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The picture above is a reproduction of a painting of the surroundings of a plantation house in Barbados, circa 1881. It shows, *inter alia*, scenes of the daily round of work of the plantation, including images of women carrying "dung baskets" on their heads, presumably, to spread manure on the fields

(For the source, please visit the website containing images compiled by
Jerome Handler and Michael L Tuite Jr.
<http://hitchcock.itc.virginia.edu/Slavery/index.php>)

WELCOME TO THE ACH BULLETIN, DECEMBER, 2007

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The 40th Annual ACH Conference hosted by the University of Suriname

Arrangements for the 40th Annual ACH Conference

Dates

The 40th annual conference of the Association of Caribbean Historians is scheduled for **May 11-16, 2008** in Paramaribo, Suriname. Registration will take place at the Krasnapolsky Hotel from Sunday 11th May 2008, 2pm-5pm. The Opening Ceremony of the Conference will take place on Sunday 11th May 2007 at the Krasnapolsky. The academic programme takes place between Monday, 12th May 2008 and Thursday 15th May, with Friday 16th May reserved for the field trip.

Conference Fee

The regular conference fee is **US\$125.00**; but for Caribbean-based students, it is **US\$30.00** and for non-Caribbean based students, **US\$60.00**. Fees are payable in cash or travelers' cheques only. **No credit card payments please**. An exception will be made for citizens of Suriname who will pay their registration fees in their own currency.

Annual Dues to ACH

The annual fees paid by members of the ACH are due at or before the Conference. Presenters who are presenting for the first time are advised that it is recommended that they pay the fees ahead of the Conference.

Accommodation

Conference: The Conference sessions will be held at the **Krasnapolsky Hotel located in downtown, Paramaribo, Suriname**.

All Hotel rates are quoted at Room/per night

Hotel: Special rates have been arranged with the **Krasnapolsky Hotel in Paramaribo** as follows (Rates are in Euros):

Single 73.00 Euros; Double 87.00 Euros; Senior suite 159.00 Euros Reservations must be guaranteed by a major credit card. Delegates are encouraged to make their reservations directly with the hotel **by March 31, 2007**.

Hotel: Other Hotels include the **Eco Resort**, where the rates range from US\$60-80 with a Single room at \$60.00 and a Double at \$75.00, and the **Torarica** where a 15% discount has been arranged. The rates at the **Torarica** are as follows: Single room \$111.00, Double room \$130.00, Executive Single, \$137.00, Executive Double, \$156.00 (prices may vary slightly).

Some guesthouse accommodation may be available for students near the Conference venue. Contact the LOC for information on such facilities.

Travel and Entry Requirements

CARICOM nationals do not require a visa, but must have a valid passport for entry to Suriname. Citizens of other countries may require visas on the basis of reciprocity. That is, where countries require Suriname citizens to have visas, the Suriname government will require citizens of those countries, including the USA, to obtain a visa. The Suriname Consulate (all embassies are located in Washington, D.C.) in the USA is located in Miami. In

such cases, those attending the Conference will need to check with their consular authorities and make arrangements to obtain a visa well in advance of the May 11-16, 2008 date.

Airport Pick-Up and Departure

Transportation from the Zanderij airport, near Paramaribo, to the **Krasnapolsky Hotel** will be provided on **Saturday May 10, and Sunday May 11, 2008**. Transportation to the airport from the **Krasnapolsky** will be provided on **Saturday May 17 and Sunday May 18**. Please indicate travel information on the pre-registration form below.

Weather and Dress

Temperatures are normally between 25 and 30 degrees Celsius. The conference room may be fairly cool, so bring a light jacket. For evening receptions, delegates are advised to bring appropriate apparel. (Please bear in mind that the month of May is during the rainy season in Suriname).

Transportation to and from the conference venue

Some transportation will be provided between the other hotels listed and the **Krasnapolsky Hotel** daily.

