Since the opening of our first UB office in 2004, the ACMS has seen many changes and evolutions. When the office was first being planned back in 2003-4, one of the biggest concerns was where it should be located. Preliminary discussions were made with several possible venues, with a high preference being the Ulaanbaatar Natsagdorj Library, where the American Corner has been housed for over a decade. Unfortunately at the time a suitable space was not available in the library and other alternatives had to be explored.

Instead we started with a small office in the National University of Mongolia, with three staff. Not long afterwards the ACMS moved to larger space within NUM, where we took over a classroom and office space. Then a strategic decision was made a few years later to move once more to Mongolian University of Science and Technology, where more space and better access was provided. But rapid growth of student enrollment at the university resulting from the increasing demand for science and technical graduates resulted in MUST reluctantly reappropriating the allocated space and the ACMS moved temporarily to the Center 34 building while it hunted for a permanent home. After nearly 10 years, the ACMS has found that home in the place we had originally wanted to be, the Ulaanbaatar Natsagdorj Library.

On September 26, ACMS Executive Director Charles Krusekopf and Ulaanbaatar Natsagdorj Library Director Soyomboobaatar signed an agreement providing the ACMS (Continued on page 5)

ACMS Takes on Books for Asia Program

On October 10th, the Asia Foundation and the American Center for Mongolian Studies launched their Books for Asia program partnership with a gala event at the National Museum of History. One of the Asia Foundation’s best known and most beloved programs, Books for Asia is the leading provider of donated information resources in the region, distributing one million books to 19 countries in Asia. Books for Asia is committed to connecting Mongolian institutions with high-quality material from some of the world’s best information resources. When the Foundation first started is programming in Mongolia in 1990, Books for Asia responded to the critical need for English-language books by donating publications that were not yet available in the country. Since then, the program has provided more than half a million books, donated by leading U.S. publishers, to a wide variety of Mongolian institutions in Mongolia’s most far-flung corners.

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Letter from the Executive Director

Energy. That one word that highlights what I encountered during my visit to the ACMS office in Ulaanbaatar in September. In one week I participated in a signing ceremony for the MOU establishing our new office at the Ulaanbaatar City Library, a ceremony marking a new collaborative partnership with the University of Arts and Culture, a partnership meeting with Asia Foundation on the Books for Asia program, a meeting with Oyu Tolgoi to develop new internship opportunities, and other discussions with a variety of partners in Ulaanbaatar, both old friends and new.

The new activities and resources generated are highlighted in other articles in this newsletter, and individually each new partnership is significant. The cumulative impact for the organization and office, however, is what you will notice most on your next visit to Ulaanbaatar. The ACMS has 5 new employees, plus a much larger space within the Ulaanbaatar Library, near where the American Corner is located. The co-location near the American Corner will support joint activities and use of resources, for example through Speaker Series talks in the conference room of the library. We look forward to working with the US Embassy and the American Corner to further develop the partnership.

Library training and resource development are also areas of focus for the future given our new location. ACMS Library Fellow Enerel plans to conduct training sessions for Mongolian libraries from her home base at Middle Tennessee State University, and Library Fellow Ben Meador is working to develop a GIS resource center at the ACMS library, and recently held a popular series of GIS workshops in Ulaanbaatar. We are interested in expanding training and partnerships to help build the capabilities of Mongolian libraries and librarians, and welcome your ideas and connections. We want to build a closer tie between the research work conducted by Field Research and Library Fellows and the resources provided by the ACMS.

Looking ahead to 2014 the ACMS will be celebrating the 10th anniversary of the opening of its office in Ulaanbaatar with a series of workshops, training and other activities in Ulaanbaatar. Our annual meeting in the US will be held in conjunction with the AAS in Philadelphia on Friday March 28, and we hope to co-sponsor several events in the US over the year.

We continue to search for additional grant funding given the uncertain future of US government funding for international education. One area of cooperation is for the ACMS to act as your home office in Mongolia for research or exchange projects, such as multi-year grants. This is a role we have taken on for several NSF funded projects, and we can use our own personnel to support your research work through logistics support and coordination with local partners. ACMS can also hire employees to work on your behalf or set up and run bank accounts and accounting for the project, freeing you to focus on your research work. If you are interested in exploring possibilities, please contact the ACMS through info@mongoliacenter.org.

