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Alumna spotlight:

Catherine Rudder
Associate Director, APSA

From a University Fellowship at OSU to the inner sanctum of the United States Congress to the upper echelons of the American Political Science Association (APSA) — this is the story of **Catherine E. Rudder,** a department alumna turned Washington insider.

After earning her doctorate in political science in 1973, and winning the OSU's William Jennings Bryan Dissertation Prize on the way, Rudder taught at the University of Georgia as an assistant professor. Then, in 1974, she was selected to take part in the American Political Science Association (APSA) Congressional Fellowship program, which she now directs. Working as a legislative assistant for Senator Dick Clark of Iowa and Representative Abner Mikva of Illinois, she got a first-hand look at the policy-making process, especially in such areas as energy policy, foreign trade, and issues affecting women.

"Being a Congressional Fellow put me in good stead," Rudder said. "I will always remain grateful for it. It was a wonderful, wonderful program.And I enjoyed Washington very much."

She enjoyed the Capitol so much, in fact, that after her stint as an APSA Fellow, she found that she wanted to continue working there. After a brief return visit to the University of Georgia, where she served as a methodological consultant with the Georgia State Crime Commission in 1976, she returned to Washington as a legislative assistant, and later,

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Stewart Coordinates Superpower Dialogues

Professor **Philip D. Stewart,** a Department faculty member and specialist in Soviet politics, recently participated in a series of talks between representatives of the Soviet Union and the United States. The dialogues, collectively known as the on-going Dartmouth Conference, took place in Moscow in mid-November and Washington, D.C., in early December. Stewart serves as the Conference's Coordinator, and was accompanied to the Washington talks by two political science graduate students, **Hugh Callahan** and **Janusz Makowiecki.**

The Dartmouth Conference began in 1960 during the Eisenhower Administration. "After the visit of Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev," Stewart said, "there was a feeling that official channels were difficult to use for breaking impasses in the U.S.-Soviet relationship, especially in light of the strong ideological stance that the Soviets were taking and the difficulty of going beyond official positions to search for new ideas. We needed then, and still need today, unofficial channels through which communication can be less constrained."

Despite a brief period of dormancy during the Vietnam War, the Dartmouth Conference continued its on-going dialogues until 1980. Then, in 1981, when U.S.-Soviet relations seemed on the verge of breaking down completely, the Dartmouth Conference was subdivided into separate "task forces" on regional conflicts, arms control and political relations. Since then, each of those task forces has met on a regular basis. "The task force attempt to look ahead to defining the kind of strategic relationship both sides want and what the obstacles are to getting there," Stewart explained.

Stewart said that the Conferences have been very successful at improving relations between the two superpowers. In fact, he said, the 1969, 1970, and 1972 conferences helped lay the groundwork for the period of US-Soviet relations known as "detente." "The Soviets listen to what the American side at the Conference has to say," Stewart explained. "In fact, although we have access to and the confidence of the Reagan Administration, I think the Conference has had more influence on the Soviet position in the last three or four years than on the American position."

In his capacity as Coordinator, Stewart is the only member of the Conference who participates in all three task forces. "My role is not only to work with the Soviet side, but also to determine where our relationship is going, to evaluate what the Soviets are telling us, and to develop strategies that could be used to better our relations," Stewart said.

Other American participants to the most recent task force meetings have included politicians, scholars, and former members of the diplomatic corps. "American participants are selected based on their experience and professional commitment to improving relations with the Soviet Union. They represent the top of various pyramids of ideas and typically include members of the policy, business, press, arms control, and academic communities," he said.

Participating in the dialogues has proven to be a very beneficial experience, Stewart observed. "I learn an enormous amount about Soviet policy-making and the different nuances of their thinking. Coordinating the Conferences and participating in the talks have helped me a great deal in my teaching and researching."

Hugh Callahan. who accompanied Stewart to Washington to take notes and prepare stenographic records of the talks, observed an atmosphere of candor during the dialogue. "My impression was that the Soviets were unusually open in that there was a lot of willingness to discuss those issues that concern both sides," he said. "The Conference really does provide an excellent forum for outlining those issues that divide us and for talking about alternative ways of reaching solutions."

Lampton Leaves Department

Professor **David M. Lampton,** a specialist in Chinese politics and a Department faculty member since 1974, will leave OSU at the end of Spring Quarter to become President of the National Committee on United States-China Relations, a non-partisan public affairs organization headquartered in New York City.

Lampton said that his decision to leave OSU was not an easy one. "When you stay anywhere as long as I have stayed at the University, you leave a piece of yourself," Lampton observed. "I enjoy teaching and setting my own research agenda. But everyone has lots of things he can do. The question is, do you want to spend your whole life working with some of those skills, or developing other skills as well?"

