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Dear Alumni and Friends,

As the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association is about to take place in Seattle, let me invite any of you attending to drop by the Texas reception, co-sponsored by UT, Rice, Houston, A&M and Tech. It has become our custom to buy old friends of the department, as well as current students and faculty, a drink or two and I see no reason to break an honorable tradition.

We are about to embark on a fourth straight year of difficult economic and budgetary problems. The College of Liberal Arts has an austerity plan to get us back in the black soon. In the meantime, our normal pattern of recruiting several lines each year has been interrupted. We were able to hire only one new colleague last year (Scott Wolford, PhD Emory, assistant professor Colorado). The year previously we were permitted to break a total hiring freeze in order to bring Daniel Brinks back to the department after a short-lived stint at Notre Dame. This year we will again be seeking to fill the Charles Wilson chair in Pakistan Studies and have one open rank search in international relations.

Let me bring you up to date on developments in our international relations field, which is a top priority of the department. Harrison Wagner ended a stellar career by retiring last January and George Gavrilis resigned in May 2010. That left us with only three active members of the field: Peter Trubowitz, Patrick McDonald and Terry Chapman. Peter was promoted to full professor last year, but we stood to lose both McDonald and Chapman, each of whom was being hotly pursued by other institutions. I am happy to report that with the Dean's support, we were able to retain both and with the addition of Wolford have a very talented core of a subfield clearly on an upward trajectory. That trajectory should be ensured with a successful search this year.

Now for something entirely different: It probably started as a joke, when it was suggested to me that I challenge the chair of the Texas A&M political science department to a Longhorn-Aggie political science softball duel. Some time has passed since then, but the idea never died, and I am happy to report to you that the challenge has been made and accepted, and that next spring, exact date TBD, the state's flagship political science programs will gather in Austin for their first annual softball game. The game will be open to interested faculty, graduate students and staff. Alumni, of course, are also welcome to play, so feel free to join the fun. We expect people to show up and play, or at least cheer and mingle, and we expect people to make the trek to College Station in 2013 for the second annual match. We expect to have a great time. We also expect to win.

Best wishes,

Gary P. Freeman, Chair

Texas Reception at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting

APSA is Aug. 31-Sept. 4 in Seattle. The Texas Reception is 7:30-9 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 2, in the Washington State Convention Center, Room 3B. We hope to see you there.

Policy Agendas Project Short Course at APSA

The Policy Agendas Project will be offering a short course on the US and comparative agendas projects at the 2011 APSA meeting, Wed., Aug. 31. More info [here](#).

Wagner Send-Off

The department will tip its cap to Harrison Wagner, Monday, Oct. 3. James Fearon will be the keynote speaker.

Alumni Speaker Series

Danny Hayes (PhD 2006, assistant professor, American University) has accepted our invitation to give the 2011 alumni talk. This year's event will take place Friday, Nov. 18.

Lin and Niou Leading TAPSA

Tse-min Lin and **Emerson Niou** (PhD 1987, professor, Duke University) have been leaders in forming the Taiwanese-American Political Science Association. In the summer of 2010, 10 U.S. political scientists, including Lin and Niou, were invited by the Taiwanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs to visit Taiwanese President Ma Ying-jeou, Premier Wu Den-yih, Speaker Wang Jin-pyng, Minister Timothy Chin-Tien Yang and many other government leaders. Subsequently, at Niou's initiative, the group met at Duke University to conceive and deliberate specific measures for reviving Taiwan Studies in the United States, and TAPSA has since submitted a significant research proposal to MOFA with hopes of securing annual funding. While Niou's rise through the ranks at Duke is arguably the Department of Government's all-time most-celebrated placement, many of the department's alumni have fared extremely well in Taiwan. For example, three alumni currently hold positions at National Taiwan University, considered to be one of the top 100 universities in the world. **Yeh-lih Wang** (Phd 1989) is chair of the NTU political science department; **Tzong-Ho Bau** (Phd 1986) is vice president of NTU; and **Feng-yu Lee** (PhD 2007) is an assistant professor at NTU. This month, at National Chengchi University in Taiwan, **Chien-wen Kou** (PhD 1999) was awarded the Distinguished Professor and Distinguished Teaching Award and became director of the university's Graduate Institute of East Asian Studies.



