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### **Features**

# **CHUS Co-organizes ACPSS 2005**

The 2005 Association of Chinese Professors of Social Sciences in the United States (ACPSS) Conference, entitled "Sustainable Development in China: Social Science Perspectives", took place at California State University-Fullerton between October 28-30. CHUS member, **Tian Xianshen**, representing CHUS, co-organized the multi-disciplinary-international conference. The three-day meeting attracted many social sciences professors and scholars from the United States, Canada, and China. About forty papers were presented during the three-day conference. Several CHUS members, **Cheng Weikun**, **Li Xiaobing**, **Liu Liyan**, **Song Jingyi**, **Sun Yi**, **Tian Xiansheng**, **Wei Chuxiong**, **Xu Guanqiu**, **Xiao Zhiwei**, **Xu Guoqi**, **Yang Zhiguo**, **Yao Ping**, **Zhang Hong**, attended the conference and presented their papers.



CHUS member Li Xiaobing, Song Jingyi, Liu Liyan, Yang Zhiguo, Tian Xiansheng (from left 1-5), Sun Yi, Wei Chuxiong, Zhang Hong, Yao Ping, Xu Guangqiu (from right 1-3, 5, 11) at the ACPSS banquet.



CHUS member Tian Xiansheng chairs a panel

# CHUS Co-hosts International Conference "Challenges to Chinese Foreign Policy in the Age of Globalization"

From June 7-10. 2005, The Chinese Professors of Social Sciences in the United States, the Chinese Historians in the United States (CHUS) and Nanchang University of China jointly hosted an international conference "Challenges to Chinese Foreign Policy in the Age of Globalization." A total of about 30 scholars participated in the conference. Many well established Chinese scholars attended and presented papers at the conference, including Chu Shulong, Director of the Institute of Strategic Studies of Tsinghua University; Song Xinning, Associate Dean of School of International Studies, Renmin University; Ding Gang, Director of the Editing Office for International Affairs, People's Daily; Du Youkang, Senior Research Fellow of the Shanghai Institute of International Affairs Studies.

The members of ACPSS and CHUS and Chinese scholars from America also participated and presented their papers at the conference or discussed others' papers. They include Hao Zhidong, Lin Zhimin, Jia Wenshan, Xu Guanqiu, Liu Xiaoyuan, Zhang Baohui, Hong Junhao, Liu Yawei, Lu Shuming, Hao Yufan and George Wei. David M. Lampton (George and Sadie Hyman Professor of China Studies, Dean of Faculty, and Director of China Studies at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies and director of Chinese Studies at The Nixon Center) gave the keynote speech "The Greatest Challenge to Chinese Foreign Policy: Reassurance" to the conference, which was actually based on his most recent testimony to the Congress and which appeared at Chinese "Daocankao" ("Big News for Reference," internal newspaper only for high rank Chinese officials) around two days later after the conference. Lowell Dittmer (Professor of Political Science at UC Berkeley and Chief Editor, Asian Survey) also gave a talk on the changing Sino-Russian relations. Conference participants vehemently expressed and exchanged their opinions during and after the conference. They also toured the beautiful Lushan and visited the site of the Lushan Conference hold by the CCP in 1959 as well as the villas of Song Meiling and Pearl Buck on Lushan. The final product of the conference, the publication of the conference papers, is under way.



The opening ceremony of the conference: from left to right: Dr. Shuming Lu, President of the ACPSS; Dr. David Lampton, Keynote speaker; Dr. Zhou Wenbin, President of Nanchang University; George Wei, and Dr. Liu Sanqiu, Vice President of Nanchang University.

# Panels Sponsored by CHUS for the 120<sup>th</sup> American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Jan. 5-8, Philadelphia

Panel 1 Prelude to Change? Relationships between China, the United States, and

Japan in the 1960s

Chair: Jonathan M. Soffer, Polytechnic University

Papers: "Negotiating at Cross Purposes: Sino-American Ambassadorial Talks,

1961–68." **Yafeng XIA**, Long Island University, Brooklyn

"Communication during Confrontation: China and the United States in the Vietnam War, 1965–73." **Xiao-Bing LI**, University of Central Oklahoma

"China's Semi-Governmental, Semi-Civil Policy toward Japan in the 1960s and Its Impact on U.S.-Japan Security Alliance." **Tao PENG**,

Minnesota State University, Mankato

Comment: **ZHAI Qiang**, Auburn University Montgomery

Panel 2 Rural China—Past and Present

Chair: George WEI, Susquehanna University

Papers: "Women's Life and Work in Rural North China: A Case Study."

