

# NEWS

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## NEW ADVISORY BOARD

The GHI is pleased to announce that it has a new Advisory Board (*Beirat*). With last year's establishment of the new foundation *Stiftung Deutsche Geisteswissenschaftliche Institute im Ausland* (DGIA), which comprises all five German Historical Institutes as well as similar institutes in Tokyo and Beirut, a complete renewal of the Advisory Board had become mandatory. At its meeting in May 2003, the DGIA governing body elected the new Advisory Board, and on August 9, the new members of the Board met for the first time. They are Professors Michael Borgolte (Humboldt-Universität Berlin), Kathleen N. Conzen (University of Chicago), Gerald D. Feldman (University of California at Berkeley), Friedrich Lenger (Universität Gießen), Monika Medick-Krakau (Universität Dresden), Jürgen Osterhammel (Universität Konstanz), and Barbara Stollberg-Rilinger (Universität Münster). Professor Lenger was elected chair. In 2004 and 2005 two additional members will be chosen. As chair, Professor Lenger will also be a voting member on the DGIA Board for at least one year. The GHI welcomes the swift constitution of its new Advisory Board and looks forward to working with it in a cordial spirit, as it has with the old *Beirat*. While having no formal decision-making power, the Advisory Board supports the work of the DGIA and the GHI Director by discussing the program of the GHI, helping with the selection of fellows and fellowship recipients, and drawing up a shortlist when a new director has to be appointed. Its members represent the academic fields that are covered by the activities of the GHI.

## NEW FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINES

The GHI has introduced new application deadlines for its doctoral and postdoctoral fellowships, in order to better accommodate applicants' research schedules. There will now be two deadlines per year instead of just one. The next application deadlines for fellowships will be May 31 and October 15, 2004.

## GERMAN STUDIES DIRECTORY

In the spring of 2004, the GHI will publish a directory of post-Ph.D. scholars working on German topics in North America. *German Studies in*

*North America: A Directory of Scholars* will be a print version of the GHI's online directory at <http://directory.ghi-dc.org>. To make this directory as complete and accurate as possible, we need your cooperation. This spring, we identified and emailed numerous scholars for inclusion. Over five hundred have already responded. If you have not yet sent the GHI the information for your listing, or were not contacted but wish to be included, you may complete the process online at <http://directory.ghi-dc.org>. In order to be included in the print version of the directory, we must receive your information no later than November 15. If you have comments or suggestions, please send an email to [directory@ghi-dc.org](mailto:directory@ghi-dc.org)

### MAX-KADE FOUNDATION GIVES \$510,000 FOR “GERMAN HISTORY IN DOCUMENTS AND IMAGES”

The Friends of the GHI, their president Gerald D. Feldman, and GHI director Christof Mauch are pleased to announce that the Max-Kade Foundation under its president Dr. Hachmann has pledged to give \$510,000 to the Friends of the GHI to fund the *German History in Documents and Images* project. We are very grateful for this generous support. The project will make a large selection of German historical documents available in both English and German on the website of the German Historical Institute, and will contribute significantly to the study and teaching of German history in the United States and worldwide. It will cover the early modern period as well as the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, and will include written and visual sources. Gerald D. Feldman (University of California at Berkeley), Roger Chickering (Georgetown University), Konrad Jarausch (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill), Christof Mauch (GHI), and Dirk Schumann (GHI) are directing the project. Kelly McCullough, who joined the GHI in August 2003, is serving as coordinator. The project will comprise ten volumes, each edited by a prominent U.S. scholar. In addition to Gerald D. Feldman, Roger Chickering, and Konrad Jarausch, Thomas Brady (University of California, Berkeley), William Hagen (University of California, Davis), Jonathan Sperber (University of Missouri at Columbia), James Retallack (University of Toronto), Richard Breitman (American University), Helga Welsh (Wake Forest University), Volker Berghahn (Columbia University) and Uta Poiger (University of Washington, Seattle) have agreed to edit individual volumes. The first documents will be posted on the website this fall.

