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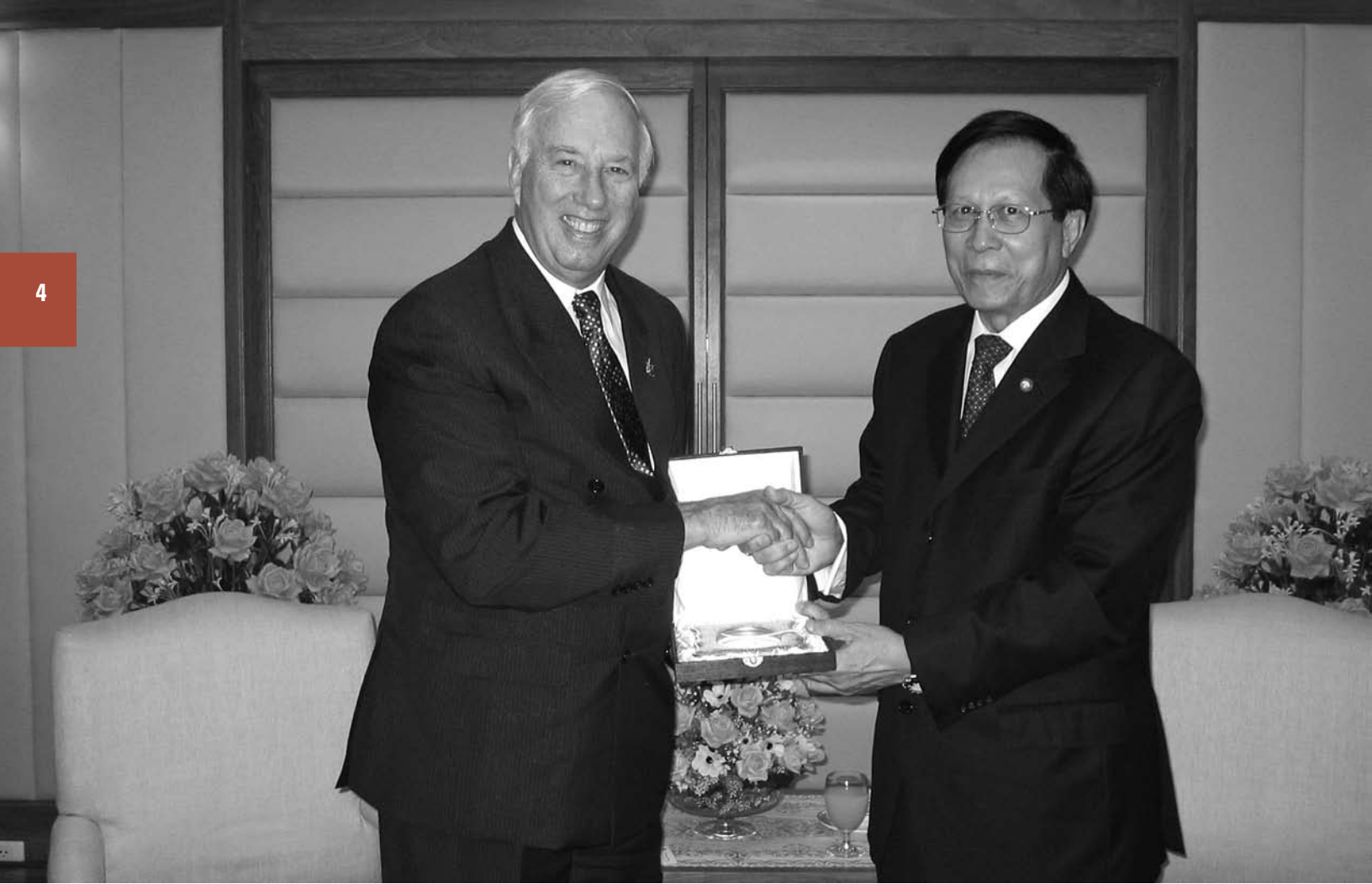
**FRONT COVER** Floating market, Bangkok, Thailand

