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SECTION I

ASSOCIATION NEWS

Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Conference in Washington, D.C.

The German Studies Association will hold its Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Conference from October 4 – 7, 2001 in Washington, D.C. Headquarters hotel will be the Marriott Crystal Gateway, 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202, Telephone 703-920-3230. The Association's discounted hotel rate, which is only available through the Association Main Office and not through the hotel or the Marriott 800-number, is \$110 per room. The Hotel is located near Reagan National Airport, and operates a courtesy shuttle to and from the airport.

We expect a large conference, and 172 sessions are already in the preliminary program. All presenters in the Program must be members of the Association. Anyone who is not a member should immediately visit our web site at <http://www.g-s-a.org> and fill out the membership form. Non-members will not be permitted to present. This rule is enforced. All persons on the program must be registered for the conference, or they will not be permitted to appear. This rule is enforced. No persons may enter the meeting rooms or the book exhibits unless they wear a conference registration badge. These rules are also enforced.

Reservations at the hotel can be made only through the Association Main Office. A Reservation Form is printed in this Newsletter. Reservation Forms will only be accepted by the Main Office when accompanied by a Conference Registration Form, also printed in this Newsletter. The purpose of this is to ensure that only conference attendees are able to book rooms at the hotel at our reduced rate. Both forms are also available on the web site.

Meals and GSA Conferences

The prices GSA pays for luncheons and the dinner at our Conferences have been rising. This is the same for hotels. Actually, the price on the Registration Form looks a lot higher than it is. Cable TV firms have taken to breaking down the costs in an itemized bill. Phone companies in the United States did that years ago, and Deutsche Telekom is resisting this, but will. GSA is the straight news!! GSA breaks

down the cost!! Get out your calculators!!

The price of the dinner **INCLUDES** the tip. Wow! I did not know that? Thought that maybe the waiters did not get tipped. I normally give about 15%, but never think of that when I see the price of the main course on the menu. And, coffee is never included in a dinner at a restaurant either. But, at the GSA it is! When you sit down to dinner, ask if dessert is included. It is at GSA. How about a salad? Not always when there is a full dinner plate, with vegetables and a starch. At GSA salad is always included.

Then, when you finish, some states add on tax. That, too, is included in the GSA price for lunch and dinner. So, when you look at the total price on the GSA Conference Registration Form, please remember that this is a **FULL MEAL**, and includes **SERVICE** and **TAX** and even dessert and coffee.

Meal service at the GSA is an important part of the Conference. Why? Because the hotel calculates how many meals it will sell before it prices the hotel rooms you are sleeping in. If they sell fewer meals, and make less on the meals, then the room price goes up. So, we have to subsidize the meals out of the Registration Fee to keep the prices down close enough to where you will pay for them, and ensure that somebody will come to dine. If you don't dine, your room prices will go up. There "ain't no free lunch." In other words, if you don't pay in the Registration Fee, then you will surely pay more for the room night. Hotels will earn their money one way or another.

And, the no-host cocktail parties also help. They contribute to hotel profits, and that means that our room rates are lower. If you see somebody at the GSA Conference who is not wearing a badge, and has not registered, that person is why you may be paying more. The GSA system keeps those numbers down, without hiring police (the MLA hires police to check and eject those without badges), and that keeps your costs lower.

New Airline Discounts and Car Rental Arrangements

GSA has contracted with Stellar Access (formerly known as Conventions in America) to arrange discount air fares for our conference participants for the Washington, DC GSA Conference. Stellar Access is a premier organization serving many scholarly associations and other conferences. For the first time, we can offer discounts on several airlines. Not only that, but Stellar Access allows you to book your airline ticket on line, on the web, saving you time and effort. This is a very good

service, and the discounts that we have arranged with United Airlines are excellent.

How to order your ticket at the discounted rate – Using your web browser, go to <http://www.StellarAccess.com> and establish a personal identification number, or PIN. Then, you can go directly to the order page, and follow the simple instructions. Do not forget to use the GSA special discount authorization code, 405. Stellar Access will charge the ticket to your credit card, and have it mailed to you immediately. It is that simple.

You may also order the tickets directly from the airline. Call United Airlines at 1-800-521-4041 and refer to File # 549SN for very excellent discounts.

We have also contracted with Alamo Car Rental to provide rental cars at discounted rates. You can book the rental car on the Stellar Access web site or else call Alamo directly and 1-800-732-3232 and refer to File # 446044GR for very good discounts.

Executive Council Meeting

The GSA Editor Search Committee and Executive Council met in January, 2001. The fruitful meeting resulted in the appointment of a new editor for German Studies Review, and further planning for GSA conferences. Most of the members of the Investment Committee were also present, since the Executive Council consists of most of those members, and it was possible to use a conference call to the absent member, thus effectively conducting a meeting of the Investment Committee. Among the decisions taken was the decision to allocate \$15,000 from Endowment Fund income for the purpose of assisting foreign travel to the GSA Conferences, to replace the StADaF funds, which are no longer available to support German scholars travelling to the Conference. For details on this, see the segment below on the Endowment Fund.

GSA Thanks for Thanks for Thanks for Cultural Relations

GSA is very proud to announce that this fund for foreign scholars travelling to GSA Conferences is unique. In response to the Marshall Plan, Germany created a Marshall Plan “thank you” budget, which assisted transatlantic cultural contacts through grants. GSA was the recipient of one of these grants. In thanks for the “thanks”, GSA members contributed to the Endowment Fund, also voluntarily, and created a fund from which, in perpetuity, grants could be extended for such cultural contacts in the other direction. We think that this is a significant development, for

which GSA members should be appreciated, and which is a major contribution to German-American and to transatlantic relations. We know of no other similar development in this area.

New Editor Appointed for German Studies Review

Diethelm Prowe (History, Carleton College) has been appointed Editor of German Studies Review, to succeed Gerald R. Kleinfeld, who announced his resignation in January, 2000. Prowe is presently on leave in Potsdam, and will return during the summer to take over his new responsibilities. At the moment, Kleinfeld is serving as caretaker editor. Manuscripts may continue to be sent to the GSA Main Office in Arizona, and they will be forwarded to Prowe until his return to the United States. The address for submission of manuscripts after the summer will be announced on the Association web page and in the first publications of the Fall. All manuscripts that are sent to the Main Office will continue to be forwarded directly. Judith Ricker (German, Arkansas) will continue to serve as Book Review Editor. Prowe officially takes over in August (he is on leave presently in Potsdam), after which manuscripts should be sent to:

Prof. Diethelm Prowe
Editor, German Studies Review
Department of History
Carleton College
One North College Street
Northfield, MN 55057 USA

Kleinfeld Festschrift

Wolfgang-Uwe Friedrich (Political Science, Hildesheim) is editing a Festschrift to celebrate the 65th birthday of GSA Founder and Executive Director Gerald R. Kleinfeld later this year. Publication of the Festschrift is funded by contributions, and not by the GSA. Contributions of \$60 towards the publication of the Festschrift may be made, and may be sent to him directly at:

Prof. Dr. Wolfgang-Uwe Friedrich
Wulfspark 1
30559 Hannover
Germany

Names of all those who have contributed, as is customary, will be listed in the *Tabula Gratulatoria* that is published in the book.

