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Left to right: Carmelo Mesa-Lago, Burkart Holzner, Shirley Kregar, Kathleen Musante DeWalt, Joseph Dominic, Mitchell A. Seligson, Cole Blasier, Eduardo Lozano, Billie R. DeWalt.

## Celebrating Forty Years of Excellence in Scholarship and Training in Latin American Studies: 1964-2004

The Center for Latin American Studies celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary during academic year 2004-05. As one of the premier centers for the study of Latin America and the Caribbean, CLAS has had a long-term and academically critical impact on research and training in Latin American Studies—nationally and internationally.

The founding of the Center was formally announced on September 16, 1964 in a press release from the University indicating that: "A new center that will sponsor graduate instruction[,] research and related field work in Latin American affairs has been established at the University of Pittsburgh.

The Center for Latin American Studies was announced today by Chancellor Edward H. Litchfield. Dr. Cole Blasier, an expert in Latin American politics and a former State Department foreign service officer, will direct the new unit.

The Center is an outgrowth of Pitt's planned 'international dimension' program, the aim of which is to make international studies a part of every school, division and department of the University, and to increase University activities abroad on an advisory, cooperative and exchange basis."

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### 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (continued)

To commemorate 40 years of excellence in fulfilling its mission, a number of special events were held. Festivities began on September 10, 2004 with the concert “BRAZIL—From Villa-Lobos to Jobim” at the Frick Fine Arts Auditorium. The concert featured Grammy-nominated **Cuarteto Latinoamericano** and soprano **Lilly Abreu**, who donated their talents for the performance. The Frick auditorium literally overflowed with enthusiastic concert-goers. On September 18, the Center presented the annual Latin American and Caribbean Festival (which, coincidentally, was celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary). The Festival transformed the William Pitt Union into a microcosm of Latin America and the Caribbean for the day with arts, crafts, food, and music from the region as well as a special art exhibit and demonstration by visiting Mexican Artist **Alfonso Nieto**.

Activities continued on September 22 with a poetry reading by Mexican poets **Cristina Rivera-Garza** and **Ofelia Pérez Sepúlveda**, with translation and comments by **Jen Hofer**. On September 23, Cristina, Ofelia, and Jen took part in a roundtable discussion moderated by CLAS and Hispanic Languages and Literatures graduate student **Ignacio Sánchez-Prado**. These two anniversary events were cosponsored by the Center, The Pittsburgh Contemporary Writer Series, the University of Pittsburgh Press, and the University Center for International Studies in recognition of the Press’ book *Sin puertas visibles: An Anthology of Contemporary Poetry by Mexican Women/Una antología bilingüe de poesía contemporánea de mujeres Mexicanas* (University of Pittsburgh Press, 2003), edited and translated by Jen Hofer and winner of the 2004 Eugene Kayden National Translation Award.

To close a busy month, on September 29, the award-winning film (2004 LASA Award of Merit in Film), *From the Stockades of El Palenque/Del Palenque de*

*San Basilio*, was screened. The film dealt with the history of an Afro-Colombian community and was followed by a panel discussion with Director/Producer **Erwing Goggel**, Co-Producer **Esperanza Biohó** (Founder and Director of the Foundation Colombia Negra), **Laurence Prescott** (Associate Professor of Spanish and Afro-American Studies, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, Pennsylvania State University), **Jerome Branche** (Assistant Professor of Latin American Literature and Cultural Studies, Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, University of Pittsburgh) and moderated by **Ligia S. Aldana** (Lecturer, Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, University of Pittsburgh), who also served as planner and coordinator of the event. This program was cosponsored by CLAS, the Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, Film Studies, Atlantic Studies, Cultural Studies, Professor Ronald T. Judy, the Department of Anthropology, and the Africana Student Group.

On October 3, the exhibit “New Installations, Artists in Residence: Cuba/Cuba: Instalaciones Nuevas, Artistas en Residencia” opened at the Mattress Factory (a contemporary art museum). The exhibit featured the work of 11 artists from Cuba. In conjunction with the exhibition, CLAS and the Mattress Factory sponsored a five-week professional development course for K-12 teachers on “Experiencing Cuba through the Eyes of Cuban Installation Artists.” The Center, the Mattress Factory, and Pittsburgh Filmmakers also presented a Cuban Film Series that ran concurrently with the exhibit and included twelve films from Cuba as well as a series of special lectures related to the films. The first segment of the film series (Cuban Identity) took place from October 8 to 17, 2004, the second (Cuban Architecture) from February 10 to 17, 2005, and the third (Love and Life in Cuba) from April 1 to 10, 2005.



**Cuarteto Latinoamericano and Lilly Abreu**

Left to right:  
Javier Montiel (viola),  
Aron Bitrán (second violin),  
Lilly Abreu (soprano),  
Saul Bitrán (first violin),  
and Alvaro Bitrán (cello).



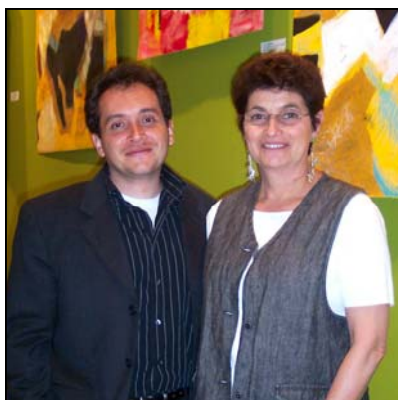
Jen Hofer



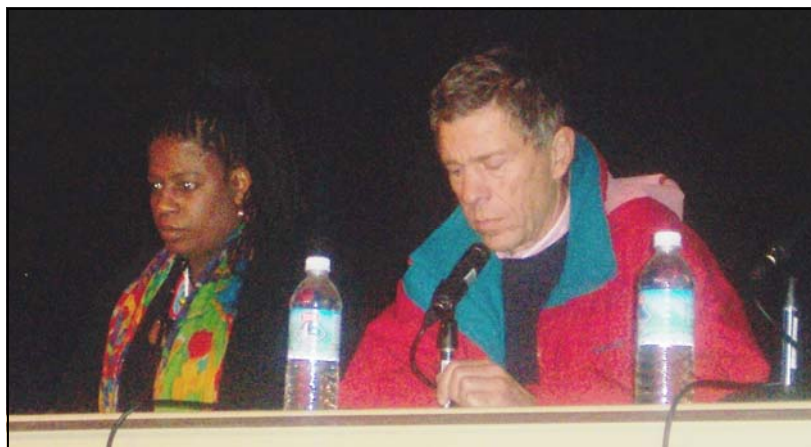
Ofelia Pérez Sepúlveda and Cristina Rivera-Garza



Ignacio Sánchez-Prado



Alfonso Nieto and Roz Eannarino



Esperanza Biohó and Erwing Goggel

The high point of activities came in early December 2004 with the anniversary conference—**Forty Years of Excellence in Training and Scholarship in Latin American Studies, 1964-2004**—held on December 3 and 4. The conference presented information on current research and approaches to training in several areas of Latin American Studies in which the University of Pittsburgh has been a leader over a number of years—Latin American Archeology, Latin American Social and Public Policy, Latin American History, and Latin American Cultural Studies. Participants included distinguished alumni, prominent faculty, and current students. The panels and keynote address were broadcast live through streaming video and digitally recorded for on-demand viewing on CLAS' web site (at [http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/events/past/40th\\_anniversary/conference.html](http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/events/past/40th_anniversary/conference.html)).

#### Conference Program

*Friday, December 3, 2004*

8:30-9:00 a.m. **Introductions**

**William Brustein** (Director, University Center for International Studies)

**Kathleen Musante DeWalt** (Director, Center for Latin American Studies)

9:00-11:00 a.m.

#### **Panel I: Latin American Studies at the University of Pittsburgh**

**Cole Blasier** (CLAS Founder and Director 1964-1974): "In the Beginning—The Impact of the Cold War on Latin American Studies and the Formation of Area Studies at the University of Pittsburgh (1960s)"

**Carmelo Mesa-Lago** (CLAS Director 1974-1986): "Building the Undergraduate Program and National Recognition of CLAS/Pitt (1970s)"

William Brustein



## 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (continued)

### Panel I (continued)

**Mitchell A. Seligson** (CLAS Director 1986-1992):  
“Securing the Graduate Program (1980s)”

**Billie R. DeWalt** (CLAS Director 1993-2001): “Innovation in Outreach (1990s)”

**Joseph F. Dominic** (Director of Education Program, The Heinz Endowments): “The Heinz Endowments’ Investment in Latin American Studies”

*Moderator:* **Burkart Holzner** (Director, University Center for International Studies, 1980-2000)

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

### Panel II: History and Society in Latin American Studies

**Alejandro de la Fuente** (Associate Professor of History, University of Pittsburgh [faculty at Pitt from 2000-present]; PhD History, University of Pittsburgh 1996)

**Michael Ervin** (Assistant Professor of History, Central Washington University; PhD History, University of Pittsburgh 2002)

**Betsy Konefal** (Doctoral candidate, History, University of Pittsburgh)

*Moderator:* **George Reid Andrews** (Professor of History, University of Pittsburgh [faculty at Pitt from 1981-present])

2:00-5:00 p.m.

### Panel III: Latin American Archaeology at the University of Pittsburgh

**María Auxiliadora Cordero** (Managing Editor, Latin American Archaeology Publications, University of Pittsburgh; PhD Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh 1998)

**Florencio Delgado** (Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Universidad San Francisco de Quito, Ecuador; PhD Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh 2002)

**Robert D. Drennan** (Professor of Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh [faculty at Pitt from 1977-present])

**Michael Heckenberger** (Assistant Professor of Anthropology, University of Florida; PhD Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh 1996)

**Carl Langebaek** (Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia; PhD Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh 1993)

*Moderator:* **James B. Richardson III** (Professor of Anthropology, University of Pittsburgh [faculty at Pitt from 1967-present])

*Discussant:* **Elizabeth M. Brumfiel** (Professor of Anthropology, Northwestern University; President, American Anthropological Association)

5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Reception

7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Dinner

*Saturday, December 4, 2004*

9:00 a.m.-noon

### Panel IV: Social and Public Policy

**María José Alvarez** (Doctoral student, Sociology, University of Pittsburgh)

**Fabio Bertranou** (Senior Specialist in Social Security, International Labour Office; PhD Economics, University of Pittsburgh 1998)

**Arturo Porzecanski** (Managing Partner, ABM Amro, New York; PhD Economics University of Pittsburgh 1975)

*Moderator:* **James Craft** (CLAS Acting Director 2000; Professor of Business Administration, University of Pittsburgh [faculty at Pitt from 1972-present])

*Discussant:* **Barry Ames** (Andrew W. Mellon Professor of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh [faculty at Pitt from 1996-present])

1:30-3:00 p.m.

