



Canadian Economics Association
Association canadienne d'économique

Newsletter Chronique

Volume 35

February/février 2007

CONTENTS

Au revoir 1
New Appointments 2
 Visitors 3
 Departures 3
 Awards 4
Short-term visitors 4
 Doctorates 5
 Conferences 6
 Council Nominees 8
 Purvis Prize 12
Electronic Publishing 12
Forthcoming Papers – CJE 14
Forthcoming Papers – CPP 15
Annual Congress 16

CONTENU

Au revoir 1
Récents Nominations 2
 Visiteurs 3
 Départs 3
Distinctions & Autre
 Nouvelles 4
 Futurs Visiteurs 4
 Doctorates 5
 Conférences 6
Les Candidats du Conseil 8
Le Prix Commémoratif
 Doug Purvis 11
Articles à Paraître dans la
 Revue 14
Articles à Paraître dans
 Analyse de Politiques 15
 Congrès Annuel 16

AU REVOIR

This is my last newsletter. At the CEA meetings in Halifax, I will be stepping down as Secretary-Treasurer, to spend more time on research and with my family. Steve Ambler has been nominated to be the new Secretary-Treasurer (see Council Nominees below) and Bob Dimand will be the new Newsletter Editor. I will be continuing as Business Editor of *Canadian Public Policy*.

There have been many changes at the CEA/ACÉ in recent years. The latest innovation is Werner Antweiler's new on-line membership management system. Werner's vision is to create a one-stop shopping portal where individual members can join the association, make address changes, submit papers to the annual conference or to the journal, and so on. Departmental administrators can also make changes on the system, and through their efforts we hope to paint a complete portrait of the academic economics profession in Canada.

The appointment and other information in this newsletter was gathered through Werner's new database management system. So – thanks to Werner, Peng Huang (who puts this newsletter together) and all of the administrators who regularly take the time to send us the personal news that is most people's favourite part of the newsletter.

Frances Woolley
frances_woolley@carleton.ca

NEW APPOINTMENTS /RÉCENTES NOMINATIONS

McMaster University

David Haardt, Postdoctoral fellow, July 1, 2007, University of Essex

Royal Military College, Department of Economics

Mohamed Douch, Assistant Professor, July 1, 2006

University of Alberta, School of Business

Andrew Leach, Assistant Professor, July 1, 2006, formerly Assistant Professor at HEC Montreal

Runjuan Liu, Assistant Professor, July 1, 2005, PhD, University of Toronto

University of British Columbia, Sauder School of Business, Strategy and Business Economics Division

Mariano Tappata, Assistant Professor, PhD, July 2006, University of California at Los Angeles

Ambarish Chandra, Assistant Professor, PhD, July 2006, Northwestern University

University of Western Ontario

Hai Zhong, Post-Doctoral Researcher, August 1, 2006

Li Wang, Post-Doctoral Researcher, September 1, 2006

University of Windsor

Nurlan Turdaliev, Assistant Professor, transferred from McGill University

York University, Atkinson Faculty of Liberal and Professional Studies, Economics

Xueda Song, Assistant Professor, July 2006

Razvan Sufana, Assistant Professor, July 2006

Neil J. Buckley, Assistant Professor, July 2006

VISITING APPOINTMENTS/ PROFESSEUR(E)S INVITÉ(E)S

McMaster University

Xing Li, July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007, Nanjing University of Economics and Finance

Anindya Sen, January 1, 2007 to June 30, 2007, University of Waterloo

Queen's University

Kazuko Kano, Visiting Sessional Adjunct and Post-doctoral Fellow, September 1, 2006 to August 31, 2007, University of British Columbia.