Sybil Milton Prize

The Association has undertaken the funding of the Sybil Milton Prize, and is raising money towards an endowment for this prize. The Sybil Milton Prize, named in memory of the noted historian of the Holocaust, will be awarded annually by the Association for the best book on the Third Reich and Holocaust in history, literature, culture, or politics. Contributions in any amount for the Sybil Milton Prize endowment may be sent to the Association Main Office.

GSA Endowment Fund News

The GSA Endowment Fund was created by savings from operations expenses, the sinking fund, and by donations from members and friends. Presently, the Fund amounts to about \$350,000 and is invested in a diverse portfolio of stocks, bonds, and money market instruments. In accordance with the wishes of the membership and the donors, GSA has set aside a portion of the investment income, not the principle, to assist in the funding of non-North American scholars to the GSA Annual Conference, in order to preserve the international nature of the Conference. The GSA Annual Conference is extraordinary in its international aspect. While the majority of the travel assistance available will go to scholars from German-speaking Europe, some money is also available for scholars from other countries.

Applicants must be of faculty level, and hold the appropriate advanced degree for the discipline in question. They must have been accepted by the Program Committee, and ordinarily must have applied for funding from the appropriate country or local funding agencies, and have failed to receive such funding. They must apply to the Executive Director with a curriculum vita and such additional information that would be useful in making a decision. The amount of money available in any year is limited. In the case of flight ticketing, GSA uses its own travel agency in Germany, and reimbursement towards an already purchased ticket is not possible unless prior agreement has been received.

Members of GSA who know of foreign scholars whose funding for travel to the Conference is not clear should apprise those people of this possibility. However, people who have no funds and no prospect of funding should not apply to be on the Program in the certain expectation that they will receive travel support from GSA.

This may prove not to be the case. If persons did that, there would be many holes in the Program and whole sessions might collapse, leaving other applicants for places on the Program out in the cold, because their places were taken by people who lacked real prospect of attendance. This is a difficult call for many people, and GSA funds are very limited. Often, a prior inquiry is helpful. Still, GSA does have funds available and application should be an open process. Therefore, this announcement is appropriate.

You can contribute to the GSA Endowment Fund by becoming a Sustaining Member. When you receive the membership dues form, simply check the box for Sustaining Member and add to your dues check the additional sum. Even small sums add up.

GSA Cooperates with Centers for German and European Studies in Britain and North America

Two GSA scholars went in April, 2001 to the Institute for German Studies at the University of Birmingham, England, to participate in the Conference of the Association for German Studies, the British organization dealing with German politics, where they presented papers. This visit was intended to enhance the growing partnership between British and North American scholars on Germany, represented already by several sessions at GSA Conferences by scholars from the Birmingham Institute. William Patterson, Charles Jefferies, and Simon Green have now appeared several times on the GSA Programs. This is a second visit to Britain in connection with GSA-British plans. We look forward to the future of the cooperation.

GSA also was pleased to assist the University of California Berkeley Center for German and European Studies in its cooperation with Germanist research in Bulgaria last year. Hinrich Seeba (German, University of California, Berkeley) had invited the noted Bulgarian Germanist, Vladimir Sabourin, to lecture at his institution and had placed Sabourin in a session at the GSA Conference. GSA was pleased to assist Berkeley by funding the transatlantic travel for Sabourin as far as the Houston Conference. At the same time, GSA assisted in international travel funding for another Germanist invited by the new Center for German and European Studies at the Universities of Minnesota and Wisconsin.

This year, GSA will again host a dialogue of the Centers for German and European

Studies at our Conference. Dr. Christian Bode, Secretary General of the Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst, will participate in the session at the Washington Conference. The annual GSA Conference has become an active locus of integration of the Centers with scholars in German Studies across the Continent. Regular sessions and joint sponsorship of programs has now become a regular feature. The Center for German and European Studies at Georgetown University has twice been a major host for the GSA for conferences held in the Washington, DC area.

Guidelines Available

Copies of the current Guidelines for German Studies Curricular Organization are still available from the GSA office. The booklet, prepared by an interdisciplinary committee of GSA members, presents the rationale for studying Germany, Austria, and Switzerland in the global environment. Voluntary standards for institutions that offer or plan to offer interdisciplinary German Studies programs at the undergraduate and graduate level are suggested, including the needs of teachers at the pre-college level. The Guidelines can be useful in considering curriculum revisions or, when necessary, in mounting arguments in defense of German Studies programs..

A free copy of the Guidelines may be obtained by sending a self-addressed envelope (minimum size 6" x 9") with \$1.25 postage affixed to:

German Studies Association
Arizona State University
Box 873204
Tempe, AZ 85287-3204

SUSANNE ZANTOP
1945-2001

Susanne Zantop, Parents Distinguished Research Professor in the Humanities and Chair of the Department of German Studies at Dartmouth College, died with her husband Half, Professor of Geology at Dartmouth, in a brutal homicide attack in their home on January 27, 2001.

An active GSA member, who also served on the Editorial Board of the *German Studies Review*, Professor Zantop earned master's degrees in political science at Stanford University (1968) and in comparative literature at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst (1979) before completing her Ph.D. in Comparative

Literature at Harvard in 1984. She had taught at Dartmouth since 1982 and previously served as DAAD-Lecturer in German Language and Literature at the Universidad de Santiago de Compostela, Spain, and as a researcher in Latin American politics at the Universität Münster and Universidad Nacional del Cuyo in Mendoza, Argentina. Her singularly international and interdisciplinary background is readily evident in the range and rigor of Susanne Zantop's scholarship.

