

# Winners' Smiles!



*Nelson Richards: Buchanan Award*



*Erik Esselstrom: History TA Award*



*Mary Lampe: Van Gelderen Fellow*



*Anil Mukerjee: Best graduate paper*



*Jason Kelly: Mayberry Award*

## History Associates' Prizes, Fellowships Come to \$39,000

THE UCSB HISTORY Associates gave away more than \$39,000 in scholarships and prizes at the History Department's annual awards ceremony on May 14—the largest amount since a record \$45,000 set in 1998.

"This amount adds almost 50 per cent to the amount of money the History department had for fellowships this year," HA President Monica Orozco announced.

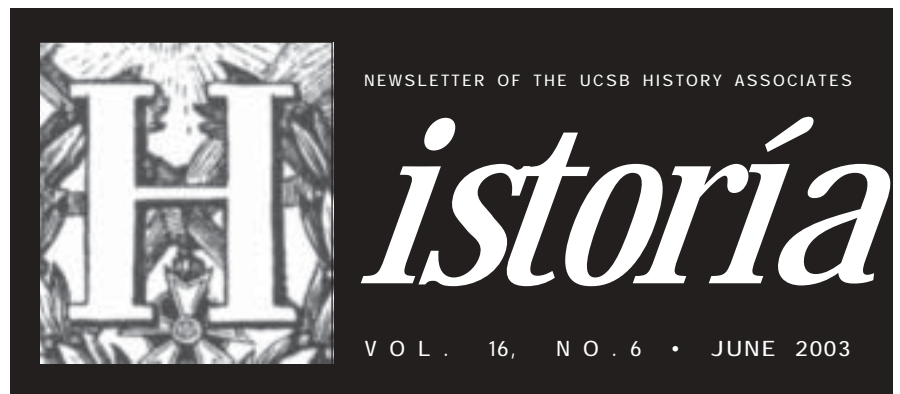
"It says a lot that the Associates were able to do this even in a bad economy."

Highlight of the festivities was presentation of the A. Russell Buchanan Award to **Nelson Richards** as the outstanding graduating senior in History (see story, p. 4). The award was created by the UCSB Alumni Association in 1973 to honor Prof. Buchanan, a founding member of the department who also served as first dean of the College of Letters and Science and as academic vice chancellor.

Richards also won the Stuart Bernath Prize for best undergraduate paper for a paper on the Roman historian Tacitus written for Prof. Drake.

**Jason Kelly** (Guerrini) won the Richard K. Mayberry Award as the outstanding graduate student in History, and **Anil Mukerjee** (Dutra) the William H. Ellison

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## 199 New Historians!

UCSB WILL GRANT degrees to a total of 199 History majors this year. The figure includes 35 majors who will complete requirements this summer and two History of Public Policy majors.

The History Department will host a reception for all graduating seniors and their families prior to Commencement ceremonies on Sunday, June 15. The reception will be held in the History Conference Room, 4020 HSSB, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Leading the list of History graduates will be the nine members of the Senior Honors Seminar who will receive Honors in the Major (see story p. 2).

Five History majors were among the 64 students selected for admission to Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest and most prestigious honor society. They are Melissa Lynn Kravetz, Tressa Lou Morris, Jamie Morrow, Nelson Richards and Roger Jeremy Thompson, who also won UCSB

chapter's Willson Honor Key as the outstanding Regents' Scholar among this year's selectees.

Here is the list of this year's graduates:

### FALL 2002

Frank Batchelor Anderson, Megan Melissa Bagdonas, Donna F. Bostrom, Jennifer Lynn Chaves, James Suckhyun Chu, Malia Breanna Cooper.

Matthew Glenn Davidson, Kevin James Dudley, Gavin Michael English, Brian Roderick Foley, Jason William Garlock, Thomas Neal Harper, Kelly Jean Heraux, Matthew John Jillson, Kimberly Leanne Kiefer.

Melissa Marie Lizarraga, Amy Lynette Loyd, Shaun Patrick McGrady, Gerard Alexander McKearin, Bryan Christopher Neale, Michael Paul Pizzoli, Timothy Michael Ricard.

