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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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President's Notes

Greetings. As I noted in the last newsletter, the most noteworthy HSTCC news in the past year is its likely merger with the journal Twentieth Century China. This will be the main topic of our annual meeting at the AAS convention in Atlanta. The meeting is on Saturday April 5 at 1 p.m. in Dunwoody, Conference Level. Before then you will receive the general principles of the proposed merger. Also on the agenda is the election of HSTCC Board members to replace those who have resigned or whose term is expiring. I look forward to see many of you in Atlanta.

The HSTCC Biennial Conference at the East -West Center, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 16-17, 2008

The theme for our forthcoming conference is "Chinese Identities: Local, Regional, National, Global." There are 50 papers being presented, 6 papers by scholars from the People's Republic of China, 32 from the United States, 3 from Canada, 2 from Singapore, and 1 each from Germany, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Korea.

Registration

You have received information on the conference in multiple email messages. The conference registration fees are \$55.00 for members and \$70.00 for non-members. These fees cover costs of meeting rooms, transportation from hotels to the East-West Center, banquet costs, and various sundry expenses; there is no outside funding for this conference. If you are planning to bring a guest to Monday night's banquet meal, please add \$30.00 to your payment.

Please send your check or (for non-U.S. participants) international money orders **by April 15** to HSTCC Secretary-Treasurer Professor Wang Ke-wen at the Department of History, Saint Michael's College, Colchester, Vermont 05439.

Hotels

Conference hotel rates at the two hotels where we have blocs of rooms reserved will be in effect from June 12 to June 21. Blocs of rooms have been reserved at conference rates at area hotels, with rates running from \$91 to \$129. Reservation deadline is May 12.

If you are interested in sharing a room with another conference participant, let Keith Schoppa know. He will not make room assignments, but I can put you in touch with those who would like to share a room.

For more information, visit the HSTCC website.

New Look for HSTCC Webpage

The HSTCC website has a new look, thanks to the new webmaster, Professor Steven Phillips of Towson University; please find it (with news about the HSTCC and membership lists) at www.towson.edu/hstcc/

A Note on Membership Dues

The date of HSTCC membership dues collection has been moved from November to June of each year. Members who will attend our Hawaii conference in June 2008 may renew their membership at the HSTCC Desk on the conference site. For others whose membership expires this year an e-mail reminder of renewal will be sent to you next spring.

Recent Publications by HSTCC Members

Morris Bian, "How Crisis Shapes Change: New Perspectives on China's Political Economy during the Sino-Japanese War, 1937-1945," *History Compass* 5 (July 2007).

Morris Bian, *The Making of the State Enterprise System in Modern China: The Dynamics of Institutional Change*. Harvard University Press, 2005. *The Making of the State Enterprise System* was recognized by Choice Magazine as an Outstanding Academic Title of the Year in 2006 and named by the International Convention of Asian Scholars as one of the top ten social science books in Asian studies in 2007, an award chosen from titles published.

John Carroll, *Edge of Empires: Chinese Elites and British Colonials in Hong Kong*, Harvard University Press, 2005; Hong Kong University Press, 2007.

John Carroll, *A Concise History of Hong Kong*, Rowman and Littlefield, May 2007; Hong Kong University Press, September 2007.

John Carroll, "Ho Kai: A Chinese Reformer in Colonial Hong Kong," in Kenneth J. Hammond and Kristin Stapleton, eds., *The Human Tradition in Premodern China*. Rowman and Littlefield, 2008. Pp. 55-72.

John Carroll, "Ten Years After: 1997-2007 in Hong Kong History," Conference on "Hong Kong Culture: Word and Image," University of Hong Kong, December 2007.

John Carroll, "Autonomy under Colonial Rule," Conference on "Into the Future: Collective Reflections Ten Years after Reunification," Hong Kong, June 2007.

John Carroll, "Contested Colony: Hong Kong in the Cold War," Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Boston, March 2007.

Meng Tat Jack Chia, "Ah Ma and her Beliefs: The Migrant Experience and Religious Practices of a Chinese Immigrant Woman in Twentieth Century Singapore." *Marburg Journal of Religion* 12, 1 (May 2007): 1-13. (Available at: <http://web.uni-marburg.de/religionswissenschaft/journal/mjr/pdf/2007/chia2007.pdf>).