## FORMER GERMAN PRESIDENT RICHARD VON WEIZSÄCKER VISITS GHI

On April 28, 2003, Dr. Richard von Weizsäcker, the former president of the Federal Republic of Germany, visited the GHI. Dr. Dirk Schumann, the deputy director of the GHI, welcomed President von Weizsäcker, praising the moral leadership he provided throughout his public life, most notably when he unequivocally defined the end of the Second World War as a "liberation" in his famous speech on May 8, 1985. Almost 100 scholars from local universities, think tanks, and foundations (many of them, as Richard von Weizsäcker had wished, belonging to the younger generation) had gathered to discuss with the former president Germany's role in Europe and the present state of transatlantic relations. In his introductory remarks, von Weizsäcker emphasized the common cultural foundations of the European nations, and pointed out that the unified and democratized Germany is not only firmly rooted in the West but also reaches out to the new democracies in the East. The subsequent discussion touched on a wide range of issues, including the historical and moral tenets of German foreign policy as well as current tensions between Germany and the United States and the future of their relationship. Richard von Weizsäcker emphasized how strongly reconciliation with Poland had motivated him to enter politics, and stressed how crucial the lessons of the Nazi past were for German foreign policy. While criticizing comparisons between the war against Saddam Hussein and the war against the Nazi regime as well as attempts to instrumentalize foreign policy for election purposes in general, he dismissed the notion of widespread anti-Americanism in Germany. He also saw chances for a closer cooperation between both countries in revising and strengthening international law. When the lively discussion had to be concluded after two hours, Richard von Weizsäcker had left a deep impression on all participants with his intellectual energy, acumen, and wit.

## LIBRARY REPORT

The GHI is proud to inform our readers about several new and important acquisitions. We enlarged our collection of sources by purchasing the *Acta Borussica: Denkmäler der Preussischen Staatsverwaltung im 18. Jahrhundert*, published by the Preußische Akademie der Wissenschaften. More thorough research of the eighteenth century in general and the history of Prussia in particular is now possible at the library of the GHI.

The library was able to acquire the *Grove Dictionary of Art* in print. This 34-volume encyclopedia of the fine arts is a major contribution to our goal of providing basic reference material in history and its related fields. The dictionary will be on the shelves in the Reading Room.

Six volumes of the tenth edition of the *Handbuch der deutschen Geschichte*, published by Bruno Gebhardt, have arrived. This edition will be published in twenty-four volumes. The ninth and tenth editions are accessible in the Reading Room.

As a long-term strategy, the library is planning to obtain complete works and editions of important German writers, philosophers, scholars, and intellectuals. The works of Helmuth Plessner, Günter Grass, and Georg Simmel are already on-shelf.

We would like to express our gratitude to the following people and institutions who donated books to the GHI library. Thank you very much for your support and assistance: AICGS, Allianz, Herr Binder, Christoph Bottin, Deutsche Bank, Arthur Rieper Dornheim, Astrid Eckert, Enigma Books, E.On, Lee Fairley, Goethe-Institut, German Historical Institute London, German Historical Institute Warsaw, Bernhard Heisig, Institut für Theologie & Frieden, Gabriele Lingelbach, Daniel Mattern, Christof Mauch, Luzie Nahr, Shirley Riemer, Elmo Roper, Bernd Schäfer, Georg Schild, Dirk Schumann, Ortrud Seidel, Simon-Dubnow-Institut, Stiftung Archiv der Parteien und Massenorganisationen der DDR, Stiftungsinitiative der deutschen Wirtschaft, Christoph Strupp, and Richard Wetzell.

## NEW PUBLICATIONS

### New Books by GHI Research Fellows

CHRISTOF MAUCH, *The Shadow War Against Hitler: The Covert Operations of America's Wartime Secret Intelligence Service*, trans. Jeremiah Riemer (New York: Columbia University Press, 2003)

JÜRGEN HEIDEKING and CHRISTOF MAUCH, *Geschichte der USA*. 3d ed. (Tübingen/Basel: Francke, UTB-Taschenbuch 2003)

CHRISTOF MAUCH and JOSEPH SALMONS, eds., *German-Jewish Identities in America*, (Madison, WI: University of Wisconsin Press, Publications of the Max Kade Institute, 2003)

### **“Publications of the German Historical Institute” Series, published in collaboration with Cambridge University Press**

ANDREAS W. DAUM, LLOYD C. GARDNER, and WILFRIED MAUSBACH, eds., *America, the Vietnam War and the World: Comparative and International Perspectives*.

Information on ordering this title is available on the Cambridge University Press website, *www.cup.org*.