Paper Submission and Formatting

Papers with abstracts in English, French and Spanish (maximum 250 words) **must reach the LOC by March 31 2008** for duplication. Presenters should send a **diskette or CD, and a hard copy** (no fax or email please) of their paper.

Papers must **not exceed 25 pages** (inclusive of references and bibliography), must be **double spaced, font size 12** and typed using **Microsoft Word** programme.

The paper and abstract must be accompanied with the full name and institutional affiliation of the author and be sent to Dr. Jerome Egger, Institute for Social Science Research (IMWO), P.O Box 602, Paramaribo, Suriname tel. (597) 462003.

Missed Deadline Procedure

Presenters unable to meet the deadline of 31st March 2008 must notify the LOC and bring at least 120 copies of their paper for distribution by the LOC, provided that the papers are delivered to the Conference Secretariat at least a full 24 hours prior to the scheduled panel presentation of the paper.

Non-Attendance

Additionally, if possible, presenters who are unable to attend the conference due to unforeseen circumstances must notify the Local Organizing Committee in good time before the deadline for submission. The ACH views with disfavor the issue of non-attendance, without appropriate notification, where approval had been granted to a paper proposal. In cases where such non-attendance, without notification occurs, the ACH reserves the right to disregard subsequent paper proposals from such individuals.

Pre- Registration

Please fill out the pre-registration form and return by email attachment to imwo@sr.net by 31st March 2008 the latest. You may also fax to Dr. Jerome Egger, IMWO at fax no. (597) 439100. The address of the Local Organizing Committee for correspondence purposes will be: c-o Dr. Jerome Egger, Institute for Social Science Research (IMWO), P.O Box 602, Paramaribo, Suriname tel. (597) 462003 e-mail:**jlegger@yahoo.com**. You may also write to IMWO, Anton de Kom University, Paramaribo, Suriname.

Hotel Booking Forms for the 40th Annual ACH Conference

TORARICA, Mr. L. J. Riedveldplein 1, Paramaribo, Suriname.

Tel: (597) 471500. Fax: (597) 421970

Website: www.torarica.com

Code: TORACH08

1. Contact Information:

Ms. Mrs. Mr. Other _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Country: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

2. Reservation Information:

No. of Persons: _____ Arrival Date: _____

Flight #: _____ Arrival Time: _____ am/pm

Departure Date: _____

Check-in Time: 5 pm; **Check-out** Time: 1pm

SPECIAL HOTEL RATE: (per night)

Single - US\$111.00; Double - US\$130.00

Executive Suite: Single - US\$137.00; Double - US\$156.00

Taxes included

Room Type to be booked: _____

Room Type Desired

Smoking Non-Smoking

Single (1 person); Double (2 persons) Double/Double (2 beds, 2 persons)

All reservations by March 31, 2008

KRASNAPOLSKY, Domineestraat 39, Paramaribo, Suriname.
Tel: (597) 475050. Fax: (597) 420139
Website: www.krasnapolsky.sr

Code: KRASACH08

1. Contact Information:

Ms. Mrs. Mr. Other _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Country: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

2. Reservation Information:

No. of Persons: _____ Arrival Date: _____

Flight #: _____ Arrival Time: _____ am/pm

Departure Date: _____

Check-in Time: between 2 and 6 pm; **Check-out** Time: before noon

SPECIAL HOTEL RATE: (per night)

Single - **Euro** 73.00; Double - **Euro** 89.00

Senior Suite: **Euro** 159

Taxes included

Room Type to be booked: _____

Room Type Desired

Smoking Non-Smoking

Single (1 person); Double (2 persons) Double/Double (2 beds, 2 persons)

All reservations by March 31, 2008

ECO RESORT INN, Cornelis Jongbawstraat 16, Paramaribo, Suriname.
Tel: (597) 425522. Fax: (597) 425510
Website: www.ecoresortinn.com

Code: ECOACH08

1. Contact Information:

Ms. Mrs. Mr. Other _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Country: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

