To say History faculty Sabine MacCormack, Mark Noll, and Thomas Slaughter had a “good” 2006–2007 wouldn’t quite do justice to the honors the three of them received in the span of one academic year.

MacCormack, Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Professor of Arts and Letters, was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences (AAAS), the nation’s leading learned society. The 2007 class of new members includes 226 scholars, scientists, and artists as well as civic, corporate, and philanthropic leaders from 27 states and 13 countries.

An internationally renowned scholar of ancient Rome and the Spanish empire, MacCormack specializes in the study of late antiquity and colonial Latin America. She is a past recipient of a $1.5 million Distinguished Achievement Award from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. The 12th Notre Dame faculty member to be elected to the AAAS, she was named a fellow of the Medieval Academy of America in 2000 and of the American Philosophical Society in 1997.

Noll, Francis A. McAnaney Professor of History, received the National Humanities Medal in an Oval Office ceremony hosted by President Bush and first lady Laura Bush. Awarded to nine individuals and Stanford University’s Hoover Institution in 2006, the medal recognizes work that has deepened and broadened the country’s engagement with the humanities.

Noll is one of the nation’s foremost scholars of American religious and cultural history. His most recent book is *The Civil War as a Theological Crisis* (University of North Carolina Press), and his *Race, Religion, and American Politics from Nat Turner to George W. Bush* is forthcoming from Princeton University Press.

Several months after receiving the medal, Noll was elected a fellow of the Society of American Historians (SAH), as was Slaughter, Andrew V. Tackes Professor of History. They were among 15 scholars and authors elected this year by the SAH.

Slaughter’s teaching and research focus on 18th-century Anglo-American history. The author of five books, he has received fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the American Council of Learned Societies.
From Jeopardy! to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, it was another busy year. For the Department of History, not me. I spent last academic year on leave and enjoyed playing a bit more tennis than usual and diving into various writing projects. In my absence, Jim Turner took over as chair and did a predictably stellar job, for which he deserves the thanks of everyone associated with the department. Now I’m back, happily teaching the U.S. history survey this fall and even happier to report on History’s recent history.

Most important, our students continue to flourish. The number of undergraduate majors held steady at roughly 350, and the entirely student-run History Club sponsored an impressive array of events. History students met with and impressed outside speakers and job candidates, much to the thanks of everyone associated with the department. Now I’m back, happily teaching the U.S. history survey this fall and even happier to report on History’s recent history.

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Undergraduate Program Awards, 2006–2007

Monsignor Francis A. O’Brien Award for the best essay by a senior history major:

Megan Hawley
“Fashioning the Individual: Clothing in Renaissance Italy”

Reverend Marvin R. O’Connell Award for the best essay by a history major awarded during their junior or sophomore year:

Greg Wagman
“A Bridge Too Far: Recapturing How Military History is Written”

O’Hagan Award for the best essay or thesis in Irish history by a history major:

Nora Devlin
“William Drennan and the ‘United’ Irish Movement”

Senior Honors Thesis Award:

Rachel Meeks
“Women and the Tibetan Refugee Community: Negotiating Deference and Promoting Nationalism”

Adam Snider
“Christ and Scripture in Christian-Pagan Dialogue, 180–410 AD”

Class of 2007 Honors Track Students and Thesis Titles

Ryan Burke
“Egypt’s Evolving Revolution”

Zachary Fitter
“Henry’s Will Be Done: The Failure of the Pilgrimage of Grace and the Rise of the English Nation-State”

Brendan Hanehan
“Three Years with the Irish Brigade: William Corby’s Chaplaincy and Mid-Nineteenth Century American Catholicism”

Megan Hawley
“But Women’s Work is Never Done’: Women, Work, and the Impact of the Black Death”

Elaine Kamykowski
“Civil War Head Injuries: A Study of Rank and Medicine in the U.S. Civil War”

Melinda Leonard
“Lest We Forget to Do Our Part’: The Lynching of Robert Paul Prager and the Superpatriotism, Labor Unrest, and Vigilante Justice of World War I”

Rachel Meeks
“Women and the Tibetan Refugee Community: Negotiating Deference and Promoting Nationalism”

Karl Sault
“The Relationship Between the Templars and Hospitaliers in the Holy Land and the West, 1119–1291”

Amelia Schmidt
“A Good Man and a Useful Citizen’: Latin in the Writing of John, Abigail, and John Quincy Adams”

Patrick Selinger
“Strange Brew: The Lager Beer Riot and the Political Crisis of the 1850s”

Adam Snider
“Christ and Scripture in Christian-Pagan Dialogue, 180–410 AD”

Andrew Sullivan
“Not by Nature a Safe Man’: Alfred Milner and the Making of the Boer War”

Erin Thornton
“Is Notre Dame a Place for Women?”