Chun-Yan (George) Kuo, Commuting Sessional Adjunct, May 1, 2007 to June 30, 2007, Ottawa, ON

University of Western Ontario

Burhanettin Kuruscu, Visiting Professor, January 1, 2007 -

DEPARTURES /DÉPARTS

McGill University

Nurlan Turdaliev, resignation, June 30, 2006, University of Windsor

Ryerson University

Garrett Milam, left the Department, June 2006

Université de Moncton

Fettene Befekadu, retired

Université du Québec à Montréal

Etienne Wasmer, resigned, currently Professeur d'économie à Sciences-Po Paris

University of Alberta, School of Business

Keith Brouhle, resignation, June 30, 2006

Rolf Mirus, retirement, June 30, 2006

University of Regina

Sung-Chul Lee, resigned, December 31, 2006

University of Toronto

Alex Maynard, resignation, June 2006, Wilfrid Laurier University

Nadia Soboleva, left the department, June 2006

University of Western Ontario

Miguel Molico, resignation, June 2006

AWARDS /DISTINCTIONS

<i>Name</i>	<i>Awards</i>
Queen's University	
Robin Boadway	Reappointed as the Sir Edward Peacock Professor of Economics from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2011
Allen Head	Appointed Royal Bank of Canada Faculty Fellow in September 2006
Thorsten Koepl	Appointed member of the Monetary Policy Council (MPC) - C.D. Howe Institute on January 4, 200
Andrew Leach	Recipient of the 2006 C.A. Curtis Prize for "Three Papers on the Economics of Climate Change"
James MacKinnon	Reappointed as the Sir Edward Peacock Professor of Economics from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2011
Nicolas-Guillaume Martineau	Recipient of the 2006 Scarthingmoor Prize for "Road Tolling in the Presence of an Untolled Alternative: An Analysis of Highway 407"
Katsumi Shimotsu	Appointed Royal Bank of Canada Faculty Fellow in September 2006
Gregor Smith	Recipient of the Bank of Canada Research Fellowship, March 2006
Université de Montréal	
Jean-Marie Dufour	Officier de l'Ordre national du Québec, Gouvernement du Québec, 2006
University of Toronto	
John Munro	Festschrift
Carlos Serrano	Faculty Research Fellow at the NBER

SHORT-TERM VISITORS/ FUTURS VISITEURS

<i>Name</i>	<i>Home Institution</i>	<i>Dates of Visit</i>
Queen's University		
Laurence Jacquet	Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium	January 17, 2007 to March 31, 2007
Morten Nielson	Cornell University	January 1, 2007 to May 31, 2007
Université de Montréal		
Etienne Bilette de Villemeur	Institut d'Économie Industrielle, Université des Sciences Sociales, Toulouse	janvier à juillet 2007

<i>Name</i>	<i>Home Institution</i>	<i>Dates of Visit</i>
University of Western Ontario		
Mark Wright	University of California, Los Angeles	November 27 to 28, 2006
John Lott	SUNY at Binghamton	December 4 to 5, 2006

DOCTORATES

<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of Thesis</i>
Carleton University		
Karen Buhr	July 2006	Three Essays on the Labour Market for Nurses in Canada
McMaster University		
Nazish Ahmad	December 2006	Three Essays on Outcomes of Workers After a Job Loss, Continues as Senior Evaluation Officer, Human Resources and Skills Development Canada
Vinh Dang		Three Essays in International Economics
Hai Zhong		Three Essays in the Economics of Pharmaceuticals
Queen's University		
Jeremy Lise	June 2006	Contributions to the Theory and Measurement of Inequality
Jean-François Houde	July 2006	An Empirical Investigation of Spatial Differentiation and Price Floor Regulations in Retail Markets for Gasoline
Geoffrey Dunbar	July 2006	Wealth, Inequality and the Macroeconomy
Université de Montréal		
Patrick de Lamirande	août 2006	Trois essais en théorie microéconomique
University of British Columbia		
Shinya Kawahara	June 2006	Essays on Political Economy in Trade and Environment
Sukanta Bhattacharya	July 2006	Essays on Information and Collective Choice
Kang Shi	July 2006	Essays on New Open Economy Macroeconomics
Stephanie McWhinnie	July 2006	Management Issues in the Fisheries Commons
Kailing Shen	September 2006	Unemployment Insurance's Labour Markets Impacts
Pierre Brouchu	October 2006	An Exploration in Job Stability