Cory Jon Slattengren, Anna Meghan Stelp, Brandon Michael Zapf

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# History Makes It A Twofer!

FOR THE SECOND year in a row, History has captured the UCSB Academic Senate's top teaching honors for faculty and grad students.

**Matt Sutton** (DeHart) won the Outstanding Teaching Assistant prize, and Assoc. Prof. **John Majewski** captured the Outstanding Faculty Teacher award for 2002-03.

The Senate committee praised Matt "For his discipline, innovation and dedication to excellence, for his tact and diplomacy, [and] for teaching students how to thrive at UCSB and beyond — not just in his class."

The committee cited Prof. Majewski for the great range of his teaching—from small seminars to huge survey courses—and his work with primary and secondary school teachers as faculty coordinator of the UCSB California History-Social Science Project.

He is "a professor of history with a stellar teaching and research record who has dedicated years of his life to fostering the intellectual growth of UCSB students," the committee wrote.

It was a big month for Prof.

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Matt Sutton



Thumbs Up! Members of History's Senior Honors Seminar signal the end of a successful year. Seated (l. to r.): Jenna Berger, Roger Thompson, Matias Flores, Kiersten Thronsdon; standing (l. to r.): Melissa Kravetz, Michael Peixoto, Prof. Erika Rappaport, Tressa Morris, Leslie Lerner, Alexandria Davidson.

## Senior Honors Seminar Students Reap the Fruits of their Labors

BY MATIAS FLORES

AFTER A YEAR learning how to develop topics and conduct research, the nine students in the department's Senior Honors Seminar have finally had time to enjoy the fruits of their labors.

**Roger Thompson's** thesis on the Red Scare in Los Angeles, 1919-1930, supervised by Prof. Lichtenstein, was chosen to represent UCSB at the annual UC Day. Roger shows how business groups manipulated public opinion to undermine legitimate unions.

Two other members won first and second prize in a competition with all other honors students in the Humanities division.

**Jenna Berger** walked off with top honors for her study, "Teaching Tolerance? Holocaust Education and the Contemporary American Museum," mentored by Prof. Marcuse.

Second prize went to **Melissa Kravetz**, who studied "American Student Perceptions of Adolph Hitler, 1933-1939," also with Prof. Marcuse.

Each student in the seminar works with a faculty mentor

while also meeting weekly with the other students to read drafts and critique each others' work.

This year's seminar was directed by Prof. Erika Rappaport, who also read and critiqued each student's work.

The year culminated May 27 with an afterlong Honors Colloquium in which students presented oral reports on their theses and listened to comments by faculty readers.

The original documents seminar students came up with were as varied as their papers.

**Lexe Davidson** (Majewski), used Civil War diaries for "Separate Spheres Combined: Elite White Women's Work during the Civil War," a study of women's new responsibilities in this period.

**Matias Flores** (Rock) turned to the international press to interpret Argentina's return to democracy in 1983 in "The Argentine Experiment: Credibility and Democracy in Argentina."

**Leslie Lerner** (Farmer), studied guild statutes and tax rolls for "Beguines and Silk in Medieval Paris: Women in the Tax Rolls of Philippe-le-Bel, King of France, 1292-1313."

**Tressa L. Morris** (Rappaport) used letters and diaries in "Political Economies: Shop Girls in Fin-de-Siècle London," to look at emerging political identities.

**Michael Peixoto** (Lansing), used devotional records to create a vivid account of "The Last Templars and their Piety in Fourteenth-Century Cyprus."

**Kiersten Thronsdon** (Logevall) wrote "A Code to Live By: The Role of the Military Code of Conduct during the Vietnam War" by reading POW memoirs and military documents.



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## From The Chair

### 'Faculty-itis'

Foggy mornings lately: a sure sign that mid May is here on the South Coast of California. I often think that the cool coastal fog that blankets the campus each morning is nature's way of keeping our seniors from contracting senioritis too soon. It also keeps us teachers in line, for there are two long weeks left in the quarter, and stacks of bluebooks yet to be read.