**OPPOSITE** Ceasarea Roman ruins, Israel

**BACK COVER** A view from Nazareth, Israel

**Ambassadorial Lecture Series Enters its Fifth Year**

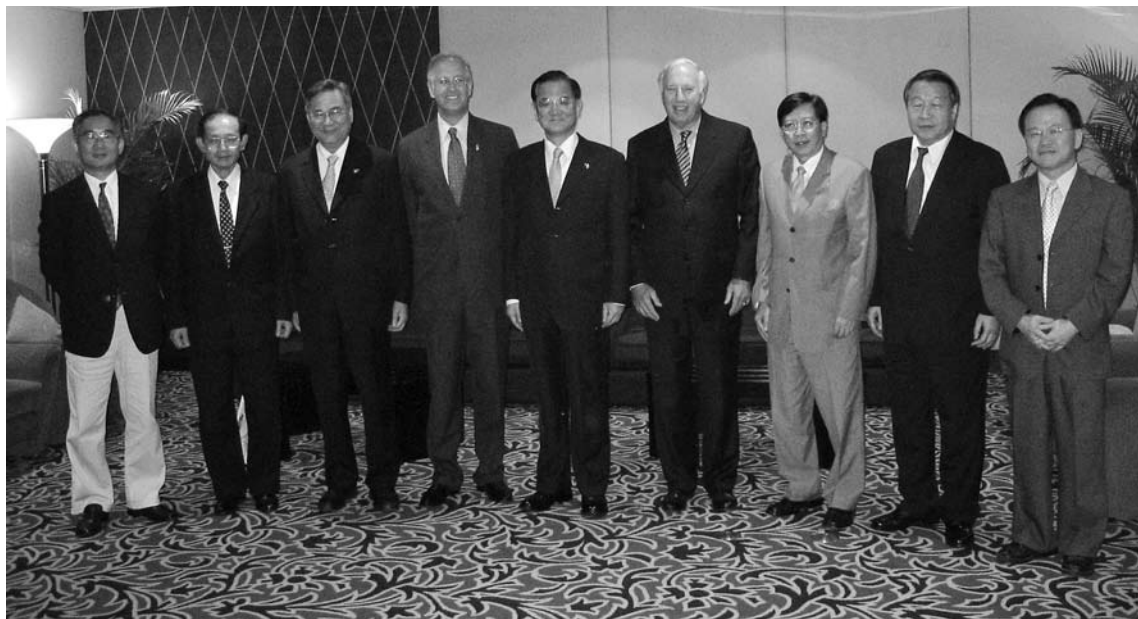
*This fall, the Ambassadorial Lecture Series kicks off its fifth year with a visit from His Excellency Sereyath Ek, ambassador from Cambodia to the United States, on October 4, 2005 at 3:30 PM in McKeldin Library, room 6137. Visit [www.intprog.umd.edu/amb.html](http://www.intprog.umd.edu/amb.html) for details on additional visiting ambassadors this year.*



ABOVE President C.D. Mote, Jr. meets Dr. Adisai Bodharamik, Thailand's Minister of Education.



ABOVE James Soong, chairman of Taiwan's People First Party, meets with President Mote.



ABOVE Lien Chan (center), former chairman of the KMT, meets with President Mote and Saúl Sosnowski. Also pictured: WS Lin (second from left), chairman of Tatung, president of UMD Taiwan Alumni Club, and Shuan Sheng Liu (third from left), President of National Central University, Taiwan, on leave from University of Maryland.

## *Mote Builds Bridges with Asian Universities and Leaders During Summer Visit*

IN JUNE 2005, University of Maryland President C.D. Mote, Jr. visited Thailand, Taiwan, and Singapore, accompanied by Saul Sosnowski, now Associate Provost for International Affairs. They first stopped in Bangkok, Thailand, where they met with the Minister of Education, Dr. Adisai Bodharamik. At Chulalongkorn University, Thailand's oldest higher education institution, they met with President Khunying Suchada Kiranandana. This university officially opened in Bangkok in 1917, a few decades after then King Chulalongkorn initiated the idea as part of a policy to help Thailand (then called "Siam") resist colonization, strengthen its government, and preserve its independence.

President Mote gave a speech to Chulalongkorn faculty members on "Research Universities and Globalization" in which he emphasized the relationship between university research and economic growth: "In a competitive global arena, greatness can only be achieved by a university that is perceived at home and abroad as an irreplaceable asset in economic development and the advancement of knowledge. In a world that relies on knowledge and innovation for the well-being of its citizens, universities have to set their courses for their role in societal advancement. They cannot be on the sidelines."

Following the lecture, Mote and Sosnowski met with the Physics and Engineering faculties, several of whom are University of Maryland alumni, and toured technology facilities including the Semiconductor Physics Research Laboratory, the Center for Excellence on Nano Technology, and the Machine Intelligence and Knowledge Discovery Laboratory.

Their next visit was to the Sirindhorn International Institute of Technology (SIIT), founded in 1996 by Thammasat University in conjunction with the Japanese and Thai Federations of Business, where they met with the director Dr. Sawasd Tantaratana. They also visited Rangsit University and met with the president of Siam University, Dr. Pornchai Mongkhonvanit.

From Thailand, Mote and Sosnowski flew to Taiwan where they met with the Taiwan Alumni Club, the largest international Maryland alumni group, with more than 800 members. Also in Taiwan, Lien Chan and James Soong, both high profile Taiwanese political leaders with honor-

ary doctorates from the University of Maryland, briefed President Mote in two separate private meetings on their recent visits with leaders from the People's Republic of China (PRC). Chan, who was chairman of the Kuomintang (KMT) or Nationalist Party of China from 2000-2005, drew attention in Spring 2005 when he traveled to mainland China to meet with President Hu Jintao. This meeting was the highest-level exchange between the KMT and the Communist Party of China in 60 years (since Chiang Kai-shek and Mao Zedong met in 1945). James Soong (chairman of the People First Party) also met with PRC leaders shortly after Chan's visit to express his support for unifying Taiwan and mainland China.