David M. Lampton

The Committee was formed in 1966, before the United States formally recognized China, to foster a dialogue between the economic, political and media leadership in both countries. In the early 1970s, the Committee sponsored the Chinese Ping Pong team's trip to the United States. As relations between the two countries normalized, the Committee began to emphasize discussions on international affairs, economic management and development, public administration and governance, communication and education.

Lampton said that as incoming president, he wants to continue the Committee's effort to foster mutual understanding between the United States and China, especially in the education and policy-making arenas.

"Like most foreigners, the new leaders in China don't know how American politics works. So one of my goals is to put together a group of American scholars to go to China and talk about such things as how the Congress and the Presidency operate," Lampton said. In terms of policy-making, Lampton hopes the Committee can serve as an advisor to the United States Agency for International Development, which was recently authorized to sponsor development programs in China.

Lampton said he wants to be at the center of the action when the US-China relationship enters what he calls a period of "reassessment." "When we first opened the door to China, Americans had very high expectations — like rapid trade growth. But what we didn't count on was that China could wind up to be a major competitor of the U.S. on the world market, especially as an exporter of major weapons systems and agricultural commodities. As China develops, and improves its relations with the Soviet Union, the U.S. will have to adopt a more sober view of the relationship's strategic and financial potential," he explained.

Although he is leaving the Department, Lampton said he hopes the Department's commitment to the study of Chinese politics does not leave with him, and he is optimistic that another Chinese specialist will be found as his replacement. "The Department and the University have agreed that it is important we have a political scientist who specializes in Chinese politics, and I am confident that they will succeed," he said.

Rudder

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Chief of Staff for Representative Wyche Fowler, Jr., of Georgia. Her duties included supervising a staff of 18 and playing a key role in all legislative matters connected with Fowler, including the agenda of the key House Ways and Means Committee.

With experience in both academia and government, Rudder was a perfect candidate for the position of Assistant Director of the APSA, a job she took over in 1981. She has been with the Association ever since and was promoted to Associate Director in 1983.

As Associate Director, Rudder supervises the Congressional Fellowship Program, managing fund-raising activities, maintaining a liaison with Capitol Hill, and overseeing the selection process. Rudder has added several new components to the program, including the establishment of two German Congressional Fellowships and one French Fellowship each year. The Fellowships are not restricted to scholars, as journalists, federal executives, health professionals and anthropologists also take part.

Typically, the Fellows spend a year in Washington, working for one Senator and one Representative. Rudder said of the approximately forty-five Fellows funded per year, six to eight are reserved for political scientists.

"We generally look for an abiding interest in Congress when we review the applicants for the fellowships reserved for political scientists," Rudder said. "They should be well-equipped intellectually, and have the ability to adapt to the Capitol Hill environment. We hope that the experiences of the Fellows who return to academia will reverberate back to the discipline of political science in many ways, such as teaching and scholarship," Rudder said.

Rudder also serves as editor of *PS,* the APSA's quarterly newsletter on the discipline of political science. Under her editorship, *PS* has been expanded beyond reporting on developments in the discipline of political science itself, and now includes articles on current politics, dissertation writing, interviewing tips, and microcomputers.

"*PS* represents a part of political science that is not represented elsewhere," Rudder explained. "It's not meant to be a terribly academic journal. Our stories on politics are more contemporary and immediate than serious, scholarly, data-based research articles. For example, we had one of the first analyses of the 1981 Reagan budget."

In addition, Rudder, as a member of the APSA's Committee on Professional Ethics, Rights and Freedoms, initiated the codification of the APSA's rules of professional ethics.

As a Washington insider and a major player in the discipline of political science, Rudder continues the tradition of Department alums who find success in the twin worlds of the theory and practice of politics.

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Banda Aceh Postcard: Social Science in Indonesia

by Professor R. William Liddle

The Social Science Research Training Center at Syiah Kuala University at Banda Aceh, northern Sumatra, Indonesia, is part of a unique educational experiment. Every academic year from 1974 to 1986, twelve master's level students, chosen in a nationwide competition, were given the opportunity to conduct field research and write a journal-length article under the supervision of an Indonesian director and a visiting foreign social scientist. The purpose of this program, originally funded by the Ford Foundation (later by the Indonesian government) on the recommendation of anthropologist Clifford Geertz, was to expand as rapidly and as inexpensively as possible the then minuscule community of competent Indonesian social science scholars. The Indonesian sponsor was the prestigious Jakarta-based, non-governmental Social Sciences Foundation.

The program appealed to me for two reasons. Though I have been in Indonesia many times, often for long periods, I have always been absorbed in my own research. As Fulbright Visiting Lecturer at the Center, I would have a chance to make a direct contribution to the development of indigenous Indonesian social science. Even more attractive was the structure of the program itself, which long seemed to me to be an ideal way to train young social scientists.