Hong ZHANG, University of Central Florida

"Xiaozhuang School: Tao Xingzhi's Model for Rural and National

Reconstruction." Yusheng YAO, Rollins College

"The First Encounter: Peasant Resistance to State Control of Grain in East China in the Mid 1950s." **Huaiyin LI**, University of Missouri at Columbia

Comment: Xi WANG, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Panel 3 United States-China Relations through Individual Experiences

Chair: Yi SUN, University of San Diego

Papers: "The American Meddling in China and Reactions from the CCP and GMD

in the Mid-1940s." Xiansheng TIAN, Metropolitan State College of

Denver

"United States-China Wartime Relations through Miles-Dai Li Connection, the 1940s." **Yu SHEN**, Indiana University Southwest

"American Experience in the Korean War Armistice Talks, 1951–52."

Pingchao ZHU, University of Idaho

Comment: **Paul DICKLER**, Foreign Policy Research Institute, Philadelphia

Panel 4 Nationalism and Cold War: The Chinese American Experience

Chair: **Xiao-Bing LI**, University of Central Oklahoma

Papers: "New York Students' Activities in Support of China during World War

Two." Jingyi SONG, State University of New York College at Old

Westbury

"Ideological Containment in Cold War America: The China Daily News

Case." John TOROK, University of California at Berkeley

"Foreign Aid: Cold War America's 'Useful' Chinese." Robin LI,

University of Michigan at Ann Arbor

Comment: **Zhiwei XIAO**, California State University at San Marcos

# Panels Sponsored by CHUS for the Association of Asian Studies' Annual Conference, April 6-9, 2006, San Francisco

**Panel 1**: Processing the Past: Authority and the Creation of Collective

Memory of Ancient China

Chair: **Ping YAO**, California State University, Los Angeles

Papers: "History as King Lists in early Civilizations: Name, Time and Writing."

Haicheng WANG, Princeton University

"Laconic Chronicle versus Detailed Knowledge of History: the

Conception of the Chunqiu Canon (Spring and Autumn Canon) in the pre-

Han and Han periods." Liang CAI, Cornell University

"The Merciless and the Repenter: Comparing the First Emperors in China and India and Epistemology of the Formation of Empires." **Ori Sela**,

Princeton University

Discussant: Guolong LAI, University of Florida

**Panel 2**: The Power of *Yin*: Chinese Women in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century

Chair: Shuo WANG, California State University, Stanislaus

Papers: "Women and National Public Health in Early 20th-Century China:

Modernization with a Traditional Bent." Liping BU, Alma College,

Michigan

"Women and Public Drink: Gender Conflict at the Teahouse in Early

20th-Century Chengdu." Di WANG, Texas A&M University

"Teaching as a Profession for Women: Female Teachers' Schools in

Republican China." Xiaoping CONG, University of Houston

"The Power of Yin: Women of Sports in the People's Republic of China."

Guanhua WANG, University of Connecticut.

Discussant: Yi SUN, University of San Diego.

Panel 3: Cultural Ecology in 1950s China

Chair: **Zhiwei XIAO**, California State University, San Marcos

"People's Literature and the Construction of a New Chinese Literary

Tradition." Krista Van FLEIT, University of Chicago

"Between Storytelling and Novel: the Formal Politics of Zhao Shuli's San

li wan." Hui JIANG, New York University.

"Revolution and Folktale: Liang-Zhu Fever in the Early 1950s China.