Brian Tyrrell
“Walter Duranty, Ukrainian Famine, and U.S. Recognition of the Soviet Union”
While Rachel Meeks was studying abroad in the “Semester Around the World” program in the fall of her junior year, a trip to Lhasa, Tibet, and Darjeeling, India, made a strong impression. In Darjeeling, Meeks, a history and peace studies major, visited the Tibetan Refugee Self Help Center (TRSHC) where she learned firsthand of persecution and repression resulting from the Chinese occupation of Tibet. When she visited Lhasa, where the Chinese government was then celebrating 40 years of Tibet’s “integration” with China, she found the silence of the Tibetan locals equally remarkable.

Deciding that she wanted to do major research with the Tibetan refugee community, Meeks remembered an e-mail she’d received from Director of Undergraduate Studies Dan Graff encouraging majors to apply to the History honors track and write a senior thesis. She decided to apply.

Back in South Bend that spring and accepted into the honors track, Meeks investigated ways to finance another trip to India. She applied for undergraduate research grants through the Kellogg Institute for International Studies and the Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program in the College of Arts and Letters. Her diligence paid off when they agreed to share the cost of the expensive trip. Less than six months after her first visit, Meeks was heading back to Darjeeling.

Now the hard part began. While she’d managed to get herself back to India, Meeks was left to her own devices as to how exactly she was going to gain the trust of the refugees. She was fortunate to meet a Tibetan tour guide who introduced her to leaders at the TRSHC, but she had trouble communicating exactly what she hoped to accomplish working with the refugees. After a week of feeling rather lost, Meeks met Mr. Jampa-la, a TRSHC staff member who became interested in her project and soon proved integral to her research. Mr. Jampa-la facilitated over 30 interviews, acting as an interpreter and liaison with the older refugee women who worked spinning wool and weaving carpet. At the end of five weeks, Meeks had the material she needed to write her senior thesis.

When Meeks was a first-year student shopping around for a major, she attended a Mass celebrated by Rev. Theodore Hesburgh, C.S.C., president emeritus of Notre Dame, during which he advised choosing a major that would challenge your mind and engage your heart. As Meeks puts it, “I decided to follow his advice by taking up a history and peace studies major.”

She took Fr. Hesburgh’s advice again when she chose her senior thesis topic. Her desire to tell the story of the women she met at the refugee center in Darjeeling resulted in “Women and the Tibetan Refugee Community: Negotiating Deference and Promoting Nationalism,” which earned her the 2007 Senior Honor Thesis Award (an honor she shares with Adam Snider).

This past June, Meeks accepted a position as the volunteer coordinator at the Greater Philadelphia Coalition Against Hunger. We know she will bring the same resolve she demonstrated in Darjeeling to this next endeavor.

From South Bend to Darjeeling and Back

By Wendy Hurley
Scott Appleby completed his seventh year as the Regan Director of the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies by organizing an international conference on “strategic peacebuilding” and establishing an Oxford University Press book series on the topic. He also participated in a Social Science Research Council working group with Talal Asad, Charles Taylor, Jose Casanova, and other scholars studying the relationship between religion and secularism; a volume on the topic is forthcoming.

This past year Ted Beatty continued to work on his book project that examines technological change in 19th-century Mexico. As part of this project, he gave a paper presentation to a Patents in History group in Paris. He also began a short-term project working with a group at the National University in Mexico on a volume of essays that examines the history of economic thought in Mexico from 1767 to 1910.

Gail Bederman is completing a book on Mary Wollstonecraft, William Godwin, and T. R. Malthus during the 1790s, provisionally titled The Worst Sort of Property. She spoke at Creighton University and Stonehill College on “Why the History of Sexuality Should be Taught at Catholic Universities” and about her research at Indiana University South Bend and Marshall University.