A model of the ground-breaking work enabled by this genuinely interdisciplinary orientation, her study *Colonial Fantasies: Conquest, Family, and Nation in Precolonial Germany, 1770-1870* (Duke UP, 1997) received the GSA/DAAD Book Prize as the outstanding book in German Studies in that year. The German version, *Kolonialphantasien im vorkolonialen Deutschland*, which appeared in 1999, has already had significant impact abroad. At the time of her death, she was working on a sequel, tentatively entitled "Postcolonial Amnesia." A coedited volume (with Sara Friedrichsmeyer and Sara Lennox), *The Imperialist Imagination* (U. of Michigan P, 1998), continued the exploration of the colonial experience for the period after 1870. Zantop's earlier work includes *Zeitbilder: Geschichtsschreibung und Literatur bei Heinrich Heine und Mariano José de Larra* (Bouvier, 1998) and several edited volumes: *Paintings on the Move: Heinrich Heine and the Visual Arts* (U of Nebraska P, 1989); two reprinted texts by the eighteenth-century writer Friederike Helene Unger (Olms, 1991), and *Bitter Healing: German Women Writers from Pietism to Romanticism* (U of Nebraska P, 1990, coedited with Jeannine Blackwell). A sequel to the latter volume was in preparation at the time of her death, as was another coedited volume on Germans and Indians. In her approach to academic life, such collaboration was never pursued as a shortcut to increased productivity, but rather as a conscious practice of sharing with kindred spirits the intellectual pleasures of pushing at disciplinary frontiers.

Susanne Zantop's zest for collaborative scholarship was also reflected in her work as coeditor (with Patricia Herminghouse) of the *Women in German Yearbook* since 1998. In addition to previous membership on the Editorial Board of the *Yearbook*, she also served as advisory editor (1995-1998) for the journal *Eighteenth-Century Studies* and as editor (1986-1993) of the *Newsletter* of the North American Heine Society. She was elected to membership on the MLA's Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession and to the Executive Committee of its Division on Nineteenth- and Early-Twentieth-Century German Literature. Her extensive service to Dartmouth College included several terms as co-chair of the Women's Studies Program and Director of the Study Abroad Program in Berlin. Seemingly tireless in her willingness to mentor others' attempts to attain the high scholarly

standards she set for herself, she was esteemed for her high sense of ethics, firm commitments, and gentle wit. These personal qualities, as much as her scholarly acumen and dedicated service, have made her senseless loss to the profession all the more acutely felt.

A special session honoring the intellectual impact of Professor Zantop's brilliant and innovative contributions to German Studies will be held at the Twenty-fifth GSA Annual Conference in October, 2001.

Gifts in memory of the Zantops may be made to:

The Zantop Scholarship Fund
Stewardship Office
63 So. Main Street, Suite 6066
Hanover, NH 03755

Women in German has established a graduate student research travel grant in memory of Susanne Zantop, to which contributions may also be made:

Women in German Memorial Fund
Department of Modern Foreign Languages
Indiana University-Purdue University
Fort Wayne, IN 46805-1499

—Patricia Herminhouse
University of Rochester

SECTION II

OTHER CONFERENCES AND SYMPOSIA

Jewish Culture-Western Civilization-and Beyond Fifth Symposium -April 5-6, 2002

This two-day symposium, sponsored by the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures of Old Dominion University; Norfolk, Virginia, will trace the unique trajectory through a variety of discourses and disciplines including, literary and cultural studies, religious studies, history, art history, philosophy, political science, and international studies. Deadline for submission: Nov.15, 2001. E-Mail: Flubich@odu.edu

Please send abstracts (300-500 words) to:

Frederick A. Lubich,
BAL 601,
Old Dominion University,
Norfolk, Va. 23529,
phone: (757) 683-3981,
fax: (757) 683-5659

For further information visit our website: <http://www.odu.edu/~artsltrs/forlang/welcome.htm>

Call for Papers: Teaching of German in America Today

The editorial board of a new volume of essays to be published by the AATG in 2002, is calling for original manuscripts dealing with the teaching of German in America today. Essays should reflect the most current state of research in the field, and may deal with significant developments in German pedagogy and methodology over the past thirty years and /or present effective, new models for the teaching of German at all levels of the U.S. educational system. The volume seeks to reflect the profound changes that have taken place in the profession, and to offer young teachers theoretical and practical advice on how to effectively teach German in the future.

Articles should be no more than 30 pages, double-spaced (including works cited), and should adhere to the publication guidelines published in *Die Unterrichtspraxis/ Teaching German*. All submissions will be subject to outside review.

Deadline for submission of manuscripts is September 1, 2001. Manuscripts and inquiries should be sent to: George F. Peters, Department of Linguistics and Languages, Wells Hall

A-608, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824-1027, phone: (517) 353-4860,

fax: 432-2736, E-Mail: petersg@mus.edu

SECTION III

PROFESSIONAL NEWS AND EVENTS

New Website for the Anthropology of German Studies.

The Anthropology of German Studies is an informal network for anthropologists whose research is focused on German-speaking countries and on the German diaspora. GSN is happy to announce a new homepage, hosted with the Society of the Anthropology of Europe website, at the following url:

<http://www2.h-net.msu.edu/~sae/sae/german>

The website features a working (collective) Anthropology of German Studies Bibliography and a collection of links and funding resources for Germanist ethnographers. It will also be home to Uli Linke's German Studies Network Newsletter (highlighting fieldwork, announcements and recent events).

Job Opening: Staff Historian (German Slave Labor Compensation Program)

The Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, Inc. (Claims Conference), an international non-profit organization headquartered in New York, was established in 1951 to negotiate a program of indemnification for material damages to Jewish individuals and to the Jewish people caused by Germany through the Holocaust. This respected organization administers several major programs for the benefit of Holocaust survivors worldwide and actively negotiates with the German government.

Recently, the Claims Conference participated in negotiations with German government and industry representatives to establish a US \$5 billion fund to provide payments to certain former slave and forced laborers. The Claims Conference will distribute a significant portion of this fund. A Staff Historian is needed to join the program management staff and provide academic leadership for this important initiative.

The salary for the Staff Historian is budgeted at \$60,000 a year and the position is located in New York City (Manhattan). The Claims conference hopes to find a candidate with a doctorate or other demonstrated evidence of superior scholarship in Jewish history and the Holocaust. Specific expertise in the area of Holocaust slave labor is most desirable.

Interested candidates should forward cover letter and CV to Ms. Phyllis Freilich, Recruiting Consultant, at phyllisfreilich@hotmail.com or fax to 212.289.6703. E-mail contact preferred.