Lanjun XU, Princeton University

"Dialectics of Retreat and Return: Spatial Imagination between the

Mainland and Taiwan in the 1950s." Enhua ZHANG, Columbia

University

Discussant: **Jianhua CHEN**, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

### Report from The Chinese Historical Review Editorial Board

(2005 Annual Report)

Wang Xi, Editor

The Editors of *The Chinese Historical Review* (ISBN 1547-402X) report that the journal continues to grow steadily. Since spring 2004, each of the three issues—spring 2004, fall 2004, spring 2005—has been published on time and the fourth—fall 2005—is underway. We regard the regular publication is a result of great collaboration between our authors, reviewers, editors, graduate assistants, and, of course, CHUS leadership. We are pleased to see the steady growth of our authors, reviewers, and subscribers that actually cover more than 200 institutions in North America (U.S. and Canada), Europe (U.K., Germany, and the Netherlands), Asia (People's Republic of China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Japan) and Australia. The journal's articles are now abstracted and indexed in HISTORICAL ABSTRACTS and AMERICA: HISTORY AND LIFE. We have established journal exchange relations with *The China Review* (Hong Kong) and *Lishi* Yanjiu (Beijing). At least two of our published pieces have already been translated into Chinese and republished in China. A number of university presses, including Harvard, University of California, Cambridge, and SUNY, have regularly sent new books for us to review. Perhaps the most important sign of the journal's growing reputation is the generous support of a number of leading China scholars in the fields who have served as our external reviewers.

The support from CHUS members is vital to the growth of the journal. The CHUS members' support is demonstrated in multiple ways. First, we see a continuous increase of fee-paying members. The number of lifetime members has reached 14, in our count. Several members—Professors Yang Zhiguo, Xu Guoqi, George Wei, Zhai Qiang, Morris Bian—are worth a special mention for successfully urging their institutions to subscribe the journal. Other members, including Wang Di (who served as CHUS president in 2003-2005) and Zhai Qiang, have shared their own copies of new books for our reviewers. Jiang Jin, now back in Shanghai, volunteered to do translation for the journal so we can gradually embrace the work of historians in China. Many others, including Chen Jian, Zhang Xin, Chen Shiwei, James Z. Gao, Victor Cunrui Xiong, and Hanchao Lu, have served as our internal and external reviewers.

# **CHUS Financial Report (January – December 2004)**

SUN Yi, Former Treasurer of CHUS

Beginning balance on 01/2003	\$13,794.52
Incomes	
Membership fees	\$2,210.00
Interest	\$48.49
Expenses	
Journal (CHR) Cost	\$2,584
List of AHA Program	\$600.00
Bank Management Fee	\$88.00
Returned Check Fee	\$7.00
Ending balance	\$12,774.01

### **CHUS New Board**

George Wei - President Yao Ping – newsletter editor and web master Zhu Pingchao - membership and recruitment Liu Liyan - treasurer Xiao Zhiwei - public relations

### **Member News**

**Morris BIAN**'s monograph, *The Making of the State Enterprise System in Modern China: The Dynamics of Institutional Change* was published by Harvard University Press this year; his article, "Building State Structure: Guomindang Institutional Rationalization during the Sino-Japanese War, 1937-1945," appears in *Modern China 31* (January 2005): 35-71.

**CHEN Jian** After teaching at the University of Virginia for five years as C.K.Yen Professor of History and Chinese-American Relations, Chen Jian recently accepted Cornell University's offer and joined Cornell faculty as Michael J. Zak Professor of History and China/Asian-Pacific Studies.

**James Z GAO**'s monograph, *The Communist Takeover of Hangzhou, The Transformation of City and Cadre, 1949-1954*, was published by University of Hawaii Press in May 2004. It was positively reviewed by *China Quarterly, China Review International*, and *China Studies* (Australia). Frederic Wakeman writes that "this is the

best book on the Communist Liberation of a Chinese city since Vogol's and Liberthal's studies of Cannon and Tianjin." Professor Gao is currently on sabbatical leave with a grant to work on a book-length project, *Rice and Authority: Market Politics in Shanghai*, 1900-1955, at Hopkins-Nanjing Center, China. An article based on one chapter of the book, "Myth, Memory, and Rice History of Shanghai, 1949-1950," appeared in *Chinese Historical Review 11.1* (Spring 2004): 57-86.

