

NEWS

IN MEMORIAM

Carola Wessel (1964–2004)

Carola Wessel died after a long illness on February 14, 2004, shortly before her fortieth birthday. Wessel was a Research Fellow at the GHI from 1990 to 1993. She was able to combine her research interests in the history of pietism and the history of Native Americans in two major publications: *Delaware-Indianer und Herrnhuter Missionare im Upper Ohio Valley, 1772–1781* (Tübingen, 1999) and *Herrnhuter Indianermission in der amerikanischen Revolution: Die Tagebücher von David Zeisberger, 1772–1781* (Berlin, 1995). Following her time at the GHI, Carola Wessel worked as a Research Fellow at the Franckesche Stiftungen in Halle, where she was involved in editing the letters of Gotthilf A. Francke and the diaries of August Hermann Francke. She then accepted a position as a research librarian at Bielefeld University, where she worked on German-language broadsides printed in North America between 1700 and 1830 and thus stayed in contact with North American history. Those members of the GHI who knew her remember Carola as a friendly and modest colleague.

Hermann-Josef Rupieper (1942–2004)

The first director of the GHI in Washington, Hermann-Josef Rupieper, died of a heart ailment on August 30 during a stay on the island of Crete. Although he had suffered from his heart condition for some time, his death was sudden and unexpected. As Acting Director of the GHI for several months in 1987—before the arrival of the GHI's first Director, Hartmut Lehmann—Rupieper made important organizational decisions and created numerous contacts with the academic community in Washington and in the United States as a whole. He devoted special attention to programs for young scholars. Born in Recklinghausen in 1942, he began his studies at the Free University in Berlin, but soon transferred to Stanford University, where he received his doctorate in 1974 with a dissertation on the Cuno government in the Weimar Republic. He received his *Habilitation* at the Free University in 1981 with a study of workers and salaried employees in the age of industrialization. When he headed the GHI in 1987, he was already working on two important studies on U.S. occupation policy (*Der besetzte Verbündete*, 1991) and on U.S. policy in

Germany (*Die Wurzeln der westdeutschen Nachkriegsdemokratie*, 1993). Rupieper organized a 1989 conference on "American Policy and the Reconstruction of West Germany," which was sponsored by the GHI and the proceedings of which were published in the GHI's series with Cambridge University Press. After several fellowships in the United States, including one at the Woodrow Wilson Center in 1991–92, he became a professor at the University of Halle in 1993, where he turned his scholarly attention to studies of National Socialism, the occupation period, and the history of the GDR. Among the most widely read of his twenty-two books were his monograph *Friedliche Revolution 1989/90* and his history of the University of Halle. The high enrollment in the history department at Halle in the last ten years attest to Rupieper's skills as a teacher. Rupieper remained connected to the GHI as a frequent visitor, external reviewer, and trusted advisor.

Wolfgang J. Mommsen (1930–2004)

The GHI mourns the passing of Wolfgang J. Mommsen, who died of a heart attack while swimming off the island of Usedom (Mecklenburg-Vorpommern) on August 11. Professor Mommsen served as a member of the Academic Advisory Council of the GHI from 1987 to 1993. Born into a family of historians, Wolfgang Mommsen studied under Theodor Schieder in Cologne and made his mark with a groundbreaking critical account of Max Weber and German politics. The author and editor of many books on imperial Germany, European imperialism, and intellectuals in fin-de-siècle Europe, Mommsen also directed the critical edition of Max Weber's collected works. He was appointed to a chair at the University of Düsseldorf in 1968, where he taught until his retirement in 1996. He served as director of the German Historical Institute in London from 1977 to 1985 and presided over the German Historikerverband from 1988 to 1992. Wolfgang J. Mommsen will be well remembered for his manifold contributions to historical scholarship and for being a forceful advocate of the historical profession.

GHI EMAIL LIST

The GHI is creating an email list for those who would like to receive email notifications of lectures and other public events at the GHI in Washington. If you would like to join this list, please go to <http://www.ghi-dc.org/maillinglist> and sign up there. This list is for event notices only. The *Bulletin* will continue to be sent out by mail.