Rev. Tom Blantz, C.S.C., continues to offer an undergraduate research seminar on the history of Notre Dame. He contributed a small piece in the recently published Thanking Father Ted and, for the past two years, has addressed the University’s incoming faculty on the history of Notre Dame and its Catholic mission. He is presently researching the attitude of James G. Blaine toward Catholicism.

Paul Cobb spent last year on research leave thanks to a prestigious fellowship from the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation. Aside from short research trips to France, Syria, and Lebanon, he spent the bulk of the year hunkered down in South Bend writing toward his next book, Enemies of God: An Islamic History of the Crusades. He looks forward to returning to teaching and finally getting out of the house.

Jon Coleman is working on a biography of Hugh Glass, an American mountain man famous for nearly being eaten by a grizzly bear. Coleman’s first book, Vicious: Wolves and Men in America (Yale, 2004), came out in paperback in the fall. Last year, he spoke about wolves, bears, humans, and other creatures at the University of West Georgia and Yale University and delivered the Lane Environmental Lecture at Northwestern University.

Olivia Remie Constable was on leave during the 2006–2007 academic year, working on a study of Muslims living in medieval Christian Europe. Her book will focus on Spain, Italy, and southern France during the 12th and 13th centuries and will examine practical aspects of everyday coexistence between Christians and Muslims. This project has been funded by grants from both the American Council of Learned Societies and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Myrtle Doaks (staff) has had a productive and inspirational year as she continues to provide monthly outreach as a member of an Evangelist team at her church, New Life Fellowship Ministry. As a teacher of the new members class, she inducts new believers into the church system.

Last year, Jay Dolan (emeritus) delivered a talk on how immigration has shaped Catholicism at St. Mary’s University in San Antonio, Texas. Most of his time was spent working on a history of the Irish in America that will be published by Bloomsbury Press in the near future.
Phil Gleason (emeritus) has an essay on his own history as a historian in Faith and the Historian: Catholic Perspectives (University of Illinois Press, 2006). It includes a superb description of department life in the 1950s.

Dan Graff continued serving as director of undergraduate studies, leading the department’s advising of more than 300 majors, coordinating the course schedule of 40-plus classes per semester, overseeing the History honors track, and serving as faculty advisor to the History Club. In terms of research, he focused on revising his dissertation (on labor, race, and citizenship in early American St. Louis) for publication, and he presented papers featuring that research at the Western History Association conference in October 2006 and at the Newberry Library’s Labor and Working-Class History Seminar in March 2007. He was recently promoted from assistant to associate professional specialist, a category for faculty positions with a large administrative or teaching component.

Karen Graubart joins the Notre Dame faculty from Cornell University this fall. Earlier this year, Stanford University Press published her book With Our Labor and Sweat: Indigenous Women and the Formation of Colonial Society in Peru, 1550–1700. She is also completing two articles from newer research projects, one on local forms of indigenous identity in two Peruvian cities and another on her ongoing comparative study of 15th-century Seville and 16th-century Lima. She looks forward to working with her new colleagues and Notre Dame undergraduate and graduate students.

Brad Gregory has returned from a year of research leave and is once again teaching in the department and the Glynn Family Honors Program. In September 2006, he was named the Dorothy G. Griffin Associate Professor of Early Modern European History. During the academic year, his long article “Anabaptist Martyrdom: Imperatives, Experience, and Memorialization” appeared in A Companion to Anabaptism and Spiritualism, 1521–1700 (Brill, 2006). He also published “The Other Confessional History: On Secular Bias in the Study of Religion” in History and Theory. Gregory gave invited lectures at Princeton University in association with a symposium devoted to a painting of St. Martina by Pietro da Cortona and at DePaul University as part of a lecture series on the past, present, and future of Christian martyrdom.

Chris Hamlin has been working a good deal with biologists and engineers at Notre Dame and elsewhere on sustainable development issues. Much of his research—subject of presentations at the American Historical Association, the American Chemical Society annual meeting, and a conference on “Water and Waters in Venice”—concerns the incorporation of phenomenology into environmental history. Recent publications include articles in the Journal of Urban History and Journal of Consumer Policy as well as an essay review in American Scientist.