We've certainly had a busy year, making me long for the slowdown of summer. We conducted an intense round of a dozen campus interviews in February and March and hired three new assistant professors, thus maintaining our faculty size at 46, replacing three exits from the department. So we are still the largest department on campus.



Last fall we matriculated our largest entering class of graduate students (38) in many a year. We have around 125 graduate students at present, and some eventually graduate, about 15 in the current year. If Big is Good, then we're Really Good.

But of course Good is more than just Big. History is a very strong teaching department, as you can see in this issue (p. 2). And we are a strong research department as well, with books, fellowships, and various awards all well known to close readers of recent issues of *Historia*.

Which brings me back to senioritis, for which there is some unnamed corresponding affliction in faculty. Much as we love teaching, reading exams and dissertations, we also really love the summer for the undivided attention we can give to our research and writing projects.

Back in the old days, I could do nothing on my research project while teaching quarters were in session—let alone doing teaching and administration. Now, with vast and amazing research resources on the internet, I can make splendid use of tiny shards of time right here in my chair's office, keeping my research moving forward. I cruise world libraries, place interlibrary loan requests, write to archivists and cajole them into sending me photocopies, and I correspond with scholars working on related projects. Just last week I located a man in western Pennsylvania whose family collection held an 1856 letter written by the woman whose biography I am writing.

Summer is up ahead, beyond the last morning fogbank, and I'll be ready for it, ready to plunge into my project and start assembling the puzzle pieces I accumulated this year, strewn on my desk along with grade sheets, curriculum plans, and budget memos. It will be good to focus on one thing, for a change!

Patricia Cline Cohen  
Chair, History 3



Celebrating victory (l. to r.: Prof. Adrienne Edgar, chapter adviser; John Robinson, prize winner Roger Thompson, Candis Todd, Cara Converse and Wayne Dilly).

## Regional Victory Caps Great Year for PAT

UCSB STUDENTS made a splash at the annual Phi Alpha Theta regional conference at Cal State San Marcos on April 26, where senior History major **Roger Thompson** walked away with the prize for best undergraduate paper.

Roger's paper, "Hysteria or Anti-Unionism? The Great Red Scare in Los Angeles, CA, 1919-1920," was based on research he conducted for his honors thesis under the supervision of Prof. Nelson Lichtenstein.

UCSB Phi Alpha Thetans **John Robinson, Candis Todd, Cara Converse, and Wayne Dilly** also attended the one-day conference, as did chapter faculty adviser Adrienne Edgar.

The conference brought together undergraduate and graduate student members of the national history honor society from colleges and universities throughout Southern California and Nevada.

The program included student papers on topics as varied as the male witch in early modern England, orientalist imagery in the operas of Mozart and Rossini, heroic ideals in ancient Greece and the California grape strike of 1965.

The day's activities concluded with an awards banquet and a keynote speech by UCLA

Professor Margaret Jacob.

The conference capped a year of extraordinary growth and activity for UCSB's Phi Alpha Theta chapter.

Thirty-five new members were inducted in an April 15 ceremony presided over by chapter President **Jenna Berger**, an expansion in chapter membership that garnered a letter of commendation from Phi Alpha Theta National Executive Director Graydon Tunstall.

History department Chair Patricia Cohen was on hand to congratulate the new members.

In addition to sending a delegation to the regional conference, the chapter organized an array of academic and social activities this year, including a fall workshop on applying to graduate school, a spring field trip to Hearst Castle, screenings of historical films, final exam study sessions, and an end-of-the year barbecue.

## History Twofer

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Majewski, who earlier learned that he had received one of only 10 Howard Foundation grants awarded nationally this year in order to spend all of next year on research.

# President's Corner

## Why I Nagged

As we near the end of Spring quarter we near the time of traditional beginnings and endings in the academic world.

The school year is nearing an end and many friends and colleagues will be beginning new adventures as they move on to other campuses. As I sit and compose this column it is only one week since the awards ceremony in which I happily handed out \$39,000 to History graduate and undergraduate students on behalf of the History Associates.



It was a wonderful way to end my tenure as president. Over the past two years I have sought to fulfill my duty as president by trying to foster better relations between the History department at UCSB and the community as well as

raising funds for History students.