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—President C.D. Mote



Members of the UM Thai alumni club

**Mote in Asia, continued...**

Mote was invited to speak at a forum on university-business partnerships in Taipei where he emphasized the importance of incentives for innovation, the success of existing partnerships that UM has established with industry and with US and foreign governments, and efforts to encourage entrepreneurship through mentorship and funding access. Some of the US-China partnerships he mentioned include: the first US-based research park that the Chinese Ministry of Science and Technology has designated to build in Maryland; the executive training programs offered through the Institute for Global Chinese Affairs; and the Confucius Institute at Maryland, sponsored by China's Ministry of Education, which began offering classes in Chinese language and culture earlier this year.

From Taiwan, Mote and Sosnowski made one final stop in Singapore, where Mote attended a roundtable with presidents from the Association of American Universities and the Association of Pacific Rim Universities at the National University of Singapore (NUS). Dr. Sosnowski met with NUS leaders to explore opportunities for more cooperation between their institution and the University of Maryland.

The Thai Alumni Club is one of the largest and most active international Maryland alumni groups. Pictured below: President Mote (front, center), Thai Minister of Education Dr. Adisai Bodharamik (left of Mote), Saúl Sosnowski (right of Mote) and members of the alumni club.



## *Israelis, Palestinians, & Latin Americans Join Together for Dialogues to Promote Peace*

LESS THAN TWO WEEKS before the scheduled disengagement of Israeli settlers from the Gaza Strip and the northern West Bank in August 2005, a group of Israeli, Palestinian, and Jewish Latin American writers and intellectuals gathered in Israel for dialogues on promoting peace in the Middle East. Sponsored by the Israeli Center for Latin American Communities (CICLA) and *NOAJ* (the Literary Journal of the International Association of Jewish Writers in Spanish and Portuguese), the meetings took place from August 2-6 in Jerusalem, Haifa, Nazareth, Tel Aviv, and at a kibbutz in the Negev. This five day cross-cultural dialogue brought together poets, fiction writers, journalists, and scholars representing a wide spectrum of opinions on Israeli-Palestinian relations, many frequently not heard in the mainstream press. A vital goal of the dialogues was to hear Palestinian writers' perspectives in the context of the disengagement and the current state of the peace process.

After opening words from Arie Fainstein (director of CICLA), Saúl Sosnowski, Associate Provost for International Affairs at the University of Maryland, led a discussion at a reading by Latin American poets at Hebrew University of Jerusalem on August 2. The internationally recognized Israeli writer A.B. Yehoshua spoke on new forms of anti-Semitism at the University of Haifa on August 3, and engaged in a lively dialogue with Sosnowski, Paris-based Argentinean writer and journalist Luisa Futoronsky, and Oded Balaban, professor of philosophy at the University of Haifa. In Nazareth, the dialogue continued between Luisa



Israeli writer A.B. Yehoshua speaking at the University of Haifa

Futoronsky, Saúl Sosnowski, Arab-Israeli poet Siham Daoud, and Palestinian poet Samih Al Kasem.

At the University of Tel Aviv on August 4th, Professor Natan Lerner, an Argentinean-born lawyer and international law scholar with the Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya and the University of Tel Aviv, discussed the implications of the Israeli disengagement from Gaza in a roundtable discussion with Sosnowski and Futoronsky.

At the Pontifical Institute Notre Dame of Jerusalem (the Vatican's spiritual center in the holy land) on August 5th, an intercultural and interfaith roundtable discussion on "The Peace Process and Civil Society" brought together Muslim, Christian, and Jewish editorial members of *NOAJ* and the *Palestine-Israel Journal*. In his opening remarks, Dr. Leonardo



TOP A market in Nazareth  
 BOTTOM The Western Wall in Jerusalem



Middle East peace dialogues, continued...

Senkman (Director of *NOAJ*; Hebrew University of Jerusalem) expressed a sentiment that many participants echoed: “Our literary journal, *NOAJ*, is concerned about the fact that the current [peace] process rests primarily on the security—and the unilateral security—side of things. We think that it neglected the cultural and intellectual aspects essential for the success of such a process. We believe the time has come for civil society to make every effort to ensure that cultural and educational processes will be an integral part of the political security arrangements.”

Other participants in the dialogue included Professor Naomi Chazan (head of the School of Government and Society, Academic College of Tel Aviv); Danny Rubinstein (Senior commentator on Palestinian affairs for *Ha’Aretz*, an independent daily newspaper from Tel Aviv); Professor Nazmi Ju’Beh (Director of RIWAQ – The Center for Architectural Preservation, Bir-Zeit University); Dr. Walid Salem (Director of PANORMA – Palestinian Center for the Dissemination of Democracy and Community Development, Jerusalem); Ziad Abu-Zayyad (co-editor of the *Palestine-Israel Journal*); Florinda F. Goldberg (Associate Director of *NOAJ*; Hebrew University of Jerusalem), Dan Leon (*Palestine-Israel Journal*), Noga Tarnopolsky (journalist with *Forward*, Yiddish newspaper from New York), Dr. Tullo Vigevani (University of São Paulo), and Dr. Saúl Sosnowski (University of Maryland).

The sixth dialogue took place at a kibbutz in the Negev that was founded by Argentineans and Brazilians. Participants toured the kibbutz and learned about the educational experiences available for international students. On the final day of the dialogues, participants visited the northern Gaza strip with members of the Shaar Ha-Negev kibbutz.