**JIANG Jin** was invited by the Phoenix TV program to give a lecture on gender in Chinese history. Her talk was broadcast on September 6. Professor Jiang also established the Center for Gender and Cultural Studies at Eastern China Normal University in spring 2005. Currently, she is serving as the director of the Center. The Center welcomes proposals and suggestions for US-China joint projects.

JIN Xudong, Associate Director of Libraries and Head of Technical Services at Ohio Wesleyan University, visited libraries in Yunnan, China this summer. He taught six seminars to librarians while in China. Among them, one seminar attracted more than twenty directors and associate directors from Yunnan college and university libraries. After a seminar at Yunnan Provincial Library on July 8th, the library appointed him as their long-term adviser. As the President of CALAMW (Chinese American Librarians Association Midwest Chapter), Jin also signed an agreement to further academic exchanges between the Library Working Council of Yunnan Higher Education and CALAMW on June 29, 2005. According to the agreement, CALAMW will organize a five Chinese librarian group and design a five-day workshop for libraries in Yunnan, China in 2006. During his trip to China, he also presented at the Library Society of China (LSC) 2005 Annual Conference in Guilin, China on July 22. His paper, "Consortia, What Have I learned? Advantages, Challenges, and Future of Library Consortia," was selected as one of the Best Papers by the conference and published in the conference proceedings. He also received a 2005 Continuing Education Grant from ALAO (Academic Library Association of Ohio) and a 2005 NOTSL (Northern Ohio Technical Services Librarians) Scholarship.

Joseph Tse-Hei LEE, Associate Professor of History at Pace University in New York, had the following seven articles published: "Watchman Nee and the Little Flock Movement in Maoist China," *Church History: Studies in Christianity and Culture* 74, no.1 (March 2005): 68–96; "God's Villages: Christian Communities in Late-Nineteenth-Century South China," *Journal of Ritual Studies* 19, no.1 (2005): 31–46; "Teaching Nonviolence in Times of War," *Academic Exchange Quarterly* 9, no.2 (Summer 2005): 240–245; "(Co-authored with Ronald K. Frank) Service-Learning in Mongolia," *Academic Exchange Quarterly* 9, no.1 (Spring 2005): 145–149; "Church, State, and Community in East Asia: An Introduction," *Asia Pacific: Perspectives – Special Issue on Church, State, and Community in East Asia* 5, no.1 (December 2004): 1–3; "清代中西交流:宗教与文化 [The Sino-Western Encounter in the Qing Dynasty: Religion and Culture]," 《清史譯叢》 [*Qing History Overseas Research*], no.2, (June 2005): 65–76; and "西方研究中國基督教歷史的新方向 [Recent Approaches to the Study of Chinese Christianity in the West]," 《歷史人類學學刊》 [*Journal of History and Anthropology*] 2, no.2 (October 2004): 131–142.

LI Huaiyin's article, "The First Encounter: Peasant Resistance to State Control of Grain in East China in the Mid-1950s," will be published in The China Quarterly. He gave an invited presentation, entitled "Rediscovering Peasant China: From Republican Huailu County to Collective-Era Qin Village," at the Center for Chinese Studies of the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, on September 13, 2005. He also delivered an invited lecture on "New Perspectives in Modern Chinese Social History: Western Scholarship Revisited" at The Institute of Modern History, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences in Beijing on June 6, 2005.

**LING Huping**, Professor of History at Truman State University, has been invited as featured guest to appear at "Charles Brennan Show" KMOX Radio Station, "Voice of St. Louis" on Feb. 4, 2005, and with host Harriett Woods (former Lieutenant Governor of Missouri) at KWMU 90.7 (NPR in St. Louis) "St. Louis on the Air" on July 5, 2005, discussing her recent book Chinese St. Louis: From Enclave to Cultural Community. She has also been invited as guest speaker to present the book at schools, public libraries, bookstores, and events sponsored by community organizations in the St. Louis area and in Midwest. Chinese in St. Louis has been featured in a number of news articles, such as "New Book Detail St. Louis Chinese Heritage," by John M. McGuire, St. Louis Post-Dispatch, Feb. 2, 2005 and "Breaking Out," by Sara Porter, West End Word, Feb. 4, 2005. She was invited by the Chinese Institute for Overseas Chinese History Studies, Beijing, China, to give a lecture "New Perspectives on Chinese American Studies— Cultural Community Theory" on Jan. 14, 2005. Ling also published articles "Reconceptualizing Chinese American Community in St. Louis: From Chinatown to Cultural Community," *Journal of American Ethnic History* Vol. 24, No. 2 (Winter 2005): 65-101; "Growing up in 'Hop Alley:' The Chinese American Youth in St. Louis during the Early-Twentieth Century," in Asian American Children, ed. Benson Tong, 65-81, Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 2004; and "Governing 'Hop Alley:' On Leong Chinese Merchants and Laborers Association, 1906-1966," Journal of American Ethnic History Vol. 23, No. 2 (Winter 2004): 50-84.

