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This Month in Mongolian Studies - March 2007

A publication of the American Center for Mongolian Studies

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 Annual Meeting

Friday, March 23, 2007 from 7:30-10:30 pm, Salon E of Boston Marriott Copley Place

The American Center for Mongolian Studies (ACMS) Annual Membership Meeting will be held on the evening of March 23. In addition, the ACMS and the Mongolia Society are jointly organizing a Mongolian Studies poster session followed by a reception in conjunction with the meeting. ACMS members and individuals interested in Inner Asian Area Studies are invited to attend. For more information contact info@mongoliacenter.org. To view the list of presenters for the poster session, visit mongoliacenter.org/poster.html.

ACMS Call for Speakers

March 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 February 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.

Fellowship

"Mongolia-US Young Leaders Scholarship" Embassy of Mongolia, Washington, DC

DEADLINE TO APPLY: APRIL 1, 2007

The Embassy of Mongolia invites US graduates students who have not previously visited Mongolia to apply for an opportunity to visit Mongolia and to promote friendship between the two countries during the summer of 2007. Eligible applicants must be US citizens currently enrolled in a graduate program studying politics, international relations, regional security, business or economics (all areas of social science or humanities) in an American University. Applicants will be judged on their understanding of Mongolia, the importance of first-hand knowledge of Mongolia, demonstrated ability to benefit from a rigorous exchange program, and future contributions to Mongolian-American mutual understanding and friendship. For additional information and application materials, contact email at j.mendee@mongolianembassy.us and 202-333-7117 ext 12.

Call for Applications

"China and Kazakhstan Modern Silk Roads: China and Central Asia Reconnect"

Study Abroad course, May 12 -June 2, 2007

DEPOSIT DEADLINE: MARCH 7, 2007

University of Wyoming's Summer Study Abroad invites applicants to participate in this three week study abroad course in which participants will travel to China and to Kazakhstan to explore historic and present day international trade on the Silk Route. Participants will see ruins of ancient trade cities, mummies, oil pipelines, and bazaars, and experience Chinese and Central Asian cultures. The instructors will be

Professor Michael Brose and Professor Marianne Kamp. For more information contact Marianne Kamp (mkamp@uwyo.edu) or Michael Brose (mbrose@uwyo.edu). To sign up for the course, contact the University of Wyoming's Summer Study Abroad coordinator at studyabd@uwyo.edu; \$800 deposit due by March 7, 2007.

Global Supplementary Grant Program" Open Society Institute Network Scholarship Program

APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 2, 2007 (Asia, North America, Australia) AND JUNE 4, 2007 (European Union)

The Open Society Institute's Network Scholarship Programs offers supplementary grants to students from selected countries of Eastern and Central Europe and the former Soviet Union. The purpose of the program is to enable qualified students to pursue doctoral studies in the Humanities and Social Sciences at accredited universities in Western Europe, Middle/Near East, Europe, Asia, Australia, and North America. The Global SGP is available to citizens of the following countries: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia, Croatia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Macedonia, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Russia, Serbia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan. For more information visit http://www.soros.org/initiatives/scholarship/focus_areas/global_supplementary/

"Archeological Field Work in Mongolia"

May 14-June 12 and June 12-July 11, 2007, University of Pittsburgh

DEADLINE: MARCH 21, 2007

Individuals are encouraged to apply for this collaborative project between the University of Pittsburgh and the Institute of History of Ulaanbaatar aims to understand the nature of the social and economic organization of Late Bronze Age societies of central Mongolia through the use of settlement archaeology. Activities for participants during the 2007 field season will include survey, excavation, ethnoarchaeological work and the mapping of burial and ritual sites. In addition, participants will visit various historical sites, including Mongolia's ancient capital, Kharakhorum, Chinggis Khaan's fabled city. For more information about the program visit <http://www.pitt.edu/~jeh48>.

"2007 U of Illinois Summer Research Lab"

June 11 - August 3, 2007, University of Illinois

DEADLINE: APRIL 1, 2007

The Summer Research Lab (SRL) enables scholars to conduct advanced research in Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies. Lab associates are given full access to the collection and resources of the University of Illinois Library, the largest Slavic collection west of Washington, DC, and are able to seek assistance from the Slavic Reference Service staff. The SRL provides an opportunity for specialists to keep current on knowledge and research in the field, to access newly available and archival materials, and disseminate knowledge to other scholars, professionals, government officials, and the public. The Summer Lab is an ideal program for doctoral students conducting pre-dissertation/dissertation research. Research related to Mongolia and Inner Asia are eligible for this program. Please visit the UI website for the full list of programs, eligibility, and application information at <http://www.reec.uiuc.edu/srl/srl.html>.

Call for Papers

"ESCAS 2007 10th Conference on Central Asia"

13-15 September 2007, The Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey

SUBMISSION DEADLINE EXTENDED: MARCH 15, 2007

The European Society for Central Asian Studies (ESCAS) invites paper proposals for its Tenth Conference, to be held in Ankara, Turkey. The event will be organized by the Center for Black Sea and Central Asia, the Middle East Technical University. The geographic domain of Central Asia, according to the ESCAS definition, covers contemporary Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Mongolia, Northern Iran, Northern Afghanistan, North-Western China, Trans-Caspian and South Siberia. For more information visit <http://cess.fas.harvard.edu/>.

Publications

"The Silk Road, Vol. 4, no. 2, Winter 2006-2007"

Silk Road Foundation

The Silk Road, the journal of the Silkroad Foundation has recently published online its winter issue at <http://silkroadfoundation.org/newsletter/vol4num2/>. This issue contains: - News from Ancient Afghanistan, by Nicholas Sims-Williams - Bamiyan 2006: The Fifth Excavation Campaign of Prof. Tarzi's Mission, by Zemaryalai Tarzi - Balkh and the Plains of Turkestan, by Frank Harold, with photographs by Ruth Harold - Further Evidence for the Interpretation of the Indian Scene in the Pre-Islamic Paintings at Afrasiab (Samarkand), by Matteo Compareti - Mapping Early Buddhist Sites in Western Tibet: Recent Findings from Tsamda County, China, by Karl E. Ryavec - Han Lacquerware and the Wine Cups of Noin Ula, by Francois Louis - Trade and Commerce on the Silk Road after the End of Mongol Rule in China, Seen from Chinese Texts, by Ralph Kauz - Hunting Hounds along the Silk Road "Which Way Did They Go?", by Sir Terence Clark - A Thousand Years on the Silk Road: Epic Poetry and Music from the Kyrgyz Republic, an interview by Helen Faller with Rysbai Isakov and Akylbek Kasabolotov.

"Nomads of the Eurasian Steppes in the Early Iron Age"

Jeannine Davis-Kimball, Vladimir Bashilov, and Leonid Yablonsky, eds. Berkeley: Zinat Press, 1995.

This anthology focuses on the Scythian, Sauromatian, Sarmatian, and Saka Iron Age nomads who inhabited the Eurasian steppes in the first millennium BC. Written by ten of the foremost archaeologists from the Institute of Archaeology, Russian Academy of Sciences, the material presents a survey of Soviet archaeology from 1960 to 1990. The majority of the material, including many illustrations, has never been published in English before this volume. For more information or to order a copy visit

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