Report from Madison

In late summer I finally participated in my first Naadam celebration outside Mongolia. The Wisconsin Mongols put together in the town of Watertown, WI. There was Mongolian food, music, and dance, and here were even professional Mongolian wrestlers, inviting challengers for wrestling matches. It was great.

This Fall the ACMS was one of the co-organizers of the 14th annual Central Eurasian Studies Society (CESS) conference. This year the conference was in Madison from October 3-6th, and we hosted nearly 70 panels on a diverse range of topics pertaining to the study of Eurasia. One panel in particular was formed by the ACMS along our long-held interest in preserving Mongolia’s cultural heritage. To make for a more engaging discussion, the topic was opened up to the space of Eurasia, including work in Iran and Kazakhstan. Three participated from the Smithsonian Institution, William Fitzhugh, Paula DePriest, and Alexander Nagel, and Richard Kortum participated from East Tennessee State University. The topic was also brought to a public venue on
It has been nine months since my arrival in Mongolia. In some ways it feels like I have just arrived, and in others like I have been here for years. I am proud to say that the ACMS team in Mongolia has accomplished much since March. We developed several new partnerships with American Universities and Community Colleges and look forward to facilitating their research and educational endeavors in Mongolia.

This has been accompanied with the ACMS’ efforts to develop and renew valuable relationships with Mongolian Universities. With the massive restructuring currently occurring in the Mongolian higher education system and the appointment of several new presidents, there are opportunities for North American academics to not only collaborate on research, but take an active role in shaping how these changes will evolve.

We have also begun reaching out the new Mongolian technical colleges in order to determine what potential opportunities exist and how collaborations with North American technical training institutions can be developed. As a founding partner of the Vocational Education Training and Research Guidance Center (VETC) in Mongolia, we have been involved in the development of the training standards and trade certification. The growing demand from the mining, construction and technical sectors in Mongolia has created a growing need for research related to the development of curriculum as well as the impact of these lifestyle changes are having on rural and urban communities.

We have strengthened our ties with the US Embassy, providing greater support for American Fulbright and English Language Fellows, participating in the selection process of the Mongolian Fulbright Fellows and exploring training opportunities for new embassy personnel. We have also developed closer ties with the Canadian, Australian, British and German embassies.

A new direction has been a targeted outreach to international funding agencies such as the USAID, EBRD, ADB and the World Bank. As Mongolia’s status in the world changes, so do the mandates of these organizations as they shift from being direct program providers to looking for new local partners to take over many of their research requirements. With our vast network of contacts in the research community, we will strive to promote these opportunities to our membership.

Our efforts to reach out to private industry have also been successful. We have developed a very good relationship with Oyu Tolgoi LLC, the flagship of the Mongolian economy. After providing a successful pilot project on community development, we are looking to not only expand this project, but to identify other areas such as environment, cultural heritage and social impact where the impartial expertise of our member researchers and institutions can play a vital role.

With a new year approaching all of us here at the Center look forward to continuing our efforts to expand the programs we offer, increasing opportunities for sharing knowledge and better serving the changing needs of both American and Mongolian scholars.
Perhaps it is not surprising that a country of 605,000 square miles would attract those who have interest in maps. This interest was obvious with ACMS Library Fellow Ben Meader, as he came to Mongolia with the goal of setting up a GIS lab at the new ACMS Resource Center. Mr. Meader, a Geographer and Assistant Instructor at Middlebury College Center for Teaching and Learning, has been leading GIS training since 2011. To support his GIS initiative, Middlebury College donated a GIS computer and several ArcGIS software licenses which have been since installed in the ACMS Resource Center. In addition we have installed QGIS open source software on all of the Resource Center computers, made available to all users.

Following his Speaker Series presentation on September 11th, Mr. Meader was approached by several Mongolian and expat researchers and organizations about how to apply GIS technologies to their research. Due to the strong interest and his own personal interest, he extended his stay from four weeks to two and a half months in order to offer his services to several projects and provide training.