### Panel V: Cultural Studies

**José Julio Cisneros** (Dean, College of Liberal Arts, Universidad San Francisco de Quito, Ecuador; PhD Hispanic Languages and Literatures, University of Pittsburgh 1985)

**Hermann Herlinghaus** (Associate Professor of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, University of Pittsburgh [faculty at Pitt from 2000-present])

**Lucia Herrera** (Doctoral student, Hispanic Languages and Literatures, University of Pittsburgh)

**Keith McDuffie** (Professor Emeritus of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, University of Pittsburgh [faculty at Pitt from 1975-1999])

*Moderator:* **John Beverley** (Professor of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, University of Pittsburgh [faculty at Pitt from 1969-present])

3:30-5:00 p.m. **Keynote Address**

**Burkart Holzner** (Director of the University Center for International Studies 1980-2000; Distinguished Service Professor of International Studies; Professor of Sociology and Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh [faculty at Pitt from 1960-1965 and 1970-2004])

5:00 p.m. **Closing Remarks**

**Kathleen Musante DeWalt** (Director of the Center for Latin American Studies)

Left to right:  
Michael Ervin, Alejandro de la Fuente,  
Betsy Konefal, and Reid Andrews.



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Carl Langebaek, María Auxiliadora Cordero,  
Florencio Delgado, Michael Heckenberger,  
Elizabeth Brumfiel, Robert D. Drennan, and  
James B. Richardson III.

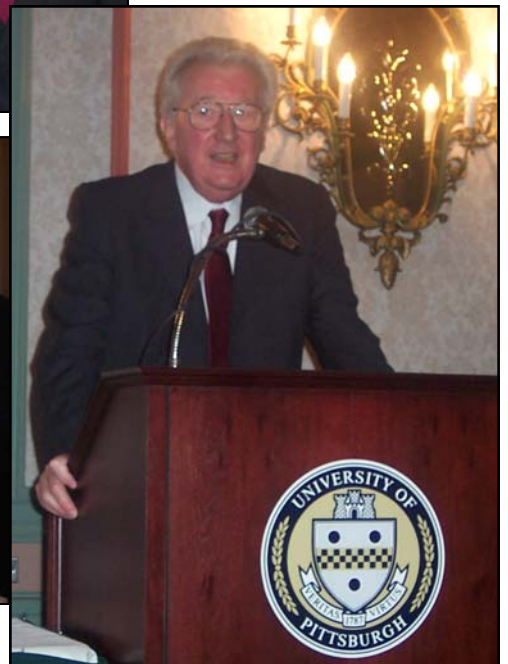


Left to right:  
Barry Ames, María José Alvarez,  
Carmelo Mesa-Lago, James Craft,  
Fabio Bertranou, and Arturo Porzecanski.

Below:  
Burkart Holzner



Left to right: Hermann Herlinghaus, Lucia Herrera, José Julio Cisneros,  
John Beverley, and Keith McDuffie.



## 10th Annual Latin American Social and Public Policy Conference

The Tenth Annual Latin American Social and Public Policy Conference was held on 17 and 18 February 2005. **Mitchell A. Seligson**, the 2005 Carmelo Mesa-Lago Distinguished Latin American Social and



Public Policy Lecturer, delivered the keynote address on "Challenges to Democracy in Latin America." Dr. Seligson is Centennial Professor of Political Science and Fellow, Center for the Americas, at Vanderbilt University. He served as Director of the Center for Latin American Studies at Pitt from 1986 to 1992—to date, the third of only five directors to lead CLAS. He was a professor of political science at the University of Pittsburgh from 1986 to 2004 (from 1994 to 2004 as Daniel H. Wallace Professor of Political Science). Professor Seligson received his Graduate Certificate in Latin American Studies in 1971 and the PhD in Political Science in 1974—both from Pitt. He is the author, coauthor, editor, or coeditor of over 10 books and author or coauthor of more than 100 articles, 25 monographs and occasional papers, and 50 research reports. Dr.

Seligson also is the founder and director of the Latin American Public Opinion Project (LAPOP), which carries out research surveys on various aspects of democracy. LAPOP has produced 41 surveys analyzing topics such as citizen views on system support, political tolerance, citizen participation, local government, corruption, and views on authoritarianism for Bolivia, Colombia, Costa Rica, The Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, and Peru as well as for Madagascar.

The annual Latin American Social and Public Policy conferences feature presentations on social and public policy research in Latin America by graduate students from the University of Pittsburgh and other universities, with comments by University of Pittsburgh faculty. For the tenth conference, 16 students from six departments and schools at the University of Pittsburgh and seven non-Pitt students (from Arizona State University, Florida International University, the Korean Development Institute School, the University of Florida, the University of Michigan, the University of California at San Diego, and West Virginia University) presented papers and six Pittsburgh faculty members provided discussion.



Left to right: Javier Vázquez, Stuart Easterling, Marilia Mochel, and Luis Jiménez.

The tenth conference was organized by Latin American Social and Public Policy Fellows **María José Alvarez Rivadulla** (Sociology), **Stuart Easterling** (History), **Luis Jiménez** (Political Science), **Veronica Lifrieri** (Linguistics), **German Lodola** (Political Science), **Laura Macia Vergara** (Anthropology), **Marilia Mochel** (Political Science), and **Javier Vázquez** (Political Science), with vital support from **Luis Bravo** (Coordinator of International Relations and Fellowships). The organizers and the Center would like to thank everyone involved in the conference.



Luis Bravo



Left to right: María José Alvarez, Laura Macia Vergara, and German Lodola.

The conference was sponsored by the Latin American Social and Public Policy Program of the Center for Latin American Studies, with supplementary support from a U.S. Department of Education (Title VI) grant to the University of Pittsburgh/Cornell University Consortium of Latin American Studies Programs. A list of the conference panels, presenters, and discussants follows.

Thursday, February 17, 2005

9:00 a.m.

Welcome: **John Frechione** (Associate Director, Center for Latin American Studies)

9:30 a.m.

*In and Out: Exclusion in Latin America*

Moderator: **Laura Macia Vergara**

**María José Alvarez** (Sociology): “Golden Ghettos: Gated Communities in Uruguay”

**Amy Ritterbusch** (West Virginia University): “Effect of Gender Differences on Street Children in Bogotá, Colombia”

**Penelope Robertson** (Anthropology):

“Surviving the Streets: NGOs, Brazilian Street Children and Gendered Stereotypes”

Discussant: **Cecilia Green** (Assistant Professor, Sociology)



Left to right: Laura Macia Vergara, María José Alvarez, Amy Ritterbusch, Penelope Robertson, and Cecilia Green.



Left to right: Stuart Easterling, Leah Hutton Blumenfeld, German Lodola, Andrea Castagnola, Hirokazu Kikuchi, and Barry Ames.

11:10 a.m.

*Experiencing Democracy: The Institutional Impact*

Moderator: **Stuart Easterling**

**Leah Hutton Blumenfeld** (Florida International University): “Political Decentralization in Bolivia and Colombia”

**Hirokazu Kikuchi** (Political Science):

“Malapportionment and Legislative Politics under Federalism”

**Andrea Castagnola** (Political Science): “Political Scandals and the Dynamics of Politics in Eight Latin American Countries”

**German Lodola** (Political Science): “Executives, Legislatures and the Political Economy of Market Reforms in Latin America”

Discussant: **Barry Ames** (Andrew W. Mellon Professor of Comparative Politics, Political Science)

1:30 p.m.

*Transformation of Social Policies*

Moderator: **María José Alvarez**

**Emma Sacks** (University of Michigan): “Birth Attendants in Northern Rural Honduras: Challenges during Times of Transition”

**Edgardo Ruiz** (Anthropology): “Testing Intercultural Health Care: The Management and Debate of a Mental Health Epidemic among the Miskitu of Nicaragua”

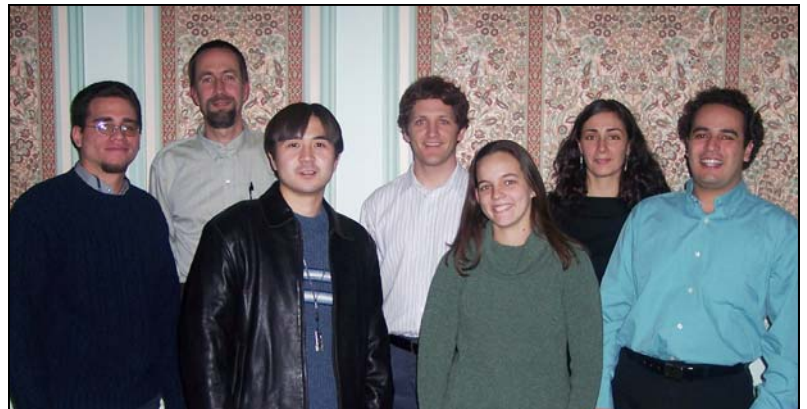
**Hernan Maldonado** (Korean Development Institute School): “Scholarships Allocation in the Colombian Graduate Education System”

**Hirotooshi Yoshioka** (Sociology): “Social Structural Change and Educational Attainment in Chiapas, Mexico: Q-Analysis of Census Data”

**Bryant Troy Jensen** (Arizona State University):

“A Descriptive Analysis of a Mexican Primary School with a High US Emigration Rate”

Discussant: **Paul Nelson** (Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs)



Left to right: Edgardo Ruiz, Paul Nelson, Hirotooshi Yoshioka, Bryant Troy Jensen, Emma Sacks, María José Alvarez, and Hernan Maldonado.

## 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference (continued)

4:00 p.m.

### 2005 Carmelo Mesa-Lago Distinguished Latin American Social and Public Policy Lecture

Introduction: **Kathleen Musante DeWalt** (Director, Center for Latin American Studies)

Lecture: "Challenges to Democracy in Latin America"

by **Mitchell A. Seligson** (Centennial Professor of Political Science and Fellow, Center for the Americas, Vanderbilt University)



Kathleen Musante DeWalt and Mitchell Seligson



Left to right: (front) Luis Jiménez and José Argueta; (back) Aníbal Pérez-Liñán, Javier Vázquez, and Ana Carolina Garriga.

Friday February 18, 2005

8:30 a.m.

### *Parties and Voters: Electoral Outcomes in New Democracies*

Moderator: **Javier Vázquez**

**José R. Argueta** (Political Science): "The Pervasiveness of Partisanship in Latin America"

**Ana Carolina Garriga** (Political Science): "Social Spending and Electoral Results"

**Luis F. Jiménez** (Political Science): "Voting for Democracy: Explaining Electoral Turnout in the 2000 Mexican Election"

Discussant: **Aníbal Pérez-Liñán** (Assistant Professor, Political Science)

10:00 a.m.

### *Transnational Political-Military Relationships*

Moderator: **Luis Jiménez**

**Billy Shields** (University of Florida): "Brazil's Mission to Haiti"

**Jennifer Hollinger** (Public and International Affairs): "Displacement in Colombia and the War on Terror"

**Stuart Easterling** (History): "The War on Drugs, Plan Colombia, and the Uribe Administration: A Path to Peace?"

**Annalise Romoser** (University of California, San Diego): "US Drug Policy and Internal Displacement in Colombia: The Human Impact of Aerial Fumigations in Southern Colombia"

**Danielle Nicole Ducre** (Law): "Kennan's 'Position of Disparity': Refugee and Human Rights Law and Policy in Haiti and the Dominican Republic"

Discussant: **Lara Putnam** (Assistant Professor, History)



Left to right: (seated) Jennifer Hollinger and Annalise Romoser; (standing) Luis Jiménez, Billy Shields, Danielle Nicole Ducre, Lara Putnam, and Stuart Easterling.

1:00 p.m.