ZIS: Das österreichische Zeitgeschichte-Informationssysteme im Internet <http://zis.uibk.ac.at/>

Das Institut für Zeitgeschichte der Universität Innsbruck bietet seit Frühjahr 1995 unter der Adresse <http://zis.uibk.ac.at/> ein Zeitgeschichte-Informationssystem (ZIS) an. ZIS ist eine Serviceeinrichtung, die zeitgeschichtliche Inhalte vermittelt. Mit ZIS soll der Bekanntheitsgrad der österreichischen Zeitgeschichtsforschung auf internationaler Ebene sowie der Austausch zwischen in- und ausländischen Forschungseinrichtungen gesteigert werden. Zuletzt über 35.000 Zugriffe monatlich (pageviews; es werden nur öffentlich zugängliche Textdateien, keine Bild- oder Frame-Dateien gezählt). Die über ZIS abrufbaren Daten gliedern sich in fünf Hauptbereiche:

Die ZIS-Datenbank – ein Tor zum Internet

Sie bildet das Kernstück von ZIS, mit der Adressen bzw. Links von zeitgeschichtlich relevanten Internetseiten verwaltet werden. Derzeit enthält die ZIS-Datenbank etwa 800 www-Adressen, die Informationen zum Bereich Geschichte/Zeitgeschichte anbieten, mit den dazu gehörenden, vom Projektteam des Instituts verfassten Erläuterungen. Geografisch liegen die Adressen zum überwiegenden Teil im deutschsprachigen und anglo-amerikanischen Raum sowie in Israel, d.h. Ländern mit starker Präsenz im Netz bzw. jenen, mit denen das Institut die intensivsten Beziehungen pflegt. Pro Link wird ein Datensatz bestehend aus 26 Datenfeldern angelegt. Sie dienen der technischen und inhaltlichen Beschreibung der Webseiten bzw. Art der Informationsaufbereitung (Bilder, Töne, Datenbank). Für Benutzer/innen stehen Suchmöglichkeiten nach vier unterschiedlichen Kriterien zur Verfügung: geografisch, thematisch, zeitlich, Volltextsuche.

Wann und wo: der Internetkalender

Eine interaktive, laufend aktuell gehaltene Übersicht über termine, die für das Fachgebiet bedeutung haben, z.B. Konferenzen, Vorträge, Ausstellungen etc.

Primärquellen zur geschichte Österreichs im 20 Jhd.

Über 100 digitalisierte, v.a. für die Lehre gedachte Dokumente zu wichtigen Themen der österreichischen Zeitgeschichte, teilweise mit für den Unterrichtseinsatz geeignetem Zusatzmaterial (z.B. Fragen, Schaubilder, Hyperlinks zum Thema etc.).

Dokumentation zur geschichte Südtirols.

Informationen über das Institut für Zeitgeschichte

Lehrveranstaltungen, Mitarbeiter/innen, Publikationen, laufende Projekte etc.

Das Institut für Zeigeschichte ist auch erreichbar unter folgender Adresse: <http://www.ifz-innsbruck.at/>

Prof. Dr. Rolf Steininger, Direktor

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Project Archivist

Classification: Associate Librarian	Range 2P2	\$41,820 - \$50,180
Librarian	Range 2P3	\$50,000 - \$60,000

The Project Archivist reports to the Archivist of the Hoover Institution Archives and is responsible for managing the precessing, promotion, and preservation of the Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty corporate records and broadcast archives, consisting of some 61,000 reels of broadcast tapes, 7.5 million pages of broadcast transcripts, and thousands of additional documents geneated by the various broadcast services of RFE and RL.

The Hoover Institution has received this enormous archive of documents, which is important for research on the entire Cold War period. This is a major collection, and will be a very important research source.

The Hoover Institution is seeking qualified candidates for a three-year term appointment with the possibility of renewal. Applicants should supply a complete resume and the names of three references well acquainted with their qualifications

for this position. Please contact the Hoover Institution for more information concerning duties, responsibilities and qualifications. Letters and documents should be addressed to:

Dr. Elena S. Danielson, Archivist
Hoover Institution on War, Revolution and Peace
Stanford University
Stanford, CA 94305-6010

SECTION IV

COMPUTERS - BYTES, BITS, AND SOFTWARE

Palms Again

A number of people have asked me about Palm and Handspring organizers. The Kyocera cell phone, which features a full Palm software package, is now advertised all over. This cell phone contains a Palm system, and allows you to have your data base of addresses right there, and to dial from them. Basically, it works the same as the add-on cell phone features of the Palm and Handspring organizers, except that it has an organizer built into a phone instead of a phone built into an organizer. Your preference will help decide which system sells. My guess is that both will. Palm is expected to come out with an update of its software in the next six months or so. I'm not sure how anybody can update their existing organizers. We shall see.

In the meantime, they have been selling like hotcakes (warme Semmel). The Christmas season saw them leap off the shelves. Handspring has now come out with a superslim Visor which is so slim that you do not know that you are carrying it. Wow! Better than my more bulky model. Oh, well. Waiting will get you everything, but nothing while you wait. These are really good. Palm is competing by offering some new twists on its new organizers. The latest Handspring has a locator module that will tell you where you are driving and help you not to get lost. Can it help me find my way to the right meeting room at the GSA Conference?

Cell Phones

First off, I am absolutely opposed to these things going off in the classroom while I am teaching. Students bring them in and they keep on ringing. How are you coping? On the other hand, they have a real advantage for us, too. We are reachable, whatever that means. Most of the time, not much. But, sometimes, it is. I am afraid that we will all soon be graduating to cell phones. The new Kyocera, with a built-in Palm, is already being advertised everywhere.

PC Changes

This is not a place for a lot of news just now, except that memory prices have dropped, and you might as well buy some before they go up again. Computer makers are getting hard pressed to sell anything in the current recession that started just before the summer ended last year. Compaq has a new development—prettier colors on their computers. I suppose that that will help in selling. Apple has had good luck with that idea. But, there are not enough innovations out there to interest any of us who is not ready to buy into making that decision if our present computers are serviceable. That is the problem the computer makers are having. Speed is not up enough to push sales, and software development has not pushed the buyer into the stores, either.

Mac Offers OS X

Apple has just introduced a new operating system for the Macintosh, called OS X (or 10). This is a truly new system, and can be installed on G3 and G4 Macs. There are still some modules not yet put into the system, and those who buy it now can add them later. For example, burning CDs will be a later application. The new system functions with specially written programs, but older programs can mostly be run under OS 9, which comes with OS X and the two can run on the same machine, apparently flawlessly. There are a number of very new features, and it is very fast. In addition to that, it is supposed to be so stable that crashes should not occur. If there is a problem with a program, the whole computer does not crash, but only that program can be isolated, allowing you to save work that you have been doing in other programs. Frankly, I think that I will wait a bit until more programs have come out for the new system, but it will be soon shipped with new Macs as you buy them. The new operating system is especially good for multimedia applications, and a lot of software people are immediately upgrading. Apple insists that this is a quantum upgrade, and it indeed changes the face of the computer that you have been used to watching. The new face is called Aqua, which is supposed to be fluid, a kind of screen that you can use intuitively. There is a whole new approach to the screen, just when you were getting to like the old one. So, now you have to learn something new. No, I'm no Luddite, but I guess that we will like the new one sooner or later. We will all have to upgrade to this version. It is too good. At any rate, by summer it should be terrific.

