This Month in Mongolian Studies - April 2007

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This is a monthly compendium of important and interesting events taking place at the ACMS in Ulaanbaatar in Mongolian Studies and among the Mongol peoples of the world. This list is based on information our center has received and is presented as a service to ACMS members. If you would like to become a member, have information you would like to submit to future newsletters or have received this message in error, please contact the ACMS at info@mongoliacenter.org.

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ACMS New Location!

March 2007

The American Center for Mongolian Studies (ACMS) moved to a new location in the School of Foreign Service in the National University of Mongolia in March. The center has quadrupled in size and now has a reading room/library and separate administrative office. The new location is at the National University of Mongolia, Building No. 5, Room 304, one floor up from the previous location. The center also has access to a large lecture hall across from the library/reading room, which is available for lectures and small conferences.

The center is open to the public from Monday through Friday from 9 am to 6 pm. The entire ACMS UB staff, which now includes a new librarian and office assistant, looks forward to seeing you soon.

ACMS JSTOR Access

From March 2007

The ACMS library now offers public access to the online database JSTOR, which provides full-text copies of articles from nearly 200 academic journals. Patrons are invited to utilize this resource whenever they visit the ACMS library. Simply use one of the public computers or laptop hook-ups to gain full access to this valuable resource. The ACMS staff is also on hand to answer any questions you may have about using this and other online database tools.

ACMS Call for Speakers

April to July 2007

The American Center for Mongolian Studies (ACMS) invites researchers and scholars to present public lectures during the ACMS spring 2007 Speaker Series. If you are planning to visit Mongolia between April and July 2007 to conduct research or study, please contact info@mongoliacenter.org to schedule a date to participate in this public lecture series. The lectures must be conducted in English, and all academic disciplines are welcome. The Speaker Series is a great opportunity for scholars to present their work and for the general public to learn about academic research in Mongolia.

Please notify the ACMS at least two weeks prior to your proposed date to speak in order to allow enough time to advertise the lecture. For more information about past lectures, please visit mongoliacenter.org/ss/index.html.

Conference

"2007 Annual SOYUZ Symposium"
Princeton University, Aaron Burr Hall

APRIL 27-29, 2007
The title of this year's conference is "Locating 'Eurasia' In Postsocialist Studies: The Geopolitics of Naming."
For more information about registering or the list of panels, contact oushakin@Princeton.EDU.

Fellowship

"Fleishman Fellows in Civil Society"
Duke University, Joel L. Fleishman Civil Society Fellows Program

DEADLINE TO APPLY: MAY 1, 2007
The Joel L. Fleishman Civil Society Fellows Program provides a select group of leaders from nonprofit organizations, international NGOs, foundations, government, socially responsible businesses, and other civil society groups with the opportunity to spend a four-week residential sabbatical at Duke University’s Terry Sanford Institute of Public Policy. While at Duke, Fellows perform research and work with Institute faculty and other Duke affiliates on issues related to the development of civil society. Applicants are selected based upon their proposed research topic and how they intend to utilize Duke's resources to benefit their professional work in society. Housing and program expenses are covered. In addition, each Fellow receives a $6000 stipend. Full-time academics are not eligible to apply. Applications can be downloaded from the program website: http://www.pubpol.duke.edu/centers/civil/.

Call for Contributions
"The Political and Social Role of Veterans in Russia, the Soviet-Union and Post-Soviet States: a Sociology of War Veterans"
Journal of Power Institutions in Post-Soviet Societies

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 10, 2007
This issue will focus on the veterans of Russian, Soviet, and Post-Soviet wars from a comparative as well as multidisciplinary perspective. We are interested in different levels of analysis: macro (the state and national public policies), meso (social and political organizations) and micro (on the individual level). We will study veteran populations from the federal armed forces as well as from the many armies attached to the Russian and Post-Soviet power ministries and secret service agencies. The articles submitted to pipss.org for publication should be original contributions and should not be under consideration for any other publication at the same time. For more information, contact Elisabeth Sieca-Kozlowski, Chief Editor, contact@pipss.org/

Publications
"Eurasian Crossroads: A History of Xinjiang"
by James Millward

Drawing on primary sources in several Asian and European languages, James Millward presents a thorough study of Xinjiang's history and people from antiquity to the present and takes a balanced look at the position of Turkic Muslims within the PRC today. While offering fresh material and perspectives for specialists, this engaging survey of Xinjiang’s rich environmental, cultural, and ethno-political heritage is also written for travelers, students, and anyone eager to learn about this vital connector between East and West. For more information about this title or details about purchasing it, visit http://www.columbia.edu/cu/cup/catalog/data/978023113/9780231139243.HTM.

Other Events
"4th Annual Mongol Children's Festival and Competition"
Rosslyn Spectrum Theatre Washington DC Area Mongolia Community Association

JUNE 10, 2007
Washington DC Area Mongolia Community Association would like to remind those interested in Mongolia of its upcoming 4th Annual Mongol Children’s. This is a popular and great event which showcases the achievements and talent of children of Mongol descent residing all over the US and, judging from last year's entries, all over the world. Please mark your calendars and we will keep you posted as the date approaches. For more information, contact mongoliadc@yahoogroups.com.