<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Title of Thesis</i>
Tammy Schirle	October 2006	The Labour Market Behaviour of Older Individuals
Yin-chen Chu	November 2006	Three Essays on Asymmetric Financial Access
Kazuko Kano	November 2006	Essays on Retail Price Movements
University of Toronto		
Junji Xiao	July 2006	A Study of the U.S. Digital Camera Market
Carlos Rosell	November 2006	Essays in the Economics of Technology and Innovation, and Development Economics
Teng Wah Leo	December 2006	Three Essays on the Impact of Child Custody Law on Child Educational Attainment
Runjuan Liu	December 2006	The Impact of Globalization on Firms & Workers
Xiuhua Huangfu	January 2007	Three Essays on Monetary Search Model
University of Western Ontario		
Vincenzo Caponi	July 2007	Essays on Interregional and International Migration
Yahong Zhang	July 2007	Essays on the Role of Search in Determining Wage Differentials and Monetary Equilibria

CONFERENCES

Économétrie de la finance / Financial Econometrics Conference, 4-5 mai / May 4-5, 2007, CIREQ, Université de Montréal, Montréal, PQ
Contact: Éric Jacquier, (514) 340-6194, Eric.Jacquier@hec.ca
<http://www.cireq.umontreal.ca/activites/confers.html>

Models of Industry Dynamics in Empirical Industrial Organization, Friday May 4, 2007 and Saturday May 5, 2007, Rotman Business School, University of Toronto
Contact: Audrey Wi (audreywi@chass.utoronto.ca)

2007 Canadian Economic Theory Conference, 11-13 mai 2007, HÉC, Université de Montréal
Contact: Sidartha Gordon, (514) 343-2399, Sidartha.Gordon@umontreal.ca
Nicolas Sahuguet (514) 340-6031, Nicolas.Sahuguet@hec.ca
<http://www.cireq.umontreal.ca/activites/confers.html>

CERF 2007: Gender and Work/Family Balance - New Policies, New Approaches, New Directions? May 31-June 1, 2007, Dalhousie University, Halifax. The Canadian Employment Research Forum (CERF), with the support of Statistics Canada and the Canadian Labour Market and Skills Researcher Network, is holding a conference to examine gender differences in the experience of work/family conflict. Some of the themes the organizers hope will be explored during the conference include historical/international perspectives/longitudinal perspectives, implications for well-being, gender differences and the extent to which policies help. The deadline for submissions is February 28, 2007

Contact: Shelley Phipps at Shelley.Phipps@dal.ca or Miles Corak at miles.corak@statcan.ca

Registration: In conjunction with the annual meetings of the Canadian Economics Association at <http://economics.ca>

Canadian Economics Association (Macro Sessions) (with Michelle Alexopoulos and Rui Castro), June 4-6, 2007, Ryerson University, Toronto, ON

Contact: Martin Gervais (Dept. of Economics, University of Western Ontario) <http://economics.uwo.ca/faculty/gervais/>

13th International Conference on Computing in Economics and Finance, Society for Computational Economics (<http://comp-econ.org>), 14-16 June 2007 at HEC Montreal, Canada. The program will cover all areas dealing with the computational aspects (broadly defined) of economics, finance, and decision making. To have your paper considered for inclusion in the program, please submit an abstract (max 3,000 characters, or approx. 300 words) no later than January 31, 2007.

Contact: Simon van Norden, Chair, Program Committee (HEC Montreal, CIRANO and CIREQ), sce2007@msn.com

Website: <http://www.hec.ca/CEF2007>

The Political Economy of Theocracy, June 14-16, 2007, University of Antwerp, Antwerp, Belgium

Contact: Ron Wintrobe (Dept. of Economics, University of Western Ontario) and Mario Ferrero (University of Eastern Piedmont)

<http://economics.uwo.ca/faculty/wintrobe/>
http://www.med.unipmn.it/main_uk.htm

Fourth Edition of the Vienna Macro Workshop (with David Andolfatto and Gabe Lee) September, 2007, Vienna, Austria