RESEARCH FELLOWS WIN HISTORIKERVERBAND PRIZES

Two GHI research fellows were honored for outstanding scholarly achievements by the Verband der Historiker und Historikerinnen Deutschlands, the main professional association of German historians. Astrid M. Eckert received the Verband's biennial Hedwig Hintze Prize for the best history dissertation for her *Kampf um die Akten: Die Westalliierten und die Rückgabe von deutschem Archivgut nach dem Zweiten Weltkrieg* (Stuttgart, 2004) [The Battle for the Files: The Western Allies and the Return of German Archives after the Second World War]. Simone Lässig was awarded one of the Verband's biennial prizes for the two best *Habilitationsschriften* in the field of history for her study *Jüdische Wege ins Bürgertum: Kulturelles Kapital und sozialer Aufstieg im 19. Jahrhundert* (Göttingen, 2004) [Jewish Paths to the Middle Class: Cultural Capital and Social Advancement in the Nineteenth Century].

HELMUT SCHMIDT PRIZE

Harold James of Princeton University was awarded the first Helmut Schmidt Prize in Economic History on May 20. The prize, awarded by the German Historical Institute, Washington, pays tribute to the former German chancellor for his part in revamping the framework of transatlantic economic cooperation. Knut Borchardt of the University of Munich (Emeritus) delivered the prize citation. Harold James is the author of eleven books and numerous essays on German history and international economic and financial history. His recent works include *International Monetary Cooperation Since Bretton Woods* (1996) and the provocative study *The End of Globalization: Lessons from the Great Depression* (2001). In the latter, James demonstrates that resistance to economic globalization was growing well before the onset of World War I and culminated catastrophically in the Great Depression. A repetition, James argues, cannot be ruled out. He sees evidence of the beginnings of an "antiglobalist coalition," even if there has not yet been a "model of antiglobalist success" in international relations. An expanded version of Professor James' remarks is featured in this *Bulletin*.

BUCERIUS ARCHIVES SEMINAR: AMERICAN HISTORY AND AMERICAN ARCHIVES

We are pleased to announce that the ZEIT Foundation Gerd and Ebelin Bucerius is co-sponsoring the Bucerius Archives Seminar, a new program for German and American doctoral students in U.S. history. This program

is co-organized as a summer school by the German Historical Institute in Washington, the Department of History of the University of Chicago, and the John F. Kennedy Institute for North American Studies of the Free University of Berlin. Andreas Etges of the Free University is the main coordinator of this summer school. The program familiarizes participants with American research facilities (archives and libraries), provides a forum for them to discuss research methods and practical tips, and helps prepare them for their prospective dissertation research in the United States. Sessions of this year's seminar took place in archives and libraries in Washington, DC, Boston, Chicago, and Madison, Wisconsin. In addition to major national institutions like the National Archives and the Library of Congress, the program covers research facilities of different sizes (e.g. a county court archive, university archives, the Newberry Library, state archives, a Presidential Library) with a wide range of collections. The focus is not exclusively on written or printed material. Instead, participants are introduced to sources like maps, cartoons, photos, film, sound, museum objects, and others. The fact that participants come from both Germany and the United States exposes them to different traditions of researching and writing American history.

ROBERT BOSCH FOUNDATION PROJECT "COMPETING MODERNITIES"

The GHI is pleased to announce that the Robert Bosch Foundation in Stuttgart will sponsor a comparative project on Germany and the United States in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. The project will be jointly conducted by Christof Mauch (GHI) and Kiran Klaus Patel (Humboldt University, Berlin). The Humboldt University will co-sponsor the project, and various institutions in the United States and Germany, including the American Institute for Contemporary German Studies (AICGS), will contribute to the project. An outline of the project can be found in the "GHI Research" section of this *Bulletin*.

GERMAN UNIFICATION SYMPOSIUM SPONSORED BY E.ON NORTH AMERICA

E.On North America has continued to sponsor a GHI series commemorating German unification. This year, the date of the event, which is normally October 3 (*Tag der deutschen Einheit*), was October 6 (German-American Day). This year's speaker was Markus Meckel, the last Foreign Minister of the German Democratic Republic.

BREUNINGER FELLOWSHIP IN ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY

The GHI is pleased to announce a fellowship in environmental history, funded by the Breuninger Foundation (Stuttgart). The fellowship is open to European scholars whose work requires the use of archival or library resources in the United States. Preference is given to scholars working on doctoral dissertations or postdoctoral projects in comparative European-American and transatlantic history. The fellowship covers travel expenses to and within the U.S. and a stipend of up to €5,000. Please consult the GHI website at www.ghi-dc.org for further information.

