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The Historical Society for 20th Century China (*HSTCC*) is an organization dedicated to scholarly interchange about modern China. Founded in 1983, the HSTCC has sponsored and co-organized almost a dozen symposia, and numerous panels at national meetings of the AAS and the AHA. The Society is affiliated with both the Association for Asian Studies and the American Historical Association.

Membership Enquiries:

If you have any questions about your membership, please go the membership section below or contact Vice-President David Barrett at:

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HSTCC Business Meeting, Panel & Roundtable at the AAS San Diego Meeting, March 9-12, 2000

This year, HSTCC will have a Roundtable and a Panel Session at the Association for Asian Studies meeting at the Town & Country Hotel Resort and Convention Center in San Diego. Please consider attending the HSTCC Business Meeting , Panel, and Roundtable.

HSTCC Business Meeting at the AAS

Date: Saturday - 11 March

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Room: Towne

Agenda:

1. Approval of minutes of 13 March 1999
2. President's report
3. Financial report
4. Website director's report
5. Reports on *HSTCC/University of Venice International Conference, June-July 1999, and HSTCC/SWCAS Conference, October 1999

6. HSTCC 2000 conference at Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada

7. HSTCC 2001 conferences: Hong Kong and Beijing

8. New business

If you would like to propose new agenda items, please write to Dr. Kache Yip at yip@umbc.edu.

*Please also read Dr. Guido Samarani's report on the conference in the Winter issue (1999) of AAS's Asian Studies Newsletter.

HSTCC Panel at the AAS

Date: Friday, 10 March

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Place: Sheffield Court

Title: "*Fin-de-siecle* Postism in the Contemporary Chinese Humanities: A Critique"

Chair: Chia-lin Pao Tao, Univ. of Arizona

- "Moving Beyond Postism in Modern Chinese Literary Studies in the 21st Century"

Philip F C Williams, Arizona State Univ.

- "Pitfalls of the Postcolonialist Rubric in the Study of Modern Chinese Fiction Featuring Cannibalism: From Lu Xun's 'Diary of a Madman' to Mo Yan's 'Boozeland'"

Yenna Wu, Univ. of California, Riverside

- "Creating Disorder: Postmodernism in China?"

Michael S Duke, Univ. of British Columbia

Discussants: - Allan Barr, Pomona College

- Michael Fuller, Univ. of California, Irvine

HSTCC Roundtable at the AAS

Date: Saturday, 11 March

Time: 7:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Room: Sunrise

"The State of the Field: Reassessing the Study of Chinese Local History"

Chair: Ka-che Yip, UMBC

Speakers:

-Hanchao Lu, Georgia Institute of Technology

-Qin Shao, College of New Jersey

-Edward McCord, George Washington Univ.

-Peter Seybolt, Univ. of Vermont

-Xin Zhang, Indiana Univ., Indianapolis

Discussant: Keith Schoppa, Loyola College

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

HSTCC members are invited to send nomination suggestions for all positions to be voted on in the 2000 Business Meeting in San Diego. These include: Vice President and the three Members of the Board. Current Board Members may be nominated and may be reelected. Deadline for receipt of names is 6 March 2000. Please send your nominations to Dr. Ka-che Yip.

Membership Publications

(See [HSTCC directory](#) for authors'™ addresses)

Winberg Chai (Univ. of Wyoming) has an article, "Relations between the Chinese Mainland and Taiwan: A Chronological Survey with Documents," published in *Asian Affairs* (Summer 1999). Free copies of the article are available to HSTCC members upon request to the author.

Thomas Kampen (Berlin, Germany) has published his book, *Mao Zedong, Zhou Enlai and the Evolution of the Chinese Communist Leadership* (Copenhagen: Nordic Institute of Asian Studies, 1999).

Zhai Qiang (Auburn Univ. at Montgomery). His book, *China and the Vietnam Wars, 1950-1975* will be published in March by the University of North Carolina Press.

CONFERENCES in 2001

HSTCC and Hong Kong Baptist University will hold an international conference on "State Building in 20th Century China" in Hong Kong on 7-9 June, 2001. Another joint meeting, in Beijing with Beida, is also being planned. The HSTCC Board is now working on the details of the meetings and will provide more information later.

