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Res gestae

Early Slavists Seminar at Harvard University (Spring 2014)

February 21, 2014

Christian Raffensperger (Wittenberg College and Harvard University)

"The Forgotten Kingdom of Rus': A Modern Revision to Medieval Titulature"

March 6, 2014

Christine Watson (Uppsala University)

"Vesti-Kuranty: 17th-century Russian Newspaper Translations and Their Philological Importance"

April 18, 2014

Olga Strakhov (Harvard University)

“Luke 24:43 in Byzantine, Latin and Cyrillo-Methodian Traditions”

May 2, 2014

Robert Romanchuk (Florida State University)

“A New Edition of the Devgenievo deianie.”

The 49th International Congress on Medieval Studies
May 8-11, 2014, Kalamazoo, MI

The following panels and papers of interest to Early Slavists were scheduled:

Thursday, 10:00 a.m.

Ethnic Identities and Multicultural Societies in Medieval Europe

Sponsor: Dept. of History and Philosophy, Austin Peay State Univ.

Organizer: Sébastien Rossignol, Dalhousie Univ., and Cameron Sutt, Austin Peay State Univ.

Presider: Francesco Dall’Aglia, Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Storici, Napoli

“*Familiae Sclavorum*: Ethnic Categories for Slavic Peasants in Ottonian Saxony”

Sébastien Rossignol

“Magyar Identity and the Early Árpáadian Kingdom”

Cameron Sutt

“The Culture of Medieval Novgorod and Its Hinterland”

Heidi M. Sherman, Univ. of Wisconsin–Green Bay

Thursday, 1:30 p.m.

Anthropological Approaches to Medieval Archaeology I

Organizer: Matthew Johnson, Northwestern Univ.

Presider: Tadhg O’Keeffe, Univ. College Dublin

“The Missing Medieval: Decolonizing Viking Age Iceland”

Doug Bolender, Univ. of Massachusetts–Boston

“Islam and Markets in Tenth-Century Europe: Al-Andalus and Volga Bulgaria”

Florin Curta, Univ. of Florida

“(Medieval) Archaeology as Anthropology: A New Paradigm in Medieval English Settlement Research”

Kat Catlin, Northwestern Univ.

Thursday, 3:30 p.m.

The Cultures of Armenia and Georgia

Sponsor: Rare Book Dept., The Free Library of Philadelphia

Organizer: Bert Beynen, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Temple Univ.

Presider: Bert Beynen

“Biblical Narratives and the Descent of the Georgian and Armenian People”

Manana Sanadze, Univ. of Georgia

“The First Document about Georgian-Russian Diplomatic Relations”

Vazha Kiknadze, Ivane Javakishvili Institute of History and Ethnology

“An Unknown Medieval Source for Shakespeare’s *Cymbeline*, Rustaveli’s *The Man in the Panther Skin*”

Elguja Khintibidze, Ivane Javakhisvili Tbilisi State Univ.

“Struggling to Offer in Sacrifice the Impossible: Gregory of Narek’s Monumental Attempt inside Language”
Hagop Kouloujian, Univ. of California–Los Angeles

Saint Paul: Reception, Representation, and Influence in the Middle Ages

Sponsor: Center for Medieval Studies, Univ. of Minnesota–Twin Cities

Organizer: Benjamin D. Utter, Univ. of Minnesota–Twin Cities

Presider: Dana Schumacher-Schmidt, Univ. of Minnesota–Twin Cities

“In the Words of the Apostle: Pauline Rhetoric and Apostolic Discourse in the *Letters* of Saint Boniface”
Shannon Godlove, Columbus State Univ.

““Mech Tribulacyon for Cawse of Hys Wrytyng”: The Apostolic Exemplarity of Saint Paul in *The Book of Margery Kempe*”

Benjamin D. Utter

“Saint Paul and the Tradition of Holy Foolishness in Early Russia”

Priscilla Hunt, Univ. of Massachusetts–Amherst/Five College Research Associate

“Byzance après Byzance”: Adaptations and Transformations in the Balkans, 1260–1500

Sponsor: Joe Buley Memorial Library, New Gracanica Metropolitanate

Organizer: Serafim Baltić, New Gracanica Diocese

Presider: Serafim Baltić

“Stefan Dusan and Serbian Kingship: Transformation of Byzantium?”