Asher Kaufman continues to work on border dynamics between Lebanon, Syria, and Israel. He offered a new course titled “Boundaries, Borders and Frontiers” and published two related articles in The Middle East Journal and The MIT Electronic Journal of Middle East Studies. Additionally, his article “Forgetting the Lebanon War? On Silence, Denial and Selective Remembrance of the ‘First’ Lebanon War” was written in the context of an international working group of which he has been a member for the past two years. It will be published next year in an edited volume titled The Social Construction of Silence.
Over the past year, **Thomas Kselman** continued to work on the history of Catholic-Jewish relations in France and published two essays on the subject, one in *The Catholic Historical Review* and the other in *Historical Reflections/Réflexions Historiques*. He also had an essay titled “Catholic Connections, Jewish Relations, French Religion” appear in *Why France?* (Cornell University Press, 2007). In December, Kselman traveled to Paris to serve on a jury of the Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes for the defense of a dissertation by Florian Michel on intellectual connections between France and the United States.

In 2006–2007, **Mikolaj Kunicki** offered courses on 20th-century Poland and Eastern Europe and was greatly encouraged by the enthusiasm of Notre Dame students. Kunicki also offered several peer and book reviews for history periodicals. His article on church-state relations in communist Poland appeared in *Transit-Europäische Revue*.

**Semion Lyandres** spent the 2006–2007 academic year as a William C. Bark National Fellow (in history) at Stanford University’s Hoover Institution, working on his monograph on the origins of the Russian Provisional Government and the politics of the 1917 Revolution. He also identified, secured funds for, and purchased, on behalf of the Hesburgh Library’s Special Collections, a major manuscript collection on modern Russian. In addition, Lyandres identified and negotiated a gift of two major private libraries of about 16,000 volumes and negotiated the signing of a major international archival exchange agreement between the Hesburgh Library and the Russian State Archives.

**Sabine MacCormack** was elected a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in Spring 2007. Her book *On the Wings of Time: Rome, the Incas, Spain, and Peru* was published by Princeton University Press in January. At Notre Dame, she taught courses on historiography, Roman literature, Augustine of Hippo, and the Spanish missionary and historian José de Acosta. She also chaired the President’s Committee on Pope Benedict XVI’s encyclical *Deus Caritas Est* and organized a student conference on the encyclical that took place in April.

**George Marsden** was one of two featured speakers at a special plenary session of the Organization of American Historians meeting in March, addressing the topic of understanding the role of evangelicalism in American history. He was also the Eugene Ostenhaven Lecturer at Western Theological Seminary in Holland, Mich. Marsden continues to lecture widely and has completed a draft of a short biography of Jonathan Edwards that is intended to be a more accessible sequel to his longer biography.

**Alex Martin** spent his first year at Notre Dame developing undergraduate courses, getting to know the graduate students, and working on his research on Moscow in the period 1770–1880. He has an article forthcoming in *European History Quarterly* on women’s accounts of Napoleon’s invasion of Russia; another article, forthcoming in *Russian Review*, is on the history of smell in old-regime Moscow. Martin is also working on a biographical study of a German émigré whose account of the Napoleonic occupation of Moscow he discovered in a Russian archive.
While on leave, John McGreevy worked on a project involving 19th-century Jesuits and transatlantic religion. A chapter from his *Catholicism and American Freedom* (W.W. Norton & Company, 2003) is being translated into Italian, and a revised piece on Catholics and American politics that he first published in *Commonweal* will soon appear in *American Quarterly*. Along with George Marsden, he also had a piece in a new volume on historians and the human person titled *Figures in the Carpet: Finding the Human Person in the American Past* (Eerdmans, 2007).

In 2006–2007, Margaret Meserve spent a wonderful year at the American Academy in Rome on a Rome Prize Fellowship. There, she worked at the Vatican Library and other libraries both in Rome and Venice, examining early Italian political literature, including printed newssheets, pamphlets, ballads, and official propaganda. One project involved identifying and cataloguing a large collection of printed bulls issued by Pope Julius II and then identifying the buildings and piazzas in 16th-century Rome where these bulls were nailed up for public display—a fascinating opportunity to combine architectural history and archival research. She also continued work on her translation of the autobiography of Pope Pius II (the second volume of this will appear in Harvard’s I Tatti Renaissance Library series this fall).

Rev. Wilson (Bill) Miscamble, C.S.C., received the Frank O’Malley Undergraduate Teaching Award for 2007. The award, sponsored by Notre Dame Student Government and the Notre Dame Alumni Association, recognizes excellence in undergraduate teaching. He also was promoted to professor.