The ACMS ran six GIS training workshops over the span of three weeks, taking novice Cartographers through the process of creating their own GIS projects. In addition to the workshops, Mr. Meader developed a series of training tutorials and teaching aids that are now available to ACMS members.

In particular, he worked with Ariell Ahearn, a Cornell graduate and PhD candidate in the School for Geography and the Environment at Oxford University who is focusing her research on the study of changing patterns of work, social relations, and cultural values in Mongolia. Over a two week period, they were able to create and print large detailed maps of the Olziit Tsoom in Bayanhongor, gathering data on 64 seasonal campsites, mapping 34 wells and other local resources, as well as map the migration patterns of local herdsmen.

Another of Mr. Meader's projects was working with the City of Ulaanbaatar on mapping the surrounding Ger districts and identifying the resources available to residents. Done in partnership with the Asia Foundation, this project is part of the city’s new urban planning initiative and will be used in finding solutions to the growing concerns regarding how to manage these areas.

A one-day GIS training workshop was also presented to student researchers and faculty of the Health Sciences University of Mongolia. Dr. G. Enkhjargal, head of the Department of Environmental and Occupational Health at the university requested the workshop and saw this technology as serving a vital role in future health research.

A one-day workshop was also provided to the Mongolian Cultural Heritage Center, where Mr. Meader worked with the center’s technicians on improving their database of immovable cultural heritage sites.

Due to the great success and interest in these efforts, Mr. Meader is planning on returning to Mongolia in late spring. We look forwarding seeing him again soon.
Mongolian Young Leaders Forum held in Vancouver

ACMS Executive Director Charles Krusekopf participated in the Mongolia Young Leaders Program (YLP) from November 21-24 in Vancouver, Canada. The YLP brought together almost 20 Mongolian undergraduate and graduate students studying in North America for a series of talks and discussions on Mongolia’s future development paths.

The meetings marked the 40th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Mongolia and Canada, and Canadian Ambassador to Mongolia Greg Goldhawk provided a keynote talk to both the Mongolian Young Leaders and a crowd of over 100 guests who attended a discussion panel on Mongolia’s economic, political and cultural development. Dr. Krusekopf presented on Mongolia’s current economic situation, and held a discussion on opportunities for the ACMS to continue to support the young Mongolian leaders through access to research networks and resources once they graduate from university and return to Mongolia.

The YLP was initiated by the Mongolian-American Scientific Research (MonAme) Center and the first annual conference took place in Washington DC, and additional meetings were organized at Stanford University, and in Boston, Milan and Istanbul. Speakers at this year’s forum included Julian Dierkes and Mendee of UBC, former Canadian Ambassador Anna Biolik, and Mary Collins, a former Canadian Member of Parliament who is working to help develop the Mongolian Women’s Parliamentary Caucus through the support of the Canadian Government. Mongolian Honorary Consul Tobin Robbins of Vancouver served as the host for the event, and everyone celebrated Mongolia’s extension of visa free travel for Canadians to Mongolia starting in January 2014.

ACMS Fall Speaker Series

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with space to house the new Books for Asia program, administrative office, library and resource center in exchange for library training and assistance in developing library programs.

The new space required extensive renovations, stripping the facility down to the walls, rewiring, leveling the floors, building a new bathroom. After 5 weeks of effort the ACMS moved to its new home on November 15th. The following weeks were spent settling into the new facility, training an additional three new staff members and continuing with the regular programs. In all the move was a very successful endeavor, bringing the ACMS UB team together as we developed a strong sense of ownership.

