**Faculty Updates**

**Dr. Christine Erickson** is continuing to work on her book manuscript, *Fraternity on the Frontier: The Montana Ku Klux Klan in the 1920s*.


**Dr. Suzanne LaVere** spent the 2011-2012 academic year on a A.W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship in Medieval Studies at the Medieval Institute of the University of Notre Dame, where she presented her full book manuscript, *Out of the Cloister: Scholastic Exegesis of the Song of Songs, 1100-1250*. She is currently in the final stages of revising the manuscript for publication. She is also working on two articles about the medieval papacy and pastoral care.

**Dr. Ann Livschiz** is continuing work on her project on the memory of the Holocaust in Belorussia. She presented a full draft of her manuscript *Children of the Welfare State: Social Politics in the Soviet Union* at the First Russian Children’s History Workshop in Paris, France in May 2012.

**Dr. Jeffrey Malanson** published three book chapters this past year, and is currently working on article manuscripts that focus on the authorship controversy surrounding George Washington's Farewell Address from 1808-1859, and James K. Polk's use of the Monroe Doctrine from 1845-1848. He also received a Purdue Research Foundation grant to begin work this summer on his next book project, "What Would George Washington Do?: The Use and Abuse of the Founding Fathers and Their Legacies, 1787-1921." Finally, Prof. Malanson and his wife will be welcoming their first child in early June.

**Dr. David G. Schuster** is currently researching the cases of people who were committed against their wills to the Kalamazoo Asylum for the Insane during the 1860s and 1870s. He is finishing a new course on the history of American medicine this semester and will be on sabbatical next fall.

**Dr. Richard Weiner**’s most recent publication is “La riqueza legendaria de México: lectura selectiva del legado del Ensayo de Humboldt,” which appeared in *Economía, ciencia y política. Estudios sobre Alexander von Humboldt a 200 años del Ensayo político sobre el reino de la Nueva España*, edited by José Enrique Covarrubias and Matilde Souto Mantecon (Mexico City: UNAM/Instituto Mora, 2012). He is co-editor (with José Enrique Covarrubias) of a forthcoming book titled *La idea de una gran riqueza natural de México. Proyectos y debates económicos, siglos XVIII y XIX* (Mexico City: UNAM Press). In June 2013 he will be a participant in a NEH Summer Institute at Duke University on the History of Political Economy.