Dr. Sosnowski also visited the University of Ben Gurion in Be’er Sheva with whom the University of Maryland hopes to build a collaborative relationship. President Mote will visit Ben Gurion on a planned trip to the Middle East with Sosnowski in the coming year.



## Dingman Center Fosters Chinese Entrepreneurship Through Business Plan Competition

HONGXIA (SHA) WANG, a PhD candidate in Electrical Engineering and an aspiring entrepreneur, talks enthusiastically about a new hearing aid technology that she is involved in developing and hopes to market in coming years in China. As a Beijing native and a “Technology Commercialization Associate” with the Dingman Center for Entrepreneurship, a nationally-recognized center at the Robert H. Smith School of Business, Wang has been helping

Asher Epstein, the Dingman Center’s managing director, to sift through more than 50 applications from entrepreneurs competing to win start-up funds for a new China-based business. The China Business Plan Competition, launched in June 2005 in cooperation with Zero2IPO, a leading financial information and advisory services company in China, is being sponsored by the Smith School to showcase innovative business ideas and encourage the development of entrepreneurship in China. The competition will provide support for fledgling companies with China-based employees seeking to provide goods or services to the Chinese marketplace.

Since its inception in 1986, the Dingman Center has helped foster entrepreneurship in the mid-Atlantic region by incubating student-run businesses, providing mentor services and linking “start-ups” with much-needed access to capital. While the Center’s focus has been mostly local, Epstein is also interested in building international partnerships that support entrepreneurship in budding markets. “This is a great opportunity for Chinese entre-

preneurs to compete for much needed funding for their early stage businesses,” Epstein explains. “We are awarding a total of \$45,000 to the top three proposals—this is a significant sum in the Chinese market and will go a long way to help launch the winning enterprises.”

The Smith School already has well-established links with the Chinese business community through its Executive MBA training programs offered in Beijing and Shanghai and intends to hold the China Business Plan Competition annually to further those relationships. “We recognize the importance of having a business presence in China,” emphasizes Epstein, “and want to share best practices in entrepreneurship gained from a twenty-year operating history at the Dingman Center for Entrepreneurship.”

The diversity of business plans submitted reflects both the burgeoning array of economic opportunities in China and the high quality of entrepreneurial thinking from young, aspiring Chinese business leaders like Wang. Among them are plans for a used car website a la Auto Trader, a biotechnology company that incorporates approaches from traditional Chinese medicine, a golf resort, and a company that offers water decontamination services for corporations and municipalities. The competition required business plans to come from teams of two to four people with business experience and managerial skills whose companies had not generated over \$50,000 during the past 12 months or received over \$50,000 in previous funding.



**A used car website a la Auto Trader, a biotechnology company that incorporates approaches from traditional Chinese medicine, and a golf resort are among the proposed business plans that Epstein (left) and Wang (right) have evaluated.**

China business plan competition, continued...

Epstein, Wang, and other Smith School staff, faculty, and students have weighed in to judge the proposals in the first and second rounds, based on criteria such as the feasibility of the business plan, the management team's ability to execute it, and the competitive positioning of the product or service. In the first round of judging, the pool of applicants was narrowed to 20 semi-finalist teams. Of this group, half will be chosen to publicly present their business plan in Beijing, China on September 23, 2005 when three teams will be selected and awarded cash prizes of \$25,000, \$15,000, or \$5,000 for first, second, and third prize respectively. Representatives from venture capital firms focused on the Chinese market, including Mahon China Investment Management Limited, China Equity, Siemens China Investments, and Intel Capital will join in the final round of judging.

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## Maryland Day at Peking University

On September 15, 2005, President C.D. Mote, Jr. gave a presentation about University of Maryland initiatives and collaborations with China during the Maryland Day celebration at Peking University. Following Mote's speech, Dean Howard Frank, of the Robert H. Smith School of Business announced the ten finalists for the Smith China Business Plan Competition. The winners were announced in Beijing on September 23rd. For details on the finalists and the winners, go to: <http://www.rhsmith.umd.edu/bplan2005/>

More details on the Maryland Day celebration in Beijing will appear in the Fall II 2005 issue of *Maryland International*.

Epstein and Wang, along with other representatives from the Smith School, are looking forward to the trip to Beijing where the competition will wrap up. While she was unable to submit her own business plan this time around, Hongxia Wang is optimistic about her future business. "This has been a great opportunity," she explains, "because I want to be an entrepreneur. I now have a better feeling for what investors actually look for and can apply this toward creating a good business plan in the future."

**Related links:**

Dingman Center: <http://www.smith.umd.edu/dingman/>

Smith School/China partnerships: <http://www.rhsmith-umd.cn/>

Zero2IPO: <http://www.zero2ipo.com.cn/>

## IGCA Forum Will Celebrate the Year of Languages, October 18th at Noon

Join the Institute for Global Chinese Affairs (IGCA) on Tuesday, October 18, from Noon to 1 p.m. for a special noon forum in recognition of The Year of Languages: "*Learning Chinese: Observations, Accomplishments, and Recommendations for Success.*"

The event will be held at the University of Maryland at St. Mary's Hall (the Language House), Room 0105, on campus at the UM. A Chinese buffet lunch will be served.