Contact: Martin Gervais (Dept. of Economics, University of Western Ontario) <http://economics.uwo.ca/faculty/gervais/>

Canadian Econometric Study Group (CESG) meeting Sept. 29-30, 2007, McGill University, Montréal

Contact: Vicky Zinde-Walsh, Téléphone: (514) 398-4834, victoria.zinde-walsh@mcgill.ca

MISCELLANEOUS / DIVERS

Queen's University

Publications:

The 2006 Federal Budget: Rethinking Fiscal Priorities, edited by Charles M. Beach, Michael Smart and Thomas A. Wilson, 2007 (Kingston: John Deutsch Institute, Queen's University). Published in cooperation with McGill-Queen's University Press.

Material from a workshop held in Toronto on November 17, 2006 on "Harmonizing the RSTs and GST in Canada: Arguments and Issues" is available online at <http://jdi.econ.queensu.ca/> .

CEA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Nominees/ Les candidats du conseil

The CEA Executive Council is, in effect, the Association's board of directors. The Council approves new spending initiatives, committee appointments, and so on. The Council is made up of twelve members-at-large chosen from the Association, together with the past-president, president, president-elect, vice-president (president-elect-elect), and secretary-treasurer. The members-at-large serve for a three year term, the presidents serve on Council for a total of four years in each of the four presidential roles, and the secretary-treasurer is appointed for a five year (renewable) term.

Every year the new vice-president and four members-at-large are nominated by the CEA nominating committee, drawn from and chosen by the Executive Council. The 2006 committee (nominating members to join the Council in 2007) consisted of Bev Dahlby, Mary MacKinnon, Michael Smart, Gregor Smith, Gérard Gaudet and Frances Woolley (ex-officio). This year's committee consists of (once again) Michael, Mary, Gérard and Frances, together with president-elect Aloysius Siow, and the new member, Thomas Lemieux. The committee will meet this May at the CEA meetings to choose the 2008 council slate.

If you have colleagues whom you believe would make a strong contribution to the CEA, either as Council members or as President, and would like to suggest their names to this year's nominating committee, please send me their names at frances_woolley@carleton.ca, or get in touch with any other member of the committee.

The candidates slated to join the Council in 2007 are James Brander (vice-president), Steve Ambler (secretary-treasurer), Kate Cuff, Talan İřcan, Lynda Khalaf, and Sharon Kozicki. Biographies of the candidates follow below. If additional candidates are nominated by the membership, all members will be sent postal ballots and an election will be held: "Nominations of candidates may be made by any five members, submitting a nomination paper signed by themselves and the nominee, to the Secretary-Treasurer no later than March 1 of the year of the election." If no further nominations are received, the candidates below will be acclaimed at the 2007 Annual General Meeting.

Vice-President: James Brander

James Brander is the Asia Pacific Professor of International Business in the Sauder School of Business at the University of British Columbia UBC). A native of Vancouver, he completed his B.A. in economics at UBC in 1975 and received his Ph.D. from Stanford University in 1979. He then joined the Economics Department at Queen's University as an Assistant Professor until moving (back) to UBC in 1983 where he has remained since, apart from a sabbatical at the Australian National University in 1989-90. He and his co-author, Barbara Spencer, received the Harry Johnson Award for the best paper published in the Canadian Journal of Economics for 1981. He and Barbara (his wife) were also honored in the February 2000 issue of the *Journal of International Economics (JIE)* as the authors of the most cited paper ever published up to that time in the *JIE*. A paper he wrote with Paul Krugman was also 6th on that list. More recently his research interests have focused on natural resources, venture capital finance, and industrial organization. His previous service contributions include a 4-year term (1997-2001) as Managing Editor of the *Canadian Journal of Economics* and a 4-year term (1999-2003) as Associate Dean of the Sauder School of Business.

