## **Political Science Department Newsletter**

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## Greetings from the Chair



Alfred Montero

As I transition into a three-year term as chair of the Carleton Department of Political Science, I cannot help but marvel at all that we have accomplished in the past year. You will read in these pages about the substantial accomplishments of our recent graduates, current majors, and

alumni. And, yes, our faculty are not too shabby either! The Watson, Beinecke, Phi Beta Kappa, Mortar Board, Lee Sigelman and other award winners are most impressive. Our department is also very proud of the 15 seniors who earned distinction on their comps. But I wish to use this space to highlight the triumphs of our faculty. Congratulations to Dev Gupta and Kim Smith for their recent promotions and kudos to Steve Schier, Kim Smith, and Tun Myint, who published books in the last academic year! I highly recommend that you see Barbara Allen's film, "Signing On," a most impressive documentary study of deaf breast cancer survivors. One of my most memorable experiences this year was viewing the film at Carleton with some of those who were in the film. Whether it's books, films, conference papers, or the many articles and edited volume chapters we have produced in the past year, it is clear that one can combine a first-rate liberal arts college education and an active scholarly life at Carleton. Indeed, the Department of Political Science represents how the two *must* go together. (continued on p. 2)

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## Seniors awarded Watson Fellowships

Gracie Ogilby '12 and Niki Tomita '12 earned two of the 40 fellowships from the Watson Foundation. The fellowships are awarded to college seniors to pursue their unique passion or dream for a year of independent exploration and travel outside the United States. Each fellow will receive \$25,000.

**Ogilby**, a political science major, plans to travel to South Africa, India, Liberia, and Nicaragua. "The human voice has the incredible power to engage, to inspire, and to move listeners to action,

particularly nonviolent action," Ogilby said. "I will work alongside women harnessing the power of their own voices in order to change their communities. I will join women's activist organizations in South Africa, India, Liberia, and Nicaragua and learn how



women from different cultures use the spoken word to spread their messages, mobilize their supporters and promote nonviolence." Her project title is "Breaking the Silence: An Exploration in Women's Oratory and Activism."



Tomita, a political science and international relations major, is traveling to Namibia, Thailand, Morocco, and Ecuador. "Shame, anger, pride, or joy? I will use the Special Olympics as a gateway into understanding varying perceptions of intellectual disabilities around

the world," Tomita said. "I will take advantage of my language and coaching experience to meet the athletes and their families so that I can better appreciate the cultural climates in Thailand, Namibia, Morocco, and Ecuador." Her project is titled "Following the Torch: Around the World with Special Olympics."

## Lee Sigelman Prize



Two students were awarded the Lee Sigelman Prize in Political Science for 2011-12. Molly Curtiss was honored for her paper, "Cosmopolitanism and Hybrid Identities: The Case of the Pieds Noirs."

Danielle Smogard was honored for her paper, "The Evolution of International Criminal Justice: A Hybrid Solution is Born."



The Sigelman Prize is awarded for the best political science paper written by a declared POSC or POSI major before the end of the junior year. The prize amount is \$100.

During his distinguished career as a political scientist, Lee Sigelman (Carleton Class of '67) was renowned for his scholarship, leadership and wit. He was the editor of the discipline's flagship journal, the *American Political Science Review*, from 2001 to 2007. If you wish to contribute to the endowment fund for this annual award, please contact the Political Science Department for details.



Professor Pat Cavanaugh's POSC 222 Politics of Food field trip to Wolf Creek Dairy

#### Greetings from the Chair (continued)

Looking ahead, we have much to look forward to and much work to do. This coming fall we will hire a tenure-track replacement for the irreplaceable Roy Grow, who has served Carleton students for three decades (and continues to teach part-time during his phased retirement). We also hope to do another tenure-track hire in the fall 2013. Our department will see new off-campus programs, building on the recent launch of the Washington, DC program led by Barbara Allen and Greg Marfleet. In a year, Dev Gupta will offer a new European program based in Edinburgh and Budapest. While I end my own directorship of the Maastricht/Madrid program, I will take alums to Cuba every November, beginning this year. Even 4<sup>th</sup> Willis will see some changes as we spruce up the department with some paint and new furniture.

It is also clear that our alums continue to blaze new trails and open doors. In the next three years, we hope to build new bridges with our former students to create opportunities for our current students and make ourselves more of a part of the lives of those who contributed so much while they were here. I thank my predecessor, Rich Keiser, for doing a fine job as chair, and as always, many thanks to Tricia Peterson, our department administrator. We have an exciting new academic year before us.

Al Montero, Chair



Politics of Food students share their research

## Beinecke Scholarship for grad study

Muira McCammon '13 has earned an esteemed Beinecke Scholarship. Each Beinecke Scholar receives \$4,000 to use for visiting potential graduate schools and another \$30,000 to apply towards graduate school tuition.



"Muira is passionately interested in building bridges between cultures," Carleton

director of student fellowships Elizabeth Ciner said. "She will be applying to graduate programs with a focus on translation and/or educational studies. Eventually, she also hopes to earn a JD." At Carleton, she is majoring in both international relations and French and Francophone studies, and also plans to complete concentrations in crosscultural studies and European studies.