Nicholas Groves, Joe Buley Memorial Library

“A Survey of the Manuscripts Produced in Hilandar Monastery during the Later Medieval Period”

Mary-Allen Johnson, Hilandar Research Library

Friday, 10:00 a.m.

The Archaeology of Early Medieval Europe: Late Antique and Early Medieval Churches

Sponsor: Center for Medieval and Early Modern Studies, Univ. of Florida

Organizer: Florin Curta, Univ. of Florida

Presider: Florin Curta

“Villae and the First Rural Churches in Southwestern Gaul: The Case of Saint-Martin in Moissac”

Bastien Lefebvre, Univ. de Toulouse-le Mirail

“From Single Buildings to Networks of Churches: Early Medieval Churches in Northern Italy”

Alejandra Chavarria, Univ. degli Studi di Padova

“Churches on Hilltop Sites in Slovenia between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages”

Tina Milavec, Univ. v Ljubljana

Friday, 1:30 p.m.

Cistercian Expansion

Sponsor: Center for Cistercian and Monastic Studies, Western Michigan Univ.

Organizer: E. Rozanne Elder, Western Michigan Univ.

Presider: Martha Krieg, Independent Scholar

“Thirteenth-Century Cistercian Architecture in Polish Regions of Lesser Poland, Silesia, and Pomerania: Regional Versions of Church Feature and Their Symbolic Meanings and Social Functions”

Dariusz Tabor, Univ. Papieski Jana Pawła II w Krakowie

“Cistercians in Sicily: A Survey of Some Forgotten Abbeys in Valdemone”

Roberta Cerone, Univ. degli Studi di Roma “La Sapienza”

“Does It Really Make Sense to Operate in All Counties?”

Klaus Wollenberg, Hochschule für angewandte Wissenschaften München

Saturday, 10:00 a.m.

A Neglected Empire: Bulgaria between the Late Twelfth and Late Fourteenth Century I: Shaping, Defining, and Reshaping an Empire

Sponsor: Research Group on Manuscript Evidence; Center for Medieval and Early Modern Studies, Univ. of Florida

Organizer: Florin Curta, Univ. of Florida, and Mildred Budny, Research Group on Manuscript Evidence

Presider: Florin Curta

“The Second Bulgarian Empire: Identity, Typology, Continuity, and Discontinuity”

Ivan Biliarsky, Institute of History, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences

“Sources and Patterns of State Identity of the Bulgarian Empire under the Assenids (1183–1396)”

Dmitry I. Polyvianny, Ivanovo State Univ.

“Between Past Glory and Imperial Destiny: The Ideological Use of the Past and of the Imperial Idea in Thirteenth-Century Bulgaria”

Francesco Dall’Aglia, Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Storici, Napoli

“The Second Bulgarian Empire and the Mediterranean”

Elisaveta Todorova, Univ. of Cincinnati

Saturday, 1:30 p.m.

A Neglected Empire: Bulgaria between the Late Twelfth and Late Fourteenth Century II: Engaging in Empire, from Center to Periphery and Beyond

Sponsor: Research Group on Manuscript Evidence; Center for Medieval and Early Modern Studies, Univ. of Florida

Organizer: Mildred Budny, Research Group on Manuscript Evidence, and Florin Curta, Univ. of Florida

Presider: Ivan Biliarsky, Institute of History, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences

“The Empire’s Heart: The Significance of the Capital Tǎrnovo in the History of Late Medieval Bulgaria

Kiril Marinov, Univ. Łódzki

“Anti-Heretical Texts in Fourteenth-Century Bulgarian Compilations of Canon Law”

Mariana Tsibranska-Kostova, Institute for Bulgarian Language, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences

“Within a Southeast European Multiple-Contact Zone: The Conceptualization of Medieval Bulgarian and Early Ottoman History”

Stefan Rohdenwald, Historisches Institut, Osteuropäische Geschichte, Justus-Liebig-Univ. Giessen

Sunday, 10:30 p.m.

England and the Celtic World in Insular Chronicles

Sponsor: Medieval Studies, Univ. of Mississippi

Organizer: Lindy Brady, Univ. of Mississippi

Presider: Lindy Brady

““*Et run filius urbgen baptizavit eum*”: The Role of the Saxones in the Construction of *Annales Cambriae*”

Ben Guy, Univ. of Cambridge

“Reports on Foreign Events in the Annals of England, Ireland, and Rus”

Zoya Metlitskaya, Institute of Scholarly Information on Humanities, Russian Academy of Sciences/Institute of Universal History, Timofey Cuimon, Russian Academy of Sciences

“*Brut y Saeson*: The Welsh History of the English”

Omair Wyn Jones, Bangor Univ.

