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Message from the ACPSS President

It is a great honor for me to be elected the president of ACPSS and serve with the new board of directors. I would like to take this opportunity to send our warm greetings to all ACPSS members, colleagues and friends both inside and outside the U.S. This is also the time for me to express my gratitude to you for trusting me with this important position and I will surely do all my best to live up to your expectations in my tenure as the president for the next two years.

I still cherish the fond memory of my first contact with ACPSS at one of its annual meetings in Atlanta, Georgia, many years ago. I was immediately attracted to this professional community as I felt its power and dynamics characterized by its collegiality, unique interdisciplinary nature, and scholarship. From then on, I became actively involved in almost all ACPSS activities, hardly missing any of its annual meetings, participating in several ACPSS lecture tours in China and two delegations to Taiwan.

Two years ago, I was elected to the ACPSS Board of Directors and have been serving this community ever since. Now I am proud of myself for being a life-time member of ACPSS. The longer I stay with ACPSS, the more I love ACPSS because I find myself interacting with a group of highly motivated and research-active scholars -- a network in which one can build up long-lasting professional friendship and benefit tremendously in career development and professional growth.

ACPSS has now entered its 14th year and is growing ever stronger. All the achievements we have made so far are undoubtedly attributed to

our collective unyielding effort, and more importantly, to our firm belief in and commitment to our mission set up at the founding of our organization – to serve as a platform for exchanging innovative ideas, sharing academic information, and promoting research collaboration and professional development.



I always see ACPSS as a collective enterprise whose success depends on valuable contributions from all our members, and particularly from the past board of directors. My predecessor, Dr. Shuming Lu, deserves my special salute and thanks for his great work and accomplishments during his tenure of presidency. Now the torch is passed onto my hand. I will hold it high and carry it on.

LI Jieli
Ohio University

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Election of the New ACPSS Board of Directors

By **HAN Aiguo**, han@wowan.edu

On October 27, 2007, at The 13th Annual International Conference of ACPSS held at Ohio University, Athens, ACPSS members successfully elected their new leaders who will serve its members for the next two years.

Professor CHENG Hong, Chair of the Election Committee, presided over the procedure. Each candidate delivered a brief speech before members cast their votes. The election proceeded in a warm supportive atmosphere and the final vote was unanimous.

Professor LI Jieli from Ohio University was elected the new President of ACPSS. Six ACPSS members, HAN Aiguo, HAN Ying, HUANG Shaorong, HUANG Yonggang, WU Xiaoyan, and YU Zhenggu were elected to the new Board of Directors of ACPSS. As a result of this election, the leadership of ACPSS now consists of:

President: **LI Jieli** (Ohio University)
Executive Vice President: **HAN Aiguo** (Rowan University)
Vice President: **HAN Ying** (Savannah State University)
Public Relations Director: **YU Zhenggu** (Josh) (Savannah College of Art and Design)
Membership Director: **HUANG Yonggang** (Fred) (CUNY-Brooklyn College)
Treasurer: **HUANG Shaorong** (University of Cincinnati)
Newsletter Editor: **WU Xiaoyan** (Helen) (University of Toronto, Canada)

The newly elected officers of ACPSS will serve a two-year term (Oct. 2007-Oct. 2009) effective immediately after the election.

Members at the conference also unanimously approved a motion that members of the ACPSS Asset Management Committee (2005—2007) be nominated and elected to serve another term of two years. Therefore, the following members

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will continue to serve on the ACPSS Asset Management Committee:

PAN, Zuohong, Chair (Western Connecticut State University)

Ji, Jianguo (City University of NY)

YANG, Zhiguo (University of Wisconsin-River Falls)



New ACPSS Board of Directors (from the left):

Aiguo Han, Josh Yu, Helen Wu, Jieli Li, Ying Han, Fred Huang, Shaorong Huang



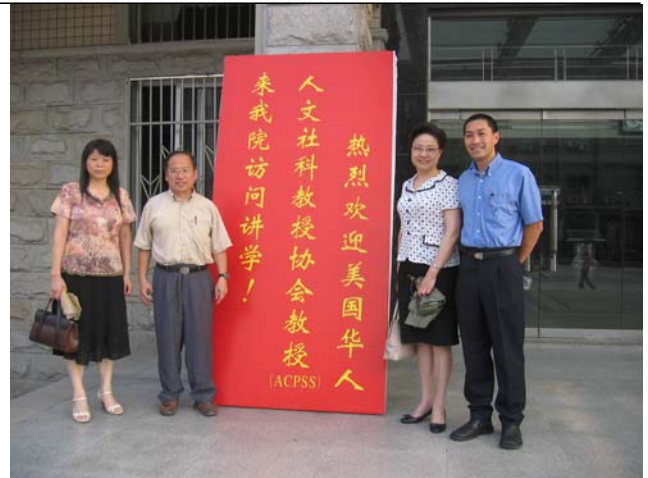
ACPSS board members singing in group at the Ohio Conference evening party