2. Reservation Information:

No. of Persons: _____ Arrival Date: _____

Flight #: _____ Arrival Time: _____ am/pm

Departure Date: _____

Check-in Time: 5 pm; **Check-out** Time: 1 pm

SPECIAL HOTEL RATE: (per night)

Single - US\$65.00; Double - US\$75.00

Taxes included

Room Type to be booked: _____

Room Type Desired

Smoking Non-Smoking

Single (1 person); Double (2 persons) Double/Double (2 beds, 2 persons)

All reservations by March 31, 2008

Programme of the 40th Annual Conference

Paramaribo, Suriname, May 11 - 16, 2008

Sunday May 11	Delegates Arrive Pre-Registration Ceremony Opening Ceremony	
Monday May 12 9:00-12:00	Registration	
9:00-10:30	1st Panel Historical Encounters between Africans and Asians in the Caribbean Context	
Chair	<u>Roy Augier</u>	
Presenters:	Cecilia McAlmont	"British Guiana's Dilemma: The Chinese Experiment and the Contribution of their Descendants to Guyana's Development"
	Evelyn Hu-DeHart	"Coolies and Opium on the Plantation: Uses and Abuses"
	Anouk de Koning	"Urban Encounters: Class Ethnicity and Space in Mid-century Paramaribo"
	Fiona Rajkumar	"Pride and Prejudice; An Examination of Afro-Chinese Relations in Trinidad, 1900-1980"
10:30-11:00	Break	
11:00-12:30	2nd panel Decolonization in the Caribbean	
Chair	<u>Richard Blackett</u>	
Presenters:	Gail Saunders	"Decolonization and the Search for Cultural Identity in the Bahamas"
	Maurice St. Pierre	"The People's National Movement and the Nationalist Struggle in Trinidad and Tobago"
	Barbara Josiah	"Organizing (in) the Caribbean: Howard University, Guyana's Dr. Claude H.A. Denbow, the L.C.P, and Nation Building"
	Melissa Ifill	"Jockeying for Position: Alliance Proposals Prior to Independence in British Guiana"
12:30-1:30	Lunch	

1:30-3:00	3rd Panel Race, Ethnicity, and Socio-Economic Issues in the Caribbean with Special Reference to Suriname	
Chair	<u>Maurits Hassanhkan</u>	
Presenters:	Hakim Nankoe and Margot Nankoe	"The Demise of the Sugar Plantation Sector in the 'Old Caribbean', A New Assessment"
	Martin Schalwijk	"The connection between Slavery, Laws and Marronage in Suriname 1650-1863"
	Jap-a-Joe	"Strange bedfellows: the Moravian Church and the decolonization process in Suriname"
	Jack Menke	"The social construction of Ethnicity and the Nation in Suriname"
3:00-3:30	Break	
3:30-5:00	4th Panel Health Issues in the Caribbean I	
Chair	<u>Juan Mendoza</u>	
Presenters:	Juanita de Barros	"Tuberculosis and the Caribbean Medical Profession"
	Jacques Dumont	"Public Health in the French West Indies"
	Pedro Welch	"Akin to Death: The Medical Profession and the treatment of Yellow Fever in the Caribbean 1700-1834"
MONDAY EVENING RECEPTION: HOSTED BY PRESIDENT OF SURINAME		
Tuesday May 13 9:00-12:00	Registration	
9:00-10:30	5th Panel Rituals and Performance in the Caribbean	
Chair	<u>Rosemary Branashute</u>	
Presenters:	Marcia Burrowes	"Recovering Ancestral Memory through Traditional Masquerade"
	Andrea Jadusingh	"Historical Relations: Ritual Performance and Cooperation"
	Michael Toussaint	"From Imagination to Discovery and Beyond: the Rise and Fall of El Dorado"
	Claire Tancons	"Quand les cannes brûlaient"

