

НОВОСТИ

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Grinnell College Russian Department

Well, we have reached the end of a very eventful semester and wish you all a fun and successful summer.

CONGRATULATIONS!

to the recipients of the John M. Mohan Russian Study Award—**Naomi Bethel '04, Naomi Caffee '04, and Elizabeth Clark '04.** The Russian Study Awards are granted annually to seniors who have planned study and internship programs in Russophone countries after graduation. These awards are drawn from funds raised by three devoted friends of the Russian Department—Diane Fisher Perkinson '82, Sharon McKee '82 and Emily Silliman '81. Naomi Bethel will be studying Russian in Rostov-on-the-Don this summer, Naomi Caffee in St. Petersburg in the Fall, and Elizabeth Clark will be conducting a research project on evangelism next summer in St. Petersburg.



Поздравляем!

Congratulations to our graduating seniors—**Naomi Bethel** (Russian/RCEES), **Sofia Brichford** (Russian/Classics), **Josh Brody**, **Naomi Caffee**, **Elizabeth Clark**, **Greg Dyer** (Russian/Physics), **David Lineal** (Russian/Linguistics) **Kate Ottesen**, and **Ricky Walker**. We also congratulate our fellow-traveler, **Coco Downey** (Comparative Linguistics). We will miss you all!

Naomi Bethel '04 will spend the summer studying Russian in Rostov-na-Donu before moving to Michigan in the fall.

Naomi Caffee '04 plans to stay in Grinnell for the summer, and to depart for Russia in late August to study for a semester. Beyond that, nobody knows!

Elizabeth Clark '04 will study Russian on the ACM Krasnodar program for her final semester this fall. After Krasnodar, Elizabeth will conduct independent research on evangelism in St. Petersburg (in the spring or summer of 2005)

Coco Downey '04 will travel to Nanjing, China to teach English on the Grinnell Corps Teaching Fellowship, and plans on befriending every Russian she can find in the city in order to maintain her Russian. Coco hopes to move to Russia after her year in China, taking a shortcut through Siberia on the railroad.

Greg Dyer '04 is moving to Santa Barbara, CA to attend grad school at UC Santa Barbara in Physics!

David Lineal '04 is moving to Chicago with intentions to “offend the squares” by playing in his Psychedelic rock band.

Kate Ottesen '04 will begin a teacher’s certification program at Iowa State University in Ames. She’ll be working on certification in elementary special education and Russian too!

Ricky Walker '04 plans to play rock and roll music in the grand city of Omaha until the winter, when he plans to depart for Russia. Richard’s tentative plans include: moving to Chicago upon his return from Russia and playing rock and roll music there for a short while, followed by a period of graduate school, either in Philosophy, Comparative Literature, or Slavic Studies (all with an emphasis on Russian).

GRINNELL STUDENTS LEAVING FOR RUSSIA AND CENTRAL EUROPE!

Amy Donahue '05 will travel to Russia in the fall to study on the ACTR Moscow Russian Language Program. **Elizabeth Clark '04, Jane Hereth '06, and Renata Heberton '06** will travel to Krasnodar to study on the ACM-Russia semester program.



Anna Moseman '06 and John Wepking '06 will study in Olomouc, Czech Republic on the ACM Central European Studies Program at Palacky University. Our own **Anatoly Vishevsky** will be the Resident Director for that program next fall.

C. Cain Elliot '06 will study next fall with the Lexia International Program at Jagellonian University in Krakow, Poland.

RUSSIAN DEPARTMENT SEPC

Many thanks to the Russian Department SEPC for their hard work during the Spring Semester 2004. Members of the SEPC include **Elizabeth Clark '04, Josh Brody '04, Amy Donahue '05, and Naomi Caffee '04** If you are interested in participating in the SEPC for the 2004-2005 academic year, please contact Kelly Herold at [heroldk].



FACULTY NEWS

Todd Armstrong will present "(Polish) Writers and the Holocaust" at the University of Northern Iowa's Summer Study Program, *European Studies in Humanities and the Holocaust* at Jagellonian University in Krakow, Poland. He will also be working on a teaching-with-technology project at Palacky University, in Olomouc, Czech Republic

Raquel Greene will be in Moscow for about a month this summer and will be working on her project, "Constructions of Slavery and Blackness in Russian Children's Literature." Raquel will be working at the Russian State Library and the Russian State Children's Library.

Kelly Herold will be in Grinnell and California this summer working on an article and a conference paper. When in Grinnell, she plans to finally clean out her office! She will be chair of the Russian Dept. next academic year.

Anatoly Vishevsky will direct the ACM Olomouc program in the Czech Republic during the 2004 Fall Semester. He will return to Grinnell in the spring!

MORE CONGRATULATIONS!

Naomi Bethel '04, a RCEES Concentrator, recently presented her senior research paper at the University of Chicago Graduate Student Slavic Forum, an event at which graduate students present work in the following fields: Russian, Polish, Ukrainian, Czech, Bosnian, Serbian, Croatian, Bulgarian literature, Slavic Linguistics, Slavic criticism and literary theory, and Balkan Studies. Naomi presented "Eternity and Meaning: The Role of Nietzsche's Myth of the Eternal Return in Milan Kundera's art."

Richard West '06 placed second in Category 1, Level 2 (Non-Heritage Learners) of the Fifth Annual ACTR National Post-Secondary Russian Essay Contest. In this year's contest, there were 307 essays submitted from 35 universities and colleges. Each essay was ranked by three judges in Russia. Congratulations, Richard, a.k.a. Igor!

Meghan Redd '06 has been awarded a Rosenfield Internship for this summer, and will be working with ISAR is a nonprofit organization that promotes citizen participation and the development of the nongovernmental sector in the countries of the former Soviet Union (FSU).