McCammon's research and coursework at Carleton has taken her to the United Kingdom, Israel, Canada, Latvia, Spain, the Netherlands, Belgium, France, and throughout the United States. She received the International Center for Academic Integrity's Donald McCabe award for her research on British undergraduate judiciaries at Oxford, Cambridge, and the London School of Economics. Additionally, she conducted fieldwork on European political economy in Spain and Belgium last spring as a Benjamin A. Gilman Scholar.

"I'm so incredibly grateful for all the institutional support I have received as well as the holistic guidance I have had from President Steve Poskanzer; associate dean of students Joe Baggot, director Liz Ciner; professors Devashree Gupta, Chris Polt, Dana Strand, Cathy Yandell, Sigi Leonhard, Richard Keiser, and Alfred Montero; director of academic civic engagement Adrienne Falcon; board of trustee member David Diamond '80; alumnus David Gappa '87; my friend and fellow Carl, Rachel Levit '13; and so many others. I wish I could name them all here."

In addition to her coursework, McCammon received the Hanson Ethics Fellowship last summer to study how American and British universities respond to cheating, plagiarism, and intellectual dishonesty. This summer, Carleton's Class of 1963 Fellowship will allow her to write a college advice guidebook for exceptionally young and gifted students who have skipped multiple years of school. "My goal, in these next few months, is to examine what sorts of nontraditional options exist for particularly passionate and smart secondary school students in the U.S. In the long-run, though, I'm interested in seeing how concepts such as adulthood, children's rights, and ageism translate across cultures," she said.

Last December, McCammon worked as a legal extern for the Department of Justice's Child Exploitation, Cyber, and Intellectual Property Issues Coordinator at the Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys. She is a student representative on four educational policymaking committees at Carleton. This year, she served as a campus representative to the Clinton Global Initiative University annual conference at George Washington University and to the Project Pericles' Debating for Democracy summit at the New School. She was also a 2012 Truman Scholarship Finalist and facilitates crosscultural dialogues for Soliya, a partner of the United Nations' Alliance of Civilizations Initiative.

The Beinecke Scholarship Program was established in 1971 by the board of directors of The Sperry and Hutchinson Company to honor Edwin, Frederick, and Walter Beinecke. The Board created an endowment to provide substantial scholarships for the graduate education of young men and women of exceptional promise. The program seeks to encourage and enable highly motivated students to pursue opportunities available to them and to be courageous in the selection of a graduate course of study in the arts, humanities and social sciences. Since 1975 the program has selected more than 490 college juniors from more than 100 different undergraduate institutions for support during graduate study at any accredited university.

## Washington: A global conversation

Twenty-two students participated in the off-campus program "Washington: A Global Conversation." Led by Professors Greg Marfleet and Barbara Allen, they attended class two days a week and worked at their internship positions three days a week. The internships covered a wide variety of non-profits, the Department of Commerce, the FDA, and three on the Hill (offices of Senator Al Franken, Senator Amy Klobuchar, and Representative Keith Ellison). Their classroom was located at the Fund for American Studies, and the group's living quarters provided easy walking access to K Street and transportation.

Numerous speakers shared their insights, including:

Representative Rush Holt, D-NJ
Chris Toensing, Executive Director and Editor, *Middle East Report* 

Dr. Mostafa Rahmani, Director, Iranian Interest Section,

Suraj Prasannakuma and colleagues in the Markets Group, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Senator Amy Klobuchar

John F. Harris, Editor-in-Chief and Co-founder, *Politico* 

Jonathan Capehart and members of the Editorial Board, Washington Post

The group toured NBC with Jeremy Gains, VP for Communications, MSNBC and Bill Wolff, Vice President of Primetime Programming and Executive Producer of "The Rachel Maddow Show." They visited the US Capitol and the Press Room as guests of David Welna, NPR's congressional correspondent on the Hill. Another highlight was a tour of Al-Jazeera and visit with Amjad Atalla, Washington Bureau Chief, Al-Jazeera English (AJE). Another group excursion took them to the Manning Marable Conference: A New Vision of Black Freedom. Class work included reports on their visits to various memorials.

An excursion to New York City included a visit to the National September 11 Memorial and Museum

at the World Trade Center, Amateur Night at the Apollo, Broadway shows ("The Best Man" with James Earl Jones and John Laroquette, and "The Columnist" with John Lithgow), and seeing the Yankees play the Detroit Tigers. Students attended networking events with recent graduates and with Don J. Frost of Forum Careers in Law.







# Class of 2012 plans: An unscientific sampling

Max Bearak: I'm heading to Delhi, India to work for Quicksand Design Studio, a firm that specializes in so-called "social innovation" projects such as designing new public toilets or urban farming techniques. My position there will be as a Junior Associate. The firm is Indian owned and currently has around 15 Indians working for them. I am part of the first batch of foreigners they are hiring as they expand their operations. You can get a better idea of what Quicksand does at www.quicksand.co.in.