Dian Murray unexpectedly became chair of the Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures last October and has devoted most of her attention to that responsibility. She also spent the summer traveling between South Carolina, Mexico, Scandinavia and South Bend.

Tom Noble spent a year consumed by service of various kinds. Among his duties within the University, he continued to direct the Residential Scholars Program, which brings faculty and freshmen together for dinner five to six times per semester. Beyond the University, he continued to serve on the editorial boards of *Church History* and *Speculum*. In the area of scholarship, he published an edited volume, *From Roman Provinces to Medieval Kingdoms* (Routledge, 2006), with a substantial “Introduction.” He also submitted a volume, *The Imperial Carolingians: Five Lives*, which is forthcoming from Pennsylvania State University Press in 2008. This volume contains English translations with annotations and scholarly introductions of five ninth-century Latin biographies of Charlemagne and his son Louis the Pious.

Mark Noll enjoyed his first semester teaching at Notre Dame, offering classes on religion and American politics and the world history of Christianity in the 20th century. Despite a busy first year, he still managed to finish a short book on a huge topic: *Race, Religion, and American Politics from Nat Turner to George W. Bush* (forthcoming from Princeton University Press). In the months to come, he hopes to return to work on the protean subject of the Bible in American history.

Walter Nugent (emeritus) published book reviews in the *Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era, Hispanic American Historical Review, Montana The Magazine of Western History*, and *Pacific Historical Review*. The volume *American West Chronicle*, for which he was principal consultant, content designer, and author in part, appeared from Legacy Publications. As editor of Indiana University Press’ series *The Twentieth-Century West*, he oversaw the publication of Elliott R. Barkan’s *From All Points: America’s Immigrant West*. Last October, he delivered his presidential address to the Western History Association, and it appeared as “The American Habit of Empire: The Cases of James K. Polk and George W. Bush” in the Spring 2007 issue of the *Western Historical Quarterly*.

Linda Przybyszewski spent the year working on her book on the Cincinnati Bible War of 1869–
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1872 as a fellow of the American Council of Learned Societies. She gave a paper on the project at a conference held at the University of Portland in April 2007. She also appeared in the third hour of the The Supreme Court series, which was broadcast nationally on PBS. This summer, she published a short essay in Threads magazine on “The Art of Making Do,” and she continues to serve on the board of directors of the American Society for Legal History. In addition, she has joined the editorial board of the Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era.

This past year, Marc Rodriguez published his second migration volume, Migration in History: Human Migration in Comparative Perspective (University of Rochester Press, 2007), which he co-edited with Anthony Grafton of Princeton University. He also edited a forthcoming collection of essays on Mexican American citizenship for the Berkeley La Raza Law Journal. In the spring, Rodriguez received a sabbatical fellowship from the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation.

Jayanta Sengupta, who joined the department this fall, spent much of the year finishing the draft of his book on the discourses of development, democracy, and regionalism in 20th-century India. He also worked on a research project on India in the American imagination 1850–1950, for which he received a major research grant from the University Grants Commission of India. In addition, he presented at the American Historical Association’s annual meeting in Atlanta and made research trips to Delhi, Mumbai, and Hyderabad.

Sengupta also published an article on the U.S. perception of Islam in Beyond Boundaries: Reflections of Indian and U.S. Scholars (iUniverse, 2007) and finished another on India that will appear in The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Modern World (Oxford University Press, forthcoming in 2008).

This past academic year was Thomas Slaughter’s first as director of graduate studies. “I spent it trying not to make too many mistakes and learning from the ever-patient Mrs. Doaks,” he says. He also got his long-gestating book manuscript back from his editor and spent the spring semester revising The Beautiful Soul of John Woolman, Apostle of Abolition.

John Soares’ article “Strategy, Ideology and Human Rights: Jimmy Carter Confronts the Left in Central America, 1979–1981” appeared in the Journal of Cold War Studies. He also continued his research on international ice hockey during the Cold War. His article on the topic, “Cold War, Hot Ice,” is forthcoming in The Journal of Sport History. In April 2007, he made presentations on Cold War hockey at the Newberry Library in Chicago and to an international conference in Victoria, British Columbia. Soares presented a paper on détente and international hockey at the annual conference of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations. He spent this past summer as a Kathryn Wasserman Davis Scholar at Middlebury College’s Russian School.

Jim Smyth continues to work on a study of the Lewis Namier school.