The students, who could , in principle, come from any province but Aceh (successful Acehnese applicants were sent to a second Center in Ujung Pandang, South Celebes), assembled in September for six weeks of course work. Research design and methods, which I taught in 1985-86, were supplemented by lectures on Acehnese history, culture and language. In mid-October, the students toured potential field sites, then returned to Banda Aceh to draft and defend their research proposals. From November to March they lived in the field, returning twice to the Center to report on their progress and get feedback from the staff and their colleagues.

Following the practice of my predecessors (and in the same dilapidated 1974 Land Rover used by all five of them), I visited each student in his or her village during this period to observe first-hand their data collection techniques and participant observer skills. In April, they began to write and in June they presented their final papers to an open seminar attended mostly by university faculty and provincial government officials. In July, the three best papers were read at a national seminar in Jakarta.

Our measure of success was improvement of the students' ability to do independent scholarship. My first lectures, explaining that I took no responsibility for their choices of topic, design, method, analysis, or conclusions, were greeted with disbelief. *Pesan sponsor* — at the order of the sponsor — is the way social science research projects are usually undertaken in Indonesia. Their incredulity and incomprehension and my determination to force them to choose led to some tense moments in our seminar sessions and in my office.

This year the Center was nearly forced to close its doors. Last January, we learned that our 1986-87 budget, part of the Department of Education's research budget, had been cut to zero. The collapsing world oil price was taking its toil. In February, the head of the Social Sciences Foundation wrote from Jakarta that because of a decline in applications — ironically a product of the alternative opportunities created by the high oil prices of the past decade — there would be no more national selection of students for the Center.

In every catastrophe there is an opportunity, says an old Indonesian proverb, and at least case in this case it was true. Syiah Kuala University officials were strong supporters of the program, but for many years had wanted to modify it to serve provincial needs more directly. The Ford and Asia Foundations, interested in regional development and familiar with the Center's history, offered a substantial grant for a three-year transition period. The Fulbright program was prevailed upon to extend my lectureship for a second year.

These funding and administrative arrangements took months to put together (I now feel like an old hand at Indonesian bureaucratic infighting) but in mid-September, we opened our doors to a new class of seven participants from Aceh, including two senior scholars on research leave from the university, and three exceptionally well-qualified students from Java. So next month — *Insya Allah* (if it is to be the will of God), as the devoutly Islamic Acehnese say — the old Land Rover will take me on my last inspection tour of the researchers in their villages. For my successor's sake, I hope the Center finds a way to make the trip the Land Rover's last hurrah as well.

Professor R. William Liddle, a specialist in the politics of Southeast Asia, Indonesia and the Philippines, has returned to Ohio State after spending eighteen months as a Fulbright Professor at a social science training center in Indonesia.

Central mosque in Banda Aceh

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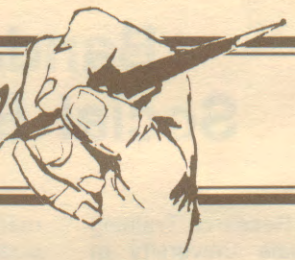

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Elmer Swack (B.A, M.S.) is retired from M. Swack Iron and Steel, Co., and living in Zanesville, Ohio.

1948
Charles Z. Hanus (B.A.) of Orlando, Florida, has retired from the Navy after 26 years of active duty. He eanred a master's degree in International Affairs from George Washington University in 1966. Today his interests include "the stock market, some golf, travel and raising a son."

1950
William H. Eells (M.A.) of Delaware, Ohio, is Regional Manager for Governmental Affairs at Ford Motor Company. He is also Vice-Chairman of the Ohio Bicentennial Commission and was newly elected Chairman of the Board of the Ohio Chamber of Commerce.

1954
Frederick C. Thayer (M.A.) of Pittsburgh, is Professor at the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs at the University of Pittsburgh. His most recent book is *Rebuilding America: The Case for Economic Regulation,* published by Praeger.

1955
Wade Hopping (B.A., LL.B., J.D.) of Tallahassee, Florida, is Senior Partner at the law firm of Hopping, Boyd, Green & Sams. He was recently elected President of the Florida Chamber of Commerce.

1956
James R. Gardner (B.A.) of Monroe, Louisiana, is President of the United Group.

1962
Lee E. Grugel (B.A.) is Dean of Arts and Sciences at the University of Wisconsin at Eau Claire. He holds a Ph.D. in History from the University of Chicago.

1969
Charles E. Hawkins (B.A.) of Port St. Lucie, Florida, has been appointed Parochial Vicar for the Diocese of Palm Beach. He also recently directed a $5.8 million capital campaign for the Benedictine Order of Cleveland.

1970
Will Outlaw (B.A., J.D.) is an attorney in Houston, Texas. He recently appeared on the the televsion program "Donahue" to talk about his expertise in the area of criminal trial work for persons accused of sexually abusing children and adolescents.