We look forward to seeing you at our new location:
Natsagdorj Library East Entrance,
Seoul Avenue-7, Sukhbaatar District
Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
ACMS US-Mongolia Field Research Fellowship Program
This program provides awards of up to $4,000 to students and/or faculty from US universities to conduct academic field research in Mongolia between May and October 2014. Student applicants can be at an advanced undergraduate, masters, or doctoral level, and all fields of study are eligible. Applicants must be US citizens currently enrolled full-time in a university or college in the United States. Students graduating in the spring of 2014 are eligible to apply. Faculty fellowship supports faculty members from US colleges and universities to conduct short-term field research in Mongolia between May and October 2014. Applicants must be US citizens currently teaching at a college or university in the United States. The program priority is to support faculty from non-research intensive universities and colleges, especially faculty who are helping guide student research projects or who can show how the experience will enhance their teaching. The fellowship is supported with funding from the US Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs through a grant by the Council of American Overseas Research Centers. Deadline for receipt of complete applications: February 15, 2014.

ACMS Library Fellowship Program
This fellowship supports US advanced graduate students or faculty members in library science or related fields from US colleges and universities to conduct short-term projects and/or research in Mongolia between May and October 2014. Applicants must be US citizens. The ACMS Library Fellowship program is to help support the development of the ACMS research library through specific defined projects designed to enhance the collection content and resource availability. The Fellow will also offer training and support for local scholars and the public. Fellows will spend up to 12 weeks onsite in Mongolia at the ACMS library; prior experience working in Mongolia is not a requirement. Fellowships will be awarded to fund travel and living expenses of up to $4,000. The fellowship is supported with funding from the US Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs through a grant by the Council of American Overseas Research Centers. Deadline for receipt of complete applications: February 15, 2014.

For more information visit mongoliacenter.org/fellowship

Summer 2014 Intensive Mongolian Language Program
The American Center for Mongolian Studies invites students and scholars to enroll in an eight week Intensive Mongolian Language Program from mid-June to early August (dates TBA), 2014 in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. The purpose of this summer language program is to provide Intermediate-level students of the Mongolian language with an opportunity to enhance their communicative competence through systematic improvement of reading, writing, listening and speaking skills, in an authentic environment. The Language Program Fellowship covers the cost of tuition. Deadline for receipt of complete applications: February 15, 2014.
Call for Posters and Displays for Annual Meeting in Philadelphia

The American Center for Mongolian Studies is organizing a poster session on topics related to Mongolia to be held on Friday, March 28nd, 2014, 7:30-10:00pm at the Downtown Marriott in Philadelphia in conjunction with the Association for Asian Studies' annual conference and the ACMS Annual Meeting. Posters or displays on any topic related to Mongolia, Mongolian people or historical subjects related to the Mongols are welcome.

All presenters are required to appear at the meeting to discuss their work. Posters and displays may be in either English or Mongolian language, and students and scholars from all countries and fields of study are invited to participate in the poster session and reception. The audience is expected to include students, scholars, and local residents from Mongolia, and members of the community interested in Mongolia. To propose a poster or display for the session, please send a brief abstract or description (no more than 250 words) to David Dettmann at ddettmann@mongoliacenter.org before March 1, 2014. Posters and displays will be accepted on a rolling basis. You do not need to be registered for the AAS conference to participate, but poster presenters should be a member of the ACMS at the time of the meetings. For more information on the AAS conference and the venue for the ACMS Meeting see: http://www.asian-studies.org/conference/.

ACMS Supports Consulting Project with Oyu Tolgoi and Recent Graduates from Royal Roads University

In December the ACMS played a leading role in supporting a business consulting project for the OyuTolgoi (OT) copper-gold mine project being developed in the South Gobi by global mining giant Rio Tinto and the Mongolian government. A team of 5 recent Bachelors of Commerce graduates from Royal Roads University (RRU) in Victoria BC worked with a faculty member from the Mongolian Humanities University School of Business and entrepreneurs from three small and medium enterprises (SME) in Khan Bogd Sum, the town closest to the OT mine, to assist them in developing their business processes to help them meet growing demand for products and services from both OT and the rapidly developing township.

The students helped develop business plans, diagnose supply chain and inventory issues and develop practical solutions for the SMEs. ACMS Resident Director Marc Tasse, also an RRU graduate, travelled to Khan Bogd to assist the team in their work, and played a key role as a liaison with OT. The company was extremely impressed with the work conducted, which supports their efforts to develop more local suppliers and assist in the development of the South Gobi region. The company is interested in working with the ACMS to explore additional student internships and research projects. If you or your institution would be interested in exploring similar opportunities, please contact the ACMS at info@mongoliacenter.org.