2008 Summer Lectures

Report on the Hubei Trip

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From June 1st to June 7th, a group of ACPSS members, consisting of Dr. YU Yanmin (Bridgeport University), Dr. XU Guangqiu (Friends University), Dr. LIANG Bin (Oklahoma State University), and Dr. ZHANG Jie (SUNY at Buffalo College) went to Hubei Province to conduct 2008 summer lectures. As usual, our local host, this time the Department of International Affairs of the Hubei Association for Science and Technology, warmly welcomed us and arranged the whole trip.



ACPSS Professors with Hosts in Hubei (Right to left) Dr. LIANG Bin, Ms. LI Yanlin--Minister of the Dept. of Int'l Affairs of Hubei Association for Science and Technology, Dr. XU Guangqiu, and the host of Yangtze U.



ACPSS members (Dr. Xu Quangqiu, Dr. Liang Bin and Dr. Yu Yanmin) with local hosts in tour to Historical Jinzhou City, Hubei Province, China.

Instead of giving lectures at universities in Wuhan (as the ACPSS 2007 Summer Lectures did), this year we traveled to a historically famous place in Hubei, Jingzhou city, known as a key site during the Three Kingdoms period (220-280). A few days before we arrived, Jingzhou had just hosted the 2008 Beijing Olympics torch relay. We toured the whole city, and were all impressed by its natural beauty and historic significance.

On June 3rd, we lectured at Yangtze University, one of the biggest universities in Hubei. Dr. YU Yanmin and Dr. LIANG Bin gave a lecture on "Free Press & Fair Trial." Dr. XU Guangqiu and DR. LIANG Bin gave a lecture on "Social Psychology & Campus Life." Both lectures were thoroughly enjoyed by the Students and faculty there.

On our next stop, we visited the world famous Three Gorges Dam and cruised part of the Three Gorges region by riverboat. As the old saying goes, seeing is believing. Both the scenery of the Yangtze and this man-made gigantic construction are truly magnificent. Afterwards, we returned to Wuhan, toured some local points of interest, such as the Yellow Crane Tower, the Hubei Provincial Museum, before we departed. As in many other trips, we found our Hubei trip very rewarding and memorable, and will be looking forward to revisiting the province in the future.

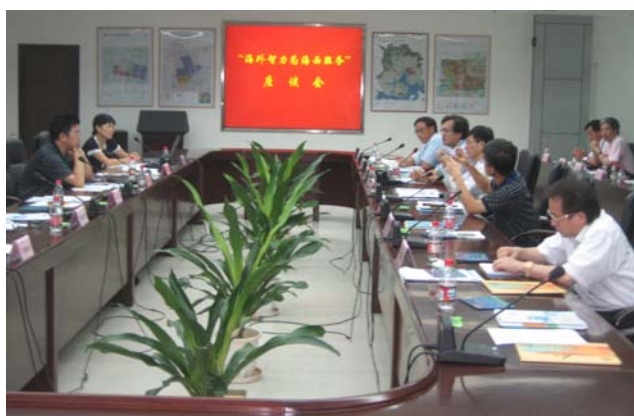
ACPSS Other Activities



Feature Photo: ACPSS on the move



ACPSS delegation in Taiwan, visiting Ciji recycling station in Taipei, Taiwan, Summer, 2007



ACPSS members visiting special economic zone in Xiamen, China, September, 2008



Dr. Lu Shuming (left) and Dr. Zhang Jie (right) with a local host at Overseas Chinese Talents Conference in Fuzhou, September, 2008

ARCS Call for Book Reviews

By LI Xiaobing

The Journal of *American Review of China Studies*, the official journal of ACPSS, has received the following books for review and is solicited for the spring 2009 issue of ARCS. If you are interested in writing a review of 800-2,000 words, please send your request and your mailing address to Xiaobing Li at bli@uco.edu. I will mail you the book in November 2008.