As a result the readers of *Historía* had to suffer through my periodic pleas for contributions to the various Fellowship funds. I am happy to report that with the help of generous friends and members of History Associates as well as the Van Gelderen Challenge and matching funds from Graduate Division, we once again were able to be a significant source of financial support for the History graduate students at UCSB.

I also want to take this moment to thank the History Associates Board members who give so much of their time, energy and resources in order to accomplish our goals. Without them my job as president would have been impossible and our fundraising not nearly as successful. I would like to thank them for trusting me with this position. In particular I would like to express my appreciation for the wonderful plaque presented to me. I am especially pleased with the inscription—that means so much to me. (*Ed. Note: the plaque read, in part, "To The Mother of All Fundraisers!"*)

When I was a graduate student I knew I could count on the History Associates to support my colleagues and me in the History department. Perhaps that is why I felt such a sense of duty and responsibility to continue the success of this organization as so many past presidents had done. I hope I have lived up to this legacy at least in part. So it is with some relief and satisfaction that I pass on the mantel of presidency.

Thank you for helping History Associates continue its mission successfully and thank you for your continued support.

Monica Orozco  
President, 2001-2003

## Buchanan Winner Walks Softly, But Watch Out!

BY LEE SHAKER

If Nelson Richards and an American president share anything, it is an adherence to Teddy Roosevelt's famous axiom, "Speak softly and carry a big stick."

UCSB is filled with students stealthily slipping through college, and at a glance Richards is one of them. They have spiky hair and wear LaCoste shirts. They flit in and out of class when the spirit moves them, and their apathy is the glove into which evil slips its hand.

But as the 2003 winner of both the Buchanan and Bernath Awards, something must separate Richards from the chaff.

The differences between the quiet and unassuming Nelson Richards and an average UCSB undergraduate are not apparent immediately. Only after the second class, the fourth class, the eighth class—when Richards has attended each one after diligently preparing in advance—does a suspicion of the extraordinary begin to form.

It is when the first paper or exam is graded that Richards makes his impression.

In History, the pen is mightier than the tongue, and written performance under pressure is where Richards excels.

Unsupported opinion is the currency of choice for most undergraduates; instead, Richards deals in concise and cogent analysis. Since this is precisely the stick that History majors are measured against, when the class is winnowed into ranks at the end of the quarter, Richards invariably rises above the pack.

Richards cut a wide swath through the History department at UCSB. He is as com-

Lee Shaker won the Buchanan Award in 2002.

fortable dealing with China as he is with America, with the ancient as with the modern. Consequently, few students studied with as many professors as Richards, and few left as many admirers behind.

Positive sentiment towards him is not limited to the faculty; as a two-year employee in the History department office, Richards cozied up to History staff as well, and even made a few friends among his peers.

Richards is set to attend Boalt Hall at UC Berkeley for law school, where this consensus-building skill could prove very useful for him. With an eye on the State Department, could a career in politics be far away? Possessing an obvious intellectual aptitude and a predilection for diplomacy, few goals exist beyond Richards reach.

Some men may speak in a louder voice and some men may have larger feet, but Nelson Richards follows his own path. With dignity and determination, Richards is quietly assessing the future before he swings for the fences.

# LET US HEAR FROM YOU

If you are a grad trying to get in touch with an old classmate, or a community member or alum with an article or story, why not drop us a line?

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# Congratulations to the Class of 2003!

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WINTER 2003

John Gault Amacher, Ray Lawrence Armstrong, Kristen Marie Benge, Anthony Galicano Cabrera, Zachary Ian Calvert.

Tye Armstrong Degrange, Samantha Jill Gilman, Margaret Francis Glass, Brook Megan Grossi, Jessica J. Hage, Garabet O. Khajdourian, Helen Kim.

Anne Marie Lafferty, Esteban Marin Jr., Steven Anthony Marshall, Dusty Ann Martin, Jose Francisco Moreno, Theodore Long Ngo, Juli Anne Nutter.

Zachary John O'Brien, Michael Barry Orlyn, Nicolas Alberto Pascal, Paul Scot Paterson.

