News from the CENFAD Community

Tyler Bamford, the Sherry and Alan Leventhal Research Fellow at The National WWII Museum, contributed a chapter to the edited volume *Defense Engagement Since 1900: Global Lessons in Soft Power*, which will be released by the University Press of Kansas in May.

Dr. Terence Christian (Postdoctoral Fellow) and Dr. Seth Bruggeman (Associate Professor of History and Director of the Center for Public History) received a 2019 Battlefield Planning Grant from the National Park Service's American Battlefield Protection Program. The \$150,659 project, entitled "Honor to the soldier and sailor everywhere," will produce a legislative/administrative history of battlefield preservation in the Federal Government. The developed history and the identified preservation successes, shortcomings, and lessons learned will assist in furthering inter-government, interagency, and public-private collaborations; in maximizing human and financial resource investments; and in creating new, innovative preservation models. Information on current and past American Battlefield Protection Program grants and grantees may be read here.

Matthew Fay (MA, 2014) advanced to candidacy in the political science PhD program at George Mason University's Schar School of Government and Policy. His dissertation research explores military adaptation in combined arms warfare using case studies from American and British ground campaigns in the Second World War. This summer he will also join the RAND Corporation for its Summer Associate Program where he will be part of a



team researching the strategic value of "jointness" in the U.S. military.

Michael Fischer, a Temple University graduate student and 2018-2019 Davis Fellow, is the recipient of the Marvin Wachman Fellowship in Force and Diplomacy. This fellowship will support research for his dissertation, tentatively titled "Non-state Actors, the Wilson Administration, and the Russian Revolution."

Petra Goedde has greatly enjoyed talking about peace, deterrence, and détente with colleagues and interested audiences since the publication of her book, *The Politics of Peace* (Oxford University Press, 2019). Among the most spirited (and enjoyable) discussions occurred at the Wilson Center in Washington, D.C. and at Duke University's Center for Grand Strategy this past fall. She is now finishing a book manuscript, *International History: A Cultural Approach*, which she is co-authoring with Akira Iriye, and is looking forward to a university sabbatical this coming fall.

Henry G. Gole (PhD, 1991), author of four nonfiction books - a history, two biographies and a memoir. In his latest book, a novel, he takes us back to his military career. In the 1980s, he wanted to write the history of dangerous classified operations conducted by special operators from the Republic of Vietnam, in Laos, in the 1960s and into the 1970s. But his government was not prepared to release those secrets. *Legacy of Lies, Over the Fence in Laos*, available at Amazon since August 2019, is that story. **Carly Goodman** (Ph.D., 2016) is finishing the year as a Visiting Assistant Professor at La Salle University. She is also an editor of the Made by History at the Washington Post. She recently published an <u>op-ed</u> on the president's immigration executive order.

Peter Gran, a professor of history at Temple, has a forthcoming book in press: *The Persistence of Orientalism: Anglo-American Historians and Modern Egypt* from Syracuse University Press.

Brandon Kinney (PhD student and 2019-2020 Davis Fellow), was named a History Education Fellow for the Education Program at the Foreign Policy Research Institute in Philadelphia.

In February 2020, The History Press published *Tuskegee in Philadelphia: Rising to the Challenge* by CENFAD alum **Robert J. Kodosky** (2006), chair of the history department at West Chester University. The book, featuring contributions from Dr. Kodosky's students, explores the connections existent between Philadelphia and the Tuskegee Airmen. Its proceeds benefit a scholarship fund established by the Philadelphia Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen.

John T. McNay (PhD, 1997), an Immerman student, has a book contract with Bloomsbury Press to write a book on the early Cold War titled: *Sparking the Cold War: Clashes in Europe, the Middle East, and East Asia.* It is part of the New Approaches to International History Series edited by Tom Zeiler. It is his fourth book but the first time he's had a contract before the book! This fall will be Dr. McNay's 20th year on the faculty at the University of Cincinnati. Also, after eight enjoyable years, he



is stepping down from his position as president of Ohio Conference of the American Association of University Professors. Dr. McNay encourages all Templars to create or join a local AAUP chapter so they can work together with faculty across the country to defend academic freedom, shared governance, and the financial well-being of the faculty.

