This Month in Mongolian Studies - May 2007

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This is a monthly compendium of important and interesting events taking place at the ACMS in Ulaanbaatar and 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 Updates

Spring Speaker Series
May 2007, Building No. 5 of the National University of Mongolia, Room 407

PONSORED BY THE NORTH AMERICA-MONGOLIA BUSINESS COUNCIL

The ACMS announces its Spring Speaker Series with lectures every Thursday at 5 pm in the month of May. The Speaker Series are lectures given in English on a variety of academic and research topics and are open to the public. This spring the North America-Mongolia Business Council is providing generous support to the ACMS by sponsoring the lectures. For a complete list of the speakers and topics for May, please visit mongoliacenter.org/ss.

Online Services

mongoliacenter.org/survival.html

The ACMS now offers the convenient service of acting as your local intermediary in procuring items and arranging services, such as cellular phones and hotel bookings, in advance of your arrival in Mongolia. Build your "survival kit" by selecting items on the ACMS website or by making special arrangements through consultation with the ACMS. Payments can be made online through the ACMS website allowing you to avoid traveling with large sums of cash. Your kit will be available upon your arrival either at the ACMS office or at the airport if you choose to have an ACMS representative pick you up. ACMS Members receive discounted rates on all items. You can renew your ACMS membership online by visiting mongoliacenter.org/join.html.

3 Year Memberships

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The ACMS now offers discounted 3 year memberships to students, individuals, and Mongolian citizens. By renewing your membership with the ACMS you are supporting a community of people and institutions dedicated to increasing scholarship and research opportunities in Mongolia and Inner Asia. If you wish to extend your membership for an additional three years, please visit mongoliacenter.org/join.html to pay online. Your current membership will remain in effect until August 31st, 2007, and your three membership will begin September 1st. Thank you for your continued support.

Mongolian Language Books Online

mongoliacenter.org/language

The ACMS now offers Mongolian language books, including dictionaries, courses books, and training manuals, for sale on its website. These are language materials only available in Mongolia and through selected distributors in the US. Prices for items include the costs of international shipping and handling, and all proceeds from book sales go directly towards supporting the ACMS. Payment is fast and secure, and the ACMS tries to ship within 48 hours of each purchase. ACMS members receive exclusive discounts on all items. For more information about this service, please visit mongoliacenter.org/language. Or, send questions or special requests to admin@mongoliacenter.org.

Call for Participants

"Baga Chuluu Gazaryn Archeological Project"
7-10 May 2007, Autonomous University of Barcelona

EXTENDED DEADLINE: MAY 15, 2007

Students and others interested in archaeology are invited to submit applications for the Baga Chuluu Gazaryn archaeological project in south central Mongolia, Middle Gobi province, approximately 50 km north of the city of Mandalgov (N 46°01’ E 106°12’), which includes excavation of Hsiung-nu burials. All information, including application forms, is on the CSEN website at http://csen.org. Address questions to...
Jeannine Davis-Kimball at jkimball.csen.org.

"Summer Workshop in Slavic, East European and Central Asian Languages"
June 15-August 10, 2007, Indiana University

DEADLINE: ROLLING ADMISSIONS
Intensive language training has been offered at the Bloomington campus of Indiana University since 1950. The Summer Workshop provides up to 200 participants in Slavic, East European and Central Asian languages the opportunity to complete a full year of college language instruction during an eight-week summer session. This year Indiana University will offer Introductory Mongolian Language. For more information about the program, visit http://www.indiana.edu/~iuslavic/swseel/

Call for Papers
"Interpreting Emotion in Eastern Europe, Russia, and Eurasia"
June 19-21, 2008, Ralph and Ruth Fisher Forum

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: MAY 31, 2007
The 2008 Ralph and Ruth Fisher Forum will be held at the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign on the topic of "interpreting emotion in eastern Europe, Russia, and Eurasia." This conference will be a multidisciplinary exploration of emotion and its cultural representations in Eastern Europe, Russia, and Eurasia from the 19th century to the present, especially in public life, as well as a critical consideration of how we approach the study of emotion. Proposals for papers are sought to explore both questions of method and particular histories, ethnographies, and cultural expressions of emotion. Topics that might be examined, for example, include emotions and political culture, emotions and gender, emotions and the body, emotions and the public sphere, and individual emotions such as love, anger, shame, and melancholy. Please send proposals for papers (maximum 1 page) and a brief CV to steinb@uiuc.edu and vsobol@uiuc.edu (you may also contact us with questions). Subject to funding.