Steven Louis Seiler, Miguel Angel Soto II, Jon Stephen Vatcher, Kirk Thomas Wood, Marisa Yvonne Wright

SPRING 2003

Lawrence Edward Anderson, Nancy Arellano, Timothy Richard Ball, Manuel Banuelos, Jenna Tolley Berger, Candace Sheri Bertoldi, Noe Gonzalez Botello, Jared Alan Brach, Jessica Louise Bradstock, Alyssa Louise Broome, Matthew Schrand Bruno, Craig Michael Burnett.

Alfredo Carlos, Andrew James Cattlin, Lindsey Beth Cooper, Michael Allen Cossota, Brigida Ornelas Crooks, Kate Benton Crowley, Stephen Darden Daner, Alexandria Mannix Davidson, Timothy Raymond Deakyne, Ryan R. Duffy.

Anjuli Rose Elais, Rebecca Lynn Ennis, Megan Elizabeth Erker, Kristin Nicole Essner, Justin M. Evans, Alysia Mignon Fields, Matias F. Flores, Dana Cherie Frederick, Sean Jason Fry.

Catherine Natalia Garcia, Vanessa Jeannette Garcia, Jonathon Cory Geraci, Brian William Glassco, Brian Robert Haeberle, Miguel Avila Hernandez, Natalie Dale Hoeffliger, Christopher George Hook, Kate Eileen Horwick, Nathan Paul Hoxie.

Richard Imamura, David Everett Jacobs, Elizabeth Ritchie Johnson, Jessica Ann Jozwik, Alison Beth Karp, Tiffany Lea Keffer, Cassie Roma Keller, Jeremy Vic Klopfenstein, Julia Britt Kulakowski.

Justin Andrew Landau, Leslie Margaret Lerner, Joshua David Lewensohn, Leonid Libman, Jeremy Roscam Lindaman, Emmanuel Aguado Lopez, Vanny Stacey Ly, Rachel Sara Lyons.

Michael Arnold Markey, Stephanie Heather Marshall, Skyler James May, Ryan Christopher McCauley, Ian Lloyd McCutcheon, Jeremy Eugene Meeks, Andrew Albert Menninger, Sara Pauline Miceli, Krista Anne Miles, Rachael Anne Moreno.

Nima Namdar, Christine Ann Nelson, Sean Daniel Nicholas, Colin Robert Nickerson, Andrew Justin Nicolai, Eric Maxwell Overholt, Anthony Park, Derian Marie Parks, Michael Joseph Peixoto.

Peter David Randolph, Christopher Allen Ready, Salvador Reyes Jr., Nelson Ryan Richards, Molly Martha Richman, John Ryan Robinson, Davis James Rodgers, Joshua Todd Rosenbaum.

Kristopher Daniel Saenz, Sylvia Santos, Peter Aaron Scaffert, Daniel Sermenon, Kyle Alan Shouse, Megan Lynn Simon, Jacob Daniel

Smith, Lisa Bernice Smith, Andrea Lela Stark, Entrice Michelle Stewart, Ian Jerome Stout, Sara Roberta Strand, Wesley Carl Swedberg.

Julia Alexandra Tamai, Roger Jeremy Thompson, Kiersten Elizabeth Thronsen, Lisa Marie Tucker, Eric Andrew Utley, Alexandra Katherine Vicknair, Michael Marinus Vos, Jennifer Skye Wallace, Joshua Marc Weinberg, Craig Christian Winger, Navid Ken Zivari

SUMMER 2003

Stefan Alexander Allen, Steven Frederick Bans, Patrick Ryan Bartelmie, Travis Dean Beaudin, Sean Aaron Bossler.

Xavier Eduardo Castellano, Sanaz Charezaie, Angelica Kristie Chavez, Cara Dawn Converse, Michael Terence Coony.

Jeremy Arias Duer, Sharon

## Awards Ceremony Recognizes Talent

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Prize for the best graduate student paper, a study of silver mine negotiations in Peru from 1757-1767.

Anil also shared the Philip Powell Prize in Latin American and Iberian history with **Vanessa Ziegler** (Dutra).