This fall, Jeanette Torok (staff) will continue her studies at Indiana University South Bend with the assistance of the Fred E. Freeman Staff Scholarship, awarded annually to staff members at Notre Dame.

Jim Turner is on leave this year, supported by fellowships from the Spencer Foundation and the National Endowment for the Humanities, to draft his book on philology and the origin of the humanities.

John Van Engen is now serving as president of the American Society of Church History, following in the footsteps of Mark Noll and Jay Dolan, and will give his presidential address to the society this January.
Cold War—From Roosevelt to Truman: Potsdam, Hiroshima, and the Cold War—appeared from Cambridge University Press. Scott Appleby was one of 21 contributors to Foreign Policy’s cover story “21 Solutions to Save the World” (May/June 2007), and The Atlantic surveyed Mark Noll for its list of the “100 most influential Americans of all time.” Tom Kselman completed a year as president of the Catholic Historical Association, and John Van Engen, just a year after Mark Noll, took over the reins as president of the American Society of Church History. Gail Bederman gave an endowed lecture at Indiana University South Bend, as did Brad Gregory at DePaul.

Ted Beatty joined a long list of History faculty giving significant service to the University by agreeing to serve as acting director of the Kellogg Institute for International Studies in 2007–2008. Dian Murray, the new chair of East Asian Languages and Cultures, joined Richard Pierce, chair of Africana Studies, as the second History faculty member to chair another department. Linda Przybyszewski appeared on the PBS series on the U.S. Supreme Court, and Paul Cobb and Tom Noble showed up on the History Channel discussing the Crusades.

Emeriti faculty also pitched in. Walter Nugent completed a term as president of the Western History Association with a rousing address on the resemblances or lack thereof between Presidents James K. Polk and George W. Bush.

Vince DeSantis celebrated his 90th birthday with a fete hosted by Bill Miscamble, C.S.C., and his 59th (yes, that’s right) year of teaching at Notre Dame. The Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era, which includes Linda Przybyszewski on its editorial board, honored Vince this year by establishing a biennial DeSantis prize for the best first book on U.S. history 1865–1920.

Three new faculty agreed to join us. Two are in Latin American history, a long-time strength of the University and one of growing emphasis in the department. Karen Graubart comes to us from Cornell, where she served as an assistant professor. Having just completed revising her dissertation on Andean women for Stanford University Press, Karen is now well-embarked on a comparative study of Seville and Lima in the 16th and 17th centuries. (Two years ago, she won a major National Endowment for the Humanities fellowship in support of this second project.)

Jaime Pensado comes to us from the University of Chicago, where he is completing a dissertation on the student movement in 20th-century modern Mexico. He has received a social sciences Dissertation year fellowship from the Mellon Foundation and will spend next year on a postdoctoral fellowship at Lehigh University.

Jayanta Sengupta joins us from Jadavpur University in Calcutta, India, and becomes the first regular faculty member with a research emphasis on South Asia. His interests include the origins of the Indian state of Orissa in the early 20th century and American perceptions of India between 1850 and 1950. He has won many fellowships and served as a Fulbright lecturer at Utah State University in 2004.

We also said farewell to two longtime faculty with remarkable records of service to Notre Dame. Doris Bergen has taken a position as the Chancellor Rose and Ray Wolfe Professor of Holocaust Studies at the University of Toronto, and Emily Osborn has accepted a position as assistant professor of history at the University of Chicago. Doris had taught at Notre Dame since 1996, and her courses on German history and the Holocaust were among the most popular in the department. She mentored dozens of undergraduates, often encouraging them to apply to graduate school and law school and for fellowships and grants, and she worked closely with many of our graduate students in European history. She mentored many of our graduate students in European history. Emily was our first regular appointment in African history and was the kind of teacher who made students fall in love with her subject. Through her teaching and scholarship she heightened awareness at Notre Dame of the intellectual importance of African studies. We wish them both the best.

As always, I am especially grateful to faculty and staff colleagues who share in our administrative duties. Tom Slaughter did a superb job in
his first year as director of graduate studies, and another Tom, Tom Kselman, graciously agreed to serve as acting director this upcoming year while the first Tom is on leave. Dan Graff, our director of undergraduate studies, continues to excel as a teacher and counselor for our students as they plan their academic programs. Myrtle Doaks, Jeanette Torok, and Wendy Hurley managed budgets, coordinated searches, and offered a gracious welcome to everyone who entered 219 O’Shaughnessy. Wendy also led us in the development of our spiffy new website. See for yourself at http://history.nd.edu.