**Justin Jack**: Next year I am returning home to attend law school at Tulane.

**Reed Jordan**: I'll be researching housing, community development, and education policy with the Metropolitan Housing and Communities Policy Center at the Urban Institute in D.C.

**Hannah Kyle**: Peace Corps--I'll be teaching and working in community development in Mozambique.

**Theo Rostow**: I will be doing Teach for America in San Antonio.

**Kathryn Schmidt**: For the summer I will be working with Professor Zhao, continuing our work on a couple writing projects as well as translation that we have been doing since my sophomore year, doing a little wedding photography, and chaperoning my church's youth trip to Nicaragua in the second half of July. Starting in the fall I am hoping to work for a social justice organization in Latin America, and we'll see where that takes me!

Alex Stevens: This fall, I will be moving to Nanjing, China where I will be attending the Hopkins-Nanjing Center, an extension of Johns Hopkins University's SAIS program. I will be there for two years obtaining my Master of Arts in International Studies, with a concentration in Chinese Studies. After that, I hope to spend a few years working in either Beijing or Shanghai.

## Faculty activities



Barbara Allen directed
"Signing On: Stories of Deaf
Breast Cancer Survivors,
Their Families, and
Community," which won
Best Documentary at the

Twin Cities Film Fest, September 20 through 25. The film's title is a play on words for people whose language is American Sign Language. The documentary profiles a group of deaf breast cancer survivors (the Pink Deafies) who struggle with communication in the hearing-dominated health-care system, where patient/provider communication can mean life or death.

Last summer, Professor Allen, Nancy Meyers, and Anita Buel were also awarded the Advocacy through the Arts Award from The Commission of Deaf, DeafBlind and Hard of Hearing Minnesotans for the film. A public screening of the film was held on February 12 in Carleton's Weitz Center for Creativity.

Professor Allen co-directed the Spring 2012 Washington, DC off-campus program with Greg Marfleet. She is director of the Women's and Gender Studies Program for 2012-13, in addition to teaching in Political Science.



Larry Cooper served as chair and discussant on a panel on "Modern Esotericism," and presented a paper at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, in January, on the

political philosophy of Jean-Jacques Rousseau and its legacy in contemporary culture entitled "Nearer My True Self to Thee: Rousseau's New Spirituality—And Ours." The paper is being published in the *Review of Politics* this summer.

Professor Cooper was appointed director of the Ethical Inquiry at Carleton (EthIC) Program. Through campus-wide events and conversations, support for course and pedagogical methods

development by the faculty, and a variety of student activities, EthIC works to foster ethical inquiry across the curriculum and throughout the life of the Carleton community.



Mihaela Czobor-Lupp's paper "Herder on Aesthetic Imagination as a Source of Post-national Democratic Solidarity: A Contribution to Habermas' Constitutional Patriotism" was published in Contemporary Political

Theory, advanced online publication, May 2012.

She also served as discussant for the panel "Theory and Culture: Philosophical, Political, and Popular," and presented a paper on "Arendt and Vico on the World-Making Power of Imagination," both at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, April 2012.

She presented a paper "Herder on Aesthetic Imagination as a Source of Post-national Democratic Solidarity: A Contribution to Habermas' Constitutional Patriotism" at the Annual Conference of the Association for Political Theory, October 13-15, 2011, Notre Dame University.

Professor Czobor-Lupp presented a Humanities Center talk on "Foucault on Bio-Power and Governmentality" February 27.

She also started serving as a member of the Program Committee for the 2012 Annual Conference of the Association for Political Theory, which will take place in October 2012 at the University of South Carolina.



Roy Grow participated in a panel presentation entitled "The World of Intelligence: The Experience of Three Old Guys" sponsored by the International Relations Council on October 27. Together with Benedict

Distinguished Visiting Professor Avraham Sela and Ambassador Burton Levin, they discussed the world

of intelligence, their experiences, and life in what has been called "the hall of mirrors."

Professor Grow continues to serve as the nominating official/adviser for the Watson Fellowship and the Carnegie Fellowship.

Devashree Gupta was awarded tenure by the Board of Trustees and promoted from assistant professor to associate professor. The College news release stated, "In her



courses, she creates rigorous and often fun opportunities for her students to master the sophisticated quantitative, qualitative, and comparative methodologies that yield the most productive insights in political science. Positioned at the crossroads of comparative politics and sociology, Gupta's research focuses on developing a more nuanced and empirically grounded understanding of the social and political dynamics shaping nationalist movements, especially those in Northern Ireland, South Africa, and the Middle East."

Devashree Gupta was one of the three speakers for the Humanities Center panel discussion "Perspectives on the Arab Spring" November 3. They examined the role of music, social media, film and literature in shaping the protest movements that began in Tunisia in the spring of 2011 and continued throughout the Middle East. She was also a presenter at a Learning and Teaching Center event Jan. 24. The topic was "Aliens Among Them—Experiences of (Not) Belonging in Europe Today."