GERMAN HISTORY IN DOCUMENTS AND IMAGES

The GHI is pleased to announce that the ZEIT-Stiftung Ebelin und Gerd Bucerius has awarded the Institute a grant of €100,000 in support of the *German History in Documents and Images* project. The Institute would also like to acknowledge the support of two institutional partners in this project, the Bildarchiv Preußischer Kulturbesitz and IEG-MAPS (Institute for European History, Mainz). *German History in Documents and Images* (GHDI) is a comprehensive collection of original historical materials documenting German history from the beginning of the early modern period to the present. The GHDI website can be found at germanhistorydocs.ghi-dc.org, or accessed through a link on the Institute's homepage. Documents and images dating from the periods 1815–1866 and 1961–1989 are now available. Materials will be added on a regular basis until the project's completion in 2007.

LIBRARY REPORT

The GHI is happy to inform our readers of the acquisition of the series *Regimekritik, Widerstand und Verfolgung in Deutschland und den besetzten Gebieten: Meldungen und Berichte aus dem Geheimen Staatspolizeiamt, dem SD-Hauptamt der SS und dem Reichssicherheitshauptamt, 1933–1945*, edited by Heinz Boberach. This collection on microfiche is a continuation of the *Meldungen* (1930–1933) of the Reichskommissar for the Surveillance of Law and Order and the Intelligence Department of the Reich Ministry of the Interior. The majority of reports created from information sent in by regional Gestapo offices concern the resistance and persecution of the

workers' movement. They also shed light on tensions with the churches, measures taken against Jews and Freemasons and, in the initial years, the "Nationalist Opposition." Instances of banned leaflets and foreign publications were also recorded here, as were emigrants' attempts to combat the regime from abroad up to the outbreak of war. The microfiches can be viewed and pages can be printed on the microfiche reader/printer in our Reading Room. The index will make it easy to access information of individual regions and towns.

Another acquisition worth mentioning is the series *Österreichische Geschichte*, edited by Herwig Wolfram. The series has 10 volumes, which present Austria's history from 387 to 1990, and several supplementary volumes that describe certain topics in detail. Our collection of complete works and editions of important German writers and thinkers was expanded by the acquisition of the works of Gustav Freytag and Peter Weiss. We were able to complete the 65-volume series *Germans to America: Lists of Passengers Arriving at U.S. Ports*, which was given to us by the German Embassy several years ago. Furthermore, gaps in the series *Findbücher zu Beständen des Bundesarchivs* have been filled. This series is continuing with the arrival of the newest issue, volume 90.

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: Ingmar Arnold, Bundeskanzler-Willy-Brandt-Stiftung, Mathias Deutsch, DHI Warschau, E. Lee Fairley, Willem Frijhoff, Georg-Eckert-Institut, Peter Heidenberger, Christian B. Keller, Werner Kemp, Martin Knoll, Simone Lässig, Kathrin Meyer, Christof Mauch, Wolfgang Reinicke, Fritz K. Ringer, Christoph Strupp, Lothar Wackermann, Helmut Wiesenthal.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

1. New Books by GHI Research Fellows

ASTRID M. ECKERT, *Kampf um die Akten: Die Westalliierten und die Rückgabe von deutschem Archivgut nach dem Zweiten Weltkrieg* (Stuttgart: Steiner, 2004)

ASTRID M. ECKERT and VERA ZIEGELDORF, eds. *Der Holocaust und die westdeutschen Historiker. Eine Debatte*. Special issue of *Historisches Forum* 2 (2004). Available online at http://edoc.hu-berlin.de/e_histfor/2

SIMONE LÄSSIG, *Jüdische Wege ins Bürgertum: Kulturelles Kapital und sozialer Aufstieg im 19. Jahrhundert* (Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2004)

2. Publications of the German Historical Institute, published in collaboration with Cambridge University Press

DETLEF JUNKER, ed., PHILIPP GASSERT, WILFRIED MAUSBACH, and DAVID B. MORRIS, associate eds., *The United States and Germany in the Era of the Cold War: A Handbook* (2004)

ROGER CHICKERING, STIG FÖRSTER, and BERND GREINER, eds., *A World at Total War: Global Conflict and the Politics of Destruction, 1937–1945* (2004)

Information on ordering these titles is available on the website of Cambridge University Press, www.cup.org.