### *Economic Policies and Globalization*

Moderator: **Marilia Mochel**

**Alexandra Barahona Posada** (Public and International Affairs): "Exchange Rate Policies—The Effects of Depreciation of Currency"

**Luis Martin Fierro del Campo** (Public and International Affairs) and **Willys Santos** (Public and International Affairs): "Public Policies in Brazil and Mexico and the Debt Crisis of 1982"

Discussant: **Sebastian Saiegh** (Assistant Professor, Political Science)



Left to right: Luis Martin Fierro del Campo, Alexandra Barahona Posada, Sebastian Saiegh, Marilia Mochel, and Willys Santos.

## Latin American Lecture and Workshop Series

For academic year 2004-05, CLAS' Latin American Lecture and Workshop Series continued its focus (from 2003-04) on the current work of the Center's distinguished faculty and students while also featuring a number of presentations by outside scholars and experts. A wide range of topics and countries/regions were covered in the lectures and workshop.

September 13, 2004

UNITED STATES SECURITY ASSISTANCE IN PERU—a lecture by **Salvador E. Gómez** (Lieutenant Colonel, US Army; US Army Section Chief and Training Officer, United States Military Assistance and Advisory Group, US Embassy Lima, Peru)



Salvador Gómez

September 28, 2004

DEADLY DESIRES: THE ETHNOBOTANY AND REPRODUCTION OF TOMATOES AND THEIR TOXIC KIN IN THE AMERICAS—a lecture by **Andrea Quesada** (Graduate student, Department of Biological Sciences, University of Pittsburgh; CLAS Fabiola Aguirre Fellow)



Kathleen Musante DeWalt

October 12, 2004

BECOMING A SOCIA: WOMEN'S INCOME, SOCIAL POWER AND CHILD WELFARE IN MANABÍ, ECUADOR—a lecture by **Kathleen Musante DeWalt** (CLAS Director and Professor of Anthropology and Public Health, University of Pittsburgh)

October 14, 2004

COMUNICACIÓN, PERIODISMO Y CULTURA POLÍTICA EN COLOMBIA HOY—a lecture by **Fabio López de la Roche** (Professor of Political Science and Communication Studies, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Bogotá)



Fabio López de la Roche

October 26, 2004

PANEL DISCUSSION: CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN CUBAN STUDIES—featuring:

**Carmelo Mesa-Lago** (Distinguished Service Profesor Emeritus of Economics and Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh): "Cuba's Economic and Social Situation After 15 Years of the Special Period"

**María Cristina Saavedra** (Assistant Professor of Spanish, Humanities Division, University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown): "Emigration and Exile in Contemporary Cuban Cinema"

**Jerome Branche** (Assistant Professor of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, University of Pittsburgh): "(Afro) Cuban Literature: Culture, Caribbeanism, Censorship"

**Alejandro De la Fuente** (Associate Professor of History, University of Pittsburgh): "The *Dumbest Policy on the Face of the Earth*: US Policies on Cuba"



Jerome Branche and María Cristina Saavedra



Alejandro De la Fuente and Carmelo Mesa-Lago

Lecture/Workshop Series (continued)

Taeko Hiroi

January 24, 2005

AMERICAN DIPLOMACY AND US ECONOMIC PROSPERITY: OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES IN THE NEW CENTURY—a lecture by **Charles Ford** (Vice President, American Foreign Service Association, U.S. Department of Commerce)

January 25, 2005

BICAMERALISM AND THE DYNAMICS OF LAW-MAKING IN BRAZIL—a lecture by **Taeko Hiroi** (Doctoral candidate, Department of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh)



Timothy Walker



Linda Rabben

February 3, 2005

PORTUGUESE PARADOX: LISBON AS A STRATEGIC HAVEN IN THE ATLANTIC WORLD—a lecture by **Timothy D. Walker** (Assistant Professor of History, University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth)

March 22, 2005

THE SPIRIT OF PORTO ALEGRE: IS ANOTHER WORLD POSSIBLE?—a lecture by **Linda Rabben** (Visiting Scholar, Anthropology and Latin American Studies, Cornell University)



José Fernandez

April 13, 2005

WORDS FOR THE STATE: ARGENTINE CULTURE AND POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS—a lecture by **José Fernandez** (Assistant Professor of Social Philosophy, Social Sciences School, University of Buenos Aires)

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## Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures Mini-Conference on “Provisoria-Mente: Textos a Proposito de Diamela Eltit”

**Diamela Eltit** (Chilean writer, teacher, and activist) served as Visiting Professor in the Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures in Spring 2005. Professor Eltit is among Chile's most important contemporary writers. Author of six novels and numerous essays and critical studies, she has secured a place in Latin American culture for her avant-garde experimentalism in literature, performance, and interdisciplinary projects. Her works deal with the relations of power, gender, identity, inequality, and repression. Her novel, *Lumpérica*, is one of the most influential novels of the “post-Boom” in Latin American literature. On March 25-26, 2005, the department convened a conference to honor her work and her contributions as a visiting scholar, with papers by departmental graduate students.

### Conference Program

*viernes 25*

KEYNOTE LECTURE

3:00 p.m.

Palabras de bienvenida: **John Beverley** (Professor and Chair, Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, University of Pittsburgh)

3:15-4:15 p.m.

**Diamela Eltit**: “¿Qué eres?”

sábado 26

FEATURED SPEAKER

10:00 a.m.

**Presentador: Hermann Herlinghaus** (Professor of Latin American Literature and Cultural Studies, University of Pittsburgh)

**Jean Franco** (Professor Emeritus, Columbia University): “Después de la caída de la ciudad letrada”

SESION 1

11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

**Ignacio López-Vicuña**: “Espacio urbano y subjetividad en *Lumpérica* de Diamela Eltit”

**Gerardo Gómez**: “Ejercer el poder desde el encierro: Delito y espacio carcelario en dos novelas chilenas”

**Sebastián Reyes**: “*Coronación y Psicosis*. El deseo homosexual y sus trampas”

**Ignacio M. Sánchez-Prado**: “La literatura latinoamericana en *La república mundial de las letras*”

**Moderadora: Elizabeth Monasterios** (Associate Professor of Latin American Literature, University of Pittsburgh)

SESION 2

1:45-3:15 p.m.

**Antonio Gómez**: “*Respiración artificial*, novela ejemplar”

**Nicolás Vivalda**: “La máquina narrativa y los protocolos del delirio paranoico: una lectura estratégica de *La ciudad ausente*”

**Rubén Sánchez-Godoy**: “El hogar bien ordenado y el cuarto de atrás: una lectura disciplinaria de *El cuarto de atrás*”

**Mariana Zinni**: “La novela en ruinas o la ruina de la novela: neobarroco y escritura en *Cobra* de Severo Sarduy”

**Moderador: Hermann Herlinghaus**

SESION 3

3:30-5:00 p.m.

**Carmen Oquendo-Villar**: Presentación del documental “Boquita”

**Luciano Martínez**: “Agencia *queer*: la emergencia del Frente de Liberación Homosexual en la Argentina de los setenta”

**Magdalena López**: “Soy un delincuente y reincidente: Por un cine *balurdo* en Venezuela”

**Lucía Herrera**: “Benjamin y Eltit ante la historia y sus ruinas”

**Moderador: Jerome Branche** (Assistant Professor of Latin American Literature and Cultural Studies, University of Pittsburgh)

PALABRAS DE CLAUSURA

5:00 p.m.

**Diamela Eltit**



Left to right: Diamela Eltit, Jean Franco, and John Beverley.

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## Faculty Publications

**James A. Craft** (Business)

2003. “Future Directions in Public Sector Labor Relations: A 2020 Perspective,” *Journal of Labor Research* 24(4) (Fall).

**Robert DeKeyser** (Linguistics)

2004. “Grammar Practice: From Negative Connotations to Positive Thinking,” *ACTR News* 30(4):1-4.

**Alejandro de la Fuente** (History)

2004. “Sugar and Slavery in Early Cuba,” in S. Schwartz (ed.), *Tropical Babels: Sugar and the Making of the Atlantic World, 1450-1680* (Chapel Hill: UNC Press).

2004. “Slave Law and Claims-Making in Cuba: The Tannenbaum Debate Revisited,” *Law and History Review* 22 (2):339-69.

2004. “La ‘razza’ e i silenzi della cubanità,” *Limes: Revista Italiana di Geopolitica* 4.

Editor. 2004. “*Su único derecho*”: *los esclavos y la ley* (Madrid: Fundación Mapfre-Tavera, *Debate y Perspectivas*, no. 4).

## Faculty Publications (continued)

### Robert D. Drennan (Anthropology)

C.E. Peterson and **R.D. Drennan**. 2005. "Communities, Settlements, Sites, and Surveys: Regional-Scale Analysis of Pre-historic Human Interaction," *American Antiquity* 70:5-30

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*Push Up 1-2-3* by Roland Schimmelpfennig

Produced by Desert Apple Theatre in association with Open Door Theatre; Performed at the Connelly Theatre September 17 - October 3, 2004.

*Woman of No Importance* by Roland Schimmelpfennig

Presented by German Theatre Abroad in collaboration with The Public Theater and Labyrinth Theatre Company; Staged Reading presented June 30, 2004 at The Public Theater. (also director); Scheduled for full production in New York City, Fall 2005.

Professional Productions:

*The Glory of Living*, by Rebecca Gilman, 2005, *barebones productions*

*Woman from the Past*, Roland Schimmelpfennig, - 2004, *German Theatre Abroad*, staged reading at the Public Theatre in New York in association with Labyrinth Theatre Company.

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## Shirley K's Korner

¡Felicitaciones/Parabéns to the most recent CLAS graduates!

**GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES**

December 2004

**Alejandro José Chu**—Anthropology

**Susana Rosano**—Hispanic Languages and Literatures

**Francisco Javier Tellez**—Education: Administrative and Policy Studies (PhD)

**UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES**

December 2004

**Candice B. Feldman**—Biological Sciences

**Monique C. Hall**—Spanish

**Ahmaad O. Johnson**—Communication/Psychology

**Bertha P. Levy**—Spanish

**Laura L. Paff**—Spanish

**Kristy L. Pilbeam**—Political Science

**Lauren E. Pucci**—Political Science/Anthropology

**Nidirha D. Rogers**—Spanish/Africana Studies

**Lindsay M. Ruprecht**—Spanish

**Callie Ann Wheeler**—Spanish

**RELATED CONCENTRATION IN LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES**

December 2004

**Anthony M. Emanuele**—Political Science

**Michelle N. Ferreri**—Political Science

**Jennifer E. Gibson**—Latin American Studies (BA Carnegie Mellon University 2001)

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**Hispanic Languages and Literatures Students Honored**

Three doctoral students have been awarded Mellon pre-doctoral fellowships for academic year 2005-06. They are: **Antonio Gómez**, **Luciano Martínez**, and **Ignacio Sanchez-Prado**. Andrew Mellon Predoctoral Fellowships are awarded to students of exceptional promise and ability either when they first enroll in the doctoral program or when they have advanced to the dissertation stage. The fellowship provides a stipend and tuition.