**HSTCC Conference: Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada,
October 20-21, 2000**
[See Call for Papers](#)

Panel-Paper Proposal Form

Deadline for receipt of proposals: March 10, 2000. Please send proposals to Dr. Ka-che Yip, Department of History, University of Maryland Baltimore County, 1000 Hilltop Circle, Baltimore, MD 21250. USA. Or e-mail: yip@umbc.edu

Panelists and paper presenters are expected to be HSTCC members in good standing.

Registration fee: US\$50. The fee includes the conference banquet.

HSTCC has negotiated with the conference hotel for a special accommodation package. For 3 nights and 2 lunches, it will be approximately US\$130.50 for a double room (2 persons), or US\$224.50 for a single room (1 person). If you are interested in taking advantage of this package, please indicate.

1. Panel/Paper Title:

2. Description of Panel/Paper:

3. *Panel Organizer/Paper Presenter:

Name:

Institution:

Address:

Office Phone: E-mail:

*If this is a panel, please submit the above information for each panelist

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Press Here	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>current!</i></p> <p>At the 1998 Annual Meeting, the membership approved a new dues structure: (1) Regular - \$25 per year; \$60 for a 3-year membership. (2) Student - \$10 per year; \$25 for a 3-year membership. (3) Lifetime membership - \$250. The Society will begin a regular fall-term dues payment schedule for the following academic year. Please send in your dues if you had not done so. Thank you. Please make your check or money order payable to : The Historical Society for 20th Century China. Mail to: Dr. David Barrett, Department of History, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada L8S4L9. E-mail: barrettd@mcmaster.ca</p>
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Minutes of the April HSTCC Business Meeting

Minutes of the General Meeting of the Historical Society for 20th Century China.

The annual meeting of the Historical Society for 20th Century China (HSTCC) was held in the Regis Room of Boston Marriott Copley Place at the Association for Asian Studies, on 13 March, 1999 from 1:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. President Ka-che Yip presided over the meeting.

1. Minutes of the 28 March, 1998 general meeting were moved and seconded for approval. They were approved by the membership. The Financial Statement of 1998-1999 was moved and seconded for approval. It was approved by the membership. The balance (as of 13 March 1999) was \$1,264.07.
2. President Yip reported that thanks to the effort of Vice-President David Barrett who has begun to institute a system of regular membership dues collection, HSTCC is in much better financial shape. A number of members have taken advantage of the new 3-year membership option. The possibility of credit card payment by members was discussed but was deemed not feasible at this time.
3. HSTCC-University of Venice Conference: Preparations for the

international conference on AThe Role of the Republican period in Twentieth Century China: Reflections and Reconsiderations@ from 30 June to 3 July are well underway under the leadership of Professor Guido Samarani of the University of Venice. Dr. Laura De Giorgi of the University of Venice who attended the annual meeting reported on the tentative program and local arrangements. She indicated that 40-45 international scholars from North America, Europe, Asia, and Australia have been invited to make presentations. Registration will take place on 30 June. For the first two days, the conference will be held at the Giorgio Cini Foundation, while the meeting on 3 July will be held at the campus of the University of Venice. Participants are housed in the University Guesthouse. The membership thanked Dr. De Giorgi for her report and for the excellent job she and Professor Samarani are doing in organizing the program.

4. HSTCC-SWCAS Joint Meeting:

The HSTCC joint meeting with the Southwest Conference on Asian Studies will be held at Southwest Texas State University, San Marco on 21-23 October. President Yip and Professor Marilyn Levine are working with Professor Joseph Yick, President of SWCAS on the program. Professor Levine will also be directing an outreach program on Vietnam in conjunction with the conference program. The membership was urged to submit panels/papers to Professor Levine. To encourage graduate student participation, HSTCC has set aside travel subsidies for graduate student members who will be presenting papers at the conference.

5. Professor Levine=s Report:

Professor Levine reported on the HSTCC Roundtable entitled, AChanging Perceptions of the Sino-Japanese War, 1937-1945,@ at the ICAS Conference at Leiden on 26 June, 1998. The Roundtable was a success and HSTCC also held a meeting to discuss business and recruit new members.