10:30-11:00	Break	
11:00-12:30	6th Panel Resistance and Pacification	
Chair	<u>Gad Heuman</u>	
Presenters:	Peter Meel	"Anton de Kom and the Formative Stage of Surinamese Decolonization"
	Pieter Emmer	"Resistance and Accommodation in the Dutch Caribbean"
	Henk Den Heijer	"Jacque's Raid on Suriname in 1712"
	Gert Oostindie	"Postcolonial Migrations and European Rediscoveries of Colonial History"
12:30-1:30	Lunch (and President's lunch for new members)	
1:30-3:00	7th Panel Image and Representation in Caribbean History	
Chair	<u>Verene Shepherd</u>	
Presenters:	Yanique Hume	"On the Margins/Articulations of Belonging: the Case of Haitians in Eastern Cuba"
	Richard Goodridge	"Barbadian Servants to Africa: Barbadian Migration to Africa post 1945"
	Karl Watson	"Identity Formation in the Sephardic Jewish Community of Barbados"
	Laura Leibman	"Family Purity: the Jewish Ritual Bath in Colonial America and the Caribbean"
3:00-3:30	Break	
3:30-5:00	8th Panel Roundtable Discussion	
Chair	<u>Bridget Brereton</u>	
Presenters:		"
TUESDAY EVENING CULTURAL PRESENTATION AT FORT ZEELANDIA		

Wednesday May 14 8:30-10:00	Registration	
8:30-10:00	9th Panel Racializing Performances	
Chair	<u>Danielle Bégot</u>	
Presenters:	Kathleen Wilson	"The Performance of Freedom: Maroons and the Colonial Order in 18 th Century Jamaica and the Atlantic Sound"
	Kelvin A. Santiago - Valles	"Panoramas of Surveillance, Performing (dis) Order: The Visual Fields of Propertied Rule in Puerto Rico, 1800-1870"
	Gladys M. Jiménez-Muñoz	"Racialized Embodiments of Modernity's Chaotic Underside: Poverty, Scandalous Behavior and 'Womanhood' in Late nineteenth to Early Twentieth-Century Puerto Rico"
	Zhandarka Kurti	"Representing Racialized/Sexual Economies: industry and sex in the Dominican Republic"
10:00-10:30	Break	
10:30-12:00	10th Panel Post-Emancipation Issues	
Chair	<u>Veront Satchell</u>	
Presenters:	Dave Gosse	"Apprenticeship & the Question of Labour Management"
	Rose Mary Allen	"The Dynamics of Power in Post-emancipation Curaçao"
	Phillip Howard	"Treated like Slaves: Black Antillean Laborers in the Modern Cuban Sugar Industry, 1910-1930"
	Jonathan Dalby	"An Epidemic of Sexual Deviance? Sex Offences and their Prosecution in Post-Emancipation Jamaica"
WEDNESDAY EVENING FREE		

Thursday May 15 8:30-10:00	Registration	
8:30-10:00	11th Panel Maroons in the Caribbean	
Chair	<u>Bernard Moitt</u>	
Presenters:	Claudius Fergus	"Chief Farcelle and the Making of the Last Maroon Treaty"
	Fernando Pico	"Unsurveilled and Unpunished: The Runaway Slave in Puerto Rico in the First half of the Nineteenth Century"
	Jacques Adelaide	"Le Planteur de la Guyane ou Les Nègres chrétiens"
10:30-10:30	Break	
10:30-12:00	12th Panel Health Panel II	
Chair	<u>Mary Chamberlain</u>	
Presenters:	Rita Pemberton	"Migration and Health in the Caribbean During the 2 nd Half of the 19 th Century"
	Henk Menke and Jerry Egger	"Leprosy in Suriname: Transatlantic Transmission of the Disease and Ideas about its Origin"
	Rosanne Adderley	"Health Care for Africans in the Era of Slave Trade Abolition"
12:00-1:00	Lunch	
1:00-2:30	13th Panel Teaching Caribbean History	
Chair	<u>Janice Mayers</u>	
Presenters:	Hilde Neus	"Teaching History by Distance Mode in Suriname"
	Charmaine McKenzie	"Teaching History into the Twenty-First Century: Distance Delivery at the UWI"
	Dian McCallum	"History Education by Distance: the Methodological Implications"
	Aleric Josephs	"Teaching History at a Distance: Writing, Coordinating and Leading"
2:30- 3.00	BREAK	
3.00 pm	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	