1974
Robert Herron (B.A.) of Salem, Ohio, was appointed Columbiana County Prosecuting Attorney on January 5.

1974
Wendy Howard Grey (B.A.) of Kettering, Ohio, is President of Huntingham Ltd., a broker/agent for quality wine and gourmet foods in Ohio and Kentucky.

1974
Jan Michael Long (B.A.) of Circleville, Ohio, was recently elected State Senator for Ohio's 17th District.

1977
Brian A. King (M.A.) is Director of the Professional Training and Development Center at Pennsylvania State University's New Kensington campus. He resides in Pittsburgh.

Stu Chapman (B.A.) of Hoffman Estates, Illinois, is administrative assistant to the Village Manager of the Village of Schaumburg.

Janet Galchick (Ph.D.) was recently promoted to the position of Vice President and Associate Research Director at Young & Rubicam, Inc., an advertising agency. Married to **Warren Yarnell** (Ph.D. 1976), she had her first child last month — Eric Charles Yarnell. The family lives in Marlboro, New Jersey.

Brent Rosenthal (B.A., J.D.) is practicing business, corporate and securities law at the firm of Baker & Hostetler of Columbus. He lives in Westerville.

1978
James E. Goodrich (B.A.) is Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Maquokeata, Iowa.

1981
Kevin Beckwith (B.A.) recently graduated from the Arizona State University College of Law, and is practicing law in Phoenix.

1983
Mark D. Tucker (B.A.) of Cleveland graduated from the OSU College of Law last June. He is now a clerk for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth District.

1984
David Craig Smith (B.A.) is a political canvasser at Craig, Krakoff & Co. He resides in Columbus.

1985
Gretchen A. McClurkin (B.A.) of Shaker Heights, Ohio, is a second year law student at Case Western Reserve.

Thomas Poulin (B.A.) is a second year law student at the University of Maine School of Law in Portland.

Peter C. Pajor (B.A.) is pursuing a master's degree in International Affairs at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. He is also an intern in the International Trade Division of the Organization of American States.

1986
Cynthia Biddle Orbovich (Ph.D.) is Assistant Professor at MacAlester College in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Amy Logsdon (B.A.) is an Associate at Lazarus Department Stores. She resides in Columbus.

Steven M. Schemine (B.A.) of Delaware, Ohio, is a broker for Liberty First Securities in Columbus. He is also a First Lieutenant in the Ohio Army National Guard.

MPSA Meeting

The annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association will be held on April 8-11 at the Palmer House in Chicago. The Department has reserved Private Dining Room 16 on April 9 from 6 to 8 p.m., and encourages alumni and friends to visit the department faculty.

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Faculty News

Professor **Chadwick Alger** attended the 16th General Assembly of the International Social Science Council (ISSC), December 9-11, 1986, at UNESCO headquarters in Paris, France. He served on the Nominating Committee and represented the International Peace Research Association, one of the ISSC's 15 international social science organizations.

Alger also gave a presentation entitled, "International Education in the Community," on November 11, 1986, at a Wingspread conference called "Educating Americans About International Affairs" in Racine, Wisconsin, sponsored by the Council on Foundations.

Professor **Herb Asher's** book, *A Consumer's Guide to Public Opinion Polling,* published by Congressional Quarterly Press, is forthcoming, as is the fourth edition of his *Presidential Elections and American Politics,* published by Dorsey Press.

Professor **Gregory Caldeira's** article, "Party Voting in Congress," co-authored with Professor **Samuel C. Patterson,** will appear in a future issue of the *British Journal of Political Science.* Also, Caldeira and Patterson's article, "Political Friendship in the Legislature," will appear in a forthcoming issue of the *Journal of Politics.*

Professor **Joseph Kruzel** has received a $150,000 grant from the MacArthur Foundation to support the publication of the *American Defense Annual,* for which he serves as editor.

Professor **David M. Lampton's** article, "Chinese Politics: The Bargaining Treadmill," is forthcoming in *Issues and Studies,* published by the Institute on International Relations, Taipei, Taiwan. Lampton also attended the *American Enterprise Institute's* Public Policy Week, during which he presented a paper, "China Policy: Interests and Process."

Professor **R. William Liddle's** article, "The Politics of Shared Growth: Some Indonesian Cases," is in the January, 1987 issue of *Comparative Politics.* Also, his article, "Indonesia in 1986: Contending with Scarcity," is in the February, 1987 issue of *Asian Survey.*

Professor **Brian Pollins** has authored a chapter, "International Economic Processes," which will appear in the forthcoming *The Globus Model,* edited by Stuart A. Bremer and published by Campus/Westview.

Also, Pollins will attend the Midwest Political Science Association's April 1987 meeting, and plans to deliver a paper entitled, "Conflict, Cooperation and Commerce: the Effect of International Political Relations upon Bilateral Trade Ties."

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