Speakers will include:

- Dr. David Branner, School of Languages, UM
- Dr. Robert DeKeyser, School of Languages, UM
- Dr. Colin Phillips, Linguistics, UM
- Dr. Phyllis Zhang, George Washington University

The forum will be moderated by Dr. Robert Ramsey, School of Languages, UM.

The American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) selected 2005 as the Year of Languages in the United States to promote the idea that every student should develop proficiency not only in English, but in other languages as well. The Institute for Global Chinese Affairs (IGCA) and others at the University of Maryland are joining in to celebrate, educate, and communicate about foreign language learning and teaching through this special event focusing on the adult Chinese language learner. For more information, contact Rebecca McGinnis at 301.405.0213 or [rmcginni@umd.edu](mailto:rmcginni@umd.edu).

## Confucius Institute Offers Chinese Language Instruction

The Confucius Institute at the University of Maryland (CIM), founded with generous support and funding from the Chinese Ministry of Education, is offering Chinese language courses and other non-credit courses in Chinese culture and business communication. Preparatory training for the Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi (HSK), a proficiency test for foreigners who wish to pursue studies or work in China, is also available. For more information, call 301.405.0209 or email to [igca-info@umd.edu](mailto:igca-info@umd.edu).

## *Pollination, Preservation, & Political Socialization: Two Biologists & a Human Development Professor Recognized for Pioneering International Research*

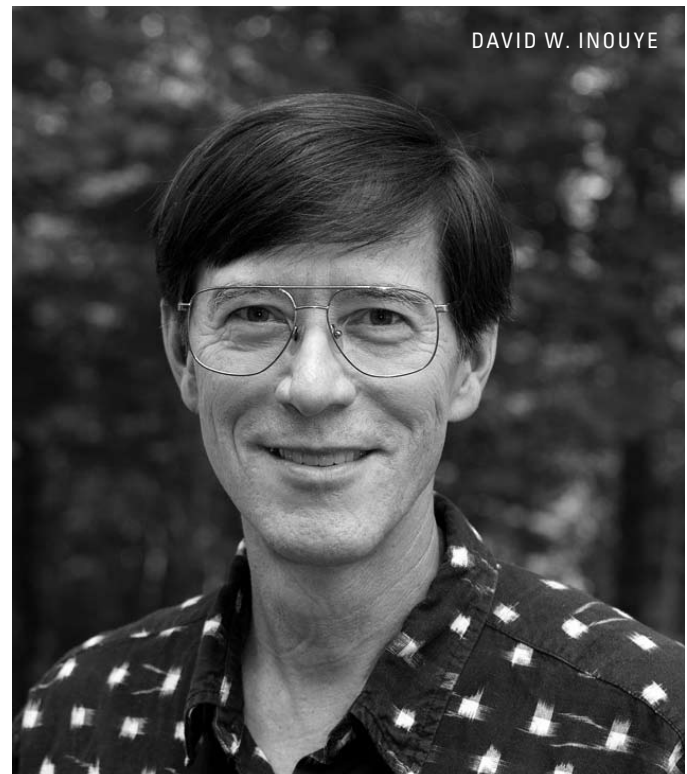
The Office of International Programs will hold its annual Faculty Awards Ceremony on December 7th, 2005 when President Mote will present the Distinguished International Service Award, which recognizes significant contributions to the development of international programs at UM, to David Inouye and James Dietz, and Provost William Destler will present the Landmark Award, given for exceptional long-term achievements in support of international life at UM, to Judith Torney-Purta.

**BIOLOGY COLLEAGUES** David Inouye and James M. Dietz will share the Distinguished International Service Award this year. Together, Dr. Inouye and Dr. Dietz designed the multi-disciplinary graduate program in Sustainable Development and Conservation Biology (CONS) in 1998, with funding from the Pew Charitable Trust. The program, which has an outstanding reputation and strong international perspective, has graduated over 150 students since its inception. Enrolled students have come from 27 different countries, and many have gone on to leadership positions in national and international organizations. As director and associate director (respectively) of this unique graduate program, Inouye and Dietz bring several decades of experience in conservation research, practice, and policy-making.