Tse-min Lin with Taiwanese President Ma Ying-jeou

Holtzman, Mellow, Theriault, Tulis Receiving APSA Honors

Several department faculty and alumni are receiving recognition this year from the American Political Science Association.

Richard Holtzman (PhD 2006, assistant professor, Bryant University) is the recipient of APSA and Pi Sigma Alpha's 2011 Outstanding Teaching in Political Science Award. Holtzman also received Bryant University Student Senate's Choice Award for Faculty Cooperation and Support. Holtzman has an article forthcoming on presidential rhetoric in the *International Social Science Review*, "What's the Problem, Mr. President?: Bush's Shifting Definitions of the 2008 Financial Crisis."

Nicole Mellow (PhD 2003, associate professor, Williams College) and **Jeff Tulis** are honorable mention recipients of the 2011 Founder's Award for best paper handed out by APSA's Presidency Research Group. Their book, "Legacies of Loss in American Politics," is forthcoming from Princeton University Press in 2013. Tulis, with **Sanford Levinson**, is also editing a new book series on constitutional thinking (University of Kansas Press). Mellow is also the subject of one of our favorite things: Longhorns reviewing Longhorns in "Perspectives on Politics." Seth McKee's (PhD 2005, associate professor, University of South Florida) [review of Mellow's book](#) appeared in the June issue.

Sean Theriault's paper on the Gingrich Senators (with David Rhode, Duke), is the 2011 recipient of CQ Press's Legislative Studies Section Best Paper Award.

Graduate Student Publications

Our graduate students are publishing at a dizzying pace. William Blake appears to be possessed, rattling off three solo pieces before even sitting for comps. Billing themselves as the Peruvian version of Collier and Collier, Eduardo Dargent and Paula Muñoz had their first coauthored piece appear in the "Journal of Politics in Latin America," and Dargent's solo piece in "Comparative Politics" was published this year as well. Matt Vandebroek has broken ground with a piece in "American Politics Review," Trey Thomas has a coauthored article set for publication in "Public Administration," and Steven Pittz's article on Tocqueville has appeared in JOP. [Keep up if you can.](#)

Richard Kraemer, 1920-2011



Emeritus Professor of Government Richard Kraemer, Lt. Colonel, U.S.A.F. (Ret.), died June 11, 2011. Kraemer taught full-time in the Department of Government for 20 years beginning in 1965, then part-time until 2001 and then continued to teach through the Distance Education Center until 2000. Kraemer coauthored textbooks on Texas politics and government that have set the field standard since the late 1970s. In 2010 he published his last book, "The Secret War in the Balkans, a W.W.II Memoir." In 1971 he won the Jean Holloway Award for Excellence in Teaching. Quoting from the "Austin American-Statesman" obituary, "In 1953 he flew 41 missions of a 50 mission tour in Korea before the armistice was signed in July. In all he logged 1,600 hours flying time in the combat zones, possibly a record for American airmen ... Richard was an authority on collaborative learning (teaching through political games and simulations) and on the teaching of critical thinking. He pioneered the design and teaching of interdisciplinary courses and the establishment of internship programs."

William Astor Kirk, 1922-2011

Believed to be the first African American to receive a doctorate from the Department of Government, William Astor Kirk passed away earlier this month. Read more on the [department website](#).

Faculty Updates

Zoltan Barany's and **Rob Moser's** "Is Democracy Exportable" (CUP, 2009) will be published in Arabic by Jadawel Publisher of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

Jason Casellas received a 2011-12 National Academy of Education/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship.

Terri Givens was the cover story of the [June 2011 AustinWoman magazine](#).

Ken Greene was awarded a 2011-12 Raymond Dickson Centennial Endowed Teaching Fellowship.

Ben Gregg has a new book chapter, "Genetic Enhancement: A New Dialectic of Enlightenment? in Perspektiven der Aufklärung [Perspectives on the European Enlightenment]," edited by Hartmut Rosa, Daniel Fulda, and Olaf Breidbach. Paderborn (Germany): Fink Verlag, 2011. Next month, Gregg will present his paper, "The Internet: Why is it Emancipatory in Some Parts of the World but Oppressive in Others?" in Innsbruck, Austria at the Third Joint Congress for Sociology of the respective national sociological associations of Austria, Switzerland and Germany.