Secretary-Treasurer: Steve Ambler

Steve Ambler holds an MSc from the London School of Economics and Political Science and a PhD from Stanford University. He has taught in the D partement des sciences  conomiques at the Universit  du Qu bec   Montr al since 1985, and has held visiting positions at the Universit  de Paris I (Panth on-Sorbonne), the European University Institute and the Institut f r H here Studien in Vienna. He is the author of numerous articles in journals such as the *Journal of Monetary Economics*, the *Review of Economics and Statistics*, and the *Journal of Money, Credit and Banking*. He is a past president of the Soci t  canadienne de science  conomique (1998-1999). He has been an Associate Editor of the *Canadian Journal of Economics* (1992-1995) and *Canadian Public Policy* (1998-2003). He is currently on secondment to the Bank of Canada as Special Adviser.

Steve Ambler d tient une ma trise de la London School of Economics and Political Science et un doctorat de l'Universit  Stanford. Il enseigne depuis 1985 au D partement des sciences  conomiques   l'Universit  du Qu bec   Montr al, et il a  t  professeur invit    l'Universit  de Paris I (Panth on-Sorbonne),   l'Institut

universitaire européen, et à l'Institut für Höhere Studien à Vienne. Il est l'auteur de nombreux articles publiés dans des revues telles que le *Journal of Monetary Economics*, la *Review of Economics and Statistics*, et le *Journal of Money, Credit and Banking*. Il a été président de la Société canadienne de science économique (1998-1999). Il a été rédacteur associé de la *Revue canadienne d'économique* (1992-1995) et de la revue *Analyse de Politiques* (1998-2003). Il est actuellement en prêt de services à la Banque du Canada où il occupe le poste de Conseiller spécial.

Executive Council

Katherine Cuff

Katherine Cuff is an Associate Professor in the Department of Economics at McMaster University. She joined the department in July 2000 after receiving her PhD from Queen's University where she won the C.A. Curtis Prize for Best Doctoral Thesis in Economics. She also holds an MA in Economics from York University. Katherine is a member of the *Canadian Journal of Economics* Editorial Advisory Board and associate member of the Centre Interuniversitaire sur le Risque, les Politiques Économiques et l'Emploi (CIRPÉE). She has been actively involved in the Canadian Public Economics Group – organizing the annual meetings held at McMaster in 2005 as well as serving as a member of the scientific committee on several occasions. Katherine's research interests are in the areas of fiscal federalism and optimal taxation. She has published articles in many journals including the *Journal of Public Economics*, *International Economic Review* and the *Canadian Journal of Economics*.

Talan İřcan

Talan İřcan is Professor of Economics at Dalhousie University. He completed his undergraduate studies in Turkey prior to receiving his Ph.D. in economics from Cornell University in 1994. He has taught at Dalhousie since then, and held visiting positions at Harvard, the IMF and Cornell. He has also taught courses and given lectures in South America, the Caribbean and the Baltic countries. His numerous publications include articles in the *Journal of International Economics*, *Journal of Monetary Economics*, and *Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking*. His main research interests are international economics, macroeconomics and economic development, and he has a penchant for history. He lives in Halifax, with his wife Natàlia, and daughters Lidya and Estel. Further information can be found on Talan's website at <http://myweb.dal.ca/tiscan/>.

Lynda Khalaf

Lynda Khalaf is a Professor in the Department of Economics at Carleton University. Professor Khalaf holds a BA and MBA from the American University in Beirut, where she taught mathematics and economics before coming to Canada. She completed her doctorate at Université de Montréal and then moved to Laval where, in 2004, she was appointed to a Canada Research Chair in Environment (Environmental and Financial Econometric Analysis). Professor Khalaf has served

on the SSHRC standard research grants committee, the Executive Council of the Société Canadienne de Science Économique, and the Scientific Committees for the Canadian Econometric Study Group, the Society for Computational Economics, and Computational Statistics and Data analysis conferences. Her current research covers econometric issues arising in the formulation, fitting and checking of economic models for environmental and financial analysis, with focus on: exact inference, re-sampling based tests, inference in multivariate models, identification-robust methods, structural stability and specification tests. Her publications include articles in the *Journal of Econometrics*, the *American Journal of Agriculture Economics*, the *Journal of Business and Economic Statistics*, the *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, and the *Journal of Applied Econometrics*.

