more people at earlier stages of their careers. Unlike the stereotypical physicist who does his best work before age 35, outstanding historians get even better with age.

I believe we have hired many outstanding younger scholars who will rise in prominence in the profession in the next decade. Indeed, our hires have been so good that the Ivy League has raided us on several occasions!

We have excellent human resources within the department to rebuild our program. And we have what few departments on campus have—a group of angels supporting us, the History Associates.

At a recent retreat for department chairs held by the Provost of the College of Letters and Science, the chair of another department paid us and the History Associates a completely unsolicited compliment.

"The History Department and the History Associates is the success story of University support groups," he said.

In my term as chair, I hope to serve this department well.

Sarah Cline
Chair

DEPARTMENT NOTES

Grad, Faculty Honors

Ronald Morgan (Cline) gained an adjunct position at Pepperdine University to teach an Upper division survey of Latin American history. Ron will present a paper at the 1996 AHA in Atlanta, "Religious Biography as Social Critique: The Case of Sebastian de Aparicio (1502-1600)"; and will have five articles published in the Encyclopedia of Mexico.

N.C. Luebben (McGee) received an Interdisciplinary Humanities Center Dissertation Fellowship for Fall quarter to further her research in Ireland and Scotland. She has also been invited to present a paper in religious toleration in 17th century Ireland to the Church of Ireland History Society.

Two UCSB grads are teaching together at Point Loma University in San Diego this year. Rick Kennedy (PhD '87, Kirker), who has been teaching at Indiana University, joins Barry Ryan (PhD '87 Friesen), who joined the Point Loma faculty last year.

Beverly Bastian (Graham) and Asst. Prof. Ann Plane were chosen to participate in the Law and Society Association's Summer Institute on "Crossing Boundaries: Traditions and Transformations in Law and Society Research" last summer.

Miriam Davis (PhD '94, Hollister) has a tenure-track position at Delta State U. in Cleveland, Miss.

Peter Neushul (PhD '93, Badash) has gained an adjunct position at Pepperdine University.

Asst. Prof. Hyung Il Pai received an $8,000 grant from Instructional Improvement to incorporate slides, maps, texts, and video onto CD-ROM to teach about Korea. The project is jointly sponsored by the Berkeley Center for Korean Studies which gave $10,000 last year for computer equipment.

Prof. Tsuyoshi Hasegawa was awarded a National Council for Soviet and East European Research grant for 1995-6, as well as a United States Institute of Peace Grant, and an IGCC grant for research on the Soviet Union.

Lindsey Reed, Darcy Ritzau, Gunilla Rohdin-Bibby, Jan Stone, and Christian Villanor earned Staff Excellence Awards in Spring Quarter.

Phi Alpha Theta

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In addition, the chapter plans to host a series of films and discussions to complement the Western Civilization and American History survey courses, History 4 and 17, respectively.

The chapter also plans to hold a faculty-student discussion on the recently published guidelines for teaching American history, Renehan said.

Although Phi Alpha Theta membership is limited to History majors, all students are welcome to attend these events.

Sarah Cline
Chair
New Faces for a New Year

A big welcome to all new and returning History Associates members and an equally big welcome to new Associates Board members Kathleen Brewster, Jean Goodrich, Virginia Hartman, Luke Roberis, Curtis Solberg and Sarah Cline.

Mrs. Brewster, Mrs. Goodrich and Mrs. Hartman are well-known community activists and long-time supporters of the Associates.

Dr. Roberts is assistant professor of Japanese History at UCSB and the new co-editor, with Hal Drake, of Historia.

Dr. Solberg is our representative from the Santa Barbara City College History department, and Dr. Cline is, of course, the new Chair of the History Department and the Chancellor’s Designee to the Board.

Joining me as officers are Jo Beth Van Gelderen as Vice-President, Karen Anderson as Secretary and Mary Louise Days as Treasurer.

For the benefit of new members—and as a reminder to returning members—I would like to restate the purpose for which this organization was formed in 1987.

The by-laws state: “The UCSB History Associates is formed to promote the advancement of the interests of the University of California, Santa Barbara and the UCSB History Department.”

We do that by raising scholarship funds for worthy graduate and undergraduate students in the department.

We also try to provide stimulating programs for our members in the local area throughout the year and to keep members near and far informed of happenings within the UCSB History Department and among graduates of the department, wherever they may be, through this newsletter.

Lest we forget, though, while we are enjoying the programs and perusing Historia, helping students is what we’re really all about.

The need has never been greater; let’s all pitch in and make this the best scholarship fund-raising year yet!

Cathy Rudolph
President

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Cathy Rudolph is Director of Research for the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation

UCSB Historians Speak At British Conference

BY MICHAEL OSBORNE

IN JULY, JACK TALBOTT and I joined with Peter Neushul (Ph.D 1993, Badash) to form a triumvirate of UCSB historians at a conference in London on the topic of “Medicine and the Emergence of Modern Warfare.”

The conference was a centerpiece of the silver jubilee celebrations of the Society for the Social History of Medicine (SSHIM).

In the two and one-half decades of its existence, the SSHM has sponsored a number of activities which have effectively shifted the history of medicine away from an activity conducted largely by physicians who generally wrote about the great male doctors to a more inclusive history of health and healing which investigates such issues as the patient’s perspective, women healers, and medical institutions.