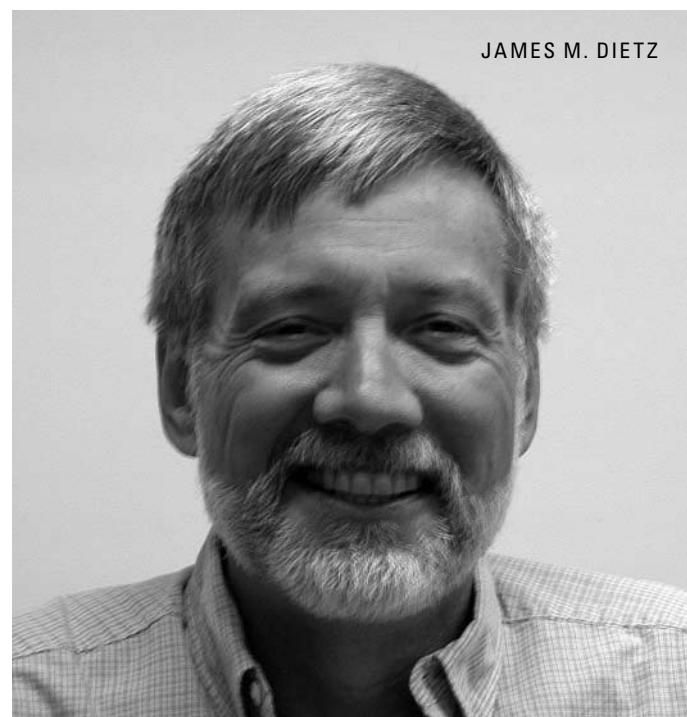
**DAVID W. INOUYE** is Professor in the Department of Biology, an affiliate faculty member in the School of Public Policy, and a member of the Marine Estuarine Environmental Sciences (MEES) and the Behavior, Ecology, Evolution, and Systematics (BEES) graduate faculties. He advises several PhD graduate students and the 40 master's students in the CONS program. Building on the success of the CONS program, Dr. Inouye is currently collaborating with colleagues in South Africa who are developing a new graduate program in conservation biology.

Dr. Inouye is Secretary of the Governing Board of the Ecological Society of America, a Steering Committee member of the North American Pollinator Protection Campaign and the National Phenology Network, as well as a member of the National Research Committee's panel studying the status of pollinators in North America.

His research takes him each summer to the Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory in Colorado where the



DAVID W. INOUYE



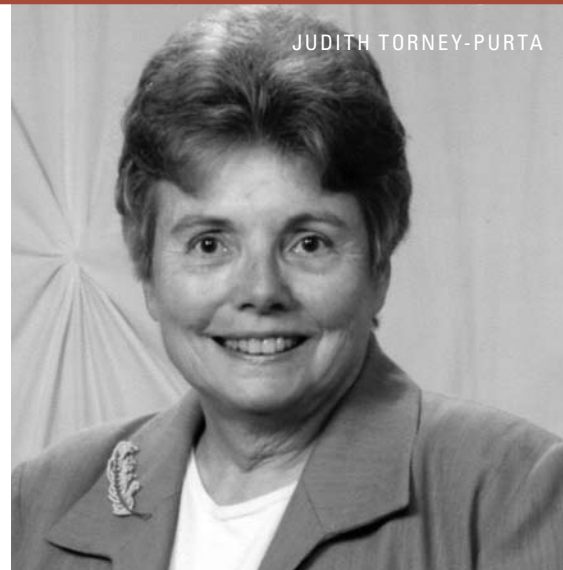
JAMES M. DIETZ

National Science Foundation funds his long-term work on the phenology (*the study of regularly recurring biological phenomena such as animal migrations or plant budding, especially as influenced by climatic conditions*), pollination, and demography of wildflowers. The data he has collected there since 1973 are providing insight into the effects of global and regional climate change. In addition to his long-term, US-based work, he has also conducted field research in Austria, the Snowy Mountains of Australia, Costa Rica, Panama, and South Africa and has mentored graduate students who have worked in Bhutan, Jamaica, and Costa Rica.

JAMES M. DIETZ, an Associate Professor in the Department of Biology, has focused his research and conservation activities in the Atlantic Forest of Brazil. Having lived in Brazil for over 10 years, he is fluent in Portuguese and well acquainted with Brazilian culture. As a Peace Corps Volunteer in Brazil in 1973, Dietz created Brazil's first undergraduate program in Wildlife Management, which is still in existence. Today Dr. Dietz works closely with Brazilian federal agencies such as IBAMA (the Brazilian Institute for the Environment and Natural Resources). He and colleagues have been instrumental in proposing and funding the creation and enlargement of several national parks and reserves in Brazil.

Dr. Dietz is a member of the International Committee for the Conservation and Management of Lion Tamarins and works to conserve two species of endangered lion tamarin monkeys in Brazil's Atlantic Forest: golden lion tamarins in Poço das Antas Biological Reserve in Rio de Janeiro State, and golden-headed lion tamarins in Una Biological Reserve in Bahia State. Thanks to the successful efforts of Associação Mico Leão Dourado, a Brazilian nongovernmental organization he and colleagues founded in 1991, the conservation status of golden lion tamarins was recently changed from "critically endangered" to "endangered." Fittingly, Dr. Dietz sits on the IUCN (The World Conservation Union) Species Survival Commission, an international organization of experts in endangered species.

JUDITH TORNEY-PURTA, Professor of Human Development in the College of Education, University of Maryland, will receive the 2005 Landmark Award for her long-term leadership and achievements in the field of behavior research. Over the last 35 years, she has led cross-national empirical studies in the political socialization of young people: their civic knowledge, political attitudes, and engagement in



democracy. Recently Dr. Torney-Purta received the Decade of Behavior Research Award recognizing her leadership of the International Steering Committee for the IEA Civic Education Study. Data from her survey of 140,000 young people in 29 countries has contributed to a growing policy debate about the role of education in building and sustaining democracy. Her involvement in advisory groups at the Organization of American States and the Council of Europe has helped position the University of Maryland at the forefront of cross-national activities and research.