**GSPIA Students at Cornell**

**Lindsey Jones** and **Felipe Zuluaga** (master's students in the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs [GSPIA]) participated in the graduate student conference of the Latin American Studies Program at Cornell University in March 2005. Twenty-one students made presentations during the two-day event. Lindsey focused her presentation on Quechua; Felipe spoke on "Indigenous Communities in Colombia." Attendance ranged from 40 to 70 graduate students, faculty, and undergraduates students. Also attending was **Jaime Garrón**, a GSPIA student from Pitt. Jaime spent the spring term 2005 at Cornell University under the exchange agreement established between the Latin American Studies Program at Cornell and CLAS. The Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh, and the Latin American Studies Program, Cornell University, formed a consortium in 1983. The consortium provides the means by which graduate students can register at the partner institution for one term. Lindsey Jones and Felipe Zuluaga have decided to spend the Fall Term 2005 at Cornell where they will take courses in Quechua, communication in developing countries, and various public policy seminars.



Nicholas Zaorsky

**First Undergraduate Symposium**

The Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures and the Center for Latin American Studies sponsored the First Undergraduate Symposium on April 8, 2005. Undergraduates majoring in Spanish as well as those in the Certificate and Related Concentration in Latin American Studies were invited to participate. Organized by Professor **Elizabeth Monasterios** (who also served as a moderator), this first symposium was a great success! **John Beverley** (Professor and Chair of Hispanic) welcomed the 16 student participants who then presented papers, research findings, and topics for discussion in Spanish, Portuguese, or English. The following CLAS students made presentations: **Beth May**, **Kristen Boyles**, **Bethany Pholar**, **Nicholas Zaorsky**, **Melissa Dougherty**, **Suzanna Publicker**, **Kasey Sharretts**, and **Christina Gavin**—Melissa, Suzanna, Kasey, and Christina gave their presentations in Portuguese.

A splendid beginning to what we hope will become a yearly event in which undergraduates can share their interests and outstanding work with their peers.



Kasey Sharretts



Suzanna Publicker

### CLAS Undergraduates in Business

The College of Business Administration website features three CLAS students. See their photos at: <http://www.cba.pitt.edu>

**Jennifer (Auchey) Dolfi** received the BSBA in Finance, the BA in Spanish, and an Undergraduate Certificate in Latin American Studies in 2002. “After graduation, Jennifer was able to put her considerable skills to use in a position with PPG Industries. Jennifer spent two years as a project analyst at the PPG Aerospace Plant in Huntsville, Alabama. In May 2004, she returned to Pittsburgh as a financial reporting analyst for PPG’s Chemicals Controllershship. In addition to responsibilities in financial reporting, analysis, and budget preparation, Jennifer has been able to utilize her language expertise through work trips to Brazil....While at Pitt, Jennifer took part in two study abroad experiences—one through the Pitt in Argentina Program and one directly enrolled at a university in Brazil....” [cba website]

**Adam Houston** is a major in finance and is pursuing certificates in both International Business and Latin American Studies. Adam belongs to the Spanish and Brazil Nuts (Portuguese) Club. He was one of the few freshmen selected to participate in the 2004 CLAS Seminar/Field Trip. Adam designed a research project in the spring term seminar on Chile and then went to Valparaíso where he spent six weeks living with a host family and conducting field research on marketing in the Chilean wine industry.

**Laura Ripo** is a senior majoring in finance and in Spanish. She is also completing certificates in both International Business and Latin American Studies. She is a member of Delta Sigma Pi Professional Business Fraternity, the Spanish Club, and is Vice President and Cofounder of the Christian Business Network. She has worked as Resident Assistant of the CBA Living Learning Community for two years. She has studied in the Czech Republic and in Mexico. Laura was selected to participate in two CLAS Seminar/Field Trips (only the second\* person in the 33-year history of this program to do so)—one in Spanish-speaking Chile and this year’s program in Brazil. She also was an intern at the stock market in Valparaíso. Laura was a CLAS Student Ambassador in 2004-05, giving her official recognition of her ongoing recruitment efforts for and support of the Center.

\*Note: Leonard Sekelick was the first!

### Student and Alumni News



Jim and Victoria

**Victoria Abel** (BA Spanish 2002) and **Jim Shearer** were married on October 23, 2005. They are residing in New York City where Jim is a video jockey (VJ) for MTV2.

**Ariel C. Armony** (PhD Political Science 1998) is reported (by our Nashville, TN correspondent *Mitch Seligson*) to have been awarded tenure in the Department of Government at Colby College in Waterville, Maine.

**N. Catherine Bazán-Arias** (BA Civil Engineering 1992 and PhD 1999) passed the professional licensing examination and can now add PE (Professional Engi-

neer) to her credentials. Cathy works as the Staff Engineer with GAI Consultants, Inc. in the Pittsburgh office. The firm focuses on cultural resources, dams, energy, environmental, geotechnical, land development, structural, transmission lines, transportation, and construction. Cathy is Chair of the Latin American and Caribbean Heritage Room Committee and Western Region Director for the Pennsylvania Statewide Latino Coalition.

**Matthew Berg** (Masters GSPIA 1985) is working in Connecticut for MH2 Direct, a direct marketing company. Matthew’s work focuses on marketing credit cards from Chase and Bank of America to the Hispanic market.

**Gustavo Berganza** (MA Sociology 2000) and **Claudia Dary** (MA Anthropology 2000) are residing in upstate New York where the weather makes Pittsburgh look like a tropical paradise. Both Gustavo and Claudia are in doctoral programs at the State University of New York in Albany. Claudia has already defended her proposal and Gustavo will take his

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comps in Political Sociology in May and those in Cultural Sociology at the end of the summer. Gustavo kindly donated a copy of his book to Pitt's Latin American collection. The book, *De verdad, influyentes: Los efectos de los medios en las elecciones presidenciales de 2003* (Guatemala City: Asociación DOSES, 2004), is the result of a research project about the agenda setting effect of the Guatemalan media on the 2003 presidential elections and the impact this has had on electoral perceptions and on the political system. Gustavo is a member of the Asociación DOSES, a media watch organization in Guatemala City that does media analysis and training for local journalists.

**Fabio Bertranou** (PhD Economics 1998) is the editor of *Protección social y mercado laboral* (Oficina Internacional del Trabajo, 2004). The book includes chapters on social security in Argentina, Chile, and Uruguay as well as chapters on Latin America in general, one of which was written by Fabio: “¿Desarticulación o subordinación? Protección social y mercado laboral en América Latina.” In addition to Fabio's dedication to research and the publication of his findings, he is an enthusiastic runner, having completed the New York City marathon in November. Fabio returned to Pittsburgh after nearly six years to participate in the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference of CLAS (see separate article and photos).

**Herbert “Tico” Braun** (BA Political Science 1969) is an Associate Professor of History and Director of Graduate Studies at the University of Virginia.



Ami and Nina

**Ivan Brenes** (Masters GSPIA 1991) lives with three women in Kobe, Japan. Ami, his youngest daughter, resembles her mother while Nina looks like Ivan (so says the father). Ivan's contract with Kobe University (Japan) will expire in April 2006. He has the option (under a new system at Japan's public universities) to apply for a three-year contract. However, other options may be considered—even a return to graduate

school! Ivan has greatly enjoyed his teaching experience at the university but in Japan contracts for full-time foreign professors are becoming increasingly limited to a specified time frame. As the population of young people decreases, so does the need for full-time faculty. Ivan and his family have not been in Pittsburgh since 1988 and hope to return in a year or two to visit family and friends.

**Gonzalo Bruce** (Masters GSPIA 1998) and **Joanna May** (BA Spanish and Business 1998) are enjoying their new lives in Columbus. Gonzalo is a student in the doctoral program in Higher Education Administration, Ohio State University, and works in the Office of Hispanic Student Services. Joanna was hired as a Spanish-speaking recruiter for a staffing agency that works with Hispanics. Clare (their daughter) also entered school—daycare where she is already on her way to being bilingual (Spanish/English).

**Kirsten Butterfield Pascal** (BA Interdisciplinary Studies 1995) completed the master's degree in Child Development at Pitt in 1997. She went on to study Clinical Psychology at George Washington University where she completed the doctorate in August 2004. She currently resides in the DC area where she has a post-doctorate, which includes work with immigrant families from Central and South America. Kirsten's husband is a doctoral candidate in Math Education at American University.

**Damarys Canache** (PhD Political Science 1999) has been promoted to Associate Professor with tenure at Florida State University, but she and husband Jeff are leaving for the University of Illinois (Jeff with a chair!) in the fall of 2005 (information provided by our Nashville, TN correspondent *Mitch Seligson*).

**Julio F. Carrion** (PhD Political Science 1993) was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure of Political Science and International Relations at the University of Delaware. Also, Julio edited the book, *The Fujimori Legacy: The Rise of Electoral Authoritarianism in Peru*, which is scheduled for publication by Penn State University Press later this year. Julio's children are growing up rapidly: Doris is a senior and will enter college in August 2005; Antonio and Alicia are in seventh and sixth grade. Julio and family visited Peru in June 2004—they were in Cuzco right before the celebration of Inti Raymi.

**Lyric Clark** (Masters GSPIA 2001) began working at the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) soon after graduating. She is a policy analyst on the International Affairs and Trade team and has had the opportunity to work in Latin America. For example, Lyric reviewed Latin American recovery assistance provided to Central America and the Caribbean after Hurricanes Mitch and George. This work included a good deal of travel to the region. In June 2004, she took a leave of absence from GAO to work in Germany under a Robert Bosch Fellowship. This fellowship provided German-language training and allowed Lyric to work for GAO's German equivalent and to participate in various seminars throughout Europe. In February 2005, Lyric began work for the Latin American Department of the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung Foundation and will continue there until May. Lyric hoped to conduct research on U.S. and German cooperation in Latin America along with research on how Bush's second term will affect relations between the U.S. and the region.

**María Auxiliadora Cordero** (PhD Anthropology 1998) did the Spanish translation of John H. Walker's *Agricultural Change in the Bolivian Amazon/Cambio Agrícola en la Amazonía Boliviana*, University of Pittsburgh Memoirs in Latin American Archaeology No. 13, Pittsburgh/Trinidad, Beni, Bolivia, 2004.

**Luciana Cozman** (MA Political Science 1996) lives in Santos, Brazil. Luciana and her father have been sharing a private practice for the past five years or so; the focus of their practice is social security law. "He [Luciana's father] has been working with it his whole life, and I have been working with it for so long now that it almost feels at least like half a life!" Luciana also devotes her energy to raising her children: Nicholas, 8 years of age, and Isabel who was born June 12, 2002 (Brazil's Valentinés Day). Fabio, Luciana's husband, is teaching at the Universidade de São Paulo.

**Laura Crary** (PhD Fine Arts 1997) is an Assistant Professor of Art at the Presbyterian College in Clinton, South Carolina.

**Juan Pablo Dabove** (PhD Hispanic Languages and Literatures 2002) and **Susan Hallstead** (doctoral candidate, Hispanic Languages and Literatures) send their greetings from Boulder. Susan is an Instructor and Juan

Pablo is an Assistant Professor and the Associate Chair for Undergraduate Studies in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese at the University of Colorado in Boulder.