Reviewers generally have two months to complete their review by February 2009 and you can keep the book. The books are available on a first come first served basis. They are:

Crossley, Pamela Kyle, Helen F. Siu, and Donald S. Sutton, eds. *Empire at the Margins: Culture, Ethnicity, And Frontier in Early Modern China*. CA: U of California P, 2006. 378 pp. Hardcover, \$54.95

Goldstein, Melvyn C., Dawei Sherap, and William R. Siebenschuh. *A Tibetan Revolutionary: The Political Life and Times of Bapa Phuntso Wangye* (CA: U of California P, 2004). 371 pp. Hardcover

Guo, Sujian, and Shiping Hua, eds., *New Dimensions of Chinese Foreign Policy* (MD: Rowman & Littlefield Publishing Group, Inc., 2007). 244 pp. Hardcover, \$65.00

Li, Hongshan. *U.S.-China Educational Exchange: State, Society, and Intercultural Relations, 1905-1950*. New Brunswick, New Jersey, and London: Rutgers UP, 2008. 284 pp. Hardcover

Lu, Hong, and Terance D. Miethe. *China's Death Penalty: History, Law, and Contemporary Practices*. FL: Routledge, 2007. 220 pp. Hardcover

Qi, Shouhua. *When the Purple Mountain Burns* (A novel). California: Long River, 2005. 273 pp. Hardcover, \$19.95

Member News

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Professor Liqun Cao, life member of ACPSS, accepted a new position as Professor of criminology at the newly established university in Canada – University of Ontario Institute of Technology.

Professor Cao was the co-recipient of **2008 Donal MacNamara Award** – for the best article of the year (2007) in three Academy of Criminal Justice Science official journals: *Justice Quarterly*, *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*, and *ACJS Today*. His award-winning paper was entitled “Crime volume and law and order culture” published in *Justice Quarterly* (24: 291-308) in 2007.

His co-edited book *Criminology* (in Chinese), as a part of Professor Lu Shuming’s series, hit the market in China in May 2008. Professor Cao was the invited keynote speaker at the International Juvenile Delinquency Conference in December 2007, in Macau. His paper was entitled “Reflections on the Trends of Juvenile Justice Policies in the New Century.” The conference was sponsored by Macau Association of Juvenile Delinquency for its tenth anniversary.

Professor Cao is the co-guest editor of a special issue for *Sociological Focus*, the official journal of North-Central sociological Association. The special issue will be published in early 2009.

In addition, Professor Cao is the Vice President of Chinese Association of Greater Detroit and he successfully co-hosted the 2008 annual meeting (see the attached photo). His other referred journal articles in 2008 include:

Liqun Cao, Charles Hou, and Bu Huang, “**Correlates of victim offender relationship in homicide**,” in *International Journal of Offender Therapy*

and *Comparative Criminology* 52 (6) (forthcoming)

Liqun Cao, Yan Zhang, and Ni He, “**Carrying Guns to School for Protection: A Reanalysis of the 2001 School Crime Supplement**,” in *Journal of Criminal Justice* 36 (2): 154-64, 2008.

Lan-Ying Huang and **Liqun Cao**, “**Exploring Sexual Harassment in a Police Department in Taiwan**,” in *Policing* 31 (2): 324-340, 2008.

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Professor Xiwu Feng co-chaired the International Conference on Language Education and Research: Development and Challenge in Bilingual/Foreign Language Education, August 16-18, 2007, Urumqi, Xijiang, China.

He co-edited with Hu Xinnian and Liang Jie a book, *Cross-Linguistic and Cross-Cultural Communication: Theory and Application in Language Teaching and Research*. Hong Kong: World Chinese.

He also gave lectures and speeches in fall 2007 in over 10 institutions, including Guangdong University of Foreign Studies, Sichuan Foreign Languages Institute, Xinjiang University, Shihezi University, Xinjiang Agricultural and Technological University, and Xinjiang Medical University, and so on.

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Professor Guofang Li received the Early Career Award from the American Educational Research Association’s Division G, which focuses on social contexts of education. The honor, presented during the annual AERA meeting on March 26, 2008, in New York City, recognizes an individual in the early stages of his or her career who has made distinguished research contributions to the field. Her recent publications include:

Books:

Li, Guofang, and Lihshing Wang, eds. *Model Minority Myths Revisited: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Demystifying Asian American Education Experiences*. Greenwich, CT: Information Age, 2008. For more info about the book, visit www.infoagepub.com/products/content/p484068e871d0a.php.