John Higley's coedited volume, "Immigration and the Financial Crisis: The United States and Australia Compared," (Monash Studies in Global Movements series) is set for publication. Look for a brilliant chapter by Freeman and Tendler. And Leal too.

Robert Moser was appointed to the APSA Task Force on Electoral Rules and Democratic Governance.

Thomas Pangle's "Justice Among Nations: On the Moral Basis of Power and Peace," (co-authored with Peter J. Ahrensdorf) is now recommended as a must-read resource on Academic Theories of International Relations in the International Relations module of Oxford Bibliographies Online. Pangle has been asked and accepted to become a Founding Member of the editorial board for "The Chinese Journal of Classical Studies" and he has a recent book chapter: "The Twofold Challenge for Democratic Culture in Europe in Our Time," chapter 15 of Brian Danoff and L. Joseph Hebert, Jr., eds., "Alexis de Tocqueville and the Art of Democratic Statesmanship" (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2011).

David Prindle was interviewed on camera for several hours by a documentary film-making crew on the present internal and external difficulties of the Screen Actors Guild (the labor union that represents movie and TV actors), thanks to his 1988 book, "The Politics of Glamour: Ideology and Democracy in the Screen Actors Guild."

Alumni Updates

Jungug Choi (PhD 2001, associate professor, Konkuk University) has a second book, "Votes, Party Systems and Democracy in Asia." It will be published by Routledge in 2012.

Jasmine Farrier's (PhD 2000, associate professor, University of Louisville) article "President Obama and Budget Deficits: Signs of a Neo-Whig Presidency" appears in the September issue of *Presidential Studies Quarterly*.

Dennis Hickey (PhD 1988, professor, Missouri State University) has a new book chapter on U.S. policy and cross-Strait rapprochement and has published op-eds in "China Daily" and "Taipei Times."

Jongho Lee (PhD 2000, associate professor, Western Illinois University) received tenure.

Shannan Mattiace (PhD 1998, associate professor, Allegheny College) gave a series of talks at Franklin College in Lugano, Switzerland, earlier this year.

John Morris (PhD 1994, program manager and research scientist, Shepherd Center) coedited a special issue of "Topics in Stroke Rehabilitation," presented two coauthored papers at rehabilitation engineering and design conferences, and coauthored three filings before the FCC and Department of Justice related to 21st Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010 and next generation 911 emergency services. He has articles under review at "Journal of Homeland Security and Emergency Management" and "Journal of Disability Policy Studies."

Curt Nichols (PhD 2010, assistant professor, Baylor University) has publications forthcoming in “Polity” and (with **David Leal**) in “Armed Forces and Society.” Last year, Nichols was invited (and presented his paper on presidential rankings) to the department.

Gwenn Okruhlik (PhD 1992, visiting scholar, Trinity University) formed the Association for Gulf and Arabian Peninsula Studies, unanimously approved by the Middle East Studies Association Board of Directors. The association is committed to high standards of scholarship and instruction, innovative research agendas, new networks of collaboration, the promotion of fieldwork in the GAP, the integration of promising graduate students, and the inclusion of diversity (in gender, discipline, age, location and area expertise). The association will sponsor several panels at each MESA meeting and hopes to encourage research agendas that are fresh and nuanced, both in theory and empiricism. Early membership is drawn from North America, Asia, the Middle East and Europe.

Charles Phillips (PhD 1979) and **Catherine Hawes** (PhD 1983) (both professors, Texas A&M Health Science Center) have been awarded a contract by The Texas Health and Human Services Commission to develop an instrument that will be used to assess the care needs of all those individuals in Texas seeking or receiving Medicaid home care services, over 150,000 Texans.

Laura Seay (PhD 2009, assistant professor, Morehouse College) is contributing to the “Guardian’s” global development blog and “The Atlantic.com.” Her symposium piece, “Whither Civil Society? Local Peacebuilding and the International Community,” was published in “African Security Review.”