Digital Cameras

Digital cameras are a bigger and bigger thing, partly because they have become less and less expensive. Kind of like scanners, which were once so expensive and are

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now mostly under \$100 and even far less. They are not that complex, but there are some things that one ought to know. First of all, there are pixels. This tells you the resolution. The more, the better, and that means the sharper the image. The camera you are looking at is probably a 24 bit camera. What this means is that the three primary colors (red, yellow, and blue) are each assigned and defined by eight bits of data, for a total of twenty-four. The three eight-bit color channels convert to 256 potential hues per channel, allowing for a maximum of 16.7 possible colors ($256 \times 256 \times 256$). With a 24 bit camera offering all of those possible colors, you can create an image with all the practical color bit depth a computer can produce that accommodates the range and perception of the human eye. If you opt for a camera with a lesser color palette, your images will not look as visually accurate. Your eye may then tell you that something is not "right."

OK, since less is worse, should you look at something that has more? Maybe, and some more expensive cameras do better. But, you will probably not notice the difference. However, you will notice the difference in cost of the camera.

Now, there are also different features on a camera that have to do with price, and there is also the question of how many images the camera can hold, or store. Just like a hard disk, the camera fills up quickly. If you take images in JPEG format, that is pretty good, and it compresses the image, so you can store more. If you use TIFF, the resolution is better, but it does not compress the image, so you can store less. It is a good idea to decide whether you want to go to the extra outlay of money for more storage capability, and therefore to look at different cameras with that in mind, as well.

Yamaha?

Well, it isn't an organ. It is the LightSpeed rewritable CD drive. It is really fast, and sells for about \$400, but has most of the bells and whistles that you would want. It can create a 74-minute CD in about five minutes, which is pretty blazing fast these days. I suppose that when you buy it, and wait about 5 minutes, somebody will come out with a faster one, but this one is pretty darn good.

Under Way in Germany and North America

Well, I have been using Earthlink in Germany. I have Earthlink, a Sprint product, on my laptop, and use it for internet access when under way. I know that it is possible to use some other computer, get on to the web, and read my ASU e-mail by means of EMMA, but I like to have access from hotel rooms, and any place I choose. So, I signed up for Earthlink. It is expensive, \$19.95 a month, but is three times as fast as using my university's system from home, and gets me all I want for under way. However, some of you must have better ideas. I would appreciate it if you would share them with me, and I can retell the information here.

The same problem exists for German colleagues in the USA and Canada. They can access from somebody's computer, but also want their own. A number of German colleagues have t-online at home, and others have joined AOL. Well, t-online is not like Earthlink, in that it does not have North American phone numbers. I assume that German AOL does, but it has that quirky interface and crazy way of getting into the internet. Does anybody have a better suggestion for German colleagues who want a good German system that is also available with North American telephone numbers?

SECTION V

GRANTS AND STIPENDS

AICGS Economic Studies Program Visiting Fellowship Program

The Visiting Fellows Program concentrates on building relationships by having AICGS economists visit universities and research institutes in Germany, and by bringing German economists to the Institute to conduct research and give seminars. The Economic Studies Program encourages applications for visiting fellow affiliations from scholars who are on sabbatical or otherwise financially supported and who wish to spend a few months at the Institute.

Contact the American Institute for Contemporary German Studies, 1400 16th Street NW, Suite 420, Washington, DC. 20036. The deadline for this program is on-going.

RESEARCH GRANTS FOR GERMAN EXILE STUDIES FEUCHTWANGER MEMORIAL LIBRARY UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

The Feuchtwanger Memorial Library of the University Libraries at the University of Southern California announces the availability of research grants for scholars, whose work would benefit from access to German exile study materials in the University Libraries' archival and printed collections. Subject areas include History, Literature, and Political Science.

Eligibility:

Anyone with a scholarly interest in researching German exile studies is invited to apply. Faculty, graduate students, undergraduates, and independent scholars whose work would benefit from resources in USC's German Exile Studies collections, in particular the Feuchtwanger Memorial Library, are eligible.

Grant Type: Research/Fellowships

Grant Amount: \$1000

An application form may be secured by contacting:

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DAAD Study Visit Research Grants for Faculty

This program offers support to scholars and scientists to pursue research at universities and other institutions in Germany for one to three months during the calendar year. Grants are awarded for specific research projects and cannot be used for travel only, attendance at conferences or conventions, editorial meetings, lecture tours or extended guest-professorships. At least two years of teaching and/or research experience after the PhD or equivalent and a research record in the proposed field are required.

Stipends consist of a monthly maintenance allowance.

Deadline:

February 1, 2001 - for visits during the second half of the current year

August 1, 2001 - for visits during the first half of the following year

Research Grants for Recent Ph.D.s and Ph.D. Candidates

The purpose of this grant is to enable Ph.D. candidates and recent Ph.D.s to carry out dissertation or post-doctoral research at libraries, archives, institutes or laboratories in Germany for a period of one to six months during the calendar year. In general, Ph.D.s (up to 2 years after the degree) who should not be older than 35 and Ph.D. candidates not older than 32 may apply. Applicants should possess knowledge of the German language commensurate with the demands of their research projects. The grant consists of a monthly maintenance allowance, international travel subsidy and health insurance.

Research fellowships of the Institute of European history, Department of General History (Abteilung Universalgeschichte)

The Institute of European History, Department of General history, awards ten fellowships for a six- to twelve-month research stay at the Institute in Mainz. The

application is open to all young historians in Germany and abroad, who apply with a research project of their own in the field of German and European history since the 16th century. As a rule, the fellows work on their dissertation or on a post-doc research project. The Institute's library with over 200,000 books and more than 550 periodicals as well as computers for data communication are available to the fellows for their research.

Applications can be sent any time. The selection is made by the department's fellowship commission, which meets three times a year, in March, July and November. During the time of the fellowship, fellows are not allowed to receive financial support from any other source. Foreign applicants should have enough command of the German language to be able to take an active part in the scientific dialogues with the Institute's other fellows and permanent staff.

Applications should include: 1. A curriculum vitae, 2. Copies of his/her university transcripts, 3. A brief description of the proposed research topic with working plan and schedule for the intended sojourn at the Institute, 4. The names and addresses of at least two scholars qualified to judge the merits of the research proposal, to be contacted by the Institute, 5. A list of publications.