Li, Guofang. *Culturally Contested Literacies: America's "Rainbow Underclass" and Urban Schools*. New York: Routledge, 2008. For more info about the book, visit www.amazon.com/Culturally-Contested-Literacies-Americas-Underclass/dp/0415955653/ref=sr_1_2?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1225006588&sr=8-2.

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Guofang Li and X. Ni, "Information Technology Integration in Meaning-based EFL Curriculum Design: Theory and Practice" (新信息技术应用与意义构建型教学课程设计: 理论和实践), in 《新课程》 (*New Curriculum*), 7:4-6, 2008.

Guofang Li and W. Wang, "English Language Learners," in T. Good, ed., *21st Century Education: An Encyclopaedia*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage, 2008.

X. Lu and Guofang Li, "Motivation and Achievement in Chinese Language Learning: A Comparative Analysis of Heritage and Non-heritage College Students in Mixed Classrooms in the United States," in Agnes Weiyun He and Xiao Yun, eds., *Chinese as a Heritage Language*. Hawaii: NFLRC, 2008.

Guofang Li and L. Wang, "Introduction: The Old Myth in a New Time," in G. Li & L. Wang, eds., *Model Minority Myth Revisited: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Demystifying Asian American Education Experiences*. Charlotte, NC: IAP, 2008.

Guofang Li, "Other People's Success: Impact of the 'Model Minority' Myth on Underachieving Asian Students in North America," in G. Li & L. Wang, eds., *Model Minority Myth Revisited: An Interdisciplinary Approach to*

Demystifying Asian American Education Experiences. Charlotte, NC: IAP, 2008.

C. Brock, R. Case, J. Pennington, Guofang Li, and R. Salas, "Using a Multimodal Theoretical Lens to Explore Studies Pertaining to English Learners in the Visual and Communicative arts," in J. Flood, S. Brice-Heath, and D. Lapp, eds., *Handbook of Research on Teaching Literacy Through the Communicative and Visual Arts*. Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum, 2008.

Guofang Li, "Home Environment and Literacy Engagement: Case Study of a Vietnamese Refugee Family in America," in C. Park, ed., *Asian Pacific Education: Acculturation, Literacy Development and Learning*. Greenwich, CT: Information Age, 2008, pp. 77-104.

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Professor Mingjiang Li is Assistant Professor at the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS). His main research interests include the rise of China in the context of East Asian regional relations and Sino-US relations, China's diplomatic history, and domestic sources of China's international strategies. He teaches two courses: 1) the History and International Politics of the Cold War, and 2) Chinese Security and Foreign Policy. He received his Ph.D. from Boston University in Political Science. He has also studied at the Foreign Affairs University (Beijing) and the Hopkins-Nanjing Center. He was a diplomatic correspondent for Xinhua News Agency from 1999 to 2001. He has previously taught Political Science and Chinese Politics courses at Boston University, Tufts University, and Suffolk University. He has published and presented papers on China's domestic politics and foreign policy.

In October 2007, Professor Mingjiang Li and his colleagues successfully hosted a conference on China's soft power, in which several ACPSS members participated. An edited

volume of the essays presented at the conference will be published soon.

Professor Mingjiang Li coordinates a graduate-level Asian Studies Program at RSIS, a graduate school at Nanyang Technology University, Singapore. He encourages fellow ACPSS members and colleagues to direct their senior undergraduate students' attention to his program if they are considering pursuing a master's degree in Asian studies. All admitted students will receive at least half tuition waiver and there are many full scholarship opportunities. For more information about graduate programs, please visit the website www.rsis.edu.sg.

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Liang, Bin. *The Changing Chinese Legal System, 1978-Present: Centralization of Power and Rationalization of the Legal System*. New York: Routledge, 2008. For more info, visit www.amazon.com/Changing-Chinese-Legal-System-1978-Present/dp/0415958598/ref=sr_1_7?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1225003905&sr=1-7.

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Professor Xin-An Lu was awarded a teaching fellowship of \$2,200 to offer a short course on Rhetoric and Public Speaking in China in Summer, 2008. The funding agency is the US-based Overseas Young Chinese Forum (www.oycf.org/About/aboutoycf.htm).

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Professor Kam C. Wong was an Inspector with the Royal Hong Kong Police before he became a lawyer and now a professor in the U.S. He has researched at Cambridge, lectured for Harvard, and mentored Yale law students. Visiting

Professor of Law, City University of Hong Kong, School of Law (Summer 2005 – 7). He was Chair and Professor, Xavier University, Cincinnati, OH 45207.

