

Bulletin UPDATE / NOUVEAUTÉ AU *Bulletin*

Sara Butler recently joined the *Bulletin* staff as a contributing editor. With a BA from York and an MA from Toronto, she is currently working at Dalhousie University with medievalist Cynthia J. Neville. Her thesis involves an in-depth examination of court records from both the secular and ecclesiastical jurisdictions in Yorkshire and Essex to better understand medieval attitudes towards spousal abuse.

Sara Butler s'est jointe récemment à l'équipe de rédaction du *Bulletin*. Elle a obtenu son baccalauréat à l'université York et sa maîtrise à l'université de Toronto; elle poursuit actuellement ses recherches à l'université Dalhousie avec la médiéviste Cynthia J. Neville. Dans sa thèse, elle étudie l'attitude de la société médiévale face à la violence conjugale en dépouillant systématiquement les dossiers judiciaires de la juridiction séculière et ecclésiastique des comtés de Yorkshire et d'Essex.

HISTORIANS IN THE NEWS

A. A. den Otter has received the Harold Adams Innis prize for his book, *The Philosophy of Railways: The Transcontinental Railway Idea in British North America* (UTP, 1997). The prize is awarded by the Humanities and Social Sciences Federation of Canada.

Olive Dickason was the Stanley Knowles Visiting Professor in Canadian Studies at the University of Waterloo in the fall of 1998. Her public lecture, "Recognized at Last? - Some Reflections on the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples" can be found at : <http://arts.uwaterloo.ca/econ/needhdata/dickason.html>.

James Leith, Professor Emeritus at Queen's University, received the Queen's University Prize for Excellence in Research in the Humanities and Social Sciences. In addition, Ian Germani and Robin Swales have edited a festschrift in honour of Dr. Leith entitled *Symbols, Myths and Images: Essays in Honour of James A. Leith* and published by the Canadian Plains Research Center. It contains articles by twenty-three historians from eight countries.

Joy Parr delivered the 5th Annual Charles R. Bronfman Lecture in Canadian Studies at the University of Ottawa in November 1998. Entitled "These Goods Are Canadian-made: An Historian Thinks About Things," Dr. Parr's lecture was later aired on C-PAC. In addition, Dr. Parr was interviewed on CBC Radio's This Morning. The lecture will be published this winter as part of the Bronfman Lecture Series.

By decision of the Senate of the University of Guelph, **Gilbert Stelter** has received the John Bell Award. The university's most prestigious award, it recognizes his outstanding contribution to university education at the University of Guelph.

Jonathan Vance received the Charles P. Stacey Award for his book, *Death So Noble: Memory, Meaning and the First World War* (UBC Press, 1997). The award is given every two years by the Canadian Committee for the History of the Second World War for the best work in Twentieth-Century Canadian military history. In addition to the Charles P. Stacey Award, *Death So Noble* won the 1997 Dafoe Book Prize, the 1998 CHA Sir John A. Macdonald Prize and was a finalist for the \$50,000 international Lionel Gelber Prize.