Sharon Kozicki

Sharon Kozicki is a Research Director in the Research Department at the Bank of Canada. Sharon received her BSc and MA degrees from the University of Toronto, and her PhD from the University of California San Diego. After completing her degrees, she worked as an Economist with the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in Washington DC and later as a Vice President and Economist at the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City. While in these positions, she conducted research and gained valuable experience as an economic forecaster and monetary policy adviser. In January 2006, she returned to Canada and joined the Bank of Canada as a Senior Officer. Her research on topics in the areas of monetary policy, macrofinance, data revisions, and econometrics includes articles published in such journals as the *Journal of Monetary Economics*, the *Journal of Business and Economic Statistics*, the *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, and the *Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking*. She is an associate editor of *Macroeconomic Dynamics* and the *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, is on the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Macroeconomics*, and has served on the Advisory Council of the Society of Computational Economics.

Le prix commémoratif Doug Purvis

Nous désirons recevoir des propositions de candidats pour la remise du treizième prix annuel qui vise à perpétuer le souvenir de feu Douglas D. Purvis. Ce prix d'une valeur de 10 000 \$ récompensera un travail de qualité exceptionnelle consacré à la politique économique canadienne et publié en 2006. Sont admissibles à ce prix, toutes les catégories de publications dans lesquelles paraissent des travaux relatifs à la politique économique canadienne : séries d'articles dans les journaux ou les magazines, livres, articles dans les revues spécialisées, études des gouvernements, y compris les monographies pour les commissions d'enquête parlementaires, autres documents officiels, et rapports d'instituts de recherche. Pour être admissible, le travail doit être du domaine public et traiter principalement, mais pas nécessairement exclusivement, d'une question liée à la politique économique canadienne.

Les nominations doivent être reçues d'ici le 15^{me} mars 2007. Veuillez inclure cinq exemplaires du document en question, le nom et l'adresse du proposeur et les coordonnées complètes de la personne en nomination, y compris son affiliation professionnelle. Pour proposer une candidature, la vôtre ou celle de quelqu'un d'autre, ou pour obtenir plus de renseignements, veuillez écrire à : *Le prix Purvis, Brian Copeland, Department of Economics, University of British Columbia, 997-1873 East Mall, Vancouver, BC, V6T 1Z1* courriel : copeland@econ.ubc.ca

The Purvis Prize

Nominations are requested for the thirteenth award of an annual prize to honour the memory of the late Douglas D. Purvis. An award of \$10,000 is to be presented for a work of excellence relating to Canadian economic policy and published in 2006. The award is open to all forms of written media in which material relevant to Canadian economic policy appears, including a series of articles in newspapers or magazines, books, single articles in scholarly journals, government studies including monographs done for royal commissions, other official documents, and think-tank reports. To be eligible, the material must be in the public domain and primarily, but not necessarily exclusively, related to some issue in Canadian economic policy.

Nominations should be in by 15 March 2007. Include five copies of the nominated piece, name and address of the nominator and full details of the nominee, including affiliation. To submit a nomination of your own or someone else's work, or to obtain further details, write to: *The Purvis Prize, Brian Copeland, Department of Economics, University of British Columbia, 997-1873 East Mall, Vancouver, BC, V6T 1Z1* E-mail: copeland@econ.ubc.ca.

ELECTRONIC PUBLISHING I: Authors' rights

The CEA Executive Board has recently approved an updated editorial (copyright) agreement with Blackwell, the publisher of the CJE. As a matter of contract structure, we adopted the "Exclusive License Form," whereby authors retain copyrights to the article, but assign the association and publisher an exclusive license to publish. We also adopted a twelve month "Embargo" period for published articles. *What does this mean?*

Authors are encouraged to post their own electronic versions of their papers wherever they want, with a note that the definitive version is available through the CJE website (and through Blackwell-Synergy, Ingenta, or JSTOR, depending on the vintage of the paper). There are some restrictions on the nature of what can be posted:

- During the Embargo period (one year from the date of publication), the posted electronic version cannot be identical to the accepted version. For example, it would

be appropriate to post a “final” working paper version, with a link to the CJE for the “definitive” version.