Professor Wong has published 70 books and articles, including those in

- *Criminal Law Bulletin; Georgetown Journal of Law and Public Policy,*
- *Columbia Journal of Asian Law; British Journal of Criminology,*
- *Journal of Information Law & Technology (JILT),*
- *Pacific Rim Law & Policy Journal,*
- *International Journal of the Sociology of Law,*
- *Australian Journal of Law and Society,*
- *Australian and New Zealand Journal of Criminology,*
- *John Marshall Journal of Computer and Information Law,*

and so on and so forth. His latest books are:

- *The Impact of USA Patriot Act on American Society: An Evidence Based Assessment* (New York: Nova, 2007), 404 pp. For more info about the book, visit www.amazon.com/Impact-USA-Patriot-American-Society/dp/1600218407/ref=sr_1_15?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1202931508&sr=1-15 and www.novapublishers.com/catalog/product_info.php?products_id=5872.
- *The Making of USA Patriot Act: Legislation, Implementation, Impact* (Beijing: China Law, 2008) (in Chinese), http://works.bepress.com/kam_wong/31/, and
- *Policing with Chinese Characteristics* (Peter Lang, forthcoming in 2009), visit http://works.bepress.com/kam_wong/35/ for more information.

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Professor Jie Zhang has published 10 articles since the 2007 ACPSS annual conference. They are:

Jie Zhang and Huilan Xu, “**Degree of Suicide Intent and the Lethality of Means Employed: A Study of Chinese Attempters,**” in *Archives of Suicide Research* 11 (4):343-350, 2007.

Jie Zhang and Cun-Xian Jia, “**Validating a short version of the suicide intent scale in China,**” in *Omega: Journal of Death and Dying* 55 (4):255-265, 2007.

Jie Zhang, and Huilan Xu, “**The Effects of Religion, Superstition, and Perceived Gender Inequality on the Degree of Suicide Intent: A Study of Serious Attempters in China,**” in *Omega: Journal of Death and Dying*, 55 (3):185-197, 2007.

Jie Zhang and Ning Li, “**A Case-control Study on Marriage and Love Affair Related Life Events of Completed Suicide in Rural Chinese Women,**” in *Chinese Mental Health Journal* 《中国心理卫生杂志》 21 (9):626-629 (in Chinese), 2007.

Yuanyuan Kong, **Jie Zhang**, Shuhua Jia, and Li Zhou, “**Reliability and Validity of the Beck Hopelessness Scale for Adolescents,**” in *Chinese Mental Health Journal* 《中国心理卫生杂志》 21 (10):686-689 (in Chinese), 2007.

Jie Zhang and Zhen-Shao Song, “**Evaluation of the Scale for Suicide Ideation in Chinese High School Students to Study Its Reliability and Validity,**” in *Journal of Clinical Psychiatry* 《临床精神医学杂志》 17 (6):367-368 (in Chinese), 2007.

Jie Zhang, Yuanyuan Kong, and Li Zhou, “**Attitudes towards Suicide among Rural Chinese in Dalian Areas,**” in *Chinese Journal of Behavioral Medical Science* 《中国行为医学科学》 16 (11):1013-1015 (in Chinese).

Jie Zhang and David Lester, “**Psychological Tensions Found in Suicide Notes: A Test for the Strain Theory of Suicide,**” in *Archives of Suicide Research* 12 (1):67-73, 2008.

Jill M. Norvilitis, Travis Ingersoll, **Jie Zhang**, and Shuhua Jia, “**Self-Reported Symptoms of ADHD Among College**

Students in China and the United States,” in *Journal of Attention Disorders* 11 (5):558-567, 2008.

Travis S. Ingersoll, Jill M. Norvilitis, **Jie Zhang**, Shuhua Jia, and Sheldon Tetewsky, “**Reliability and Validity of the Fear of Intimacy Scale in China,**” in *Journal of Personality Assessment* 90:270-279, 2008.

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Zhao, Yuezhi. *Communication in China:*

Political Economy, Power, and Conflict.

Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2008.

For more info about the book, visit

www.amazon.com/Communication-China-Political-Economy-Conflict/dp/074251966X/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1225006123&sr=8-1.

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Zhu, Ying. *Television in Post-Reform China: Serial Drama, Confucian Leadership, and Global Television Market.* New York:

Routledge, 2008. For more info about the book, visit

www.amazon.com/s/ref=nb_ss_gw?url=search-alias%3Daps&field-keywords=Television+in+Post-Reform+China

Call for Papers

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American Review of China Studies (ARCS) is the official and refereed journal of the Association of Chinese Professors of Social Sciences in the United States (ACPSS). It is published in English on a regular basis in America for China experts, Asian specialists, college professors, academic researchers, and interested readers. Its goal is to disseminate new research, promote scholarly exchange, and produce an intellectual and more complete understanding of China. It serves ACPSS members as a forum and a focused outlet for their academic products, fresh ideas, and new and relevant information obtained from research efforts related to all disciplines of social sciences and humanities.

