

Announcements

On July 4–5, 2008, the ASSOCIATION of BUSINESS HISTORIANS will hold its annual meeting at the University of Birmingham. The theme is “Business History after Chandler.” The primary aim of this conference is to provide a forum for reflecting on the contribution of Alfred DuPont Chandler Jr. (1918–2007) to the development of business history. We welcome in particular papers that engage explicitly and constructively with the Chandlerian paradigm, including specific country and firm studies. For more information, please contact:

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The 2008 annual meeting of the BUSINESS HISTORY CONFERENCE will be held in Sacramento, California, from April 10 to 12, hosted by the California State University at Sacramento. Its theme is “Expanding Connections for Business History,” with the goal of reaching across disciplines and audiences. It will focus on what business history offers to other fields of scholarship, as well as what business historians can learn from other scholarly perspectives. In addition, both the opening plenary and a roundtable will explore how business historians can work with the press to extend their reach into the public and business management arenas. Sessions will highlight research that is comparative, that contextualizes its subjects, or that examines any of the complex interactions that business activities involve. The conference will expand business history’s intellectual connections and approaches, broadening its outreach to both scholarly and public audiences.

For more information, including travel grants and other opportunities for graduate students, see our Web site: <http://www.thebhc.org/annmeet/>. Please send queries to:

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The HAGLEY MUSEUM and LIBRARY will sponsor “Automobility: A Conference on the 100th Anniversary of the Model T,” on November 6–7, 2008. The Center for the History of Business, Technology, and Society at the Hagley Museum and Library invites papers that reflect broadly on the impact of motor vehicles in America since 1908. The appearance of Ford’s Model T automobile in 1908 ushered in a century during which motorized vehicles spread across the American landscape. Their impact was immense, visible in structures such as roads, bridges, garages, and parking lots, in businesses including service stations and fast-food restaurants, and in altered residential patterns. In addition to cars, other conveyances, such as buses, trucks, mobile homes, fire engines, and motorcycles, as well as vehicles produced for construction and military purposes, reshaped business and commerce, created new industries, and generated endless technological innovations.

As the automobile has been the subject of considerable scholarly work, papers concerning passenger cars should break new ground and address heretofore underexplored questions. Scholarship on other vehicles powered by internal combustion engines is far less developed. We therefore especially encourage papers that consider their business, technological, and commercial dimensions. All papers should be empirically based and historically informed.

Proposals should be no more than 500 words and accompanied by a short curriculum vitae. Deadline for submissions is March 31, 2008. Travel support is available for those presenting papers at the conference. To submit a proposal or to obtain more information, contact:

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“MONEY, POWER AND PRINT: Interdisciplinary Studies of the Financial Revolution in the British Isles, 1688–1776,” is a colloquium that will be held at St. John’s, Newfoundland, Canada, from June 26 to 28, 2008. It will gather scholars from a wide range of disciplines to study the intersections between public finance, politics, and literature during Britain’s so-called Financial Revolution. (The term “British” is used loosely to refer to all constituent parts of the United Kingdom and also

to Ireland and the colonies. The term “literature” is broadly defined to include newspapers, pamphlets, treatises, novels, plays, and prints.)

The colloquium is an initiative of “Money, Power, and Print,” an association of scholars interested in an interdisciplinary approach to the Financial Revolution. Further details are available at www.moneypowerandprint.org. For more information, please contact one of the organizers:

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A conference entitled “ANDRE GUNDER FRANK’S LEGACY OF CRITICAL SOCIAL SCIENCE” will be held at the University of Pittsburgh, David Lawrence Hall, April 11–13, 2008. This is to be a major international conference honoring the life and work of André Gunder Frank, a pioneer in global analysis in history and social science. He died at age seventy-six in April 2005, after more than fifty years of prodigious output in economic and social analysis of global interaction. The conference will gather the major scholars with whom Frank has worked and debated in order to remember his contribution, to take stock, and to identify future directions of study. It will provide encouragement for

scholars of all ages and disciplines to take the next steps in debating and documenting these critical social issues. The conference will emphasize but will not be limited to six topical areas of Gunder Frank's writings: (1) underdevelopment and dependency in Latin America; (2) world accumulation and world system; (3) the five-thousand-year world system; (4) East Asia in the world economy; (5) social movements; and (6) contemporary political and economic analysis.

Giovanni Arrighi, John Beverley, Christopher Chase-Dunn, Barry K. Gills, Kenneth Pomeranz, Anibal Quijano, Kaoru Sugihara, and Immanuel Wallerstein will be among the featured speakers.

For all conference issues, contact the conference coordinator, Robert Fagley at AGFRANK@pitt.edu, or go to the conference Web site: <http://www.worldhistorynetwork.org/dev/AGFRANK-conference.htm>.

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