The size of the fellowships are set in accordance with guidelines established by the Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD). The present monthly grant amounts to DM 1,485 after completion of a course of study and DM 1,795 after two years of post-doc scientific activity. A health insurance subsidy is included; a contribution to travelling expenses and a family subsidy can also be granted. The Institute's building, the Domus Universitatis in the city center, has a residential section with individual rooms, which serve both as work areas and living quarters for the fellows. The rent includes all additional costs and amounts at present to DM 284 monthly.

Information on the Institute and its fellowships can be retrieved from the Institute's homepage on the internet: <http://www.inst-euro-history.uni-mainz.de>.

SECTION VI

ARCHIVES

German Studies Association Archives Committee Annual Report 2000 **Ronald Smelser (Chair), Gerhard Weinberg, Alan Steinweis, Jürgen Föörster**

We continue to be concerned about access problems to the Red Cross International Tracing Service at Arolson. With 46 million file cards relating to 16 million victims, this is a very important repository for studying the terror regime of the Nazis. The former Allies turned over to the ITS, for example, material found in concentration camps, including prisoner records from Dachau, the complete contents of the Buchenwald Effektenkammer, records from the Hygiene Institute at Auschwitz, as well as deportation lists, Gestapo records, records of Meldeämter, etc. Reports indicate that even for former victims access is difficult, processing times inordinately long, sometimes running to years. Scholars, including some of our members, have complained about problems of access in the past. Last year it was reported that access might be granted only after the expunging of names, both individual and firm, from the documents.

One of my first duties after becoming chair of the Archives Committee was to write to Mr. Brian Flora, Minister Councillor for Consular Affairs at our Embassy in Berlin, who sits on the review commission which oversees the ITS, protesting these conditions. Other have written as well. As of this meeting, I do not yet know if these protest have borne fruit, but will follow the matter carefully.

The committee also discussed the possibility of acting as liaison or advisory body of the GSA to the Historical Division of the Department of State on any captured German documents which might be returned to Germany. The State Department Historical Advisory Committee has dealt extensively with U.S. records, but not with foreign records in American custody. In light of the recent controversy over captured Japanese documents, which, unlike their German counterparts, were turned over to Japan in the early 1950s with no treaty guarantees as to scholarly access, and thus are not available for class action suits of former slave laborers today, it was thought that the Historical Advisory committee, somewhat chastened by this experience, might welcome input from experts in the field. It was also

announced that a report from last year's meeting to the effect that the State Department was recommending return of remaining German documents turned out to be inaccurate. In any event, our committee cited the urgency in microfilming remaining documents in U.S. custody in light of deterioration.

The committee also took note of the continuing frustration on the part of scholars about the use of c. 40,000 rolls of microfilm at the National Archives, which constitute the records of the former Berlin Document Center. The bottleneck lies in the fact that the computerized indexing materials, still on German software, need to be decoded and made usable to American scholars. Unlike the filming of the records themselves, which proceeded apace, although last year's prediction of five years has been shortened considerably, so that we hope that the job is completed in the near future.

Some concerns had also been raised last year about the disposition and accessibility of records held at the Zentralstelle der Landesjustizverwaltungen at Ludwigsburg. Last year it was announced that the land Baden-Württemberg was going to turn the repository over to the Bundesarchiv. Largely for financial reasons, this has now happened. However, concerns have been alleviated by the fact that the records remain in place; Ludwigsburg is now an Aussenstelle of the BA under Dr. Borgert. A number of attorneys also remain, under the direction of Dr. Schemm of the Stuttgart Staatsanwaltschaft, completing pending cases. So, there is an element of continuity. The question now is whether the Justice people will turn over the indices of the material when their work is completed.

Rumors had also reached the committee last year, that at the Bundesarchiv Aussenstelle at Cornelimuenster, officials were considering the destruction of masses of material, particularly those held to be duplicates, for the Wehrmacht records held there. This is an extremely important, if often overlooked, repository which included records of Wehrmacht courts martial, as well as Wehrpässe and Wehrmachtstambbücher (abbreviated personnel records) of 20% of the 18 million who served before and during World War Two and destruction of any portion of these records would be disastrous. We now find out, however, that those rumors were unfounded, and that the idea, briefly floated, was dropped. Nevertheless, it again gave us the opportunity to urge microfilming of materials, which are in the process of rapid disintegration.

Finally, if, in the course of the coming year, any GSA members have problems with archival research, here or abroad, especially in the area of access, they are urged

to contact any member of the archive committee, so that we can look into the situation. I am sure the membership joins me in thanking the outgoing members of the GSA archives committee for their fine service over the years: Chris Browning, Sybil Milton and Larry Eugene Jones.

**The Wehrstammbuch Collection at the Bundesarchiv-Zentralnachweisstelle
(Aachen-Kornelimünster)**

David R. Snyder
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Providing proof of service for pension claimants after World War II, the 3.5 million Wehrmacht personnel files, or Wehrstammbücher, housed at the Bundesarchiv-Zentralnachweisstelle (ZNS) in Kornelimünster proved to be an important source of information in the immediate post-war years. This historically valuable collection, however, has been overlooked by scholars and its potential for investigations of National Socialist Germany unfortunately not even recognized. Representing approximately 20% of the eighteen million individuals who served between 1933 and 1945, the Wehrstammbuch collection offers scholars an unparalleled source of both qualitative and quantitative data. Although they are military documents, their value as a potential source for general historical investigations should not be underestimated.

The Wehrstammbücher (WStB) contain a vast array of valuable information regarding political background, profession, education, and health, providing the social historian a truly massive database for a broad cross section of National Socialist Germany's adult-male population. For the military historian, the Wehrstammbücher provide a detailed account of mustering, employment, promotions, decorations, legal and disciplinary punishments, fitness and conduct reports, wounds, convalescence, and cause of death (if applicable). The Wehrstammbücher, in other words, document the individual war experience, the Alltagsgeschichte of the Wehrmacht.

For fifty years, however, this collection has been ignored by scholars, even military historians. Why? The answer largely lies in the collection's organization. The Wehrstammbücher have been stored alphabetically, rendering a straightforward investigation of individual units problematic. Furthermore, scholars must provide name and date of birth in order for the ZNS staff to retrieve an individual Wehrstammbuch. This requirement prevents the random selection of files for a

broad-based research project.