ARCS publishes original research, theoretical critique, descriptive survey, documentary analyses, literature review, methodological studies, applied research, creative and conceptual models, and replications or extensions of past research, if they make an important contribution to the theory, method, or knowledge in the field and provide insight for China studies. It invites ACPSS members and interested non-members to submit their research articles or/and book reviews for a diverse and academic audience of professors, researchers, educators, and general readers.

Manuscript submission deadline for the spring issue is September 15, and for the fall issue is February 15. The writing should be in English and the style should be understandable, interesting, concise, and non-discriminatory. Terms and concepts particular to a discipline should be explained for the non-specialist reader. Manuscript should follow *The Chicago Manual of Style* (15th ed., 2003). The main text should be double-spaced, font 12, with endnotes and a one paragraph about 50-100 words short abstract, describing the objectives of the paper. On a separate page, personal bios no more than 100 words should include the author's name, affiliation, degrees, academic achievement,

major publications, mailing address, telephone number, and e-mail address. Since the articles are reviewed anonymously, the authors should avoid any identifying text references.

Manuscripts are considered with the understanding that their contents have not been published and are not under consideration elsewhere. Two hard copies should be sent to the editor for review and they will not be returned.

After the deadlines, all manuscripts will undergo a blind review by a panel of referees, normally three or four members of the Editorial Board. In special circumstances, subject matter experts who are not board members may be substituted for or added to the panel. Members of the Editorial Board are listed on the masthead page of each issue. Since manuscripts are sent out anonymously for editorial evaluation, the author's name and affiliation should appear only on the title page of the article.

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From the Editor's Desk

Autumn greetings from Toronto, Canada! Presented to you is Volume 8, Number 1, of the ACPSS Newsletter edited by a new face, a member who does not work or live in the US. Besides, I don't even teach in English, but in Chinese! So you might wonder how come I am in charge of the ACPSS Newsletter and also work as the Secretary of ACPSS. Well, don't you remember the Buddhist saying that "A monk from the other side may know more sutra," eh? (That "eh" seems non-existent in American English, but unique in Canada.) I trust that was how I was elected as a Board member and why other Board members under **Dr. Jieli Li's** leadership asked me to take care of the newsletter.

What's important is that you stay tuned about the ACPSS community and that you learn what your fellow members have been doing lately. To help me accomplish that, I would like you to keep me informed, please. Without the information from you, there will be no news. In ACPSS, good news should run fast, and to the Editor, of course.

You read in this issue that ACPSS organized another Summer Lecture Tours in China successfully. This is certainly an indispensable part of ACPSS annually. What many members do throughout the year is also impressive: From winning fellowships, awards and grants to the publications of many books and journal articles, and to delivering numerous speeches, talks, or presentations at international conferences, our members are as productive as ever before and have reaped a bumper harvest in the past year.

They make great achievements out of their routine busy schedules. Congratulations to the following 10 professors: **CAO Liqun, FENG Xiwu, LI Guofang, LI Mingjiang, LIANG Bin, LU Xin-An, WONG Kam C., ZHANG Jie, ZHAO Yuezhi, and ZHU Ying.** Thank you for sharing the news with all of us!

This issue also brings us the delightful news that some senior members, such as Dr. **Liqun Cao**, after several years of absence in ACPSS activities, are "awakened" to re-emerge. Welcome back, **Dr. CAO!** We are sure that you will contribute more to your field and to continue to help ACPSS grow.

Members of ACPSS, keep up your good spirits and keep fit, too! You'll need good health, not wealth, for your ongoing projects and careers.

On the eve of the 14th ACPSS International Conference at Cornell University, November 7-9, 2008, in conjunction with the 90th Jubilee of the Cornell Wason Collection on East Asia, may I wish you a safe and pleasant journey to the conference site!

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge Professors **HAN Aiguo, LI Guofang,** and **LIU Min,** the [three](#) previous [ACPSS Newsletter](#) editors, for their generous help in [making](#) the publication of this issue possible. Thank you all!

I look forward to meeting you in person soon. Please send me your news and views for the next ACPSS Newsletter by all means!

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