The following is an excerpt from the report of one member of the RRU team:

"Our time in Mongolia provided an exceptional chance to actually understand the importance and impact of globalization. As Royal Roads graduates, we have learned by one of the pillars the University was founded on, to 'Think Globally'. The more time we spent here, the more we realized that Mongolia truly is a country with endless opportunities for business development and growth. They are sure to be a key player in the global economy in the coming years.

We spent most of our time in the South Gobi working alongside local business own-
The research, preservation and promotion of Mongolia’s rich cultural heritage has always been a key component of the ACMS. Strengthening our ties to the heritage research community in order to improve access and collaborative opportunities has been one of the priorities for this year. To this end, we are proud to announce the signing of two MOU’s with Mongolia’s leading cultural heritage institutions.

Our relationship with the Mongolian National Museum of History spans well over a decade, with the National Museum being a strong partner in several joint archeological projects involving ACMS members and Fellows. The new Museum Director Dr. D. Sukhbaatar, a petroglyph specialist, desired to strengthen our long standing ties with a new Memorandum of Understanding. Under the new agreement, both organizations agree to collaborate on the promotion and preservation of Mongolian cultural heritage and Mongolian capacity building in the following areas:

- Creating research exchange and collaboration opportunities between Mongolian and foreign academics
- Being a bridge between Mongolian and foreign research organizations to promote Mongolian cultural heritage
- Collaborate on domestic and international projects related to the promotion Mongolian cultural heritage

The ACMS looks forward to continuing this long relationship and generating new opportunities for the next generation of archeologist and historians both in Mongolia and abroad.

A rising champion for the promotion and preservation of Mongolian heritage is Dr. G. Enkhbat, Director of the Mongolian Cultural Heritage Center (CHC), a division of the Ministry of Culture, Sport and Tourism. Their mission is to protect tangible and intangible cultural heritage by recording, documenting, and restoring cultural treasures and sites to be inherited by future generations.

The CHC is responsible for cultural and archeological preservation in Mongolia by overseeing the heritage museums, cultural heritage sites, tangible, intangible, moveable and immovable cultural treasures. Their current priorities are the mapping and preservation of immovable cultural sites and the cataloguing of museum collections, both in Mongolia and abroad.

Through the agreement, the CHC and the ACMS agree to collaborate on the development of cultural preservation projects and find opportunities to improve the technical capacity for Mongolians to preserve and restore their artifacts. This is to be done by collaborating on the development of the identification and classification of Mongolian cultural heritage and the exchange of cultural heritage data. ACMS Library Fellow Ben Meader spent time with the CHC technical staff reviewing their GIS system and providing some training. This is in preparation for a potential GIS data exchange between the CHC and the Smithsonian Institute.

Other areas being explored as part of the agreement is the development of training opportunities for CHC personnel related to preservation and restoration, both in Mongolia and abroad, and having the ACMS act as a bridge between Mongolian and US institutions to promote Mongolian cultural heritage and assist in the cataloguing of Mongolian moveable cultural objects overseas. Both organizations agree to collaborate on projects related to Mongolian cultural heritage.

The ACMS is continuing to explore other partnerships and areas of collaboration both domestically and abroad, to expand our involvement in this vital area of research.
For the past three years, the ACMS has been supporting library fellows and promoting the training and modernization of Mongolian libraries. As part of that initiative, the Mongolian State University of Arts and Culture (MSUAC), the sole provider of library training in Mongolia, was approached in order to collaborate on the training of future librarians. During his visit in September, ACMS Executive Director Charles Krusekopf signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the president of MSUAC, Dr. E. Sonintogos, pledging to explore areas of greater collaboration.

The Mongolian State University of Arts and Culture is the premier institution providing degrees in Mongolian and international classical performing arts, modern arts and music, multimedia, radio and TV broadcasting, and cultural tourism. They also provide degrees in history, languages and Mongolian cultural heritage. The university is a recent amalgamation of several smaller art universities, the result of the ongoing restructuring of the Mongolian advanced education system.