**The International Medieval Congress
July 7-10, 2014, Leeds, UK**

The following sessions will be of interest to Early Slavists at the next International Medieval Congress:

Monday 7 July 2014: 11.15-12.45

Yearning for the East: War and Colonisation in Medieval Eastern Europe

Session: 131

Sponsor: Uniwersytet Gdański

Organiser: *Jędrzej Szerle, Zakład Historii Średniowiecza Polski i Nauk Pomocniczych Historii, Uniwersytet Gdański*

Moderator/Chair: *Beata Możejko, Zakład Historii Średniowiecza Polski i Nauk Pomocniczych Historii, Uniwersytet Gdański*

“[...] God has decided to offer him this city, the kingdom of Rus' and riches!': Polish Eastward Expansion from the 10th-12th Centuries”

Jędrzej Szerle, Zakład Historii Średniowiecza Polski i Nauk Pomocniczych Historii, Uniwersytet Gdański

“To Conquer and to Hold: The Teutonic Order's Colonisation Activity

Aleksandra Girsztowt, Zakład Historii Powszechnej Średniowiecza, Uniwersytet Gdański

“The Troops Are Marching: Three Castle-Warcamps of Brandenburg Margraves during the Eastward Expansion of the 13th and 14th Centuries”

Krzysztof Wroński, Zakład Historii Powszechnej Średniowiecza, Uniwersytet Gdański

Monday 7 July 2014: 14.15-15.45

The Idea of Empire between Bulgaria, Constantinople, and the West

Session 206

Sponsor: SEEM-NET (South-Eastern European Medievalists Network)

Organiser: *Francesco Dall'Aglio, Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Storici, Napoli*

Moderator/Chair: *Jonathan Shepard, Oriental Institute, University of Oxford*

“Between Earth and Heaven: Byzantine Imperial Ideology in the Homily On the Treaty with the Bulgarians”

Kiril Marinov, Department of Byzantine History, University of Łódź

“Imagining a New Empire: Bulgaria and the Latins of Constantinople, 1204-1241”

Francesco Dall'Aglio, Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Storici, Napoli

“How to Become Tsar in Late Medieval Bulgaria: Electoral Politics and Norms of Succession, c. 1257-1331”

Jake Ransohoff, Department of History, Harvard University

Tuesday 8 July 2014: 11.15-12.45

Building Communities: Ideals and Planning in Monastic and Collegiate Architecture

Session: 626

Sponsor: Universiteit van Amsterdam

Organiser: *Veronika Decker, Institut für Kunstgeschichte, Universität Wien*

Annika Rulkens, Leerstoelgroep Geschiedenis van de bouwkunst, Universiteit van Amsterdam

Moderator/Chair: *Jitske Jasperse, Departement Kunst-, religie- en cultuurwetenschappen, Universiteit van Amsterdam*

“*Collegialiter vivere*: Wykeham's Statutes and the Architecture of New College, Oxford”

Veronika Decker, Institut für Kunstgeschichte, Universität Wien

“Statutes as Structure: Building a New Monastery for Augustinian Canons in 14th-Century Bohemia

Alice Klima, Lamar Dodd School of Art, University of Georgia

“Making Room for Community?: The Architecture of the Collegiate Chapter at St Stephen's in Vienna”

Claudia Höller, Institut für Kunstgeschichte, Universität Wien

Tuesday 8 July 2014: 14.15-15.45

The Cross, the Ring, and the Ship: Expansionism and Unionising Tactics in Medieval Scandinavia and the Scandinavian Peripheries

Session: 723

Organiser: *Viktória Gyönki, Department of Medieval & Early Modern History, Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest*
 Moderator/Chair: *Bertil Nilsson, Institutionen för Litteratur, Idéhistoria och Religion, Göteborgs Universitet*

“The Faithful but Unsuccessful Empire-Forger: Olaf Tryggvason”

Viktória Gyönki, Department of Medieval & Early Modern History, Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest

“Imperial Marriages or the Marriages of Empires?: Marital Tactics of the Rus”