### **Additional publications supported by the GHI**

PETER KRÜGER and PAUL W. SCHRÖDER, eds., with the cooperation of KATJA WÜSTENBECKER, *"The Transformation of European Politics, 1763–1848": Episode or Model in Modern History?*, vol. 5 of *Forschungen zur Geschichte der Neuzeit. Marburger Beiträge* (Münster: Lit Verlag, 2003) This essay collection is based on a conference jointly organized by the University of Illinois and the GHI.

## **RECIPIENTS OF GHI FELLOWSHIPS FOR 2003–2004**

### **Postdoctoral / Habilitation Fellowships**

DR. ULF SCHMIDT, University of Kent at Canterbury, "Hitler's Doctor: The Life of Karl Brandt"

DR. GISELA CRAMER, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Bogotá, "Winning the War in Latin America. Nelson A. Rockefeller, the Office of Inter-American Affairs, and United States Policies to Influence Latin American Public Opinion, 1940–1946"

DR. CHRISTOPH JAHR, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, "Antisemitismus, Recht und Justiz. Zur Problematik der Ahndung antijüdischer Agitation in Deutschland 1871–1960"

DR. AXEL JANSEN, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt/Main, "Die amerikanische Wissenschaft als Profession in einer sich formierenden Nation. Eine vergleichende Studie über Alexander Dallas Bache und William Barton Rogers"

DR. ANKE ORTLEPP, Universität zu Köln, "Cultures of Air Travel in Post-war America, 1945–1990"

DR. JÜRGEN ZIMMERER, Universidade de Coimbra, "Verlässliche Partner im Wechselspiel der Weltpolitik. Portugiesisch-deutsche Beziehungen im Zwanzigsten Jahrhundert (1918–1986)"

### **Doctoral Fellowships**

JÖRG ARNOLD, University of Southampton, "'In stillem Gedenken'—The Allied Air War and the Germans, 1943–1990." Adviser: Dr. Neil Gregor

JESSICA COOPERMAN, New York University, "The Construction of Diasporic and National Identity: German and American Jewish Soldiers in the First World War." Adviser: Prof. Hasia Diner

KENNETH J. MILLER, University of California, Davis, "'Dangerous Guests': Enemy Prisoners, Revolutionary Communities, and American National Identity, 1760–1800." Adviser: Prof. Alan Taylor

JENS NIEDERHUT, Freie Universität Berlin, "Mittler zwischen West und Ost. DDR-Reisekader als Akteure im Wissenstransfer." Adviser: Prof. Dr. Ralph Jessen

ALEXANDER SCHÖNER, Katholische Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, "Die Mission Myron C. Taylors beim Vatikan, 1940–1950: Erwartungen - Hintergründe - Perzeptionen – Ergebnisse." Adviser: Prof. Dr. Karsten Ruppert

DANIEL SIEMENS, Humboldt-Universität Berlin, "Die Gerichtsreportage der Zwischenkriegszeit in vergleichender Perspektive. Krisenerfahrung und die Konstruktion sozialer Normen in Berlin, Paris und Chicago." Adviser: Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Hardtwig

ANNE SUDROW, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, "Die Geburt des 'modernen' Schuhs im Nationalsozialismus? Eine Produktgeschichte im amerikanisch-deutschen Vergleich (1925–1960)." Adviser: Prof. Dr. Hartmut Berghoff

CHRISTOPHER WINKLER, Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung Potsdam, "Zwischen Konflikt und Gentleman's Agreement. Die US-Militärverbindungsmission." Adviser: PD Dr. Michael Lemke

## RECIPIENTS OF GHI INTERNSHIPS

The GHI was again fortunate to have a number of excellent interns who made valuable contributions to our work. The interns conducted research in libraries and archives, helped to prepare and run conferences, assisted editors and librarians, and cheerfully did all other tasks that came their way. Two of them even extended their stay at the GHI for another month. We would like to thank Erika Brown (Georgetown University), Robin Markwica (University of Freiburg, soon to be at Oxford), Ferdinand Krings (University of Bamberg), Paul Benedikt Glatz (University of Cologne), and Claudia Buchwald (University of Dresden).