After twelve years as professor of psychology at the University of Illinois, Chicago, Dr. Torney-Purta came to the University of Maryland in 1981. An interdisciplinary approach has been a trademark of her research since she began graduate training at the University of Chicago. Psychologists and political scientists alike value her contributions to the understanding of political socialization. She has collaborated with faculty in the University of Maryland's College of Behavioral and Social Sciences (including the ICONS Project in the Department of Government and Politics), the School of Public Affairs (including the Center for Information and Research on Civic Learning and Engagement), and in several departments in the College of Education.

Dr. Torney-Purta has led international collaborations throughout her career, and has been instrumental in linking U.S. scholars with counterparts in Eastern and Western Europe interested in the path of social and political development for high school and college students. From the process of this collaborative research, several young scholars have emerged who will go on shape the field in the future.

## *The Office of International Programs (OIP) Expands its Reach*



and courses for graduate students preparing to teach at the university. The Institute also offers part time non-credit courses, such as American English Pronunciation and Dynamic Discussions, which have served many working professionals in Maryland.

*We welcome MEI to the OIP family and look forward to a fruitful relationship!*

### **MEI STAFF PICTURED AT LEFT**

**BACK ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT):** Alex Chu, Kim Sorensen, Aaron Carlson, Patricia Walters, Phil Edmondson;  
**MIDDLE ROW:** Jia Ma, Shannon Talbert, Linda Sahin (Associate Director), Marsha Sprague (Director), Kathy Kilday, Marian Graham, Myonnie Bada, Jeanie Mann-Hoehn; **FRONT ROW:** Eric Walker, Harriet Lipowitz, Nina Liakos, Kim Kwok, Erica Lamm

### **The Maryland English Institute Joins the Office of International Programs**

The Maryland English Institute (MEI), formerly in the college of Arts and Humanities, is now part of the Office of International Programs. Since 1981, MEI has been providing courses for non-native speakers of English who are planning to study in U.S. colleges and universities or who wish to learn English for career or personal enrichment. MEI's move to the OIP group broadens the range of services that we offer to the international community on campus and beyond, and furthers our goal to bring international scholars to campus.

MEI's unique commitment to teaching excellence combined with state-of-the-art instructional technology and its location at the University of Maryland provide an excellent environment for learning English in the United States. In all its programs, MEI strives to provide balanced perspectives of the diversity of American academic, social, and cultural life.

MEI's largest program, Intensive English, consists of four levels integrated into one curriculum and attracts students from all over the world. Other MEI programs include a semi-intensive course for international students who are at the beginning of their course of study at UM,

### **OIP Director Saúl Sosnowski is Now Associate Provost for International Affairs**

Sosnowski oversees an inter-connected group of offices including the Office of International Programs, International Education Services (Valerie Woolston, director), Study Abroad (Michael Ulrich, associate director), the Institute for Global Chinese Affairs (Ken Hunter, interim associate director), and the Maryland English Institute (Marsha Sprague, director).

### **Faculty Committee Formed to Forge International Strategy for UMD**

In an effort to strengthen and expand the university's mission to bring international opportunities and perspectives to campus, the Office of International Programs is forming a new faculty advisory committee. The committee will engage the directors of academic centers and programs specializing in the major global regions, including the Middle East, Latin America, South Asia, East Asia, Western Europe, Eastern Europe/Russia, and Africa, as well as institutes that focus on international topics such as environmental protection, disarmament, and global trade. Stay tuned for more details...

## Four UM Students Win Scholarships for Studies Abroad

THE OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS is pleased to announce that the Maryland International Education Association (MIEA), in agreement with the Baltimore Community Foundation, has awarded four of its five Study Abroad Scholarships to University of Maryland, College Park students. In honor of the Maryland Comptroller, MIEA granted the William Donald Schaefer Scholarship to Michael Eskinazi, a civil engineering student. Mr. Eskinazi will study engineering at the EGIM School in Marseilles, France through the Institute of International Education's Global E3 Engineering Exchange Program. The recipients of other MIEA awards are Ruba Elbasha, Jade Ndiaye, and Sarah Wetherald. Ms. Elbasha studies finance and will participate in the University of Maryland Honors Program in "British Law, Politics and Society" at the University of Oxford in London, England. Ms. Ndiaye, who studies general business management, will travel to France, Germany, and The Netherlands for the "Islamic Diaspora in Europe" program, which is sponsored by the School for International Training. Ms. Wetherald, a government and politics major, will focus on theories of globalization and development taught through "The Politics of Globalization," a University of Maryland program in Argentina.

Created to increase opportunities for international education and intercultural understanding within the state and its higher education communities, the Maryland International Education Association provides a clearinghouse of information on international education opportunities and advocates on behalf of international education initiatives in state government, institutions of higher education, and the business community. The Study Abroad Scholarship program is part of MIEA's mission to facilitate access to international education programs for Maryland residents. Nine institutions of higher education, including the University of Maryland, College Park, participate in MIEA.

The awards granted by MIEA are one of several types of scholarships offered through the Study Abroad Office at the University of Maryland, College Park. For more information about financial assistance or other services of the Study Abroad Office, please visit: [www.umd.edu/studyabroad](http://www.umd.edu/studyabroad).