NI Ting was awarded a Fulbright teaching scholarship for the 2004-05 academic year and stationed at Xian International Studies Universities. Professor Ni taught post-Civil War US history and US Foreign Relations since the 20th Century. In addition to teaching at XISU she traveled to seven other universities in six cities to deliver lectures on Chinese Americans and the Chinese in the US, US Presidential Elections, US Cold War Policy and The Civil Rights Movement and the Affirmative Action Programs.

**Patrick Fuliang SHAN** has published several encyclopedic articles: "China and the Vietnam War," "Mao Zedong," "The Jews in China," "Islam in China," and "Religion and Freedom of Religious Belief," in *China Today: An Encyclopedia of Life in the People's Republic*. (Greenwood, 2005).

**SHAO Qin** at The College of New Jersey was promoted to full professor in spring 2005. In addition to her two-month research trip in China this summer, she enjoyed a two-week tour of Japan in early July on a Keizai Koho Center Fellowship. The Chinese language journal, *The Academic Monthly*, published in its April 2005 issue an extensive interview

with Shao Qin on her academic career in China and abroad, together with a Chinese version of her article on the first Chinese museum which was originally printed by *The China Quarterly* in Sept. 2004. At the 2004 AAS meeting in Chicage, Shao Qin presented a paper at a panel she organized on "Conflict and Resistance in Housing Reform in China."

WANG Di has published an article, "Entering the Bottom of the City: Revisiting Chinese Urban History through Chengdu,", in Chinese Historical Review 12.1 (Spring 2005): 35-69. He also presented the paper, "Public Life and Festival Celebrations in the Chinese City: Streets, Neighborhood, and Autonomous Community in Late-Qing and Early Republican Chengdu," at the international conference of The City, Country, and Folk Culture in Modern China (Qingdao, China, August 10, 2005), and the paper, "Teahouses, Brotherhood Society, and Political Space in 1930s Chengdu," at the International Conference of 1930s China (Chengdu, China, August 6, 2005). In addition, he was invited to give four lectures. They are: "New Trend and Methodologies of Studying Chinese Urban Culture in the United States" at the East China Normal University, Shanghai, September 21, 2005; "Teahouse and Teahouse Workers in Wartime Chengdu" at the Graduate School of Social Sciences, Hitotrubashi University, Japan, July 12, 2005; "The Teahouse: Small Business, Everyday Culture, and Public Politics in Chengdu, 1900-1950" at the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, University of Tokyo, July 6, 2005; and "The Teahouse and Public Life in 20th-Century Chengdu" at the Graduate School Division of Humanities, University of Tokyo, July 1, 2005.

**Pingchao ZHU** has been tenured and promoted to Associate Professor this year. She also published an article, "Regional Politics: Wartime Relations between the CCP and the Guangxi Warlords, 1936-1944," in *Asian Profile*, Vol. 33 (February 2005), 1-15.

### **Welcome New Members**

CHUS welcomes FIVE new members:

**Liang CAI** is a Ph. D. candidate in Asian Studies, Cornell University; **Nuan GAO**, a graduate student in History, University of California at Irvine; **John TOROK**, a PH.D. Candidate in Ethnic Studies, University of California at Berkeley, **Enhua ZHANG**, a graduate student in Modern Chinese Literature, Columbia University; and **Jishun ZHANG**, a Professor of History at the East China Normal University, Shanghai, China.