Orsolya Csákváry, Department of Scandinavian Studies, Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest

“Geographical Description of an Empire in the King's Mirror”

Tamás Mészler, Faculty Library of Humanities & Sciences, University of Pécs

Wednesday 9 July 2014: 14.15-15.45

Kievan Rus' Panel, I: Medieval Slavonic Literature and the Byzantine Tradition

Session 1222

Sponsor: University of Oxford

Organiser: *Olga Grinchenko, Faculty of Medieval & Modern Languages, University of Oxford*

Moderator/Chair: *Inés García de la Puente, School of Humanities & Social Sciences, Universität St Gallen*

“The Slavonic Kontakaria and Their Byzantine Counterparts”

Olga Grinchenko, Faculty of Medieval & Modern Languages, University of Oxford

“The Quaestiones ad Antiochum ducem: The Slavonic Translations”

Ilse De Vos, Department of Theology & Religious Studies / Centre for Hellenic Studies, King's College London

“The 14th-Century Slavonic Hexaameron Corpus and Its Greek Sources”

Lara Sels, Onderzoeksgroep Griekse Studies, KU Leuven

Wednesday 9 July 2014: 16.30-18.00

Kievan Rus' Panel, II: Byzantine Authority and Influence in Early Rus'

Session 1322

Sponsor: University of Cambridge

Organiser: *Alexandra Vukovich, Jesus College, University of Cambridge*

Moderator/Chair: *Inés García de la Puente, School of Humanities & Social Sciences, Universität St Gallen*

“Byzantine Models of Rulership and the 1206 Coronation of Constantine Vsevolodich at Novgorod”

Alexandra Vukovich, Jesus College, University of Cambridge

“Icon, Miracle, and Empire: The Theology of Images and Political Philosophy in Byzantium and in Medieval Rus”

Ágnes Krizsa, University of Cambridge

“‘Intercede for the Peace and Unity of Holy Church’: The Prayer-Book of Gertrude of Poland, Wife of Iziaslav Yaroslavich, c. 1075-1086”

Natalia Zajac, Centre for Medieval Studies, University of Toronto

Thursday 10 July 2014: 11.15-12.45

Gdańsk: An Eastern Hanseatic City and Its Role in the Formation of a Marine Empire

Session: 1636

Organiser: *Beata Możejko, Zakład Historii Średniowiecza Polski i Nauk Pomocniczych Historii, Uniwersytet Gdański*

Moderator/Chair: *Anna Adamska, Onderzoeksinstituut voor Geschiedenis en Kunstgeschiedenis, Universiteit Utrecht*

“The Large Caravel 'Peter von Danzig' in Service to the Hanseatic League”

Beata Możejko, Zakład Historii Średniowiecza Polski i Nauk Pomocniczych Historii, Uniwersytet Gdański

“The City of Gdańsk Faces the Threat of Danish Piracy during the 15th-16th Centuries”

Paweł Sadłoń, Instytut Historii, Uniwersytet Gdański

“The Ennoblement of Gdańsk Patricians as a Sign of Growing Political and Economic Independence of the City and Its Place within the Hanseatic League”

Ewa Bojaruniec, Muzeum Historyczne Miasta Gdańska

Thursday 10 July 2014: 14.15-15.45

East-Central Europe, Poland, and Empire: Proximity, Perceptions, Interactions

Session: 1722

Organiser: *Piotr Górecki, Department of History, University of California, Riverside*

Moderator/Chair: *Paul Knoll, Department of History, University of Southern California, Los Angeles*

“Inventing Eastern Europe in the Late Middle Ages”

Paul Milliman, Department of History, University of Arizona

“Mater imperialis: Richeza, Granddaughter of Otto II, and the Ideology of the Piast Dynasty”

Grzegorz Pac, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań

“Poland and 'German Law' Reconsidered: A Framework of Courts and Norms”

Piotr Górecki, Department of History, University of California, Riverside

Chronicle of Publications

Peter B. Golden (Rutgers) has published “Courts and Court Culture in the Proto-urban and Urban Developments among the Pre-Činggisid Turkic Peoples” in D. Durand-Guedy (eds.), *Turko-Mongol Rulers, Cities and City-Life* (Leiden, 2013), pp.21-73; “Some Notes on the Avars and Rouran” in F. Curta and B.-P. Maleon eds. *The Steppe Lands and the World Beyond Them. Studies in Honor of Victor Spinei on his 70th Birthday* (Iași, 2013), pp.43-66; and “Qıpçaq” *Turcology and Linguistics, Festschrift Éva Ágnes Csató*, ed. Nurettin Demir, Birsel Karakoç and Astrid Menz Beygu (Ankara, 2014), pp. 183-202.