- After the embargo period, and before publication, the author’s final, accepted version of the paper can be posted. **However, it is never acceptable to post the CJE-produced (publisher’s) PDF file on your own website.** This violates the author’s copyright agreement with the publisher.

Especially in an era with an emphasis on open access, we wish to encourage authors to make their work freely available to the public. The only real restrictions here are:

1) to make sure that the publisher’s PDF is not used; 2) to refrain from posting an exact clone of the published paper during the embargo period; and 3) to provide complete bibliographic credit to the CJE and its publisher.

We encourage all authors to self-archive, and moreover to register their CJE publications with the various meta-databases (indexes).

Note: This is an extract from Dwayne’s longer report on the *CJE*, which is printed in the November issue of the Journal.

Dwayne Benjamin

Editor, Canadian Journal of Economics

ELECTRONIC PUBLISHING II: Results from a pricing experiment

In 2006, for the first time, the Canadian Economics Association made on-line only memberships available to its membership. There was some concern about doing this, because members of the CEA Council believed that people who received a hard copy of the *Canadian Journal of Economics* would be more likely to read the journal, and hence more likely to put CJE articles on their reading lists, cite CJE articles, submit their best work to the journal – in short, do the things that build the reputation and status of a journal. At the same time, the CEA Council realized that more and more people were accessing the journal on-line, and it was a waste of resources to send out hard copies of the journal unnecessarily.

Taking these two divergent considerations into account, the Council decided upon a one-year experiment: on-line only at the same price as print, available to regular members only (not student, retired or life members). Due to some sort of administrative error, however, a mistake was made in the US pricing – for individuals paying in US dollars, on-line was \$5 cheaper than print.

Given these circumstances – no financial incentive for an on-line only subscription, on-line only not available to students, no prompting for the on-line option for renewing members, and so on – we have had a remarkably high take-up for the on-line only option – six percent in the first year. For the US members, who have a financial incentive to subscribe on-line, 11 percent have opted for online only.

What can we take from this? The first is, incentives matter: where on-line only subscriptions are cheaper, the take-up is higher. The second is that some CEA members place a low value on hard copies. Why get up off your chair and walk all the way over to your bookshelf, when the article you need is just a few clicks away?

Electronic delivery is rapidly changing the publishing industry. This is a particular challenge for a journal such as the CJE. The Canadian Economics Association is based on geography – on the idea of Canadian economists getting together. In an electronic world, geography is less important – it is as easy to e-mail a co-author in Victoria as to walk down the hallway and talk to the co-author in the same department. Yet as Canadian economists, we do have common concerns with Canadian economic issues. We want and need a place to publish our papers that use Canadian data. If you have ideas about how the CJE can or should be evolving in response to changing publishing technology, please contact myself at frances_woolley@carleton.ca, or the CJE editor, Dwayne Benjamin, at dwayne.benjamin@utoronto.ca. In the meantime, we have extended the on-line only option to students and retired members, and lowered most other on-line only prices, to pass on cost savings to our members.

FORTHCOMING PAPERS IN THE C.J.E./ARTICLES À PARAÎTRE DANS LA REVUE

Hafedh Bouakez and Nooman Rebei: Why Does Private Consumption Rise After a Government Spending Shock?

Zsolt Besci and Sajal Lahiri: Bilateral war in a multilateral world: carrots and sticks for conflict resolution

Rodney D. Ludema and Taizo Takeno: Tariffs and the Adoption of Clean Technology under Asymmetric Information

Shahe Emran, Forhad Shilpi and Imam Alam: Economic Liberalization and Price Response of Private Investment: Time Series Evidence from India

Benjamin H. Liebman and Kasaundra M. Tomlin: Steel Safeguards and the Welfare of U.S. Steel Firms and Downstream Consumers of Steel: A Shareholder Wealth Perspective

Elena Ianchovichina: Are Duty Drawbacks on Exports Worth the Hassle?

