

NEW AND NOTEWORTHY

ANTIOCH COLLEGE will temporarily suspend operations as of July 1, 2008. The Board of Trustees of Antioch University, the College's parent institution, intends to reopen a state-of-the-art College campus in 2012. In the meantime, the remaining five non-residential campuses of the University will operate as normal. This includes Antioch Education Abroad, all of whose current study abroad programs will continue, including both the Buddhist Studies in India and Buddhist Studies in Japan programs.

BEREA COLLEGE: **Jeffrey L Richey** was awarded tenure and promotion to the rank of Associate Professor in spring of 2007, having taught courses in Asian studies and religion at Berea College since 2002.

In fall 2007, Richey's edited volume on *Teaching Confucianism* will be published by Oxford University Press. The volume features contributions by Richey as well as other scholars, including ASIANetwork member institution faculty **Joseph Adler** (Kenyon College), **Robert W. Foster** (Berea College), and **Jack Furlong** (Transylvania University).

COLGATE UNIVERSITY: **Padma Kaimal** of the Art and Art History Department received a 2007 NEH Summer Stipend for a project called "Collecting and Scattering: The Dispersal and Reassembly of a South Indian Goddess Temple."

CLARK UNIVERSITY: **Srini Sitaraman**, Assistant Professor of Government, published "Regulating the Belching Dragon: Rule of Law, Politics of Enforcement, and Pollution Prevention in Post-Mao Industrial China" in the Spring 2007 issue of *Colorado Journal of International Environmental Law and Policy*.

COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON: **Mary Beth Heston**, Associate Professor of Art History and Director of the Asian Studies Program, has an article accepted by the journal *Art History*: "Mixed Messages in the New 'Public' Travancore: Building the Capital 1869-1880." Professor Heston received a Fulbright Senior Research Award for India and a Council of American Overseas Research Centers Multi-Country Research Award to fund her sabbatical research during the summer and fall of 2007.

Matthew P. Canepa, Assistant Professor of Art History and Acting Director of the Asian Studies Program, has an article appearing in the volume *Scythians, Sarmatians, Alans*, edited by A. Alemany (special supplement to the journal *Faventia*): "The Problem of Indo-Scythian Art and Kingship: Evolving Images of Power and Royal Identity between the Iranian, Hellenistic and South Asian Worlds." Professor Canepa was the 2007 Deutsches Archäologisches Institut (DAI) North American Fellow in the

summer of 2007. This fellowship was in support of his next book, *Iran between Alexander and Islam: the Global Idea of Iranian Kingship in the Middle Iranian Era (331 BCE – 9th Century CE)*.

FURMAN UNIVERSITY: **Katherine Palmer Kaup**, Associate Professor of Political Science and Chair of the Asian Studies Department, edited *Understanding Contemporary Asia Pacific* (Boulder: Lynne Rienner Press, 2007). She authored three of the text's fourteen chapters: Introduction, Asia Pacific Politics, and Ethnicity. Eleven leading specialists from the United States, Australia, and Hong Kong contributed chapters on the region's geography and historical context and on a broad range of key issues in the region since 1945.

The Asian Studies Department of Furman University won a major federal grant to run an intensive Chinese language summer institute at Suzhou University in China this summer. The grant was administered by CAORC and ACS. 20 American students selected out of hundreds of applicants from all over the nation participated in the institute. Professor **Harry Kuoshu** of Furman University directed the intensive 9-week program of the institute, which provided the equivalent of one year's study of 3rd year Chinese at college level in America.

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE is beginning a Chinese language program this fall. Dr. **Gang Song**, who earned his BA and MA in Chinese Language and Literature from Peking University, and his PhD in East Asian Languages and Cultures from the University of Southern California in 2006, will join the faculty as a Visiting Assistant Professor. In addition to language courses, he will offer courses on Chinese culture and civilization. He has previously taught at UC-Irvine and Loyola Marymount University. Lafayette also offers Japanese language instruction.

POMONA COLLEGE: Professor of Chinese **Allan H. Barr**'s translation of Yu Hua's novel *Cries in the Drizzle* will be published this October by Anchor Books.

SEWANEE: THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH: **Jim Peterman**, Professor of Philosophy, has received a Fulbright research award to work on a book on Confucius, Wittgenstein and the problem of reflection. He will be conducting his research at Academia Sinica in Taipei, Taiwan.

Harold J. Goldberg, chair of the Asian Studies Program, has published *D-Day in the Pacific: The Battle of Saipan* (Indiana University Press, 2007). Goldberg argues that this decisive battle has long been ignored because it was overshadowed by both the

invasion of France that started only 9 days earlier and the infamous battle for Iwo Jima early in 1945.

SPELMAN COLLEGE: **Pushpa Naidu Parekh**, Professor of English and Director of the Ethel Waddell Githii Honors Program, is the Contributing Editor of "Intersecting Gender and Disability Perspectives in Rethinking Postcolonial Identities," the special summer issue of *Wagadu: A Journal of Transnational Women's and Gender Studies*, Volume 4. Disability, gender and postcolonial studies scholars from around the world contributed to the volume.

UNIVERSITY OF EVANSVILLE: The Institute for Global Enterprise in Indiana collaborated with the U.S. Department of Commerce and the U.S. Commercial Service to deliver *Access Asia Now: Tri-State Trade Mission to Malaysia and Japan*. The 13-day trade mission began May 19, 2007 and served as the centerpiece of Project Tri-State Global Enterprise Asia, a Business and International Education Title VI-B grant earned by the University of Evansville from the U.S. Department of Education.

UNIVERSITY OF REDLANDS: **Graeme Auton**, Professor of Government, has been awarded a senior Fulbright lectureship to teach and do research at Kyung Hee University in Seoul, South Korea, for four months starting in mid-August.

WITTENBERG UNIVERSITY: **Marcia J. Frost**, Associate Professor of Economics & East Asian Studies, was awarded a Fulbright Lectureship to teach economic development and comparative economics, and assist with curriculum development projects at the School of Foreign Studies, National University of Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar for spring semester 2008. She is currently on sabbatical and teaching courses on China's Economy and the Silk Road for CET's Beijing-Chinese Studies program during summer and fall 2007.

Professor Frost and **Stephen Smith**, Professor of Sociology, have developed a month-long summer field experience program on China's Silk Road from mid-May to mid-June of 2008. The six-credit interdisciplinary course is designed to introduce students to China, both historically and contemporaneously, from the perspective of its interactions with cultures to its west, including the steppe nomads of Inner Asia. The pedagogy includes lectures, readings and on site experiential learning activities at major sites along the Silk Road, including Xi'an, Jiayuguan, Dunhuang, Turfan, Urumqi and Hotan. For more information contact Drs. Marcia Frost [mfrost@wittenberg.edu] or Stephen Smith [srsmith@wittenberg.edu].