Kenneth Hammond and Kristin Stapleton, eds. *The Human Tradition in Modern China*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2007.

Stephen MacKinnon, Diana Lary, Ezra Vogel, eds., *China At War: Regions of China, 1937-1945*. Stanford University Press, 2007.

Stephen MacKinnon, *Wuhan, 1938: War, Refugees, and the Making of Modern China*. University of California, 2008.

Roger B. Jeans, Jr., "Alarm in Washington: A Wartime 'Expose' of Japan's Biological Warfare Program," *The Journal of Military History*, Vol. 71, no. 2 (2007): 411-39.

Laura Tyson Li, *Madame Chiang Kai-shek: China's Eternal First Lady*. *Atlantic Monthly*, 2006; paperback: Grove Press, 2007.

Steven Phillips, "Taiwan's Intelligence Reform in an Era of Democratization." In *Reforming Intelligence: The Challenge of Democratic Control and Effectiveness in New and Established Democracies*

edited by Bruneau and Boraz. Austin: University of Texas Press, 2007. Pp. 170-193.

Vincent K. Pollard, *Globalization, Democratization and Asian Leadership: Power Sharing, Foreign Policy and Society in the Philippines and Japan*. Ashgate Publishing Ltd., 2007 (first published in 2004)

Andrea Riemenschneider, "Consuming Collective Identity: Food Myths in Contemporary Chinese Aesthetic Representations," *Asiatische Studien*, LX, 4 (2006): 1021-1049.

Kristin Stapleton, "State of the Field: Chinese Urban History." Co-written with Liu Haiyan of the Tianjin Academy of Social Sciences. *China Information*, Special Issue on Urban China, Vol. 20, no. 3 (2006): 391-427.

Dong Wang, paperback reprint of *China's Unequal Treaties: Narrating National History*, forthcoming Rowman & Littlefield, April 2008.

Dong Wang, ed., "Christianity in China as in the History of United States-China Relations," theme volume of the *Journal of American-East Asian Relations*, Summer 2008.

Dong Wang, completing a manuscript for a book on United States-China relations from the 18th century to the present. A second ongoing book project, provisionally titled *The Longmen Grottoes in a Changing World: Art, Religion, and Representation*, examines the discovery and presentation of the Longmen Grottoes in Japanese, French, Chinese, American, Italian, and

UNESCO sources in the
modern/contemporary era.

China. University of Chicago Press,
2006.

Xiaoqun Xu, *Trial of Modernity: Judicial Reform in Early- Twentieth-Century China, 1901-193*, forthcoming Stanford University Press, August 2008.

Xiaoqun Xu, Chinese version of *Chinese Professionals and the Republican State* (Cambridge 2001; 2006), with two additional chapters, titled *Minguo Shiqi De Guojia Yu Shehui* (State and Society in Republican China), Beijing: Xinxing chubanshe (New Star Press), 2007.

Xiaoqun Xu, "Social Actors, Cultural Capital, and the State: The Standardization of Bank Accounting Classification and Terminology in Early-Twentieth- Century China," *Accounting, Organization and Society* (London: Elsevier, Ltd.), Vol.33, No.1 (January 2008): 73-102. [co-authored].

Xiaoqun Xu , "The Rule of Law without Due Process: Punishing Robbers and Bandits in Early-Twentieth-Century China," *Modern China*, Vol.23, No. 2 (April 2007): 230-257.

Xiaoqun Xu, "Negotiating Western Models and Chinese Practices: Judicial Reform in the Late Qing New Policy, 1901-1911," in Susanne Weigelin-Schwiedrzik, Agnes Schick-Chen, and Sascha Klotzbücher, eds., *As China Meets the World: China's Changing Position in the International Community*. Vien: Der Österreichischen Akademie Der Wissenschaften (Vienna: Austrian Academy of Sciences Press), 2006. Pp.99-121.

Margherita Zanasi, *Saving the Nation: Economic Modernity in Republican*