Jungkun Seo’s (PhD 2007, assistant professor, UNC-Wilmington) article “The Party Politics of Guns versus Butter in post-Vietnam America” was published in the “Journal of American Studies.”

Carolyn Shaw (PhD 2000, associate professor, Wichita State University) completed her semester in Lublin, Poland as a Fulbright Scholar teaching at Marie Curie Skłodowskiej University (and enjoyed side trips to Rome, Athens, Prague and Dublin as well as around Poland). She will return with her students next summer on a travel seminar.

Terry Sullivan (PhD 1980, associate professor, UNC-Chapel Hill) continues his research on presidential leadership, including a new theory of bargaining (current issue of JOP) and a new project detailing presidential activities minute by minute from Eisenhower through Bush 41 using the national archives presidential daily logs. Alongside Colombian President Juan Santos, Sullivan attended a UN-sponsored conference on the Santos administration’s new organizational structure and agenda for the Colombian executive. Sullivan has advised Santos and his staff on organizational issues and management of the policy process.

David Williams (PhD 1999) is now associate professor at DePaul University.

Don Zinman’s (PhD 2006, assistant professor, Grand Valley State University) article “The Heir Apparent Presidency of James Madison” will be published in December’s “Presidential Studies Quarterly.”

2011-12 Job Market Candidates

Mijeong Baek

Supervisor: Daron Shaw

Kody Cooper

Supervisor: J. Budziszewski

Michael Dennis

Supervisor: Rob Moser

Jonghoon Eun

Supervisor: Bruce Buchanan

Laura Field

Supervisor: Thomas Pangle

Austin Hart

Supervisor: Kurt Weyland

Aaron Herold

Supervisor: Thomas Pangle

Patrick Hickey

Supervisor: Sean Theriault

Stephanie Holmsten

Supervisor: Rob Moser

Taofang Huang

Supervisor: Daron Shaw

Jacqueline Hunsicker

Supervisor: Sanford Levinson

Matthew Johnson

Supervisor: Raúl Madrid and Kurt Weyland

Mohammed Malley

Supervisor: Clement Henry

Adam Myers

Supervisor: Bryan Jones and Peter Trubowitz

Marco Paoli

Supervisor: Lorraine Pangle

Joel Parker

Supervisor: Sanford Levinson and Russ Muirhead

Jerod Patterson

Supervisor: David Leal

Arthur Shuster

Supervisor: Thomas Pangle

L. Matthew Vandenbroek

Supervisor: Daron Shaw and Nick Valentino

Shinya Wakao

Supervisor: Robert Luskin

Matthew Wright

Supervisor: J. Budziszewski

Kristin Wylie

Supervisor: Wendy Hunter

2011-12 Graduate Student Department Fellowships

Macdonald Dissertation Fellowships (full year)

Huseyin Alptekin

Matthew Buehler

Kody Cooper

Jessica Price

L. Matthew Vandenbroek

Michelle Wolfe

Macdonald Dissertation Fellowships (half year)

Jacqueline Hunsicker

Ilana Lifshitz

Amanda Skuldt

Eric Svensen

Randy Uang

Mark Verbitsky

Allison White

2011-12 Graduate Student University Fellowships

Bruton Fellowship

Patrick Hickey

FLAS Fellowships

Abby Blass

Steven Brooke

John Graeber

Stephen Joyce
Pete Mohanty
Rachel Sternfeld

University Continuing Fellowships
Regina Goodnow
Matthew Johnson

2011-12 Graduate Student External Fellowships and Grants

Boren Fellowships
Katherine Bersch
Emma Deputy
J.J. Kinkel
Yuval Weber

Carnegie Research Fellowship
Yuval Weber

Earhart Fellowship
Laura Rabinowitz

Fulbright
Daniel Nogueira-Budny

SSRC Middle East Political Science Travel Grant
Emma Deputy

NSF Dissertation Improvement Grant
L. Matthew Vandenbroek

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship
Johnny Meyer

NSF/TESS Grant (Time-Sharing Experiments in the Social Sciences)
Austin Hart (with Joel Middleton, NYU)

Social Science Humanities Research Council of Canada
Jeremy Fortier

Graduate Student Papers at APSA

Huseyin Alptekin: "Institutional Incorporation and Ethnic Mobilization in Cyprus and Turkey."
Sun., Sept. 4, 10:15 a.m.