Through the Memorandum, the ACMS and MSUAC will focus on enhancing research and academic collaborations in the library sciences as well as all other areas of interest. To this end the ACMS took on three library interns from MSUAC this fall who over a six-week period spent a total of 740 hours assisting with the ACMS library and our new Books for Asia program, as well as taking part in the Library trainings with ACMS Library Fellow Dr. Enerel Dambiinyam.

Another goal of the partnership was to assist the university to improve its image outside of Mongolia. The university plans to increase participation in international conferences and publish their research in English journals. An initial step toward this goal was the ACMS’s creation of four intensive workshops for MSUAC faculty and graduate students. The first two workshops were presented by Ariell Ahearn, a PhD candidate from Oxford, covering research methodology, academic citation and plagiarism. The third workshop was on conference application processes and presentation, delivered by Dr. Undraa from the Mongolian University of Science and Technology. A final workshop was presented by US Embassy English Language Fellow Laura Connor, focusing on academic article writing and publication. Due to space limitations, only 27 of 207 applicants were able to participate.

With such positive results in such a short time, we look forward to further developing the potentials provided by the new partnership.
Under the partnership, the ACMS will be managing the distribution of the Books for Asia program and will connect the program to its newly expanded librarian training program. The ACMS and the Asia Foundation will also work together to further promote the use of English academic and non-academic language books through special events, social media as well as encourage the use of open education resources. During the upcoming year, the ACMS aims to target universities, schools and training institutions outside of Ulaanbaatar as the primary recipients of the donated books. A new online book ordering system, as well as reading and book promotion events will be scheduled in partnership with the Peace Corps and other local organizations. The book distribution process will also be the impetus for local library training initiatives being organized by the ACMS on the use of customized open source library circulation management software.

During the partnership launch, Minister of Culture, Sport and Tourism, Ms. Ts. Oyungerel, one of Asia Foundation’s earliest grantees and distinguished author herself, spoke of the importance of the Books for Asia program for Mongolia as well as the critical importance of the work by the ACMS to promote Mongolian studies and academic exchanges. Dr. Jack Weatherford, Professor of Anthropology and renowned author on Mongolia, also spoke about his new book. Ms. Suzanne Siskel, Executive Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer of the Asia Foundation emphasized the power English-language books play in increasing people’s access to information and expanding their opportunities across Asia.

The first shipment of 15,000 books covering 340 titles arrived at the new ACMS office on October 26th. Subjects ranged from elementary school ESL material to legal and medical textbooks. To date there has been over 30 volunteers to help with the unloading, cataloging, sorting and stamping of the books. We have received over 50 donation requests from a wide variety of educational institutions. Distribution is scheduled to begin in early January 2014.

Minister of Culture, Sports and Tourism – Ms. Ts. Oyungerel
Support ACMS Programs

At this time of cut backs in funding for international education efforts by the US Government and other funding sources, it is critical for you to support the ACMS and ensure that it can continue to offer high quality programs and services.

Your support will allow students and researchers to conduct field research in Mongolia, will help develop a vibrant Mongolian language learning program, and will build our library resources to benefit Mongolian and visiting scholars in Ulaanbaatar. Each and every member of the organization who dutifully renews his/her membership and each person who has given cash and in-kind donations should be proud of what their contributions have done to build this organization and meet this shared commitment to scholarship in Mongolia.

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- Your donation supports ACMS outreach activities. The ACMS has organized over 100 lectures, 20 conferences and seminars, and given countless presentations in an effort to increase awareness of research and scholarship in Mongolia. The ACMS continues to build online resources to facilitate research and study. This Month in Mongolian Studies and this newsletter are also efforts to keep the academic community connected inside and outside of Mongolia.

- Your donation helps to develop the ACMS Research Library Collection in Ulaanbaatar. Although modest in size with about 4,500 books, a walk through the shelves reveals a collection with tremendous depth and richness. It is a collection with no clear local rival in Mongolia, especially given its easy accessibility to researchers and students. Cash and book donations from patrons are welcomed.

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