Friday May16	FIELD TRIP
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Join the ACH

Yes! I want to join the ACH. I enclose dues as follows:

- Professional \$25 Student \$10
 Institutional \$50 Life \$250
 Benefactor \$75

PLEASE PRINT

Date: _____

Last Name

First Name

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Office Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____

Fax: _____

New Member:

Yes No

Need Receipt:

Yes No

Members are reminded that if they have not recently paid their dues or did so during the Annual Conference, dues for 2007-2008 are past due, since our membership year runs from **April to April**.

All payments must be made in US dollars, please make checks payable to: "The Association of Caribbean Historians" Post to: Pedro L V Welch, Department of History, University of the West Indies (Cave Hill Campus), Cave Hill, St. Michael, Barbados.

News and Views

The Jamaica National Bicentenary Committee in association with the Institute of Jamaica installed a plaque and storyboard in memory of the victims of the *Zong* on 28th December 2007 in Black River, St. Elizabeth, Jamaica, the port where the ship docked on 28th December 1781.

Call for papers

Canadian Association for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CALACS)

2008 Congress

Vancouver, BC

June 4-7, 2008

At the Crossroads of Empire

Latin America and the Caribbean have been profoundly shaped by the rise and fall of Empires, from pre-Columbian civilizations to European expansionism and on to US strategies for hemispheric supremacy. Yet the region has also been a crucial site for the articulation of movements of resistance to imperial projects. The global political fields of the early 21st century are now posing new, challenging questions about the social, cultural, and political dimensions of such processes on the continent. The 2008 CALACS conference to be held in Vancouver convokes scholars from across the social sciences and the humanities as well as activists and artists to offer a fresh look at the influence of imperial schemes on Latin America and the Caribbean and at the range of social movements and government projects that contest them. In addition, the conference welcomes submissions related to other themes involving Latin America and the Caribbean.

The organizing committee seeks proposals for panels and individual papers by January 5, 2008. To download individual and panel proposal forms, see the CALACS 2008 website at: <http://www.sfu.ca/las/calacs-2008/>

For information about CALACS, see <http://www.can-latam.org/> CALACS 2008 will be held in conjunction with the Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences 2008 Congress in Vancouver. For additional information regarding the Congress, accommodation, and to register, check for updates at <http://www.fedcan.ca/congress2008/>

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A selection of upcoming conferences about the Caribbean

10th International Meeting of Economists on Globalization and Development Problems

February, 2008

La Habana, Cuba

Asociación Nacional de Economistas y Contadores de Cuba (ANEC) & Asociación de Economistas de América Latina y del Caribe (AEALC)

Website <http://www.eleconomista.cubaweb.cu> and

<http://www.globalizacion.cubaweb.cu>

Contact María Isabel Córdova at misabel@anec.co.cu or anecnac@anec.co.cu

9th Annual Conference of the Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social & Economic Studies (SALISES)

“Reinventing the Political Economy Tradition of the Caribbean: A Conference in Honour of Norman Girvan”

March 26-28, 2008

Mona, Jamaica

SALISES & University of the West Indies, Mona Campus

Website <http://salises.uwimona.edu.jm:1104/salisesconf/salisesconf.html>

Contact: Sonia Amos-Davis at sonia.amosdavis@uwimona.edu.jm

33rd Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association (CSA)

“The Caribbean: Embracing the Diasporas Within and Without”

May 26-30, 2008

San Andres Island, Colombia

CSA

Website: <http://www.caribbean-studies.org>

Contact: Dwaine Plaza at dwaine_plaza@yahoo.com