3. GHI Studies in German History, published in collaboration with Berghahn Books

CHRISTOF MAUCH, ed., *Nature in German History* (2004)

This volume can be ordered over the website of Berghahn Books, www.berghahnbooks.com

4. Transatlantische Historische Studien, published in collaboration with the Franz Steiner Verlag

UWE LÜBKEN, *Bedrohliche Nähe: Die USA und die nationalsozialistische Herausforderung in Lateinamerika, 1937–1945* (2004)

MANFRED BERG and PHILIPP GASSERT, eds., *Deutschland und die USA in der internationalen Geschichte des 20. Jahrhunderts: Festschrift für Detlef Junker* (2004)

ASTRID M. ECKERT, *Kampf um die Akten: Die Westalliierten und die Rückgabe von deutschem Archivgut nach dem Zweiten Weltkrieg* (2004)

VOLKER BERGHAHN, *Transatlantische Kulturkriege: Shepard Stone, die Ford-Stiftung und der europäische Antiamerikanismus* (2004)

Information on ordering these volumes is available on the Franz Steiner Verlag's website, www.steiner-verlag.de

5. Other Publications supported by the GHI

JEFFREY R. WATT, ed., *From Sin to Insanity: Suicide in Early Modern Europe* (Ithaca, N.Y., Cornell University Press, 2004)

DEBORAH COHEN and MAURA O'CONNOR, eds., *Comparison and History: Europe in Cross-National Perspective* (Routledge, 2004)

RECIPIENTS OF GHI-FELLOWSHIPS FOR 2004/05

Heideking Fellowships

MICHAEL LENZ (University of Cologne), Kade-Heideking Fellow, Project: "The Cultural Origins of the Second Amendment"

DOROTHEE BRANTZ (University of Chicago), Thyssen-Heideking Fellow, Project: "Slaughter in the City: People, Animals, and Meat in Nineteenth-Century Paris, Berlin, and Chicago"

Breuninger Fellowship

FRANK UEKOETTER (University of Bielefeld)

Breuninger Travel Grant

HRVOJE PETRIC (University of Zagreb)

Postdoctoral/Habilitation Fellowships

JAN-OTMAR HESSE, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt am Main, "Struktur und Semantik der bundesdeutschen Volkswirtschaftslehre 1945–1975"

CHRISTIAN B. KELLER, Dickinson College, "Chancellorsville and the Germans: Nativism, Ethnicity, and the Creation of German-America"

ULRIKE WECKEL, Technische Universität Berlin, "Rezeptionsweisen: Vom eigensinnigen Umgang mit medialen Repräsentationen des Nationalsozialismus in Nachkriegsdeutschland"

Doctoral Fellowships

IRENE AUE, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, "Meine Arbeit hatte ein dringendes Anliegen der Gegenwart klären und dem lebendigen Leben dienen wollen: Jüdische Emanzipation und Assimilation im Werk der Historikerin Selma Stern (1890–1981) und die Rezeption ihrer Arbeiten in der Weimarer Republik." Adviser: Hartmut Lehmann

JOACHIM BAUR, Universität Tübingen, "Migration im Museum. Nationale Narrative und kulturelle Integration." Adviser: Gottfried Korff

THOMAS FREIBERGER, Universität Bonn, "Allianzpolitik in der Suezkrise." Adviser: Joachim Scholtyseck

ALEXANDER FRINGS, Universität Köln, "Wissenschaftliche Feindbilder—Politik und Alltag in Poston (AZ) in der zeitgenössischen Sozialforschung." Adviser: Norbert Finzsch

LILY HIRSCH, Duke University, "Imagining 'Jewish Music' Inside and Outside the Berliner *Jüdischer Kulturbund*: Identity Formation and Musical Politics in Nazi Germany 1933–1941." Adviser: Bryan Gilliam

SVEN JÜNGERKES, Universität Konstanz, "Die deutsche Besatzungsverwaltung und die Judenverfolgung im Reichskommissariat Ostland (Generalbezirk Lettland) als symbolische und materielle Politik der beteiligten Behörden und Organisationen 1941–1944." Adviser: Bianka Pietrow-Ennker

KRAIG LARKIN, SUNY at Stony Brook, "The Cigarette and Culture of Smoking in Germany, 1930s–1970s." Adviser: Young-Sun Hong

