

HSTCC Business Meeting & Panel at the 1997 AAS Chicago Meeting

The Business meeting and the Panel held in March, 1997 at the annual conference of the AAS were very rich in content. The Business meeting went for over ninety minutes and in addition to regular HSTCC matters, discussed the next few HSTCC symposia, the changing constituency and role of the HSTCC, as an important resource for the study of Modern China, and the philosophical and practical bases of the HSTCC Web site. The highlight of the annual HSTCC Meeting was the delivery of an invitation by Professor Guido Samarani to hold the 1999 HSTCC Symposium at the University of Venice. It was a great honor for the HSTCC to receive this invitation and the members were very positive in working towards creating more broadly international symposia.

The HSTCC Panel, entitled "Culture & Politics in 20th Century China: New Research and Interpretations" focused on the work of graduate students. Constance Orliski, University of Southern California spoke on "The Discourse of Domesticity in Early 20th Century Shanghai" and Liu Xun, also from USC delivered his paper, "To Ascend Together in Fellowship: A Study of the Formation of a Neidan Fellowship in Shanghai in the Early 20th Century". The panel was chaired by Marilyn Levine and included very good critiques from discussants Caroline Hui-yu Tsai, (Academia Sinica) and Bao Hua Hsieh, (Creighton University).

HSTCC Roundtable to be held at the American Historical Association

The 1998 Annual Conference of the American Historical Association, which will be held in Seattle, will see a Roundtable co-sponsored by the HSTCC, along with H-Asia and H-France. The Roundtable entitled, "Community, Pedagogy and the New Learning Technologies" will attempt to raise some key questions in the application of new learning technologies and the future of history as a discipline which includes both research and pedagogy. Has history been trivialized as a discipline by the superficial nature or fragmentation that can occur in electronic technologies or can we discern a capacity for enhanced practice of the historical profession?

HSTCC Vice-President, Ka-che Yip will deliver a paper, "Whose History? Historians, Community and Historical Knowledge in the Curriculum" and HSTCC President Marilyn Levine will speak on "Promise and Paradox: The Challenge of New Technology - A Renaissance for the 21st Century?" Other participants include Bertram G. Gordon, a founder and co-editor of H-France, the Humanities Listserv sponsored in part by the National Endowment for the Humanities, and Frank C. Conlon, a founder and co-editor of H-Asia, another H-Net listserv. HSTCC Members are encouraged to attend the Roundtable. Please look in the AHA Program or the AHA Web site at:

<http://chnm.gmu.edu/chnm/aha/>

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Symposium on Twentieth Century Chinese Culture and Politics

The HSTCC Symposium will be held at the Coeur D'Alene Resort in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho on 1-2 October. The theme of the symposium is "*Chinese Culture and Politics in the 20th Century.*" According to our preliminary program there will be five sessions with about thirty participants, over one-third of whom come from outside North America. Continually updated information on the symposium can be found at the following URL which will list the program and includes information and online registration:

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Membership News

Hsieh P'ei-chih who recently moved to Victoria where he was the Presidential Advisor at Royal Roads College, died in a tragic car accident in Taiwan in June. He was a passenger during a storm and the car went down a ravine. A founder of the HSTCC, Hsieh P'ei-chih encouraged cultural interchange and was invaluable to the Chinese community in Canada. He will be missed, and it is hard to believe that he will not be sitting at the next meeting with his enthusiasm and ebullience.

Larry Shyu (University of New Brunswick), after escorting students to Hangzhou then went to Taiwan in one of his numerous voyages this year.

Wong Young-tsu (Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University) will be on sabbatical this year in Taipei. He has been awarded a national grant to undertake his studies.

Caroline Hui-yu Tsai (Institute of Taiwan History, Academia Sinica) has won a national award for an essay she wrote and will be spending the summer in Middlebury, Vermont. During the summer of 1997 she was awarded a three year National Science Foundation grant to conduct research on local administration in Taiwan during the Japanese colonial period.

Richard Chu Hung-deh is on the Executive Board of the Alliance to Promote the Study of World War II and he has been traveling extensively around North America to speak on this topic.

Marilyn Levine (Lewis-Clark State College) received an Idaho Board of Education Major Research Grant and will spend this next year on sabbatical working on a Chinese Biographical Databank Web site.

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Announcing the Historical Society for 20th Century China Web Site

<http://www.ets.uidaho.edu/levine/HSTCC.htm>

At the most recent annual meeting of the HSTCC held at the AAS March conference it was decided to utilize the formation of a Web site to help develop a central location for modern China historians. Thus, the HSTCC Web site was developed to both link researchers and highlight their work for the scholarly and more general community. Current news, such as the 1997 symposium plans will be updated on the Web site. Online registration for both joining the HSTCC, as well as the symposium is available with a click. HSTCC members can now directly link through email on the HSTCC Directory and they can have their own Homepages created in the Research section, which currently has 10 Homepages created. Future plans include an outreach effort to dialogue with the broader community on discussion pages and through providing resources for the exploration of Chinese Studies.

The Web site includes the following sections:

- What is the HSTCC?
- Executive Board, News & Bylaws
- Membership: Directory
- Membership: Research & Teaching
- Chinese History Resources
- How to Join the Society
- HSTCC Scrapbook
- Web Sites Homepage
- 1997 Coeur d'Alene HSTCC Symposium

Would you like to have your own HSTCC Homepage?

To have your research or teaching highlighted on your HSTCC Member Homepage send:

1. A picture of yourself (optional)
2. A descriptive paragraph of your research and/or teaching interests.
3. A representative book or article, (with, if relevant, some publishing information such as a phone # and if possible email or URL of the publisher) and/or relevant syllabi. Graduate students can send a 400-500 word precis of your graduate work for your homepage. Links to Institutional Homepages can easily be placed in your HSTCC Homepage.

4. Send your materials (and a floppy disk with any text in WordPerfect or Word would be appreciated) to:

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