A WORD FROM THE DIRECTOR

I have been Acting Director of the Institute since November, 2007, and Director since July 1, 2008. In that time, we have accomplished a number of beneficial changes institutionally:

› A restructuring of staff responsibilities and reallocation of office space, whereby our secretary, Barbara Gardner, fulfills her duties in Goodbody 144, the anteroom of the library, and keeps the facility open Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Our two graduate assistants, Leland Rogers and David Straub, are busy cleaning out and reorganizing Goodbody 345 which will serve as their office, the microform reading room, as well as storage for microforms, library duplicates, and new books awaiting cataloguing.

› A reorganization of the library to include additional bookcases and a complete shifting of books to open up shelf space throughout; the placement of a xerox machine in the library for patron use; a set-aside space for recent CEUS-faculty publications; and shelf space for materials on reserve for CEUS courses.

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“How great, that throughout the whole universe the will of the sage should be heeded and obeyed!

The host of officials praise his merits, begging to inscribe them on stone, to be handed down as an unchanging pattern.”

— Shi ji, 6.
Acquisitions

BOOKS


REPORTS


OFFPRINTS


“Exerting utmost strength in matters great and small, none dare to be lax or remiss. Near and far, in remotest corners, they strive to be strict and thorough. Upright, honest, fervent and loyal, they are constant in devotion to duties.”

— Shi ji, 6


**RESOURCES IN DIGITAL FORMAT**

**1. Theses and Dissertations**


“The bright virtue of the August Emperor aligns and orders the whole universe; he sees and listens without tiring. He has established his great righteousness, providing all with the implements required, each with his own badge and pennant.”

— *Shi ji,* 6.


2. Additions to the Central Asian Archive

Ельницкий, К. Инородцы Сибири и среднеазиатских владений России: этнографические очерки. Издание 2-е. С.-Петербург: Изд. М.М. Гузаца, 1908.

Железнов, Иоасаф. Уральцы. Очерки быта уральских казаков. 2 тома. Москва: Тип. А. Семена, 1858.

Рычков, Петр. Топография Оренбургская, то есть: обстоятельное описание Оренбургской губернии. 2 тома. Санктпетербург: При Имп. Академии Науке, 1762.

Ягмен, Альфонс. Киргиз-казацкия степи и их жители. С.-Петербург: Тип. Карла Крайя, 1845.

3. Other


Кисляков, Н.А. Очерки по истории семьи и брака у народов Средней Азии и Казахстана. Ленинград: Изд. Наука, 1969.

“The great sage initiated order, establishing laws and regulations, making manifest his rules and standards. Abroad he instructed the feudal rulers, shedding the light of cultured blessing, enlightening them with the principles of righteousness.”

— Shi ji, 6.
Establishment of Saturday library access from 10:30 am-2:00 pm.

In September, the Institute hosted an international symposium on “Family and State in Chinggisid and Post-Chinggisid Central Eurasia.”

Finally, the semester saw inauguration of a Central Eurasian Studies Colloquium that convenes on alternate Wednesdays throughout the academic year from 4:00-5:15 pm to hear about current research projects of departmental, university, and, beginning in fall 2009, from scholars in the mid-West region.

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