Professor Gupta has a chapter to be published on radicalization processes in the South African liberation movement, which will be in a forthcoming book (Ashgate Publishers) called *Dynamics of Political Violence*, and is working on a book manuscript to be published with Polity Press called *Popular Protest in Contemporary World Politics*, which is aimed at a primarily undergraduate audience.

Professor Gupta is teaching in the Summer 2012 Writing Program.

She is assuming the duties of coordinator of the IR track for 2012-13.



Richard Keiser was awarded a faculty Curriculum Development grant to attend the CIEE Summer 2012 International Faculty Development Seminar in Istanbul on urban development strategies and impacts.

Professor Keiser served on the Off Campus Studies Committee.

In 2011 **Greg Marfleet**continued to serve as director
of the Political Economy
concentration and coordinator
for the International Relations
track. He was also co-chair of
Carleton's Quantitative Inquiry
Reasoning and Knowledge
Initiative (QuIRK) and principal



investigator for Carleton's W.M. Keck foundation grant to promote the development of courses with quantitative reasoning content.

In March Professor Marfleet attended the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association where he presented a research paper, co-authored with Stephen G. Walker, titled "Binary Role Theory and Grand Strategies: Bandwagoning, Appeasement, Balancing, and Hegemony." With Hannah Simpson ('06), he co-published a chapter titled "Cognitive Responses by US Presidents to Foreign Policy Crises: Belief Change in Response to Positive and Negative Feedback" in the edited volume *Rethinking Foreign Policy Analysis*.



Alfred Montero published the lead article in the Spring 2012 edition of Latin American Politics and Society, a peer-reviewed journal. The piece titled, "A Reversal of Political Fortune: The Transitional Dynamics of Conservative Rule in the Brazilian

Northeast," reports findings from his ongoing research on the quality of democracy at the subnational level in Brazil.

Al Montero and Silvia López, Spanish, were awarded a faculty curriculum development grant to develop two Spanish-language (FLAC) two-credit trailers for Latin American politics courses.

Professor Montero was promoted to associate editor of *Latin American Politics and Society*, the leading refereed journal for political scientists who work on the region. He also presented a paper titled, "The New Boss Same As the Old Boss? Incumbency and the Decline of Conservative Rule in the Brazilian Northeast," at the 2011 American Political Science Association meeting in Seattle on September 1.

Professor Montero is director of the 2012 Summer Quantitative Reasoning Institute, an intense program of training in several social science disciplines: political science and international relations, economics, and psychology.

He gave a talk at Carleton on Feb. 11: "The Eurozone Crisis Explained: Origins, Current Risks, and Future Scenarios."

Tun Myint's book
Governing International
Rivers: Polycentric
Politics in the Mekong
and the Rhine was
published this year by



Edward Elgar Publishing. The book was selected recently by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) as one of their suggested readings.

Professor Myint was invited to be a member of the editorial board for the new journal *TRaNS: Trans-Regional and -National Studies of Southeast Asia*. The journal is being planned by the Sogang Institute for East Asian Studies (SIEAS), Sogang University, Seoul, Korea, and will be a joint venture of Southeast Asianists around the world.

He attended the International Studies Association Annual Convention in San Diego, April 2-4. He presented his paper "Marginalization of Local People in Globally Driven Development Project: Nam Theun 2 Dam in Lao PDR." Professor Myint and Brian Lambert '09 also presented their paper "Does Democracy Promote Sustainability?"

He also presented "Standardization and Marginalization in Lao PDR" at the Southeast Asia on the Move conference May 25-26 at Sogang University in Seoul. He was also asked to lead a panel on "Changing Politics in Myanmar."

Professor Myint was invited by Perspectives on Politics, a journal of American Political Science Association, to review John G. Dale's book *Free Burma: Transnational Legal Action and Corporate Accountability*, University of Minnesota Press, 2010. His review of the book was published in *Perspectives on Politics*, Vol. 10, Issue 2.



**Steven Schie**r and Edward Bearnot '11 coauthored an article, "The Floating Voter in the 2008 American Elections," in the Summer 2012 issue of *The American Review of Politics*.

Professor Schier recently published two books on

American politics. He co-authored the 13th edition of *Presidential Elections: Strategies and Structures of American Politics* with Nelson Polsby, Aaron Wildavsky, and David A. Hopkins. He also edited and wrote two chapters for *Transforming America: Barack Obama in the White House*.

Professor Schier chaired a roundtable discussion "Prospects for the 2012 American Elections" at the annual meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago on April 13. He also delivered a paper, "The Sixth Party System," coauthored with Todd Eberly of Saint Mary's College of Maryland, at a panel on changing American party coalitions.

Professor Schier was awarded a small grant from the Faculty Development Endowment for student research assistance to conduct research for two books under contract with Routledge for publication in 2013.

He published a scholarly article, "The Contemporary Presidency: The Presidential Authority Problem and the Political Power Trap" in *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, Volume 41, Issue 4, December 2011.

Professor Schier was elected Secretary/Treasurer of the Presidents and Political Executives division of the American Political Science Association at their annual meeting in Seattle on September 3.

