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The Historical Society for Twentieth Century China (HSTCC) is dedicated to scholarly interchange about modern China. Founded in 1983, the HSTCC has been the organizer or co-organizer of a number of international conferences, as well as the sponsor of numerous panels at national meetings of the Association for Asian Studies and the American Historical Association. The Society is affiliated with both the AAS and the AHA.

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HSTCC Business Meeting Agenda at 2006 AAS Conference

Date: Saturday, April 8, 2006

Time: 1:00-1:30

Place: San Francisco Marriott:
Yerba Buena Salon 2, Lower B2 Level

Agenda:

1. Approval of minutes of April 2, 2005
(To be distributed)
2. President's report
3. Financial Report
4. Election of 2006-08 Board and Secretary-Treasurer
5. Future Conference Proposals
6. Any other business

If you wish to propose further agenda items, would you contact President Elisabeth Koll at exk21@cwru.edu.

Nominations for HSTCC Board for 2006-08

Nominations are invited for Vice-President and four Board members. Send nominations to Elisabeth Koll at exk21@cwru.edu.

AAS Roundtable on Mao: The Unknown Story

Immediately following the business meeting the HSTCC has scheduled a roundtable on the topic, "*Mao: The Unknown Story: The Book and Its Impact.*" Panel members are Joseph Esherick, John Fitzgerald, Susanne Weigelin-Schwiedrzik, Susan Glosser, Yu Maochun and Roderick MacFarquhar, with Jeffrey Wasserstrom as chair. Anticipated starting time is 1:30, in Yerba Buena Salon 2, Lower B2 Level.

Singapore Conference, June 26-28, 2006

Thomas DuBois reports that the forthcoming conference, "Chinese Nation, Chinese State, 1850-2000," to be held at the National University of Singapore, and co-sponsored by the HSTCC, is proceeding on schedule and has drawn over 70 participants, one-third of them from the HSTCC. Website address: <http://courses.nus.edu.sg/course/histdd/notes/HSTCC.htm>. Enquiries can be directed to Thomas DuBois at histdd@nus.edu.sg.

University of Venice Workshop

A very productive workshop, entitled "China-Italy Relations and Nationalist China's Foreign Relations, 1928-1947," was held in October 2005 at Ca' Foscari University, Venice. Organized by Guido Samarani, the workshop included a strong HSTCC representation, with papers given by Guido, William Kirby, Yu Shen, Alexander Pisarev, David Barrett, and Chen Hongmin.

Recent Publications

David P. Barrett, ed. and trans., *Mission to China: Memoirs of a Soviet Military Adviser to Chiang Kaishek*, by Vasilii I. Chuikov (EastBridge, 2004)

John Carroll, "Displaying the Past to Serve the Present: Museums and Heritage Preservation in Post-Colonial Hong Kong," *Twentieth-Century China*, 31:1 (Nov. 2005)

Cindy Yik-yi Chu, ed., *Foreign Communities in Hong Kong, 1840s-1950s* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2005)

William Goetzmann and Elisabeth Koll, "The History of Corporate Ownership in China: State Patronage, Company Legislation, and the Issue of Control," in Randall K. Morck, ed., *A History of Corporate Governance around the World: Family Business Groups to Professional Managers* (University of Chicago, 2005)

Xiaorong Han, "Localism in Chinese Communist Politics Before and After 1949: The Case of Feng Baiju," *Chinese Historical Review*, " 11.1 (Spring 2004)

Xiaorong Han, *Chinese Discourses on the Peasant: 1900-1949* (SUNY Press, 2005)

Roger Jeans, "Victims or Victimizers? Museums, Textbooks, and the War Debate in Contemporary Japan," *Journal of Military History* (January 2005)

Qin Shao, "Exhibiting the Modern: The Creation of the First Chinese-sponsored Museum, 1905-1930," *China Quarterly* 179 (September 2004)

Peter Zarrow, *China in War and Revolution, 1895-1949* (Routledge, 2005)

Vienna Conference Publication

The Austrian Academy of Science will be publishing selected papers from the 2004 Vienna conference. The volume, edited by Susanne Weigelin-Schwiedrzik and colleagues Agnes Schick-Chen and Sascha Klotzbucher, is entitled *As China Meets the World: China's Changing Position in the International Community*. HSTCC contributors, apart from Susanne, are Tom Grunfeld, Donald Jordan, and Xu Xiaoqun.

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