Charles J. Halperin has published “The Battle of Kulikovo Field (1380) in History and Historical Memory”: review of A. O. Amel’kin and Iu. V. Seleznev, *Kulikovskaia bitva v svдетель’svakh sovremennikov i pamiati potomkov* and S. N. Azbelev, *Kulikovskaia pobeda v narodnoi pamiati* in *Kritika* 14:4 (2013): 853-64. He has also published “Ivan IV the Terrible, Tsar of Russia,” in *Oxford Bibliographies in Renaissance and Reformation*, ed. by Margaret King (New York, 2014) www.oxfordbibliographies.com.

Heidi Sherman (Wisconsin, Green Bay) published “Staking the Novgorodian Frontier: Ladoga's Twelfth-Century Churches as Landscape Markers” in Sunhild Kleingärtner, Timothy P. Newfield, Sébastien Rossignol, and Donat Wehner ed., *Societies in Medieval Europe East of the Elbe Interactions between Environmental Settings and Cultural Transformations, Papers in Mediaeval Studies* 23 (Toronto, 2013), pp. 291 – 315 and “Staraia Ladoga i teoriia emporiev,” in Adrian Selin ed., *Staroladozhskii sbornik Vyp. 9* (2012)

Cornelia Soldat has published “Heidnisches und Christliches in der russischen Chronik – Die Darstellung der Konversion des Großfürsten Vladimir Svjatoslavič in der Povest’ vremennykh let,” in *Kyiv i slov’jans’ka literatura*, ed. by Dejan Ajdačić, Belgrad (Kyiv 2013), pp. 57-76 and “Kirchengeschichte als Forschungsansatz. Ein Bericht über die Konferenz ‘The Moscow Patriarchate (1589-1721),’” in *Neues Osteuropa* 12 (2013): 39-43. http://www.neues-osteuropa.de/wp-content/uploads/2013/11/noe12_komplett.pdf

Monica White (Nottingham) published *Military Saints in Byzantium and Rus, 900-1300* (Cambridge University Press) last March. She also published “Veneration of St Constantine in pre-Mongol Rus,” in *Saint Emperor Constantine and Christianity*, ed. by D. Bojović (Niš, Centre for Church Studies, 2013) and “The ‘Grave Covering’ of St Demetrios between Byzantium and Rus,” *КЪИЖЕВНА ИСТОРИЈА* (forthcoming 2014).

Papers, Lectures, and Presentations

Martin Dimnik (University of Toronto) attended the 7th International Numismatic Congress in Croatia (INCC), Opatija, Croatia, 27-28 September 2013 at which he gave the paper “Reflections on the Ragusan *caputiae*”, that was published in the Proceedings of the INCC, (Rijeka, 2014), pp. 32-41.

Heidi Sherman (Wisconsin, Green Bay) will present “Hedging on Archaeological Heckles: A comparison of medieval heckles from Novgorod, Latvia, and York” at The North European Symposium for Archaeological Textiles in Hallstatt, Austria.

Talia Zajac (University of Toronto) will present “Cultural Connections between Kyiv and Paris in The Eleventh Century: The Embassy of King Henri I and The Cult of St. Clement of Rome,” on July 12th 2014 at the Kings and Queens Conference Series III: Entourage, Councilors, cousins, courtiers and competitors, Royal Studies Network, University of Winchester, Winchester, United Kingdom.

Announcements

Minutes of Early Slavic Studies Association Annual Meeting, Saturday, November 23rd, 2013

Minutes respectfully submitted by Matt Romaniello

Meeting called to order at 3:06; Eve Levin, President ESSA, presiding

1) Treasurer’s Report for 2013, submitted by Cynthia Vakareliyska, ESSA Secretary and Treasurer
The ESSA currently has 76 members receiving the newsletter electronically and 45 institutional and individual members receiving it by post, mostly in Europe.