**Lucía Dammert** (Masters GSPIA 1997) is the Coordinadora de Estudios Seguridad y Ciudadanía of FLACSO in Santiago, Chile. "...ha sido Investigadora del Centro de Estudios en Seguridad Ciudadana de la Universidad de Chile, e Investigadora de la Universidad de San Martín en Buenos Aires. En la gestión pública fue asesora de la División de Seguridad Ciudadana del Ministerio del Interior de Chile y consultora en temas de seguridad ciudadana en el Ministerio del Interior en Argentina. Además es asesora de la Red 14 del Programa URBAL (Comisión Europea) sobre Seguridad Ciudadana en la ciudad. En la actualidad se desempeña como investigadora de FLACSO-Chile....Entre sus publicaciones destacan los libros "Seguridad Ciudadana: Experiencias y Desafíos" (Valparaíso: Programa URBAL, 2004) y "La prevención del delito en Chile. Una visión desde la comunidad" (Santiago: Universidad de Chile, 2004). Además ha publicado artículos en revistas académicas de Chile y América Latina incluyendo el *Bulletin of Latin American Research* (Inglaterra), *Revista Latinoamericana de Estudios Urbano Regionales* (EURE), *Desarrollo Económico* (Argentina)." [<http://www.flacso.cl/flacso>]

Lucía is especially excited that her forthcoming book will be published by the University of Pittsburgh Press: "...es una alegría doble publicar y además allí en Pitt."

**Seth Davidson** (BSBA Business Management 2000) is Project Manager of Internet Expressions, Inc. ([www.iexp.com](http://www.iexp.com)) "Where creativity and technology intersect."



Abigail

**Kelly Flynn-Saldaña** (Masters GSPIA 2001; MPH Public Health 2001) and Fernando Saldaña are the proud parents of a baby girl, Abigail Belén Saldaña, who was born on February 11, 2005.

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**José Flores Barboza** (PhD Education: Curriculum and Supervision 1983; MEd 1980) is the Director de Desarrollo Académico de la Universidad Ricardo Palma y Asesor del Presidente de los Rectores del Perú.

**Jakob Genna** (BA Spanish and Business 2001) completed the JD in Law at Ohio State University.

**Juan Carlos Grijalva** (PhD Hispanic Languages and Literatures 2004) is an Assistant Professor of Spanish at Assumption College in Worcester, Massachusetts.

**Jorge Gumucio** (PhD Sociology 1987) is the Vice Minister of Foreign Relations for the government of Bolivia.

**David Halberg** (Masters GSPIA 1991) was hired by Bristol-Myers Squibb in early 1992 as a member of the Company's Management Development Associate Program. His first assignment was in Santiago, Chile in June 1992 where he focused on sales and product management. In January 1994, David was transferred to São Paulo, Brazil where he worked in the finance department. In April 1995, he was in Mexico City in a regional marketing role. In August 1996, he accepted an offer from American International Underwriters (AIU), a member company of American International Group (AIG), to head the Crisis Management practice of its Latin America Division. "I packed my bags and moved to Miami, but not before marrying Frances Sylvia Rabner whom I met in Mexico City in May 1995. For the next six plus years, I handled the Kidnap & Ransom Insurance needs of high net worth individuals in Latin America. I traveled extensively to Mexico, Panama, and Venezuela during this time. In May, 2003, I bid farewell to AIU and in September I founded KDB Asset Management, LLC and KDB Brokerage Services, [in New York] with my brother Kenneth. Our website [www.kdbasset.com](http://www.kdbasset.com) gives you a pretty good idea of what we do. I am still specializing in K&R Insurance, but now from the brokerage side of the business."

**Amanda Hall** (BA Interdisciplinary Studies 2001) works in Virginia with Boxwood Technology ([www.boxwoodtech.com](http://www.boxwoodtech.com)).

**Kevin Zapf Hanes** (BA History 2002) is the Legislative Officer for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Kevin works directly for the Honorable Aníbal Acevedo Vila, Governor of Puerto Rico, in DC.

Kevin kindly donated a copy of the *Atlas of State-side Puerto Ricans* by Angelo Falcón (Puerto Rico Federal Affairs Administration, 2004) to the University library.

**Jonathan Hiskey** (PhD Political Science 1999) will be joining the Political Science Department at Vanderbilt University in the fall of 2005 as an Associate Professor. Jonathan has been at the University of California-Riverside for many years (information provided by our Nashville, TN correspondent *Mitch Seligson*).

**Andrew S. Holmes Jr.** (BA Interdisciplinary Studies 1999) works in the Eclipsys Corporation in eastern Pennsylvania.

**Benjamin Howe** (Masters GSPIA 1998) and wife, Debbie, are thriving in Manchester—close to the beach in the summer and the mountains in the winter. Ben continues to enjoy his work at the GAO Field Office in Boston, MA, where he puts "to good use...the research skills I learned at GSPIA and CLAS." He will have been at GAO in MA for two years in July.

**Scott Jablonski** graduated *magna cum laude* with the JD in Law, Master's in Public and International Affairs, and the Graduate Certificate in Latin American Studies in April 2004. He was articles editor and editorial board member of the *University of Pittsburgh Law Review*. He studied Portuguese as a recipient of a Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (funded by the U.S. Department of Education and administered through CLAS) in 2002-03 and 2003-04.

In 2002, Scott was a summer associate for Duane Morris LLP where he is now employed. His knowledge of Spanish led to many assignments involving legal research in that language and interactions with Spanish and Portuguese-speaking clients. According to Scott: "My ability to speak Spanish and do legal research in a language other than English, together with my academic background in international law and affairs, definitely gave me an advantage....I was able to take on a greater variety of assignments, travel, and interact with clients from different cultural and linguistic backgrounds. More importantly, I experienced the value and reward of having some background in international law, as I witnessed firsthand the unique demands that an attorney must face in serving clients in a global context." (*CILE Notes* [Center for International Legal

Education at University of Pittsburgh's School of Law], Vol. 7, Fall 2002).

Scott won the William H. Eckert Prize for the outstanding paper in the JD (Law) program in 2002-03. The paper combined his work in law and international studies, "NAFTA Chapter 11 Dispute Resolution and Mexico: A Healthy Mix of International Law, Economics and Politics." Scott spent part of summer 2003 in Santiago, Chile as the recipient of the Ivan Santa-Cruz fellowship from Pitt's Nationality Rooms.

Scott recently published "NAFTA Chapter 11 Dispute Resolution and Mexico: A Healthy Mix of International Law, Economics, and Politics," *Denver Journal of International Law and Policy* 32(3):475-538 and "¡Sí, Po! Foreign Investment Dispute Resolution Does Have a Place in Trade Agreements in the Americas: A Comparative Look at Chapter 10 of the United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement," *The University of Miami Inter-American Law Review* 35 (3):627-659.

He is currently employed as an associate at Duane Morris LLP in Miami. Duane Morris LLP is among the 100 largest law firms in the United States with approximately 550 lawyers. The firm is over 100 years old and represents clients around the world through its 20 offices and relationships with an international network of independent law firms.

**Carlos Jáuregui** (PhD Hispanic Languages and Literatures 2001) won the **Premio Casa de las Américas** for best socio-historical and literary essay of 2005. The prize was awarded for Carlos' book-length manuscript, *Canibalia: canibalismo, calibanismo, antropofagia cultural y consumo en América Latina*. "The work explores the recurring and diverse uses of the metaphor of cannibalism in Latin American cultural history. 'Through the figure of the cannibal, we can perceive the most basic aspirations, contradictions and fears of a culture defining and reshaping itself, a culture forced to confront the many faces of coloniality, beginning with classic imperialism and ending with the most recent impact of globalization,' Jáuregui writes.

Casa de las Americas was founded in 1959 in Havana by Hayde Santamaria....It promotes, supports, awards and publishes the work of writers, artists, musicians and academics.... The panel of judges of the Casa de las Americas prize said that *Canibalia* is 'a remarkable contribution to the field of cultural studies, able to renew several of the most crucial debates in our cultural history.' Rubén Ríos Ávila, a member

of the panel, added that *Canibalia* is 'a great essay and cultural critique: erudite, ambitious, sharp; its generous academic journey understands culture as indivisible from politics, and it is from this intellectual conviction that the essay exerts its radical critical gesture.'

*Canibalia* was submitted to Casa de las Americas by Tatiana Botero, a senior lecturer in Spanish at Vanderbilt and Jáuregui's wife. 'Almost furtively, she made the package with a preliminary version of the manuscript and put it in the mail,' Jáuregui said. '....Frankly, I did not have much faith in the possibility of winning. I have to thank my wife, Tatiana, who is greatly responsible for this accomplishment.'" [citations from Vanderbilt University website]

Carlos is an Assistant Professor of Spanish and Anthropology at Vanderbilt University and an indefatigable supporter of CLAS, the Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, and Pitt in general.

**Kimberly M. Jones** (PhD Anthropology 2003) has accepted a tenure stream position at Elon University in Elon, North Carolina.

**Ricardo Kaliman** (PhD Hispanic Languages and Literatures 1990) has published "Viña y cielo, luna y arena. El espacio clachaquí en la 'puerta de los valles'. Tafi del valle, Tucumán, Argentina," in Cornell and Stenborg (eds.), *Local, Regional, Global: prehistoria, protohistoria e historia en los Valles Calchaquíes* (Instituto Iberoamericano, Universidad de Göteborg, 2003).

**Melissa Kelly** (BA Spanish 2002) traveled throughout Mexico and Guatemala in 2004. She spent 2-3 weeks on the Yucatan peninsula. "...from Palenque to Mérida and then to Chichén Itza, Valladolid, Isla de las Mujeres, Playa de Carmen, and...Tulum...." She then went to Mayahual, a beach town close to Chetumal and the Belize border. She also visited Chiapas: "I went to the Zapatista Caracol Oventic. It was really amazing. I wasn't sure how we would be received because we just showed up independently, but everyone was very friendly and helpful. They gave us two hours of their time in the comisión to explain the Zapatista movement and their projects in the Caracol. Then we visited the junta to get permission to visit the coffee and artisan cooperatives. There is also a school there that teaches Spanish and Mayan languages. I think that the cost of classes correlates to the minimum wage of [one's]...home country."

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Upon returning to the United States, Melissa taught Spanish to homebound students, tutored Hispanic students, and did some translation work. She applied and has been admitted to both Columbia University and Florida International University for graduate studies in higher education.

**Heather Kiraly Orkwis** graduated *magna cum laude* from Pitt in December 2002 with a BS in Biology, a BA in Spanish, and the Certificate in Latin American Studies. Heather currently works for the University of Pittsburgh in medical research. This year off from studies allows her to gear up for medical school which she will begin in fall 2005. Heather was married on June 7, 2003 in Pitt's exquisite Heinz Chapel.

**Major Robert Kirkland** (PhD History 2001) continues his service as an active duty army officer. He is an Assistant Professor of Military Science for the Claremont McKenna College Army ROTC Program. In addition to ROTC classes, he teaches Latin American courses for the Department of History. Robert is the author of *Observing our Hermanos de Armas: U.S. Military Attachés in Guatemala, Cuba and Bolivia, 1950-1964* (Routledge, 2003). "This study analyzes the effectiveness of the U.S. military attaché corps in Latin America from the end of World War II to the Johnson administration. Until now, there has not been a historical study on attaché proficiency, their training and education, or utilization of the reports by policy makers in Washington. An analytical framework is used to test the capability of this intelligence gathering system and applied in the case studies of: Guatemala, 1950-1954, Cuba, 1954-1958, and Bolivia 1960-1964." [<http://www.routeledge-ny.com>]



**Tricia E. Kissinger** (Masters GSPIA 2000) is a Senior Financial Analyst, Emerging Markets Group, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, where her work focuses on Argentina, Mexico, and Uruguay. In January 2005, Tricia began a one-year secondment (temporary assignment) to the Central Bank of Brazil. She is working in the Investor Relations office, assisting the bank in honing its external communications strategy. She expects to work in other areas of

the institution such as Bank Supervision and Open Market Operations. Heather wrote: "I am incredibly excited for the opportunity, since Brazil is the only large Latin American market with which I haven't worked, and I will also have the unique opportunity to view policy formulation, implementation, and communication from the inside-out in one of the most dynamic emerging market countries. I will be based in Brasilia, but hope that my rotations may take me to BCB offices in Sao Paulo and Rio. Upon completion of the secondment, at end-2005, I will return to the Emerging Markets Group at the NY Fed. All in all, should be an exciting year!!"