Jack Talbott has taught classes on society and war for a number of years at UCSB, and in London he read a paper from his current work on the soldier’s perspective of the fearsomeness of war.

Entitled “War Stories: Memory, Re-enactment and Combat Trauma,” the paper exemplified the new social history of medicine by putting the patient at the center of the narrative.

The paper was well-received and sparked a particularly spirited exchange between Talbott and British scholars of mental medicine.

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Photo by Paul Osborn

Prof. Michael Osborne

Peter Neushul, who is now working at the California Institute of Technology, read a paper which examined the American military’s contribution to the production of penicillin during World War II.

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DEPARTMENT EMAIL was burning following an ignominious grad student defeat of the faculty at the department picnic and softball game last spring. The following speak for themselves:

FROM OTIS GRAHAM: “Instead of drinking a cool one and then playing the game, we immediately ATE!! We ate a LOT!! Perhaps this works for the young. This eliminated me. I would, of course, have hit the home run that made the faculty team, again, the winner. But we cannot continue to prevail if we confuse the order of eating, drinking, and violent athletics.”

FROM FRED LOGEVALL: I think the ‘full stomach theory’ explains a great deal of what happened out there yesterday. We were the better team, I think all would agree, and yet we lost by, er, 23 runs. We had but one dinger, off the powerful bat of ‘Smokin’ Josh’ Fogel (it was a glorious moment). We needed Otis to cork one over the trees in left field—a Graham grand slam.

“Of course, it’s not whether you win or lose, but how you look doing it. And we did look good with Mark ‘Rileman’ Elliott roaming the outfield, and with Ann ‘The Vacuum’ Plane at shortstop—stilish, cool, graceful—as we went down in flames.”

FROM LARRY BADASH: “I think next time Hal Drake should be the pinata.”

FROM HAL DRAKE: “I thought I was the pinata this time. So why was Elliot Brownlee hitting me with a stick?”

FROM ANN PLANE (whose daughter Sarah got hit by a wild ball): “I thought Sarah was the pinata!”

FROM ANITA GUERRINI: “Obviously, the reason the faculty lost (apart from Otis’ implication that the faculty were insufficiently fortified) was that several crucial members were missing, including Mike ‘Cannonball’ Osborne, Toshi ‘the Hammer’ Hasegawa, and Luke ‘Skywalker’ Roberts (not to mention Lisa ‘the Krusher’ Kallet-Mark). Next year will be better.”

FROM LAURA KALMAN: “Anita neglected to mention that Laura ‘The Lawyer’ Kalman was also absent. I would have had Sarah screaming ‘whiplash’ even faster than Ann got her to the emergency room!”

FROM MARY FURNER: “Enough of these lame (no pun intended!) excuses. It’s plain that the missing old-folks’ threat was Mary ‘The One-eyed Slammer.’ I still run my own bases, too. And eating beans only speeds my flight.”
Tell Us About the Mango Pickle, Jack

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War II, the paper argued that the U. S. army was a agency in penicillin production because it provided a venue for clinical trials and because it was poised to mobilize funds and make crucial decisions on shifting the modes of penicillin from chemical synthesis, the path most favored by the American pharmaceutical industry, to a method of growing it in large vats of liquid media.

My paper, entitled "Education and the Subcultures of French Military Medicine," examined naval medical education in France. The talk was drawn from records of student life at naval medical schools in Bordeaux, Brest, and Rochefort. A key question was why the French waited so long to reform naval medical education. I could only answer, "Because they are French!"

The conference was memorable for a number of reasons, not all of them intellectual. The three of us came away with a special appreciation for Indian food. After taking what can only be described as an heroic bite of Mango Pickle and quickly downing a glass of ale, Jack was heard to gasp, "I drink beer fast!"

The conference concluded with a banquet at University College.

One of the odd traditions of the college is that every time the faculty meets, it is required to wheel out the bones of Sir Richard Owen, the nineteenth-century comparative anatomist who claimed to have discovered evolution prior to Charles Darwin and left his fortune to the college.

Owen, who is rumored to have adored Mango Pickle and detested ale, has not missed a faculty meeting since his demise.

Michael Osborne is associate professor of the history of science and dean of the Letters and Science honors program.

New Profs
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Carol seems already a fixture of the department. Everytime I went to her office to get an interview she was talking with a different graduate student.

We talked between one such meeting and an appointment with the DMV to register her car as totally Californian.

Carol's dream course? Getting a bunch of students to research various topics working from one set of judiciary documents.

Her dissertation research (University of Michigan) on nobility in the 13th century was published as Florentine Magnates in 1991.

Carol is currently finishing a second book on the Cathar Heresy in 13th century Orvieto. New projects include a study of mourning and gender in Bologna, and a study of prostitution based on 13th century court records.

The third historian is Alice O'Connor, whose field is History of U. S. Public Policy. Dr. O'Connor received her PhD from Johns Hopkins University. She is on leave this year and will arrive in the autumn of 1996.

Blooper of the Month
HISTORY TA NANCY STOCKDALE wins free admission to the next History Associates luncheon for the following student bloop from a History 4C exam last summer:

"In Italy, Manzini (sic) inspired the peoples of Italy who were under Austrian control to fight for their nation. He said that the people had to defecate themselves for the nation."

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