Account balance on Sept. 30, 2013: \$3,790.04

Expenditures:

Winter 2013 Newsletter, \$148.70 (printing 70.00; mailing 78.70)

Spring 2013 Newsletter, \$159.01 (printing 78.50, mailing 83.51)

New bank checks: \$15.34

Total expenses: \$323.05

The treasurer requests that all members remember to pay their annual dues. To pay online by PayPal or credit card, click “Donate” button at <http://clover.slavic.pitt.edu/essa/>

Some discussion followed about the current expenditures, with a concern raised about potential future costs associated with the annual ESSA dinner.

2) Book Prize Committee’s report

2013 ESSA Book Prize winner was Peter Heather for *Empires and Barbarians: The Fall of Rome and the Birth of Europe* (Oxford UP, 2010)

The prize committee commended Heather’s book for its incredible erudition carried lightly. It is at the same time a narrative history, an analytical study, and a major foray into the historiography of the “barbarian migrations.” The committee stands in awe of his breadth of scholarship, judicious common-sense judgments, and breezy style of writing. One member mentioned that s/he had hoped to sweep through this book, but could not stop reading it carefully; his mastery of the written sources, his knowledge of the archaeological materials, his ability to employ various disciplines, and his control of the scholarship in general are overwhelming.

Heather reminds historians of Europe that the Slavs were major players in the field. The committee was seduced by the range of his erudition and control of the material, even if his theories are contended.

The committee also awarded an Honorable mention to Sheilagh Ogilvie for *Institutions and European Trade: Merchant Guilds, 1000-1800* (Cambridge UP, 2011).

The prize committee commended Ogilvie for her wide-ranging scholarship, and refusal to accept commonly held opinions of the history of medieval guilds. She successfully presents historical evidence primarily from Western Europe, but also from Novgorod, Russia, the Balkans, Dubrovnik, the Black Sea, and the Ottoman Empire. It is a work that would enhance the scholarship of researchers in the Early Slavic Studies field, providing new ways of looking at trade, commerce, the relationship of rulers with the merchant class, among other important topics.

The ESSA membership recognized the committee and the prize winners for their accomplishments.

3) New President

Eve Levin then stepped aside for incoming President, Isolde Thyret, appointed by acclamation.

President Thyret discussed some thoughts for new business in the coming year, which began a general discussion of increasing visibility of the field of early Slavic studies.

Suggestions from the floor included partnering with the Ohio State University Medieval Slavic Center to explore funding for foreign scholars to attend the annual ASEEEES meeting, as well as promoting funding available through ASEEEES itself. Other suggestions included inviting scholars of medieval and early modern Poland or the Balkans to participate in future panels.

4) Committee appointments

The membership voted to approve a new nominating committee for the next president-elect, comprised of David Goldfrank, Eve Levin, and Nikos Chrissidis

The membership voted to approve the addition of Clare Griffin to the Book Prize Committee for a three year term. She joins George Majeska (one year remaining), and Pasha Johnson (two years remaining).

5) Remembering Cherie Woodworth

Several members offered thoughts and members of Cherie Woodworth, including her husband, Bradley Woodworth, who had been invited to join our memorial.

6) Announcements from the floor

David Goldfrank thanked Sergei Bogatyrev for his continued work on H-Earlyslavic, which remains the primary news source for the field.

Sergei Bogatyrev requested that a copy of the ESSA newsletter be sent to him either as a MS Word doc or plain txt so that he might distribute it directly on the listserv.

Nikos Chrissidis mentioned that NYU's Slavic Studies program has funds available to support short-term stays in New York City.

Yulia Mikhailova was recognized for winning the ASEEEES Graduate Student Essay Prize for her article, "Christians and Pagans in the Chronicles of Pre-Mongolian Rus: Beyond the Dichotomy of 'Good Us' and 'Bad Them'"

Meeting was adjourned at 4:27

Miscellany

Daniel Kaiser, Professor of History Emeritus at Grinnell College and former president of ESSA, has donated his personal, research library--some 3000 volumes--to Nanjing University (China). In 2011 Kaiser was a visiting professor at Nanda which has been officially affiliated with Grinnell College for more than 25 years. Earlier (2008) donations from his library went to Texas A&M, New York University, College of New Jersey, and Seton Hall University, and a collection of teaching maps went to Westminster College (PA).

Heidi Sherman (Wisconsin, Green Bay) took several University of Wisconsin college students to participate in the Novgorod excavations in July 2013.

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