The *Friends of PGSIS Annual Newsletter* brought to light Tricia's early interest in international studies. As a high school student, Tricia participated in the 1992 Pennsylvania Governor's School for International Studies held at Pitt; in 1997, she was a Resident Teaching Assistant for the program. The 2004 issue of newsletter features an article by Tricia, "Voice of Experience: Working in the United States and Abroad for the Federal Reserve Bank." (For more information on The Pennsylvania Governor's School for International Studies, University Center for International Studies (UCIS), University of Pittsburgh, see <http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/pgsis/>).

**Kristin J. Kleinjans** (PhD Economics 2003) is an Assistant Professor of Economics at the University of Aarhus in Denmark. Kristin's studies and work have taken her from Germany to doctoral studies in Pittsburgh to a post-doctorate at Rand in California to Denmark! Kristin is enjoying her job and her life in Denmark and doesn't plan to move half way around the world again for some time.

**Betsy Konefal** (doctoral candidate, History) has accepted a position in history at William and Mary College in Virginia. We will miss Betsy and her (and David's) three beautiful and beautifully behaved children (Marilia, Erica and Ashley).

**Leslie Krafft** (BS Psychology 2003) is an Intensive Case Manager at Mercy Behavioral Health in Pittsburgh.

**Sophia Kusturis-Zulueta** completed the Bachelor's in Spanish and the Undergraduate Certificate in Latin American Studies in 1997. She continued her studies, receiving the Master's of Arts in Teaching in 1998, and then applied her training to teach Spanish in a Pittsburgh public school for a year. "...but my love for the Spanish language and culture was

very strong and I realized that I needed to be around it all of the time. Therefore, I moved to Miami and am now living and teaching Spanish in Hollywood, Florida.” Sophia and her husband have a two-year old daughter, Zoe Karina. “We are very happy here, but I still have fond memories of Pitt and my trip to Uruguay through CLAS.”

**Howard Lotis** (BA Music and Undergraduate Certificate 1979; MA Music 1982) is the Music Director/Liturgical Coordinator at the Sacred Heart Parish in Quincy, Massachusetts.

**Rubén M. Lo Vuolo** (MA Economics 1986) is the Director Académico, Centro Interdisciplinario para el Estudio de Políticas Públicas (CIEPP) in Buenos Aires.

**Carlos Lucca** (Masters GSPIA 1998) is the Director Ejecutivo of the Instituto de Investigación y Formación en Administración Pública of the Universidad Nacional de Córdoba, Argentina. Carlos returned to Pitt for a visit in October 2004 to discuss the potential for an institutional exchange between the Instituto and the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs (GSPIA) at Pitt. Carlos met with various faculty members in GSPIA as well as with Dean Carolyn Ban. As a follow-up, Carlos presented an application to the Researcher Award Program for Argentine citizens—a program through the Fulbright Commission that would provide Carlos with funding for three months of research in the U.S.

**Carolina Maldonado** (doctoral student in Education) was selected to receive a Lewis A. Tyler Trustees' Fund Award. This award was created to provide support for grantees from Latin America engaged in research that promotes the exchange of ideas, materials, staff, and resources between their host institutions and institutions in their home countries. This is the first year of the award. Selection of the five recipients was based on the grantee's academic record, the quality of the proposal, and the cooperative nature of the project.

**Juliana Martínez Franzoni** (PhD Sociology 1998) joined the Universidad de Costa Rica as an Associate Professor in the Instituto de Investigaciones Sociales. She is conducting research on a project entitled “Latin American Welfare Regimes: Income, Gender and Historical Legacies in the Division of Labor among Women, States and Markets.” Juliana makes light (as is her wont) of the lengthy title: “I hope the outcomes measure up to the title!!!” She hopes to link the Instituto with key research centers on this

matter, whether in Latin America or in the United States. And we in CLAS hope to welcome her back to Pittsburgh to do this!

**Luciano Martínez** (doctoral candidate, Hispanic Languages and Literatures) was recently awarded an “Elizabeth Baranger Excellence in Teaching Award.” The purpose of this new teaching award is to recognize and reward outstanding teaching by graduate students at Pitt, and to contribute to or spark discussions about what constitutes good teaching by graduate students on campus. The award honors University of Pittsburgh Vice-Provost of Graduate Studies Elizabeth Baranger, who served the university for 45 years. On the basis of undergraduate student nominations, the Award Committee invites nominees to submit a teaching portfolio. Luciano received one of the two awards in the Arts and Humanities! In other news, Luciano will receive a Mellon Predoctoral Fellowship for 2005-06.

Luciano had the opportunity to participate in a conference of the Cultural Agents Initiative, housed at the David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Harvard University. The Initiative seeks to develop alliances and projects that show that cultural practices can transform societies positively—see the website for further information (<http://www.culturalagents.org>). The Cultural Agents Conference (February 25-27, 2005) featured a keynote speech by Professor Emerita Jean Franco of Columbia University. Only 16 papers were selected for presentation. Luciano's paper, “Queer Agency: The Emergence of the *Frente de Liberación Homosexual* in Argentina,” deals with sexual marginalities in the literatures of Brazil, Mexico, and Argentina (1970-2000) and is related to his dissertation. The emergence of gay and lesbian political movements in Latin America occurred in the seventies, and paradoxically coincided with the uprising of authoritarian institutional processes, deepening repression and discrimination towards dissident minorities. In his paper, Luciano analyzes the complexity of the *Frente de Liberación Homosexual* and, at the same time, addresses the problem of agency that implies dealing with notions of freedom, free will, action, originality and the possibility of change brought through the actions of the socio-political actors.

**Yasuhiko Matsuda** (PhD Political Science 1997) is the author of a chapter on the state and politics in the book *Inequality in Latin America: Breaking with History?* by David de Ferranti, et. al., published by the World Bank in February 2004. Barry Ames, Chair of

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Political Science at Pitt, is quoted: "This book was the flagship report of the Latin America and Caribbean Division last year." From the World Bank website: the book "...explores why the region suffers from such persistent inequality, identifies how it hampers development, and suggests ways to achieve greater equity in the distribution of wealth, incomes and opportunities. The study draws on data from 20 countries based on household surveys covering 3.6 million people, and reviews extensive economic, sociological and political science studies on inequality in Latin America."

**Joanna May** (BA Spanish and Business 1998) recently was selected, from a pool of over 100 applicants, for a position with the American Red Cross in Columbus, Ohio. (More information on Joanna and husband, can be read above under Gonzalo Bruce.)

**David Mayorga** (MBA Business Administration 1988) was a Professor of Business Administration while earning the PhD in Administration at the École de Hautes Études Commerciales (HEC), University of Montréal, Canada. David is now back in Peru, continuing the long history of Pitt graduates who have taught at the Universidad del Pacífico. There, he is a professor, researcher, and academic head of the Department of Business.



Nina

**Andre P. McCarville** (BA History 1999) is the proud father of Nina. One of the grannies also happens to be former CLAS staff member **Haydée McCarville**. Congratulations!

**Jessica L. McCoy** (BS Chemical Engineering 2001) completed the master's degree in Sep-

tember 2003 and is now in the doctoral program in Polymer Science and Engineering at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst. "I think that all of my Latin American Studies and international education...has really helped further my education. I was told it made my graduate application stand out, so I suspect it got me into this program. I still talk about it in awards and fellowships applications."

**Arthur McDonald** (PhD Religious Studies 1992) and Melanie decided, after 21 years in Pittsburgh, to

relocate back to Art's roots in Massachusetts. They settled in Salem in July 2003. Melanie got a pre-school (Head Start) type job and Art works at a UU church in Essex (near Gloucester). He also joined a Colombian solidarity group. Besides ministering at First Universalist Church in Essex, Art is an adjunct faculty member at the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and will be returning to Pittsburgh periodically. He sends *saludos* and *fuerte abrazos* to his many friends in the Pittsburgh area.

**Felipe Morris** (MA Economics 1979) finished a book on the experience of the formalization of urban property in Perú. The book is written in Spanish and is entitled *Develando el misterio: La experiencia de la formalización de la propiedad urbana en el Perú*. Felipe collaborated with Víctor Endo and Rafael Ugaz in its completion. Its focus is the National Formalization Plan implemented by COFOPRI with the assistance of the Urban Property Rights Project of the World Bank; it validates Hernando DeSoto's theories. Felipe was associated with that project as a consultant over the last four years. The book is of interest to those who want to learn more about the impact of property rights projects. The Peruvian experience is the most advanced thus far.

**Anna Myers** (BA Spanish 2004) is a Peace Corps Volunteer in Costa Rica where her service focuses on Rural Community Development. She left Pittsburgh in January for a brief but intense mini-orientation to her assignment, arriving in San José, Costa Rica at the beginning of February (auspiciously on her birthday) where she began training. Training lasted about 12 weeks and Anna will have been sworn in as a PCV by the time you read this. She will remain in Costa Rica until April 2007. The first group of 22 people in the Rural Community Development project began service in May 2003 and the second in May 2004. The major goals of the project are: organizational strengthening of local associations, development committees and other groups; increasing economic opportunities in the rural areas, especially oriented towards women's groups and rural youth; educational enrichment activities with children, youth and adults.

For those of you who don't know much about Costa Rica, Anna provides us with a good sketch: "It is a tropical country with two seasons dry (Nov. to April) and rainy (May to October). The temperature varies with region but is generally between 60 and 100 degrees....houses are generally made of cinder-

block with corrugated steel roofs and virtually all homes have cold running water and electricity. 90% of homes have indoor shower/bathroom facilities and 80% have telephones....”

Anna was assigned to a small mountain community called Los Angeles de Nandayure, located in southern Guanacaste about 1.5 hours outside of the major city of Carmona.

“I’m adjusting to...extra protein in my tea, because you can’t avoid the tiny little ants that live in the sugar bowl, my wonderful new perfume, Ode de Insect Repellent, otherwise, I’d be eaten alive....”

**Concepción Obregón** (doctoral student, Anthropology) and **Rodrigo Liendo** (PhD Anthropology) returned to Rome, Italy for three months in 2004 where they taught classes on the archaeology of Mexico.

**Francisco Olivares** (Masters GSPIA 2003) is now working for CANTV, the largest telecommunications company in Venezuela, as a financial planning consultant, reporting to Verizon in the US. Francisco is very pleased to share with his friends that a paper he wrote in 2002 for Professor Paul Nelson’s course on Globalization and NGOs was recently accepted for publication by the *Journal of Microfinance*. The paper will appear in a future issue under the title “Commercializing Microfinance and Deepening Outreach? Empirical Evidence from Latin America.” Francisco presented a first draft of this paper in the 2003 Latin American Social and Public Policy Conference sponsored by CLAS and used a revised version as the research paper for the certificate in Latin American Studies. Francisco writes: “I am very proud and grateful to you in CLAS and GSPIA for allowing me to grow intellectually and for all your support during my stay in Pittsburgh.” We in CLAS were fortunate to have had Francisco as part of our student body!