Anil was recognized for his work on fiscal administration of Brazil in the 17th century, and Vanessa for her research on the Ten Years War in Cuba.

The J. Bruce Anderson Award for the outstanding teaching assistant in History went to **Erik Esselstrom** (Fogel) for his "extraordinary dedication to the students" as well as his skillful use of such innovative teaching methods as multimedia, role-playing and even games.

E. Freaney, Rachel Paulette Gamino, John Christopher Gorman, Shanna Ryan Greenlee.

Jarod Alan King, Benjamin Paul Koski, Zachary Valois Linford, Mario Moises Melara, Kelly C. Miller, Robert W. More IV, Matthew Randall Nourse.

Alex Perkowski, Daniel Cyril Pischke, Angela Marie Portillo, Donovan Christopher Proft, Julian Victor Ruelas, Daryl Ilani Sakimae, Jose Conrad Salas Jr., Julie M. Scott, Patrick Lynch Shapland, Jeffrey Doren Stark.

Timothy Paol Thomas, Anna Isabel Calimbas Tinga, Michelle Tiffanie Vogelsang

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Andre Jemail Morazan and  
Nicole Marie Zaletel

The Dick Cook Memorial Award, created by the History Associates Board in honor of its founding president, went to **Maeve Cowan** (Kalman) for organizing a year-long colloquium of graduate student presentations.

Maeve also won the Robert Kelley Fellowship to conduct research on her dissertation topic, "From Watergate to the Ethics in Government Act: Contested Visions of Presidential Autonomy, 1973-1978."

**Mary Lampe** (Lansing) won the Jo Beth Van Gelderen Fellowship to pursue research on the social and economic world of merchants in 14th-century Palermo. The fellowship recognizes outstanding

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# Ready to Join?

Another great year of UCSB History Associates' events is under way. You'll want to keep posted about events in the History Department as well. To renew your membership or join for the first time, just fill out this form and mail it with your check or money order (payable to UCSB History Associates).

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## Fellowships

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work by a student who returned to graduate school after pursuing another career.

**Josh Birk** (Lansing) won the Esmé Frost Fellowship in pre-modern European history to support his research on "Power and Pluralism in Norman Sicily."

The Wilbur Jacobs Prize in colonial, Native American or frontier studies went to **Travis Smith** (Spickard) for his research on the making of racial hierarchies in California gold country.

The C. Warren Hollister Fellowship was awarded to **Tanya Stabler** (Farmer) to conduct research on religious women in medieval Paris.

**Elizabeth Pryor** (DeHart) won the Richard and Jeanne Williams Fellowship for her work on shipboard culture on Atlantic passenger ships in the late 19th century.

Two undergraduate prizes were also awarded.

**Mindy Mann** won the Nicholas and Lena Dumas Award for study of Greek history and culture for her paper on ethnic tensions in Ptolemaic Egypt, written for Prof. Lee.

**Karen Steward** won the Marion Ramstad Scholarship for study of European or Asian history for her paper on the English Reformation, written for Prof.

McGee.

Ten graduate students received fellowship support from the History Associates: **Eric Boyle** (Osborne) for research on the history of alternative medicine.

**Jon Lemmond** (Friesen) for research on male identity and domestic violence in 16th Century Germany.

**Mar Logrono** (Humphreys/Gallagher) for research on Syrian workers in French mandate Syria and Mexico in the 1920s.

**Yuri Malikov** (Hasegawa) for research on Frontier cross-cultural encounters in Siberia and North America.

**Nancy McLoughlin** (Farmer) for research on the University of Paris.

**John Sbardellati** (Logevall) for research on the origins of Hollywood's 'Cold War.'

**David Schuster** (Furner) for research on the medicine and modernity in America, 1870-1920.

**Tanya Stabler** (Farmer) for research on the Beguines (religious women) in medieval Paris.

**Matt Sutton** (DeHart) for research on Amiee Semple McPherson and the remaking of American evangelism.

**Danielle Swiontek** (DeHart) for research on women, labor and political culture in California, 1910-1930.

The Associates also awarded two fellowships to grad students selected to teach next year in the UC-DC program: **Eric Boyle** and **Maeve Cowan**.



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