Kim Smith was promoted from associate professor to full professor. Her book Governing Animals: Animal Welfare and the Liberal State, was published this year by Oxford University



Press. Professor Smith lead an ACM-sponsored seminar in Washington DC entitled "Considering Animals." She continues to serve as a member of the Institutional Review Board.

Norman Vig, Professor Emeritus, is co-author and



co-editor of a new edition of Environmental Policy: New Directions for the Twenty-first Century (8th ed.), published by CQ Press in May. Professor Vig is also author of an essay on "The American Presidency and Environmental Policy" in The

Oxford Handbook of Environmental Policy, to be published by Oxford University Press later this year.

#### Seniors honored

Members of the class of 2012 were honored at the Political Science Department Senior Dinner on May 21 and at Honors Convocation:

Samir Bhala was awarded the *Stimson Prize*. This prize was founded in 1873 by Carleton Trustee Rev. Henry A. Stimson to encourage public speech. It awarded to the student who contributes most to the quality of debate or public speaking at the College.

Kathryn Schmidt received *The Pat Lamb Award*, which was established in 1994 by former students, colleagues, and friends of Patricia A. Lamb, Professor of the Department of Physical Education, Athletics and Recreation from 1962 to 1994, at the time of her retirement in 1994. The award is given annually to an outstanding senior female athlete who has achieved athletic excellence and also a high level of academic achievement. It also honors the commitment to excellence Professor Lamb has inspired in generations of Carleton students through her role as Carleton's first women's athletic director and tennis coach and through her contributions to women's athletics on the state, regional and national levels.

Grace Ogilby and Nicole Tomita were granted Watson Fellowships. The Watson Fellowship Program seeks to give exceptional college graduates the freedom to engage in a year of independent study and travel abroad in order to thoroughly explore a particular interest, test aspirations and abilities, view their lives and American society in greater perspective, and develop a more informed sense of international concern. (See story on p. 1.)

Anna Poaster was honored with the Lee Sigelman Prize for 2010-11. The prize recognizes the best paper written by a junior political science major. It is given in honor of Professor of Political Science Lee Sigelman, who graduated from Carleton in 1967 and served as the editor-in-chief of the American Political Science Review from 2001 to 2007.

Dana Mackey and Nicole Tomita were honored with the *Ele Hansen Award*, given annually to two senior female students who bring to sport the joy of participating and who have positively influenced others through their example, service, and leadership in the athletic or recreation program. The award also publicly honors Professor Eleanor Hansen, chair of the women's physical education department from 1952 to 1986.

Membership in the national honor society *Mortar Board* was bestowed upon **Bill Brinkman** and **Theo Rostow**. This national honor society recognizes students who have combined distinguished scholarship, leadership, and service to their colleagues and the College community.

The following seniors were inducted into *Phi Beta Kappa*: Colin Carpenter, Norma Nyhoff, and Theo Rostow. This national honorary scholastic fraternity was founded in 1776. The Carleton chapter was established in 1913 and elects its membership from students who rank in the highest 15 percent of their graduating class and meet other prescribed criteria.

**Distinction in the Senior Integrative Exercise** (comps) was awarded to the following seniors:

Max Bearak, for his paper, "Eastern India's Hidden Struggles Against Industrialization, Repression & Neglect"

James Beck, for his paper, "Perplexities of the Concept of Self Rule: Locating Political Space in Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, China"

**Samir Bhala,** for his paper, "Just Enough for the City? The Politics of Economic Development in Chicago"

**Bill Brinkman,** for his paper, "Government Promotion of Renewable Energy: Insights from a Survey of Clean Technology Venture Capitalists"

**Robin Burrell,** for her paper, "School Desegregation's Future: Contradictions in

Jurisprudence and the Supreme Court's Culpability in the Retrenchment of Segregated Schools"

Mahal Burr-McNeal, for her paper, "Including Teen Mothers as Part of the Solution to Child Abuse: Lessons Learned from a Community Based Participatory Research Project"

Justin Freeze, for his paper, "Sublimation through Subjugation: The Dangerous Freedom of Nietzsche's Political Philosophy"

**Dylan Gessner,** for his paper, "Fun at the Ballot Box: A Mediational Approach to Predicting Vote Choice"

**Tommy Glickson,** for his paper, "A Methodology for Evaluating Computational Spatial Models of Party Competition"

**Reed Jordan, "**Transforming District Lines from Short Fences to Barbed Wire Concrete Barriers: Milliken v. Bradley and the Resegregation of American Schools"

**Dana Mackey,** for her paper, "Multicultural Tokenism: The Strategic Marketing of Urban Diversity in the Cultural Tourism Industry"

John Michael McGrath, for his paper, "The Political Economy of Crisis Prevention: An Alternative Approach to Identifying and Mitigating Systemic Risk in US Markets"

**Gracie Ogilby,** for her paper, "Fighting Like a Woman: Gender as a Weapon in Guerrilla Insurgencies"

**S.S. Rishad,** for his paper, "Do Profit Incentives Matter in Microfinance Programs?"

**Kristen Vellinger,** for her paper, "Why Women? A Comparative Institutional Analysis of a Gendered Approach to Development"

2011-12 Student Departmental Advisers Hannah Kyle and Dana Mackey were recognized for their

service. SDAs advise frosh and others about course offerings, the major, and other matters.