Emma Deputy: “Toshka: The Façade of Great Public Works in Authoritarian Regimes.”
Thurs, Sept. 1, 10:15 a.m.

Jonghoon Eun: “Estimating and Comparing the Ideal Points of Departing Justices and Their Successors.”
Fri., Sept. 2, 2.p.m

Patrick Hickey: “Beyond Pivotal Politics: An Analysis of Vote Switching on Veto Override Votes.”
Fri., Sept. 2, 8 a.m.

Stephanie Holmsten: “The Relative Effects of Race and Gender on Voting Behavior.”
Fri., Sept. 2, 10:15 a.m.

Sarat Krishnan: “Suicide Attacks — Opportunistic Tactic or Strategic Campaign?”
Fri., Sept. 2, 10:15 a.m.

Jennifer Lamm: “Political Rights and Wrongs: Alien Soldiers, Veterans, and their Families in the United States.”
Sun., Sept. 4, 10:15 a.m.

Megan Moeller: “All the Republican Ladies, Now Put Your Hands Up: The Effect of Gender on Ideology in Roll Call Votes.”
Thurs., Sept. 1, 8 a.m.

Pete Mohanty: “Thick and Thin and Public Support for the Political Inclusion of Immigrants.”
Sun., Sept. 4, 10:15 a.m.

Matt Vandenbroek: “Disentangling Aversion: Experimentally Testing the Impact of Disgust and Anger on Political Participation.”
Sat., Sept. 3, 4:15 p.m.

Recent ABDs

Huseyin Alptekin
Supervisor: Raúl Madrid

Abby Blass
Supervisor: Dan Brinks

Jeremy Fortier
Supervisor: Thomas Pangle

Jennifer Lamm
Supervisor: David Leal

Ilana Lifshitz
Supervisor: Dan Brinks

Dorothy Morgan

Supervisor: Tse-min Lin

Jessica Price

Supervisor: Raúl Madrid

Rachel Sternfeld

Supervisor: Jason Brownlee

Yuval Weber

Supervisor: Peter Trubowitz

Recent Graduates

PhDs awarded:

Manuel Balán

Dissertation: Today's Allies, Tomorrow's Enemies? The Political Dynamics of Corruption Scandals in Latin America

Supervisor: Kurt Weyland

Matthew Cohen

Dissertation: Bargaining and Fighting in the Moonlight

Supervisors: Tse-min Lin and Harrison Wagner

N. Susanne Martin

Dissertation: From Parliamentarianism to Terrorism and Back Again

Supervisors: Rob Moser and Ami Pedahzur

Mohammed Malley

Dissertation: The Political Impact of Islamic Banking in Jordan

Supervisor: Clement Henry

Ernest McGowen

Dissertation: The Brave New World: The Social and Participatory Behaviors of the Modern Suburban African American

Supervisor: Tasha Philpot

Robert Parks

Dissertation: Local-National Relations and the Politics of Property Rights in Algeria and Tunisia

Supervisor: Clement Henry

Daniel Ryan

Dissertation: Democratic Governance and the Courts: The Political Sources of the Judicialization of Public Policy in Argentina

Supervisor: Dan Brinks

Mary Slosar

Dissertation: The Power of Personality: Candidate-Centered Voting in Comparative Perspective
Supervisor: Robert Luskin

Recent Job Placements

Manuel Balán, McGill University

Laura Field, Faculty Fellow at Rhodes College

Aaron Herold, Postdoc at Rhodes College

Arthur Shuster, Jack Miller Veritas Fund Visiting Assistant Professor, Boston College

Mary Slosar, Senior Analyst at Lake Research Partners in Washington, D.C.

Matthew Wright, Visiting Assisant Professor, Morehead State University

Photo of the Issue



Mel Hinich on his final trip to Chile. Submitted by Jorge González, Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez Viña del Ma (PhD 2000).

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