## STAFF CHANGES

KEITH ALEXANDER joined the GHI as a Research Associate in August 2003. Dr. Alexander completed his Ph.D. this fall at the University of Maryland. His dissertation examines the evolution of a segment of the West German Left from its radical anti-parliamentary origins to the founding of the Green Party and its rise to a coalition partner that has accepted and embraced parliamentary democracy. In addition to his work at the University of Maryland, he has studied at the Free University and the Humboldt University in Berlin. His research interests include the history of West Germany, environmental history, and music history. At the GHI, he is preparing the print version of the GHI's online guide, *German Studies in North America: A Directory of Scholars*.

CHARLES E. CLOSMANN joined the German Historical Institute on August 1, 2003 as a Research Fellow in environmental history. He completed his Ph.D. in Modern European History at the University of Houston in 2002, and in the past year he was a Postdoctoral Fellow in the History of Energy and the Environment at the University of Houston. There he taught the European History survey and graduate classes on environmental and public history. His dissertation, "Modernizing the Waters: Water Pollution and the Harbor Economy in Hamburg, Germany, 1900 to 1961," examined the role of civic identity in shaping policies regarding drinking water and sewerage in Germany's second largest city. At the GHI, Dr. Closmann will expand his research, comparing the impact of bourgeois notions of civic identity on water and sewer services in both Hamburg and Frankfurt am Main during the twentieth century. Publications include "Wirbelnde Strömungen: Umweltverschmutzung und politische Tradition in Hamburg, 1900-1933," *Hamburg Wirtschafts Chronik* (2000), *A Survey of Historical Sources on Galveston Bay*, a sourcebook compiled for the Institute for Public History at the University of Houston, and an upcoming piece on Nazi conservation policies in an anthology entitled *How Green Were the Nazis?* At the GHI, Dr. Closmann will also be organizing and presenting work for a spring 2004 conference on war and the environment in the twentieth century.

SABINE FIX joined the GHI on July 1, 2003. She will succeed Dieter H. Schneider as the new Administrative Director of the Institute. After having studied Public Administration in Cologne, she worked first for the local government of North Rhine-Westphalia and then for the past thirteen years with the Federal Ministry of Education and Science in Bonn. There she was concerned with different matters such as project budgeting and financing (*Projektförderung*) in the field of "Vocational Training and

the Labor Market." Since 1998 she was involved in the personal management affairs of the ministry.

JANEL B. GALVANEK left the Institute in August 2003 for Austria to pursue her love of teaching. She was the recipient of an Austrian Fulbright Teaching Scholarship and has assumed the position of English teacher at the *Höhere Lehranstalt für wirtschaftliche Berufe* in Kufstein and the *Bundeslehranstalt für Tourismus* in St. Johann in Tirol.

KELLY McCULLOUGH, Project Coordinator for "German History in Documents and Images," joined the GHI in August 2003. In May, she received her Ph.D. in art history from Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania, where she completed her dissertation on the interior scenes of the Expressionist artists Ernst Ludwig Kirchner and Erich Heckel. In 2000–01, she was a Fulbright Fellow in Germany. Before joining the GHI, she was employed as an assistant bibliographer at the Library Company of Philadelphia. She has also worked as a curatorial assistant at the German Society of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.

ARI SAMMARTINO, Research Associate since September 2002, left the Institute at the end of August to accept a position as Visiting Assistant Professor of History at Oberlin College in Ohio.

DIETER H. SCHNEIDER, Administrative Director, retired as of October 31, 2003. Mr. Schneider served in his position since the GHI first opened its doors in Washington, DC in 1987. In his retirement, he plans to devote himself to swimming, surfing, and family research.

FRANK ZELKO joined the Institute in September 2003 as a Research Fellow in environmental history. He received his Ph.D. in U.S. environmental history from the University of Kansas in May 2003. His dissertation dealt with the history of Greenpeace, particularly the group's origins and its development throughout the 1970s. His research interests include environmental history (particularly the history of the environmental movement), twentieth-century social movements, and comparative history. He is currently writing an article about the U.S. environmental movement since the Second World War, which will be published in 2004 in an anthology entitled *Green Protest*. He has taught U.S. history at the University of Kansas and at Monash University in Melbourne, Australia.

THOMAS ZELLER left the GHI to take a full time position at the University of Maryland College Park. As a Visiting Research Fellow, Dr. Zeller will continue to contribute to the Institute's environmental history program.