#### Departmental Curriculum Committee Members

Theo Rostow and Shreya Singh were recognized for their service. The DCC evaluates curriculum, advises on requirements, organizes Departmental events, and generally serves as the formal voice of students in all Department affairs (e.g., hiring). The DCC meets regularly to plan events and to communicate feedback to the Department.

## Majors recognized

The following awards were presented to Political Science and Political Science/International Relations majors (Classes of 2013 and 2014) at the Honors Convocation in May: *Mortar Board*: **Amber Bushey** '13, **Kendelle Heid** '13, **Devin Holewinski** '13, **Jung Hyun Kim** '13, **Rachael Klehm** '13, **Connor Lane** '13, **Muira McCammon** '13. The national honor society recognizes students who have combined distinguished scholarship, leadership, and service to their colleagues and the College community.

The Beinecke Scholarship: Muira McCammon '13. The Beinecke Scholarship was established in 1971 by the Sperry and Hutchinson Company to honor Edwin, Frederick, and Walter Beinecke. The award enables highly motivated students to pursue graduate study in the arts, humanities, and social sciences. (See story on page 3.)

#### The Critical Language Scholarship Program:

Courtney Dufford '14. The CLS Program, part of U.S. government effort to expand dramatically the number of Americans studying and mastering critical foreign languages, provides fully-funded group-based intensive language instruction and structured cultural enrichment experiences for seven to ten weeks for U.S. citizen undergraduate and graduate students.

Phi Beta Kappa First Year Prize: Jacob Hoerger '14. Phi Beta Kappa Prizes are offered annually by the Carleton Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa to the sophomore and junior who in the previous year

held the highest class ranking in scholarship among the members of his or her respective class.

Strang Prize: Matthew Fitzgerald '14. This fellowship was established by Lee and William Strang to be given to Carleton juniors with interests in world politics. The prize enables adventuresome and intellectually promising students to have significant experiences abroad.

Writing Portfolio Recognition: Elizabeth Herman '13, Muira McCammon '13, Molly Rapaport '13, Julian Wyss '13. This honor is awarded to students whose submitted portfolios are judged to be exemplary.

Carleton Social Justice Internship: Jonathan Blumberg '13, Molly Curtiss '13, Aaron Hirsh '13. Made possible through the Barry "Mike" Casper and Paul and Sheila Wellstone Fund for Community Engagement, the Clement F. Shearer Fund for Achieving Common Ground, and the Interfaith Social Action Fund, these internships are awarded to students pursuing unpaid or low-paying summer internships or training programs in organizations promoting social justice. The awards seek to encourage students to put their values into action, gain experience outside of the classroom, and help others through social change.

Class of 1963 Fellowship: Muira McCammon '13. This fellowship was established by the Class of 1963 on the occasion of their 25<sup>th</sup> Reunion and provides opportunities for qualified students to pursue intellectual or creative interests.

Lipton Family Career Exploration Internship: Sana Rafiq '13, Molly Rapaport '13. This fund was established in 2008 by James and Jill Lipton, parents of Gordon B. Lipton '06. Recognizing that an important component of the educational process is the creative discovery of diverse postgraduation opportunities, this fund supports externships and other career exploration opportunities, especially those in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area.

Multicultural Alumni Network Scholars: Fue Lee '13 and Sana Rafiq '13. The MCAN Scholars Program supports internships, research experiences, or field-based opportunities that offer either no compensation or compensation lower than the pro-rated equivalent of entry-level salary. Grants are competitively awarded to sophomore and junior students of color to use during the summer break.

Jonathan Paradise Israel Experience Fund: Jacob Hamalian '14. This fund was established by Mansoor Alyeshmerni, Carleton's Hebrew instructor for many years, to honor his teacher, Professor Jonathan Paradise. Its purpose is to provide financial support to Carleton students who wish to learn more about the culture, history and politics of Israel in order to better understand the global community in which we live. Students must be enrolled in Israel in a structured educational program, which need not be through a university.

Sam '75 and Meg Woodside Endowed Fund for Career Exploration: Claire McGillem '13. The Woodsides established this fund to deepen students' awareness of career possibilities and to expand their post-graduate options. The Woodside Fund supports internships and other career exploration opportunities in domestic governmental or non-profit organizations.



Senior Dinner in Great Hall, May 2012

#### Alumni news

#### 2011

**Trevor Hill** I moved to Ecuador in February 2012 and I will be spending a year teaching English in Quito with WorldTeach.