All of us, I think, remain fortunate to work in a university that sees the liberal arts and history as being at the core of its distinctive mission. If you happen to be in Washington, D.C., for the American Historical Association meeting this January, or even if you’re just in Washington, D.C., please do stop by the Notre Dame reception. If you’re on campus, stop in. Regardless, please know how much we value your interest in our efforts and how grateful we are for your support.

John T. McGreevy
Professor of History

Ph.D.s Awarded
2006–2007

Sarah Davis-Secord
Dissertation: “Sicily and the Medieval Mediterranean: Communication Networks and Inter-regional Exchange,” directed by Olivia Remie Constable

Michael DeGruccio
Dissertation: “Unmade: Manhood and Self-Making in the American Civil War,” directed by Gail Bederman

Timothy Gloege
Dissertation: “Consumed: Reuben A. Torrey and the Creation of Corporate Fundamentalism, 1880–1930,” directed by George Marsden

Andrew Orr
Dissertation: “‘La Grande Muette’: Gender, Race, and Anti-Republicanism in the French Army, 1918–1934,” directed by Thomas Kselman

Justin Poché
Graduate Student Fellowships and Prizes, 2006–2007

Martina Cucchiara
Research Grant, Kellogg Institute, University of Notre Dame

Sarah Davis-Secord (Ph.D. ’07)
Philip Gleason Prize, Department of History, University of Notre Dame

James Donahue
Swarthmore Moore Fellowship, World Council of Churches Research Grant

Melinda Grimsley-Smith
Graduate Research and Travel Grant, Nanovic Institute, University of Notre Dame

Michael Kelly
Outstanding Teacher Award, Kaneb Center, University of Notre Dame

John McCormack
Research Grant, Nanovic Institute, University of Notre Dame

Sarah Miglio
Outstanding Teacher Award, Kaneb Center, University of Notre Dame

David Morris
Outstanding Teacher Award, Kaneb Center, University of Notre Dame

Sheila Nowinski
Research Grant, Kellogg Center, University of Notre Dame

Erik Peterson
Outstanding Teacher Award, Kaneb Center, University of Notre Dame

Thomas Rzeznik (Ph.D. ’06)
John Highbarger Memorial Dissertation Award, Department of History, University of Notre Dame

Matt Salafia
Filson Society Research Grant, Society of Indiana Pioneers Fellowship

Susy Sanchez
Research Grant, Kellogg Institute, University of Notre Dame

Charles Strauss
Research Grant, Kellogg Institute, University of Notre Dame

Elizabeth Strauss
Holocaust Education Foundation Research Fellowship, Maria Salit-Gitelson Tell Research Fellowship from the YIVO Institute for Jewish Research

David Swartz
Zahm Research Grant, University of Notre Dame
It Pays to Know Your History

This past spring, history and pre-med major Christine Kennedy found her history knowledge put to the test when she appeared on the award-winning game show *Jeopardy!* In fact, Kennedy’s “Final Jeopardy!” category was “U.S. History.” She correctly responded “Who is Eisenhower?” to the clue “In his first term, this president held the first press conference to be shown on TV later that day,” taking her to the championship game.

Kennedy, the only freshman to qualify for the finals, finished as second runner-up, winning $25,000. Her plans to buy a used car with the winnings, however, have been temporarily sidelined.

“When I started to get serious about looking for one, the tuition bill came, and that took precedence,” she says.

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| Sara Cermak | Caitlin Little | Lisa Schultz | Caroline Wenzke |
| Allison Clements | Patrick Lynch | Fritz Shadley | Margaret Wickett |
| Brian Corrigan | Anne Martell | Adam Snider | |
Alumni News

Sarolina Chang’s (’75) piece “Rendezvous,” a Chinese short-short fiction, has been translated and published in Loud Sparrows: Contemporary Chinese Short-Shorts by Columbia University Press. This is one of the Weatherhead Books on Asia.

Nathan Citino (’93) was awarded tenure and promoted to associate professor in the History Department at Colorado State University.

Claudrena Harold’s (Ph.D. ’04) The Rise and Fall of the Garvey Movement in the Urban South, 1918–1942 was recently published by Routledge Press as part of its Studies in African American History and Culture series.