**Cathleen O'Malley** (BS Psychology 2001) is currently living in Seattle, working in the field of interactive drama and studying American Sign Language. Cathleen used her Spanish during a recent (her first) trip to Spain. She sends best wishes to participants of the 1999 Oaxaca seminar/field trip.

**Denise Overfield** (PhD Hispanic Languages and Literatures 1996) is an Associate Professor and the Interim Chair of the Department of Foreign Languages at the State University of West Georgia.

**Augusto Oyuela** (PhD Anthropology 1993) has a tenure track position in the Department of Anthropology at the University of Florida.

**Yonca Özdemir** (doctoral candidate, Public and International Affairs—GSPIA) is putting the finishing touches on her dissertation which she hopes to defend in order to complete the doctorate in 2005. Yonca is a reviewer for the journal *Confines. Revista de Relaciones Internacionales y Ciencia Política* of the Division of Humanities and Social Sciences of the Tecnológico de Monterrey (ITESM), Mexico. To learn more about *Confines* or to submit an article (in Spanish, English, or French), see their web site: <http://confines.mty.itesm.mx>

**Joan Paluzzi** (PhD Anthropology 2002) has accepted a tenure stream position at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

**Eva Paus** (PhD Economics 1983) is the Director of the new Center for Global Initiatives ([www.mtholyoke.edu/go/global](http://www.mtholyoke.edu/go/global)) at Mount Holyoke College and continues as Professor of Economics. She also finished a manuscript entitled *Foreign Investment, Development, and Globalization. Can Costa Rica Become Ireland?*. The book will be published by Palgrave Macmillan in early fall. On the home front, Eva’s son is a senior and might decide to retrace his mother’s footsteps to Pittsburgh; Eva’s daughter is 13 and is in middle school.

Apologies to our alumnus, **Carlos Parodi Zevallos** (PhD Political Science 1990). In the last issue of *CLASicos*, SKregar incorrectly attributed a list of publications to our alumnus which, in fact, were written by another Carlos Parodi! Carlos Parodi Trece teaches at the Universidad del Pacífico (where Carlos Parodi Zevallos once studied and worked). Carlos Parodi Zevallos is an Associate Professor at Illinois State University.

**Orlando Perez** (PhD Political Science 1996), an Associate Professor of Political Science at Central Michigan University, took a sabbatical in the fall of 2004 to work on a book about the transformation of civil-military relations in Central America. In the summer of 2004, a colleague in sociology and Orlando developed a study-abroad program with the Universidad Central de las Villas in Santa Clara, Cuba, and took the first group of students there in the summer 2004. During 2003-2004, Orlando served as a consultant to various international entities: Senior Research Analyst for the Panama component of the Central American, Mexico and Colombia, Democratic Indicators Survey for USAID’s Democracy and Governance Monitoring Program—responsible for directing the implementation and analysis of a national probability survey in order to assess democratic

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culture in Panama (October 2003-October 2004); Senior Research Analyst, USAID's Civil Society Corruption Reduction Project in Albania—responsible for directing the implementation and analysis of a series of mass and elite probability surveys to assess the impact of anti-corruption programs in Albania (October 2003-April 2004); Research Associate, A Study of the Impact on Democracy of Municipal Development in Ecuador—responsible for pre-testing, finalizing questionnaire, and supervising training of interviewers for a democratic values survey conducted by CEDATOS of Ecuador under contract to the University of Pittsburgh (December 2003). Orlando's recent publications and presentations include: "New Threats and Old Dilemmas: Central America's Armed Forces in the 21st Century," (with Richard Millett), *Journal of Political and Military Sociology* (forthcoming 2005); "Panama During World War II: Nationalism and the Rise of the Panameñista Movement," in John Bratzel and Thomas Leonard (eds.), *Latin America During World War II* (Rowman & Littlefield, forthcoming, 2005); with Ricardo Córdova Macías, "La Transformación de las Relaciones Civiles - Militares en Centroamérica" in José Antonio Olmeda (ed.), *Las relaciones civiles militares en el mundo Iberoamericano* (Instituto Universitario General Gutiérrez Mellado. Madrid, forthcoming 2005); "Regional Security Policy, Plan Colombia and U.S.-Venezuela Relations," in Brian Loveman (ed.), *Protecting Our Backyard: U.S. Security Policy in Latin America and the Andean Region since 1990* (Scholarly Resources, forthcoming 2005); "Panama," in Karen Jacobs Sparks, *2005 Britannica Book of the Year* (Chicago, IL: Encyclopedia Britannica, Inc., forthcoming 2005); "Democratic Legitimacy and Public Insecurity: The Impact of Crime Victimization on Support for Democracy in El Salvador and Guatemala," *Political Science Quarterly* 118(4):1-19; Special Issue Guest Editor, "100 Years of Panama" and "Panama Turns 100!," *South Eastern Latin Americanist* XLVII(1-2) (Summer/Fall 2003). Orlando also made the following presentations in 2004: "Assessing State Fragility in the Western Hemisphere," panel participant at the Conference on State Fragility in the Western Hemisphere: Identification, Prevention, and Reconstruction, Sponsored by Office of External Research, Bureau of Intelligence & Research (INR), U.S. Department of State and National Intelligence Council (NIC), Arlington, VA (October 29, 2004); "Civil-Military Relations in Latin America: A Case Study of Public Opinion in

Ecuador and Paraguay" (with Raymond Whitney III), paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois (April 15-18, 2004).



Isaac

comes from the word "yishaq" which means "he laughs."

**Arturo Porzecanski** (PhD Economics 1975) has "retired" from Wall Street after nearly 30 years and has turned his energy to the world of academia. He taught two tutorials as a visiting professor of economics at Williams College in Massachusetts and also taught two seminars as an Adjunct Professor of Economics at New York University. In September 2005, Arturo will commute to Washington, DC where he has accepted a faculty appointment as Scholar of International Finance at American University, a designation equivalent to a professorship of practice. He also will continue to teach part-time in New York, perhaps at Columbia or NYU.

**Theodore J. Rectenwald** (BA History/English Literature 1977) spent two years working with Africare in Mozambique but has now returned to the Pittsburgh area to be with his son, daughter, and Eve—the most recent addition to the Rectenwald family. "Our beautiful new baby daughter, Eve Toha Elsa Rectenwald...was born in West Penn Hospital on [January] twenty-first." We hope to see Ted, his lovely wife, Marie-Louise, and children at Pitt before they depart for another international experience.

**Kathryn Petrucci** (BA Liberal Studies 1992) is a Mom! Isaac Raphael Godin was born on Sunday, February 20, 2005 at 4:14 a.m. Isaac was born at home with the help of the midwifery team of Maggie, Rachel, and Pam. Mommy, daddy, baby and cats are all doing well. "Isaac"



Eve and Ted

**Steven L. Reed** (Masters in GSPIA and in Economics 1977) was promoted to the number two spot in the Inter-American Investment Corporation. Steve is very involved in running the business—which he greatly enjoys. After a downswing in 2001 and 2002, largely because of Argentina and the general collapse of the equities market in the region, the IIC prospered in 2003 and did even better in 2004. Although it was a challenge to get things turned around, Steve also sees it as rewarding to have accomplished the excellent results. Korea will soon become a shareholder of IIC and China soon will be applying. The next annual meeting will be held in Okinawa in April 2005. For more info about the corporation (and a beautifully designed web site), see: <http://www.iic.int>

**Claudia Rivera Casanovas** (PhD Anthropology 2004) did the Spanish translation of *Guangala Fishers and Farmers: A Case Study of Animal Use at El Azúcar, Southwestern Ecuador/Pescadores y agricultores Guangala: Un estudio de caso de uso animal en el Azúcar, suroeste de Ecuador* by Elizabeth J. Reitz and Maria A. Masucci (University of Pittsburgh Memoirs in Latin American Archaeology No. 14, Pittsburgh/Quito, 2004).

**Laura Rossetti** (BSBA Finance and Marketing 2004) is an Accountant with the Family Health Council, Inc., located in Pittsburgh.

**James E. Sanders** (PhD History 2000) is an Assistant Professor of History at Utah State University. Jamie is the author of *Contentious Republicans: Popular Politics, Race, and Class in Nineteenth-Century Colombia* (Duke University Press, 2004). The book has received high praise—from the Duke University Press web site (<http://www.dukeupress.edu>): “Contentious Republicans explores the mid-nineteenth-century rise of mass electoral democracy in the southwestern region of Colombia, a country many assume has never had a meaningful democracy of any sort. James E. Sanders describes a surprisingly rich republicanism characterized by legal rights and popular participation, and he explains how this vibrant political culture was created largely by competing subaltern groups seeking to claim their rights as citizens and their place in the political sphere. Moving beyond the many studies of nineteenth-century nation building that focus on one segment of society, Contentious Republicans examines the political activism of three distinct social and racial groups: Afro-Colombians, Indians, and white peasant migrants. Beginning in the late 1840s, subaltern groups entered the political arena to forge alliances, both temporary and enduring, with the elite Liberal and Conservative Parties. In the process, each group

formed its own political discourses and reframed republicanism to suit its distinct needs. These popular liberals and popular conservatives bargained for the parties’ support and deployed a broad repertoire of political actions, including voting, demonstrations, petitions, strikes, boycotts, and armed struggle. By the 1880s, though, many wealthy Colombians of both parties blamed popular political engagement for social disorder and economic failure, and they successfully restricted lower-class participation in politics. Sanders suggests that these reactionary developments contributed to the violence and unrest afflicting modern Colombia. Yet in illuminating the country’s legacy of participatory politics in the nineteenth century, he shows that the current situation is neither inevitable nor eternal.”

“Contentious Republicans is the most intelligent and persuasive application of the insights of ‘subaltern studies’ I have encountered in the field of Latin American studies. James E. Sanders shows in engaging detail how different subaltern groups turned the republican politics of newly independent Colombia into an arena of struggle. The quality and sheer quantity of Sander’s evidence is impressive; much of it is drawn from regional and national archives largely untapped for the purpose of writing social and cultural history.”—Charles Bergquist, author of *Labor and the Course of American Democracy: U.S. History in Latin American Perspective*.

**Celeste Scheib Angus** (BA Political Science/Spanish 1981) is in her nineteenth year as the U.S. Director of ORT International. She recently returned from the Republics of Serbia and Montenegro where she managed a civil society program to strengthen the Montenegrin NGO sector ([www.ortmap.org](http://www.ortmap.org)). She also traveled to Budapest (one of her favorite cities) and went to Kosovo to deliver a proposal for a USAID-funded civil society project. ORT International worked in Albania for many years, as well as Bosnia and Montenegro and are well-positioned for Kosovo. Celeste is also managing an agricultural program in Chad. In addition, ORT is working in Ukraine and Russia with HP managing digital community centers trying to reduce the digital divide. Back at home, Celeste’s three sons are 12, 15, and 17. The oldest is waiting to hear from colleges (Duke or perhaps a New England school such as Williams, Amherst, Middlebury). Celeste’s husband continues in his law practice.