Moshe Emilio Lavi, Sderot, Israel. I'm currently an Officer Cadet at the Israeli Defense Force's Officer Training School. After a rather enjoyable summer, I conscripted to the IDF on 1 September, not knowing what to expect and where am I going to serve. After going through Basic Training, I was assigned to serve as a Noncommissioned Officer in the "Regional Security Committee," a branch within the "Coordinator of Government Activities in the Territories" or COGAT (Google the unit and you'll find it). I went through additional, complimentary, training that was more specific to my position and served for about two months in the aforesaid unit and branch. Due to my Carleton degree, I was recommended to become an officer and so I began the 8-month-long and 3-stage-long process in mid-March. I completed successfully the initial examinations, finished the first stage and got accepted to the Officer Training School—located in the Negev desert— about two weeks ago. In about two months (!) I'm expected to finish the second, and core, stage and commence the third stage in the training process (specific to my position as an officer in COGAT). Hopefully I shall complete the entire process on 1 November and become an officer in the IDF.

#### 2010

**Carmen Ross**, Law Clerk, Meshbesher & Spence, Minneapolis Just finished my second year of law school at the University of Minnesota; will resume my third and final year in the fall.

#### 2009

**Pablo Kenney**, Analyst, Greenberg Quinlan Rosner Research, Washington, DC <a href="www.gqrr.com">www.gqrr.com</a> Happily living and working in Washington, DC with many Carls around. I currently live with Ellen Tighe POSC '09 and Tommy Walker POSC '09. I work at a strategy consulting firm that specializes in public opinion research for political candidates, governments, NGOs, and corporations. We greatly

enjoy the visits by fellow Carleton alums, as well visits from Carleton staff and faculty. Come on by!

**Nicholas Netland** I will be attending the Sungkyunkwan University Graduate School of Business in 2012-2013.

**Alexandra Vidal**, CSR Consultant, CentraRSE Guatemala, Guatemala City, Guatemala.

#### 2008

**Makda Goitom**, Edmonds, WA. I just graduated from Berkeley Law (Boalt Hall) on May 11, 2012. I'll begin working at a large law firm in downtown Seattle come January. I still miss Carleton dearly.

Brian Klaas, Oxford, United Kingdom. I have completed my first year of my PhD program at the University of Oxford in Comparative Politics. My research, exploring to what extent electoral exclusion increases the risk of coups or civil wars in sub-Saharan Africa, will allow me to work in Madagascar, Côte d'Ivoire and Zambia this summer.

**Fue Thao** I am graduating from Hamline University School of Law obtaining my Juris Doctor.

#### 2007

Andrew Kaufman, Supreme Court Assistance Project Fellow, Public Citizen Litigation Group, Washington, DC. I graduated from Harvard Law School in May and am looking forward to a fellowship at Public Citizen in Washington, DC.

**Nathan Kennedy**: In May I finished my first year at The Fletcher School at Tufts. I'm studying international development policy and NGO management.

Robert Nachtsheim, New York. I will begin my MBA program in Fall 2012. I was admitted to Georgetown, and I am also on the waitlist at Duke. I left my job as an analyst in the Statistics department at the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco in May 2012 to take the summer off before beginning business school. I am living in

New York City for the summer and enjoying running in Central Park.

**Liz Skree**, Communications Manager, Mississippi River Delta Restoration, Environmental Defense Fund, Washington, DC

http://www.edf.org/people/elizabeth-skree

**Emily Werner**, Consultant, United Nations Environment Programme.

#### <u> 2006</u>

C.J. Griffiths, Policy Counsel, Center for Tobacco Products, U.S. Food & Drug Administration, Rockville, MD <a href="http://www.fda.gov/tobacco">http://www.fda.gov/tobacco</a> I received my J.D. from William Mitchell College of Law, in St. Paul, in 2011, and moved to D.C. with my partner for this job, where we'll be getting married this fall.

**Taylor Valore**, MBA & MA Student, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia. I just finished my first year of a dual MBA and MA in International Studies program at the University of Pennsylvania. Being a student again makes me miss Carleton!

#### **2005**

Jared Hove, Director, Partner Engagement, Teach For All. Jared is currently living and working in Abu Dhabi, UAE. Working for Teach for All, he supports entrepreneurs establishing Teach for America-type programs in the Middle East and Asia.

**Cody Ward Wolkowitz**, Minneapolis. I graduated from business school in May and am excited to join General Mills this summer as an Associate Marketing Manager.

#### 2004

**Jamie Long**: Started as Legislative Director for US Rep. Keith Ellison (D-MN) in January.

#### 2003

Justin Kwong, Minneapolis, Compensation Attorney, Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development. Just got back from a trip to Bolivia and will be starting a new job as an attorney with the State of Minnesota. Will be



reviewing unemployment disputes and training to be an administrative law judge for the Department of Employment and Economic Development. Very excited about this opportunity to serve the people of Minnesota.

**Lucie Passus,** Best Practices Officer, City of Saint Paul <a href="www.stpaul.gov/hreeo">www.stpaul.gov/hreeo</a> Graduated from the University of Minnesota-Duluth with a Master's in Advocacy and Political Leadership (MAPL).