Thomas Kidd (Ph.D. ’01) won a 2006–2007 NEH fellowship. He is currently an assistant professor of history at Baylor University.

Pat Leonardo (’70) is a college advisor and English teacher at St. Augustine’s Preparatory in Richland, N.J.

Bonnie Mak (Ph.D. ’04) has been appointed assistant professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign beginning in August 2008. For the academic year 2007–2008, she holds a postdoctoral research fellowship (funded by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada) at the University of Toronto.

Joseph Markosek (’72) was recently elected and sworn-in for his 13th two-year term in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. He is also the majority chairman of the House Transportation Committee. Rep. Markosek still loves history and was the sponsor of a Civil War tourism initiative called “Pennsylvania Civil War Trails, A Prelude to Gettysburg” (www.pacivilwartrails.com).

Colleen Murphy (’01) taught for two years in Chicago with Inner-City Teaching Corps after graduating from Notre Dame. She is currently teaching civics and world history at the Seed Public Charter School in Washington, D.C.

Garry Nokes’ (’91) interest in American history and the area where he grew up and now lives resulted in the pictorial history Jeffersonville, Indiana for the Images of America series published by Arcadia Publishing Company.

John Quinn (Ph.D. ’92) just completed his 15th year teaching European and American history at Salve Regina University in Newport, R.I.

Valerie Renegar (’93) earned an M.A. in communication, theatre and dance from Kansas State University (’97) and a Ph.D. in communication studies from the University of Kansas (’00). She is currently an assistant professor in the School of Communication at San Diego State University.

Bill Sammon (’88) is the founder of Hima Ice Towel Corp. The ice towel is a frozen, individually wrapped cotton washcloth in a cooling solution, an item that is very popular in Southeast Asia and in many athletic departments.

Karen Scheel (’95) is a history teacher at Shattuck-Saint Mary’s School in Faribault, Minn.

Mychal Sommer Schulz (M.A. ’87, J.D. ’83) received a master’s degree in American history from the University of Virginia. He then attended law school at the College of William & Mary and upon graduation, went to work in Charleston, W.Va., where he is now a partner with Dinsmore & Shohl, LLP. To satisfy his never-ending love of history, he is also an adjunct professor of history at West Virginia State University.

Deborah (Skopek) Schumacher (M.A. ’80, J.D. ’83) is a district court judge in Washoe County, Nev., a position she’s held for 10 years. She also teaches at the National Judicial College.

Anne Slowey (’00) is the fashion news director for Elle magazine.

David Stolpman (’90) is a gastroenterologist in Minneapolis, Minn. He graduated from the Medical College of Wisconsin with an M.D. and has been in the profession for 14 years.
Tom Sutliff (’91) is a history teacher at Monticello High School in Albemarle County, Va. He currently teaches 11th-grade U.S. history and a dual enrollment U.S. survey course for Piedmont Virginia Community College.

Alfredo Tavera (’75) is a municipal court judge in San Antonio, Texas, where he also teaches an introductory course in criminal justice at a local community college.

Todd Tucker’s (’90) latest book, *The Great Starvation Experiment* (Simon & Schuster/Free Press, 2006), is the true story of a yearlong experiment on starvation that took place at the University of Minnesota near the end of WWII. His previous book was *Notre Dame vs. the Klan* (Loyola Press, 2004).

Ph.D. Placements

Sarah Davis-Secord (Ph.D. 2007) is an Assistant Professor of History at the University of Texas at Arlington.

Michael DeGruccio (Ph.D. 2007) received a Sorin Postdoctoral Fellowship at the University of Notre Dame.

Timothy Gloege (Ph.D. 2007) received a Sorin Postdoctoral Fellowship at the University of Notre Dame.

Patrick Mason (Ph.D. 2005) is an Assistant Professor of History at The American University in Cairo.

Anthony Mora (Ph.D. 2002) is an Assistant Professor of History at the University of Michigan.

Andrew Orr (Ph.D. 2007) received a Sorin Postdoctoral Fellowship at the University of Notre Dame.

Justin Poché (Ph.D. 2007) received a Lilly Postdoctoral Fellowship at Valparaiso University.

Thomas Rzeznik (Ph.D. 2006) is an Assistant Professor of History and Catholic Studies at Seton Hall University.

We Need News!

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