HOLGER LÖTTEL, Universität Bonn, "Die Ambivalenz des Englandbildes im Alten Süden der USA." Adviser: Klaus Hildebrand

SUSANNE PETERS, Technische Universität Chemnitz, "William S. Schlam: Die politische Biographie eines 'Renegaten'." Adviser: Frank-Lothar Kroll

RALF RICHTER, Universität Göttingen, "Innovations-Cluster und flexible Spezialisierung: Die Netzwerke der Werkzeugmaschinenbau-Industrie in Chemnitz (Deutschland) und Cincinnati (USA), 1870–1930." Adviser: Hartmut Berghoff

RECIPIENTS OF GHI INTERNSHIPS

The GHI has again been fortunate to have had a number of excellent interns who made valuable contributions to our work. Although the constantly tightening visa regulations make it increasingly difficult for interested German students to join us, the few who made it through the screenings came highly motivated. The interns conducted research in libraries and archives, helped prepare and run conferences, assisted editors, librarians and administrators, and cheerfully performed all other tasks that came their way. We would like to thank Liz Benning (Georgetown University, soon LSE London), Andreas Fischer (University of Passau), Simon Herchen (University of Leipzig), Anne Lümers (University of Bonn), Anja Matthes (Technical University Dresden), Helmut Strauss (Technical University Dresden) and Eskea Wegner (University of Heidelberg).

STAFF CHANGES

DOROTHEE BRANTZ joined the GHI in September 2004 as a Visiting Research Fellow in environmental history. Starting in December, she will be a Thyssen-Heideking Fellow at the University of Cologne. Since receiving her Ph.D. in Modern European history in 2003 from the University of Chicago, she has been a postdoctoral fellow in the Berlin Program for Advanced German and European studies at the Freie Universität Berlin. During the summer of 2004, she held a fellowship at the Newberry Library in Chicago. Her dissertation "Slaughter in the City: The Establishment of Public Abattoirs in Paris and Berlin, 1780–1914" examines the rise of modern mass-slaughterhouses and their relation to urban growth in nineteenth-century Paris and Berlin. In particular, she investigates how the reform of meat production was shaped by changing understandings of human-animal interdependencies in the modern city. Her dissertation received the Richard Saller Dissertation prize from the University of Chicago. While at the GHI, Dorothee Brantz will be working on turning her dissertation into a book manuscript by expanding her discussion to also include the history of meat packing in Chicago. Together with Christof Mauch, she is organizing a GHI conference about animals in history to be held at the University of Cologne in May 2005. Her research centers on comparative urban and environmental history in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, with a special emphasis on the changing nature of human-animal relations in the modern period. She has also begun a new research project about war and the environment in the twentieth century.

CHARLES E. CLOSMANN, Research Fellow since summer of 2003, left the Institute at the end of July 2004 to accept a position as an Assistant Professor of Modern European History at the University of North Florida, Jacksonville, Florida.

VERA LIND, Research Fellow, left the Institute in July after four years to accept a position as Associate Professor at the University of Northern Illinois in DeKalb, Illinois. She will teach and continue her research on topics in early modern European cultural history.

KAREN OSLUND joined the GHI as a Visiting Research Fellow in September. She received her Ph.D. from the University of California, Los Angeles, in 2000, with her dissertation entitled "Narrating the North: Travel, Nature, and Cultural Identity in Iceland, Greenland, and the North At-

lantic." This dissertation, which she will revise into a book during her time at the GHI, is a cultural and environmental history of European travel in Arctic and sub-Arctic regions from the eighteenth century to the present. She has taught at Cornell University, the University of Michigan, and the University of Maryland, and held a research fellowship at the John W. Kluge Center at the Library of Congress. Some of her recent articles have appeared in *The British Journal for the History of Science* (September 2002) and *Environment and History* (August 2004).

JONATHAN SKOLNIK joined the GHI as Editor in July 2004. Formerly Assistant Professor of German at the University of Oregon and Meyerhoff Fellow in Jewish Studies at the University of Maryland, Skolnik earned his Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1999. He is the author of articles on Celan, Heine, Arnold Zweig, and Berthold Auerbach, and has served as guest editor for special issues of *New German Critique*.

FRANK ZELKO, Research Fellow in environmental history, departed in July of 2004 for Brisbane, Australia, where he is lecturing in history at the University of Queensland. He will return to Washington in November to complete his fellowship.