## Visiting Fulbright Scholars at the University of Maryland, Fall 2005

Visiting scholars are listed by name with country of origin and the department they are working with listed below.

**Dr. Abebe Belay**

Ethiopia, Civil Engineering

**Dr. Davit Kirvalidze**

Georgia, Agricultural and Resource Economics

**Dr. Yan Liu**

China, Human Development

**Dr. Taisuke Nishigauchi**

Japan, Linguistics

**Dr. Wegdan Osman**

Egypt, Physics

**Dr. Yasser Shabana**

Egypt, Mechanical Engineering

**Dr. Jan Stievermann**

Germany, English

**Dr. Hsiu-Lan Tien**

Taiwan, Psychology

*OIP welcomes you to the University of Maryland!*

## University of Maryland Faculty on Fulbright Scholarships Abroad, Fall 2005

UM scholars are listed by name with country they are visiting, their department affiliation, and project title listed below.

**Dr. Christine Elise Clark**

Guatemala, Education Policy and Leadership  
*Schools as Breeding Grounds for Prisons and Multicultural Education as a Key to Freedom*

**Dr. Hugh A. Bruck**

Israel, Mechanical Engineering  
*Development of Advanced Composite Materials using Graded, Bioinspired, and Nanostructured Principles: Maryland-Israel Cooperation for Competitiveness*

**Dr. Samer Faraj**

Lebanon, Decision and Information Technologies  
*Barriers to Successful E-Government Projects in Lebanon*

**Dr. George Rudolph Helz**

Croatia, Chemistry and Biochemistry  
*Chemistry of Copper in Sulfidic Natural Waters*

**Dr. Roberta Z. Lavine**

Chile, Spanish and Portuguese  
*A Prototype for Faculty Development:  
English as a Foreign Language*

**Dr. Jeffrey Jensen Arnett**

Denmark, Human Development  
*Emerging Adulthood in Denmark*



## 2005-2006 International Film Series

### "The Outsider"

All films are free and open to the public.

Films are shown at 7:00 p.m. in the Hoff Theater (Stamp Student Union) on the 1st Wednesday of each month.

Schedule subject to change.  
Most films screened on 35mm.

October 5, 2005

### BARAN

Hosted by Professor Ahmad Karimi-Hakkak,  
School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures (SLLC)

Director: Majid Majidi (Iran, 2000, 94 minutes)  
In Persian and Dari.

In a building site in present-day Tehran, Lateef, a 17-year-old Kurdish worker is irresistibly drawn to Rahmat, a young Afghan refugee. The revelation of Rahmat's secret changes both their lives.

November 2, 2005

### NOSFERATU: A SYMPHONY OF HORROR (NOSFERATU, EINE SYMPHONIE DES GRAUENS)

Hosted by Professor Peter Beicken, SLLC

An Evening of Silent Film, with live musical accompaniment by Ray Brubacher on digital piano

Director: F.W. Murnau (Germany, 1922, 81 minutes)

A highlight of German Expressionist film, this classic vampire film adapted Bram Stoker's *Dracula*, accomplishing an artistic landmark of the horror genre. Ingenuously composed in a painterly style, the film is foremost a psychological thriller presenting a nightmarish world with the phantom looming like a deadly disease.

December 7, 2005

### COLD LIGHT (KALDALJÓS)

Hosted by Professor Rose-Marie Oster, SLLC

Director: Hilmar Oddsson  
(Iceland/Norway/UK/Germany, 2004, 90 minutes)

A 40-year-old loner in Reykjavik is haunted by events from his childhood, until he finds redemption in an art class. Oscar nominee.

February 8, 2006

### IN A LONELY PLACE

Hosted by Professor Myron Lounsbury,  
Department of American Studies

Director: Nicholas Ray  
(United States, 1950, 94 minutes)  
Humphrey Bogart is a disgruntled Hollywood scriptwriter who becomes enmeshed in a film noir murder mystery in LA.

March 1, 2006

### SATIN ROUGE

Hosted by Professor Caroline Eades, SLLC

Director: Raja Amari (France / Tunisia, 2002, 100 minutes) In Arabic / French.

Tunisian writer/director Raja Amari tells the story of a widowed seamstress reluctantly exploring the world of night clubs and cabarets, who eventually finds herself on stage as a successful belly-dancer.

April 5, 2006

### OUT OF THIS WORLD (KONO YO NO SOTO E)

Hosted by Professor Gretchen Jones, SLLC

Director: Junji Sakamoto (Japan, 2004, 123 minutes)

In the chaotic yet vibrant era immediately following the end of World War II in Japan, five young Japanese musicians find an opportunity to play jazz at American military clubs, forging ties with former enemies and making American music their own.

May 3, 2006

### THE SYRIAN BRIDE (HA-KALA HA-SURIT)

Director: Eran Riklis  
(Israel/Germany/France, 2004, 97 minutes)  
In Arabic, Hebrew, English, Russian, French.

A Druze woman from the Golan Heights becomes engaged to marry a Syrian television star whom she has never met.



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