**Susan Schwarzel Andrick** (BA Anthropology 1991) is a stay-at-home mom in Atlanta, Georgia. She and her husband introduced their two daughters to Costa Rica last Christmas. The family traveled with a friend from Michigan who has family in Costa Rica. Susan

## Shirley K's Korner (continued)

appreciated getting the Costa Rican perspective rather than the typical "tourist" view. She tried out her Spanish but admits to needing some refresher classes. (Don't we all after being out of Latin America for too long?) Susan and family may be moving back to Pittsburgh to be near family.

**Leonard Sekelick** (PhD Hispanic Languages and Literatures 1996) spent some time in Barcelona last spring. Len had an apartment there in an "old, funky neighborhood" off of the Rambla (the city's main promenade). This was Len's first trip to Catalonia and it seems that he greatly enjoyed it. "...great food and energy. Also, the architecture is absolutely amazing, especially Antoni Gaudi's twists and curves at Parc Guell and Casa Mila (La Pedrera)." In January, Len spent three weeks in Argentina. In April, he spent spring break in Costa Rica.

**Kevin Skillin** (Masters GSPIA 1998) and wife Becky have a new daughter—Anna arrived on February 17 at 1:43 a.m. at Muscat Private Hospital (in Oman). The other Skillin children are growing fast! Timmy started kindergarten and Laura is now three years old. Last year, Becky did a bit of substitute teaching and also taught church studies to 3-8 year olds. Kevin hosted a number of visitors for the free trade



Kevin and Anna

agreement (a NAFTA-type thing in the Gulf), launched a new American Business Council, trained new employees at the embassy for the commerce section, and wrote informative letters (called cables) to the State Department about economic, educational, science, and health issues.

**Andrew J. Stein** (PhD Political Science 1995), **Orlando Perez** (see above), and **Roman Kyshakevych** (PhD Geology 1998) traveled to New York City in December for a reunion with **Ricardo Córdova** (PhD Political Science 2001). Ricardo was preparing to leave Columbia University where he had been a Visiting Tinker Professor. Andrew also traveled to Brazil for three weeks as part of his work for the Office of Research, R/AA U.S. Department of State.

**Gail Strause Deckman** (BA Political Science 1979) participated in the CLAS 1976 Seminar/Field Trip to

Belo Horizonte. She has returned to Brazil twice—once with her husband and again with her children. Her oldest son, Douglas Rhoads, is now a senior at Pitt.

**Alaedine Tidjani** (Undergraduate Exchange Student 1989-90) is the only CLAS alumnus from Morocco! Alaedine was a participant in an exchange program to Pitt in 1989-1990. Although he was selected to participate in the CLAS Seminar/Field Trip to Ticul (Mexico), he was unable to do so. Since returning to Morocco, "I have worked for about 10 years in private sector companies and multinational companies, with a 2 year interruption working for USAID....I have launched my business—an export company, dealing mainly with handicrafts from Morocco. I invite you to visit my website, which by the way is trilingual (French, English and Spanish)." See: <http://www.caravan-saray.com> Alaedine is trying to expand to the U.S. market but his company is still very small and to date his efforts have been focused on Europe.

**Benjamin S. Williams** (BA in Spanish/Minor in Political Science 2004) is an Intern at the Buffalo Regional Office of New York State Senator Charles Schumer in Buffalo, New York.

**Carrie A. Zayas** (BA Spanish 1997) is the Hispanic Segment Manager for PNC Bank, a member of The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. Carrie is responsible for reaching Hispanic customers through existing PNC products and programs and for creating new culturally and language appropriate materials to help make banking easier for Spanish-speaking customers. She is the first Hispanic Segment Manager at PNC. She joined PNC in October 1997 as a Financial Services Consultant and was promoted to Lead Financial Services Consultant II. In 2002, Carrie led the development of a Spanish-language toll free telephone line as part of PNC's Customer Service Call Center, providing service for Hispanic customers. Under her leadership, 1-866-HOLA-PNC has grown from two Spanish-speaking customer service representatives to 18 and receives on average more than 15,000 Spanish-language calls each month from PNC Bank customers and business owners. As special project manager for the Hispanic marketing program from August 2003 to January 2004, she organized outreach programs for the Hispanic community in the Pittsburgh area, began development of a Spanish-language PNC website, and

translated Spanish ads and brochures. She also spearheaded the initiative to hire bilingual employees in PNC Bank branches in addition to the bilingual customer service representatives. Carrie is active in the Hispanic community, leading a Spanish story time for children at the Carnegie Library and participating in the Pittsburgh Metropolitan Area Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. In 2003, Carrie earned a Professional Translation Certificate in Spanish/English. She studied at the Universidad de las Américas in Puebla, Mexico as an undergraduate.

**Matilde Zimmermann** (PhD History 1998) is the Resident Director of SLC (Sarah Lawrence College) in Cuba and is a faculty member in History and Global Studies at SLC. Matilde has been based in Havana the last two fall semesters

(2003 and 2004) as Director of SLC in Cuba. Because of the new U.S. restrictions on undergraduate academic programs in Cuba, Sarah Lawrence is now the only program of U.S. students at the University of Havana. Matilde's biography of Carlos Fonseca (Duke University Press, 2000) which was based on her dissertation, was published in Spanish in Nicaragua in 2003. An updated Cuban edition has just been released as: *Bajo las banderas de Che y Sandino*, translated by Erick Blandón—also a Pitt PhD—(La Habana: Editorial Ciencias Sociales, 2004).

Thanks to our Nashville correspondent Mitchell A. Seligson (aka Centennial Professor of Political Science and Fellow, Center for the Americas, at Vanderbilt University).

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## Friends of the Center

Thanks to all Pitt alumni who responded to our request for post-Pitt career/education information.

**Peter Finelli** completed the bachelor's degree in Biology/Anthropology at Pitt in 2003. He enrolled in a number of Spanish language and Latin American area courses as an undergraduate. Peter is currently in the graduate studies program of Biological Sciences

**Julie Martinez** is a network engineer for a government contractor in the DC area. Although she is not currently using her Latin American economics background, she does use Spanish nearly every day outside of the job.

**Tracy Tilghman** (BA Communication 2004) is a graduate student at the University of Pittsburgh in the MAT program.

**Tracy Tymoczko** received the bachelor's degree in Spanish and a certificate in West European Studies in 2004. She currently is a graduate student in the MAT program, School of Education, University of Pittsburgh.

**Brad R. Huber** (PhD Anthropology 1985) was promoted to full professor in anthropology at the College of Charleston, South Carolina, a few years ago. During the past year, Brad started teaching a new course, "Human Behavior and Evolution." The course combines research from a number of disciplines including anthropology, primatology, ethology, and evolutionary psychology. Brad sends greetings to all of his Pittsburgh friends.

Shirley K's Korner (continued)**Pitt's Plus3 Program Wins Andrew Heiskell Award**

Pitt's Plus3 study abroad program was among the winners of the fourth annual Andrew Heiskell Awards for Innovation in International Education presented by the Institute for International Education (IIE). Jointly organized and led by faculty from the College of Business Administration (CBA) and the School of Engineering and with support from the University's Study Abroad Office, the Plus3 study abroad program is a three-credit, optional add-on to both CBA's required first-year course "Managing in Complex Environments" and Engineering's required first-year course "Introduction to Engineering Analysis." The program was developed and is supported by the University's International Business Center—a U.S. Department of Education National Resource Centers for International Business Education and Research.

In presenting the Heiskell Awards, IIE President Allan E. Goodman said, "The 2005 Andrew Heiskell Award-winning programs represent some of the most effective responses to the challenge of preparing the next generation to think and work on a global basis. By recognizing excellence and innovation, the institute hopes to encourage other colleges to create and expand their own programs based on these successful models. Campuses with strong international programs provide a richer experience for both the U.S. students and the international students they serve."

The Plus3 Program includes preparatory lectures and lessons in survival-language skills followed by a two-week international research trip at semester's end. In 2004, participating business and engineering students chose field study options in Valparaiso, Chile; Nanjing, China; Prague, the Czech Republic; or Augsburg, Germany. Field study options for 2005 include São Paulo, Brazil; Beijing, China; Rouen, France; as well as Valparaiso and Augsburg. While overseas, students study the host country's history, language, and culture. From their Pitt faculty leader or local experts, they learn about cross-cultural management and the industries and firms they have been assigned to analyze. Students also take part in four-to-six company site visits that form the basis for the team project they are required to complete on returning to the United States. "It is crucial to our national competitiveness that students in the professional schools become more global," said **Lawrence Feick**, director of Pitt's International Business Center and codeveloper of the Plus3 program. "In recent years, we have witnessed increasing global competition from countries such as India and China for highly skilled professional jobs in many areas." According to **Larry Shuman**, another Plus3 codeveloper and associate dean for academic affairs in Pitt's School of Engineering, the program is the ideal first step in the school's push to have its graduates more cross-culturally aware. "Tomorrow's engineers will have to become more innovative, function as systems integrators, and be able to work in diverse cultures if they are going to compete successfully for jobs in a worldwide market in which others, with the same technical skills, will work for a fraction of the salary."

Plus3, along with the other winning initiatives and honorable mentions, will be showcased on the IIE Network Web site ([www.iienetwork.org](http://www.iienetwork.org)) throughout the year as best practices in the field of international education and will serve as resources for the international educational community worldwide. Each of the winning programs will receive a \$1,000 prize. They also will be featured in the Spring 2005 issue of the IIE Networker magazine. The awards are named for the late Andrew Heiskell, a longtime member of IIE's Board of Trustees, a renowned philanthropist, and a passionate supporter of international education. With a network of 19 offices worldwide and more than 780 college and university members and 5,000 volunteers, IIE is one of the world's most experienced global higher education and professional exchange organizations. For more information about IIE, visit [www.iie.org](http://www.iie.org). For more information about the Plus3 program, [www.pitt.edu/AFShome/a/b/abroad/public/html/plus3](http://www.pitt.edu/AFShome/a/b/abroad/public/html/plus3).

The Center is pleased to congratulate all those involved in the Plus3 Program—especially CLAS faculty members **Josephine Olson** (Business) and **Luis Chaparro** (Engineering) who played major roles in the development and implementation of the program.

**Ana Paula Carvalho** (Lecturer, Hispanic Languages and Literatures) is well known for her enthusiasm and good results in teaching Portuguese and sharing the culture of her home country—Brazil—with Pitt students. In recognition of her efforts, Ana Paula was presented with an etched plaque as the winner of the Students' Choice Award. These awards were begun about eight years ago and are presented annually. Students nominate university faculty and staff who go beyond the "call of duty" to help students in a variety of ways. The nominations consist of a brief essay explaining how the student has been positively affected and why they feel this person should be recognized. Congratulations to an inspired and inspiring teacher!



#### **To the Family of Professor Hector Correa**

Many of Professor Correa's former students have asked that we extend their sympathy to Hector's family. From Japan to Washington, from Argentina to Canada, we have received fond reminiscences of this dedicated scholar who pushed his students to do their very best.

#### **Editors Note:**

In the group photograph on page 30 of **CLASicos** 56 (Summer 2004), **Ana Carolina Garriga** was misidentified as Andrea Castagnola. We apologize for this error and have reproduced Ana Carolina's picture from the group photograph here.





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