If utilizing the Wehrstammbücher remains problematic, it is not impossible. Christoph Rass of the Lehr- und Forschungsgebiet Wirtschafts- und Sozialgeschichte (Rheinische Westfälische Technische Hochschule) in Aachen has devised a technique that facilitates the collection's exploitation. Utilizing Verleihungslisten at the ZNS as well as the resources of the Deutsche Dienststelle (Berlin) and the German Red Cross Suchdienst (Munich), Rass has reconstructed a nearly complete muster role for 253rd infantry division, which provided the specific personal data required for the retrieval of the division's surviving Wehrstammbücher. The project, when completed, will be perhaps the first social history of a Wehrmacht unit to employ broad-based quantitative data analysis. Rass's investigative method should provide both a blueprint and encouragement for the further exploitation of the WStB collection by scholars conducting social historical investigations of National Socialist Germany and the individual war experience.

The Wehrstammbücher can contribute much supplementary information to other research as well. Scholars investigating Wehrmachtjustiz, for example, lament the surviving documentation's fragmentary and incomplete nature. (Approximately two-million legal processes were conducted by military courts from 1939-1945; only 150,000 case-files survived the war.) Wehrstammbücher, because they document legal and disciplinary action, can provide important information regarding crime and punishment not only in the Wehrmacht, but in society as well, since pre-enlistment convictions in civilian courts were usually included. Wehrmacht units were raised regionally within the Wehrkreise and therefore the WStB collection can contribute much to regional social histories. The Wehrstammbücher offer the military historian a unique perspective on the Wehrmacht's development, from inception to eventual destruction, and its adaptation to the demands of total war, for example, the mobilization of KZ inmates in the war's final phase. In addition, with the Waffen-SS represented in the WStB collection, the Wehrstammbücher offer scholars insight into the history of the SS as well.

For a full appreciation of this unique collection's history value, a detailed recounting of the contents of a typical Wehrstammbuch may be helpful. Wehrstammbücher will usually, but not always, contain the following information.

- Personal data: date and place of birth, as well as permanent address; education, acquired skills, and actual occupation; marital status; confession; polizeiliches Führungszeugnis; special qualifications, such as riding or driving certification; membership in the party or any of its organizations; employment, conduct, and

punishments in the Reichsarbeitsdienst (if applicable).

- Family data: father's profession; parents' given names; mother's maiden name; parents' date of death (if applicable); sex, age, and date of death (if applicable) of siblings.
- Military data: height, weight, and all pre-enlistment medical examination and test results; voluntary enlistment or conscription; length of service; specialized military training; all duty stations and operations, often including excerpts from Truppenstammrollen; service record book and paybook (if killed in action); fitness and conduct reports; promotions and appointments, as well as decorations; punishments (legal and disciplinary); wounds, convalescence and leave; specific information regarding the individual's fate (discharged, killed in action, missing or captured).

Located just twelve kilometers from Aachen city-center, the Bundesarchiv-Zentralnachweisstelle is an easily accessible and user-friendly facility. Its Wehrstammbuch collection remains, after a half-century, an untapped resource. Scholars pursuing investigations of National Socialist Germany, the Wehrmacht, and the individual war-experience would do well to exploit this valuable collection.

David R. Snyder is a doctoral candidate in History at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, where he is preparing a dissertation on the treatment of sex offenders in the Wehrmacht. The author would like to thank Christoph Rass of the Lehr- und Forschungsgebiet Wirtschafts- und Sozialgeschichte (Rheinische Westfälische Technische Hochschule) in Aachen for his assistance in the preparation of this article.

SECTION VII

GERMAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION ELECTION

1. Candidate for the position of Secretary-Treasurer

In the last election, **Gerald A. Fetz** of the University of Montana was elected GSA Secretary-Treasurer. In the interim, the GSA membership changed the By-Laws, extending the term of the Secretary-Treasurer to three years. The rationale was that this is a difficult job, and one gets into it after a year or so. Re-election is permitted and was also permitted under the earlier By-Laws. Therefore, rather than confusing the issue and abbreviating the new terms, the Nominating and Elections Committee decided to re-nominate Gerald A. Fetz for a full three-year term. It was decided not to offer another candidate, because members, who had just voted to extend the length of the term in the By-Laws, would want the term continued. In addition, because of this situation, no one contacted was willing to run. We will return to the policy of offering two candidates for each office after this unusual circumstance has passed.

Education: PhD. (Germanics), University of Oregon, 1973; M.A. (Germanics), University of Oregon, 1968; B.A. (History & German), Pacific Lutheran University, 1966; Further study: University of Heidelberg 1964-65; 1968-69; University of Strasbourg, Summer 1967; University of Munich, 1972-73

Professional experience: Dean, Davidson Honors College, the University of Montana-Missoula; Professor of German Studies (1983-present); Associate Professor (1978-83); Assistant Professor (1973-78) and Instructor (1970-73) of German Studies, the University of Montana-Missoula; Chair, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, the University of Montana-Missoula, 1977-82; 1996-98; Acting Executive Director, Montana Committee for the Humanities, 1985, 1988, 1993-94; Fullbright Visiting Professor, University of Heidelberg 1990-91

Honors, Fellowships, Offices: DAAD Dissertation Fellowship, Munich, 1972-73; NEH Summer Research Fellowship, 1975; APS Summer Research Fellowship, 1978; NEH Fellowship for College Teachers, 1982-83; University of Montana Distinguished Teacher Award, 1988; Fullbright Visiting Professorship, 1990-91; University of Montana Distinguished Service to International Education Award,

1996; German Friendship Award, 1998; Executive Board, WAGS (became GSA), 1978-83; Board of Directors, National Federation of State Humanities Councils, 1983-85; President, PNCFL, 1981-82; Executive Council, AATG, 1986-88

Publications: *Martin Walser, Stuttgart: MetzlerVerlag, 1997; Editor, Thomas Bernhard, Ten Years After: Retrospective Essays. Riverside, CA.: Ariadne Press, forthcoming 1999. "Bilder des Alterns in den Werken Thomas Bernhards." Heft Jura Soyfer 1/1999 (in press). "Lilian Faschinger's Post-Bernhardian Austria." Austria in Literature. Ed. D. G. Daviau. Riverside, CA.; Ariadne Press, 1999. "Martin Walser and Germany." Leseerfahrungen mit Martin Walser. Ed. H. Doane & G. Pickar, Munich: Wilhelm Fink Verlag, 1994. "Thomas Bernhard and the Modern Novel." The Modern German Novel. Leamington Spa, England: Berg Publishers, 1987. "Kafka and Bernhard: Reflections on Affinity and Influence." Modern Austrian Literature XI/3 (1988). "From Der arme Konrad to Thomas Münzer: Friedrich Wolf and the Development of the Socialist History Play in Germany." German Studies Review X/3 (1987). Additional articles and book chapters on modern German-language literature, history and literature, literary theory, German pedagogy.*

GSA: WAGS Executive Board, 1978-83. GSA Article Prize Selection Committee, 1997. Attended all but 2 GSA meetings since WAGS was founded in 1977; presented 11 papers at WAGS/GSA; organized 6 WAGS/GSA sessions; served as commentator 8 times.