Alan McPherson continued as CENFAD director and professor of history at Temple and served as Director of Graduate Studies in 2019-2020. He published his eleventh book, Ghosts of Sheridan Circle: How a Washington Assassination Brought Pinochet's Terror State to Justice (University of North Carolina Press, 2019), and gave over twenty talks and interviews about it, including on C-SPAN and at Harvard, Johns Hopkins, and the London School of Economics. Out of the same research, he made progress on two journal articles: "Strange Bedfellows at the End of the Cold War: The Letelier Assassination, Human Rights, and National Sovereignty" was published online in Cold War History in Spring 2019 and should be published (one of these days) in print. "Counterterrorism in U.S. Civil Courts: The Role of Letelier v. Republic of Chile" will be published in print in Law and History Review in fall 2020. He also published two chapters: "Self-Interest, Prejudice, and Liberalism: A History of U.S. Empire in the Americas," in Tim Gill's The Future of U.S. Empire in the Americas: The Trump Administration and Beyond (Rutgers, 2020) and "Anti-Imperialist Racial Solidarity Before the Cold War: Success and Failure," in Latin America and the Global Cold War, edited by

Stella Krepp, Thomas Field, and Vanni Pettinà (University of North Carolina Press, 2020).

Kaeten Mistry has a new publication: Whistleblowing Nation: The History of National Security Disclosures and the Cult of State Secrecy, eds. Kaeten Mistry and Hannah Gurman (Columbia University Press, 2020). The twenty-first century has witnessed a new age of whistleblowing in the United States. Disclosures have stoked heated public debates about the ethics of exposing national security information. Whistleblowing Nation examines the phenomenon, with roots in longer histories of insiders revealing secrets in the public interest, the scope of executive power, First Amendment rights, and the secrecy regime. Featuring a stellar cast of contributors, including former CENFAD Director Richard Immerman, the book explores the political, legal, and cultural dimensions of national security disclosures and state secrecy from World War I to the present. The book is available here, and a promo code CUP30 can be used for a discount.

Ariel Natalo-Lifton (ABD) received an ABC-Clio Research Grant from the Society for Military History, the John Votaw Research Fellowship from CENFAD, and a Public Policy Research Lab Fellowship from Temple University's College of Liberal Arts. These fellowships will aid her as she continues work on her dissertation, "From Lady Soldiers to Brothers in Arms: Women in the United States Armed Forces, 1972-1992."

Eric Perinovic (Former Thomas J. Davis Fellow) has spent the spring semester as a Guggenheim Research Fellow at the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum. While his residence in Washington, DC was unfortunately cut short, he would like to thank the historians and curators of the Aeronautics Department for fostering an incredibly positive



and supportive research environment. After the Guggenheim Fellowship concludes, he is happy to announce that he will be joining the RAND Corporation as a Summer Research Associate. There he will work as the dedicated historian within a multidisciplinary group of scholars on a research project for the United States Air Force.

Sarah Sharp: Earlier in 2020, Global Philadelphia Association published a Japaneselanguage edition of the Philadelphia World Heritage Coloring Book. Young children, whether learning Japanese or native Japanese speakers, can use this book to learn more about Philadelphia's past through Caleb and Olivia's adventures chasing a loose kite to historic sites around the city! Questions may emerge about the relationship that Philadelphia has with Japan and its history. A few connections will come to mind, such as Shofuso Japanese House and Garden in Fairmount Park, the Ceremonial Teahouse at the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the fact that Philadelphia has a Sister City in Kobe.

Benjamin Talton's newest book, *In This Land* of Plenty: Mickey Leland and Africa in American Politics (University of Pennsylvania Press) was released in 2019.

Paul E. Zigo, a history professor, author and military historian is the founder and director, of the World War II Era Studies Institute. The institute is dedicated to furthering one's knowledge and understanding of the WWII era and its impact on history. He is a graduate of Rider University, Temple University and the United States Army War College. He authored and edited in 2009 Witnessing History: The Eisenhower Photographs featuring all the photos of General Dwight D. Eisenhower taken by his personal wartime photographer, Al Meserlin. Zigo was also the executive producer and narrator of the cable network series "Triumphant Spirit: America's World War II Generation Speaks" from 2001 to 2004. In 2014, he authored the book The Longest Walk: The Amazing Story of the 29th Inf. Division on D-Day 6 June 1944 and in 2017, he co-authored the book Bataan - When Men Have To Die, an accounting of the fall of the Philippine Islands to the Japanese in 1942. Recently, Mr. Zigo authored and published the well-received book Unconditional Surrender: Witnessing History -May 1945. He is a 30 year veteran of the United States Army retiring as a Colonel and is a founding sponsor of the National Museum of the US Army.

Silke Zoller (PhD, 2018) has almost completed her year as postdoctoral fellow at the Clements Center for National Security at UT Austin. In the fall, she will be joining Kennesaw State University's Department of History and Philosophy as assistant professor of history. Silke is delighted to be staying in warmer climates and has developed a truly epic butter pecan cookie recipe.