Joel Schlosser, Professor of Political Theory, Julian Steward Chair in the Social Sciences
Deep Springs College, Big Pine, California. Sarah Trent and I were married in Seattle, Washington in June 2012. She still works at Duke University, giving us the challenge of a cross-continental life together. I continue to love teaching at Deep Springs and have nearly completed my book entitled "What Would Socrates Do?"

#### 2002

Joshua Anderson, Minneapolis: Visiting Instructor of Political Science, St. Olaf College. I've taken a one-year visiting position at St. Olaf College while I finish my dissertation on amateur social scientists in the nineteenth century in the United States. Teaching at St. Olaf is fantastic, it's been such a relief to get out of a university setting and back into the sort of liberal arts environment where I first became interested in this material as a student.

**Brant Beyer**, Falls Church, VA: Foreign Service Officer, Department of State. I am a new Foreign Service Officer at the State Department and I will begin my first tour in Abuja, Nigeria in August.

#### 2001

Lauren Mack Janus, Oakland. Marketing Manager, CREDO Mobile. Alex Janus '01 and I are still living it up in the Bay Area. I work for CREDO Mobile, a cell phone company for political progressives. This June I graduate with my MBA from UC Davis. It's been three long years of evening and weekend classes but it is totally worth it!

#### <u> 1999</u>

**Michael Hartman**, Teacher, St. Joseph High School, Santa Maria, CA.

Megan Heister, Director, Research & Prospect Management at Planned Parenthood Federation of America, New York. In December 2011 I joined the development department at the Planned Parenthood Federation of America. I'm working as Director, Research and Prospect Management, part of the major and principal gifts team and really enjoy the intersection of health care and politics. This will be an interesting election year!

**David S. Shulman**, Senior Program Associate at NCSJ. Midway through a Masters Degree in Government and Security Studies at Johns Hopkins University's Washington, D.C. campus. Married Sarah Bagley in June 2011; PoliSci alums Meg

Heister '99 and Mike Gibson '99 were in attendance.

#### 1996

Jeanne Briggs, Rockville MD. Crisis, Stabilization & Governance Officer, USAID. After two years in northern Uganda, I am back in Washington DC for about six months to learn French, before taking up the position of USAID Development Counselor in Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire.

#### 1995

Amy Venuto, Executive Director, Ripken Baseball, Aberdeen, MD. Our company is busy preparing for the Tenth Anniversary of one of our Minor League teams, the Aberdeen IronBirds (affiliate of the Baltimore Orioles), located in Aberdeen, Maryland. The IronBirds are one of two minor league teams to have sold out of every single game of franchise play. We are in our fourth season with the Charlotte Stone Crabs (affiliate of the Tampa Bay Rays), 6th season with the Augusta GreenJackets (affiliate of the San Francisco Giants), and just wrapped up another successful campaign operating Spring Training for the Tampa Bay Rays. I am also preparing for our youth baseball Cal Ripken World Series, and hoping to make this an even more impactful event for our surrounding community. The Cal Ripken World Series has many close ties with government leaders in Maryland. My daughter, Alexandra, is close to finishing her sophomore year of high school, and we are thrilled with her success in her first two years.

#### **1992**

Aaron Dorfman, Executive Director, National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy, Washington, DC. Professionally, I was pleased that my organization released earlier this year a report summarizing three years of research documenting the benefits of foundation funding for grassroots advocacy, community organizing and civic engagement. We found a shockingly high return on investment of \$115 to \$1. Check it out at <a href="www.ncrp.org/gcip">www.ncrp.org/gcip</a> Personally, all is good. Looking forward to Reunion this summer, followed by a vacation in Peru with my wife and some friends.

#### **1991**

Maurella Cunningham, Assistant Professor, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN. Enjoying summer: heading to Black Hills—first time ever—for a family vacation! Kids are great: ages 11, 9, & 7. Another few weeks of school for them! Completed PhD course work at the U of MN this spring—Ready to start my dissertation! electronic environment. My husband (Jon Audette '85) and I travelled to France last summer and had a great time. Perhaps next time I'll make it to Pau (where I spent two trimesters during sophomore year at Carleton).

#### **1988**

Bruce Bonnett, Certified Hypnotherapist, Bruce Bonnett Hypnotherapy, Los Angeles <a href="https://www.WestLAHypnosis.com">www.WestLAHypnosis.com</a> Still helping people make changes in their lives with my hypnotherapy practice—focusing more on helping cancer patients right now. I also teach at 2 hypnotherapy colleges. And, busy as President of the Hypnotherapists' Union for the United States (which is part of the AFL-CIO) -- monitoring relevant legal developments and lobbying for legislative changes.

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### <u> 1987</u>

Reid Mackin, Executive Director, Belmont-Central Chamber of Commerce, Chicago.

www.belmontcentral.org Hired in December,

2010. This is my first executive director position of a non-profit organization.

#### <u>1981</u>

**Kristin Larson**, Lino Lakes, MN. Judge of District Court, State of Minnesota, Anoka County Courthouse. I'm into my 5th year as a trial court judge and still like the job. Luckily my education prepared me for lots of changes. We are constantly asked to do more with less, and do more in an