2. Candidates for the Executive Committee (German)

Irene Kacandes

Education: Ph.D. (Comparative Literature; German, Modern Greek, English), Harvard University, 1991; M.A. (Comparative Literature) Harvard University 1984; B.A., magna cum laude (History and Literature of Germany), Harvard University 1981; further study: Aristotle University, Thessaloniki, Greece, 1981-82; Freie Universität 1978-79

Professional Experience: Associate Professor of German Studies and Comparative Literature, Dartmouth College, 2000-present; Associate Professor, Dartmouth College, 1994-2000; Assistant Professor of Germanic Studies, University of Texas, 1991-1994

Honors, Fellowships, Offices: SONY Scholar, 2000-2001; Junior Faculty Fellowship, Dartmouth College, 1998; American-German Young Leader, American Council on Germany, 1996; Hedwig Leser Lectureship, Department of Germanic Studies, Indiana University, 1995; Fulbright Fellow, 1981-82; Executive Council, Society for Study of Narrative Literature, 2001-2004; delegate (19th Century Comparative Studies), Modern Language Association, 2000- 2003; delegate (Division of Prose Fiction), Modern Language Association, 1995-97

Publications: *Talk Fiction: Literature and the Talk Explosion*, University of Nebraska Press, 2001; *A User's Guide to German Cultural Studies* (co-edited with Scott Denham and Jonathan Petropoulos), University of Michigan Press, 1997; articles on German Studies, the Holocaust, Neo-Nazism, German literature from Goethe to the present.

GSA: Member since 1992; organizer of panels and presenter 1992, 1993, 1994, 1996, 2000

Wolfgang Natter

Education: B.A. Wesleyan University, 1978 (German and History); MA, 1982, PHD, 1990, Johns Hopkins University (German). **Professional Experience:** Assistant Professor, Germanic Languages and Literatures, 1987-1993; Associate Professor, Germanic Languages and Literatures, 1993-; Associate Professor, Geography Department, 1998-; Director, Committee on Social Theory, 1996- (Co-founder/director 1989-1995); Coordinator, Graduate-level German Studies Certificate Program, 1995- 2000; Director, Commonwealth Humanities Initiative, 1997-2000; University of Kentucky. **Honors, Fellowships, Offices:** Phi Beta Kappa, 1978; Fulbright Fellowship, 1978-80, 1998; ACLS Travel, 1992; DAAD Research Fellowship 1997 and German Studies Team-Teaching Grants, 1996, 1998; NSF Research Conference, 1998; University Outstanding Teacher Award, University of Kentucky 1993-5; Distinguished Teacher of Arts and Sciences, University of Kentucky, 1998-2001; Organizer, Social Theory Commonwealth Conferences on Identity at/as the Border (1995), Re-visioning Social and Ecological Justice (1996), Race and Whiteness (1997), Nation Theory (1998); Organizer, Social Theory 2000, Inaugural Conference of the International Social Theory Consortium (2000); Editorial Board, *disClosure*, 1990-; *PMLA* Advisory

Committee 1997—; Editorial Board of the *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*, 1996-2000; Consul, International Social Theory Consortium, 1999-; Fellow, Center for Social and Political Thought, USF, 2000-01; Fellow, Max Planck Institute, Berlin, 2001; Visiting Leibniz Professor, Center for Advanced Study, University of Leipzig, 2001-02. Publications: *Postmodern Contentions: Epoch, Politics, Space* (edited with J. Jones and T. Schatzki), New York: Guilford Press, 1993. *Objectivity and its Other*, (edited with T. Schatzki and J. Jones), New York: Guilford Press, 1995. *The Social and Political Body*, (edited with T. Schatzki), New York: Guilford Press, 1996. *Literature at War, 1914-1940: Representing 'the Time of Greatness' in Germany*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1999. "Disciplining Boundaries," in *Future Prospects of Germanistik*, Nashville, Vanderbilt University Press, 1996; "Constructing Disciplinarity/ Interdisciplinarity in German Studies," in *History of German Studies in the USA*, forthcoming; articles on 20th century cinema and literature, 19th and 20th century geopolitics and space, and social and cultural theory.

GSA: Program Committee, Dallas, 1994; German Studies Guidelines Advisory Committee, 1995-1998; papers presented 1988, 1990, 1991, 1993, 1994, 1996, 2000; Session moderator or commentator, 1988, 1990, 1991, 1993, 1994, 1996.

3. Candidates for the Executive Committee (History)

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Publications: *Tomorrow the World: Hitler, Northwest Africa, and the Path Toward America*, Texas A&M University Press, 1998; "A.J.P. Taylor, Adolf Hitler, and the Origins of the Second World War," *International History Review* (March 2001); "Black Marks: Hitler's Bribery of his Senior Military Officers", *Journal of Modern History* (June 2000); "Franco's Bid for Empire: Spain, Germany, and the Western Mediterranean in World War II," *Mediterranean History Review* (Fall 1999); "Hitler's Demand for Casablanca in 1940: Incident or Policy?" *International History Review* (August 1994); "The Riddle of the Rock: A Reassessment of German Motives for the Capture of Gibraltar in the Second World War," *Journal of Contemporary History* (April 1993). Various book chapters and book reviews.

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Publications: *Reforming Sex: The German Movement for Birth Control and Abortion Reform 1920-1950*, New York: Oxford University Press, 1995 (paperback 1997); *When Biology Became Destiny: Women in Weimar and Nazi Germany* (co-edited with Renate Bridenthal and Marion Kaplan), New York: Monthly Review Press, 1984; forthcoming: *Crimes of War: Guilt and Denial in the Twentieth Century* (anthology documenting conference on Military War Crimes: History and Memory), co-edited with Omer Bartov and Mary Nolan, New York: New Press, 2001; *Victims, Victors, and Survivors: Germans, Allies, and Jews in Occupied Germany 1945-1949*, Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2002; several articles on the Holocaust, sexuality, gender, feminism.

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Publications: *Imitation and Politics: Redesigning Modern Germany*, Ithaca:

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Publications: *Revolutionärer Wandel auf Befehl? Entnazifizierungs-und Personalpolitik in Thüringen und Sachsen (1945-1948)*, München 1989; co-editor, *German Unification: Process and Outcomes*, Boulder, Colorado, 1994; numerous articles and book chapters on topics related to East German history, transition processes in Central and Eastern Europe, German unification

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