Sébastien LaRochelle-Côté: Tariff Reduction and Employment in Canadian Manufacturing

Stephen Kosempel: Interaction Between Knowledge and Technology: A Contribution to the Theory of Development

Charles de Bartolome: Tax competition and the creation of redundant products

Marc Frenette, David A. Green and Kevin Milligan: The tale of the tails: Revisiting recent trends in Canadian after-tax income inequality using Census data

Robert Petrunia: Impact of Initial Debt on the Long-Term Employment Growth of New Firms

Julian Betts, Christopher Ferrall and Ross Finnie: The Role of University Characteristics in Determining Post-Graduation Outcomes: Panel Evidence from Three Recent Canadian Cohorts

Diego Romero-Avila: Unit Roots and Persistence in the Nominal Interest Rate: A Confirmatory Analysis Applied to the OECD

Laurence Booth, George Georgopoulos and Walid Hejazi: What drives Provincial – Canada Yield Spreads?

Michael Smart: Raising taxes through Equalization

Pierre M. Picard and Kristian Behrens: Welfare, home market effects and horizontal foreign direct investment

Jacob Wong: Information Acquisition, Dissemination and Transparency of Monetary Policy

Charles de Bartolome: Tax competition and the creation of redundant products

FORTHCOMING PAPERS IN CANADIAN PUBLIC POLICY/ARTICLES À PARAÎTRE DANS ANALYSE DE POLITIQUES

Benoît Dostie and Marie-Pierre Pelletier: Les rendements de la formation en entreprise : étude des entreprises canadiennes

Krishna Pendakur: Glass Ceilings for Ethnic Minorities

Robert Clark and Andrew Leach: The Potential for Electricity Market Restructuring in Quebec

Can Erutku: Les prix élevés de l'essence avant les longues fins de semaine: mythe ou réalité?

The information in this *Newsletter* is based on questionnaires completed by chairs of Economics departments in Canadian universities and on unsolicited submissions. The latter may be sent to:

Professor Robert Dimand, Newsletter Editor
Department of Economics
Brock University
500 Glenridge Avenue
St. Catharines, Ontario
L2S 3A1

Items for the August 2007 Issue must be received by April 20th, 2007

economics.ca/2007

The 41st Annual Meeting of the CEA will be held June 1st to 3rd, 2007, at Dalhousie University in Halifax. In addition to the regular sessions of submitted papers, the program will feature invited State-of-the-art Lectures by Michael Baker, Maristella Botticini, Loren Brandt, David Levine, John Campbell, Shelly Lundberg, and Esteban Rossi-Hansberg, the Innis Lecture by Michael Peters, the Purvis Lecture by David Levine, the CWEN address by Susan Collins, and the Presidential Address by Gérard Gaudet.

The program chair is Aloysius Siow at the Department of Economics at University of Toronto, and the on-site organizer at Dalhousie University is Peter Burton.

To submit a paper, go to the Conference website at <http://www.economics.ca/2007>. The deadline for submitting is February 28, 2006. Please direct all inquires and correspondence to Maureen Church, Program Assistant. Postal Address: CEA Program Office, University of Calgary, Department of Economics, 2500 University Drive N.W., Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2N 1N4. Phone/Fax: 403-697-9042. E-mail: cea@ucalgary.ca.

La 41 rencontre annuelle de l'ACÉ aura lieu les 1-3 juin 200u à Dalhousie University, Halifax. En plus des sé ances régulières, le programme prévoit des conférences invitées sur l'état des connaissances par Michael Baker, Maristella Botticini, Loren Brandt, David Levine, John Campbell, Shelly Lundberg, et Esteban Rossi-Hansberg; la conférence Innis par Michael Peters; la conférence Purvis par David Levine, la conférence CWEN par Susan Collins, et le discours du président par Gérard Gaudet.

Le responsable du programme est Aloysius Siow, Department of Economics, University of Toronto, et l'organisateur local à Dalhousie University est Peter Burton.

Pour soumettre un article, visitez le site web de la conférence à <http://www.economics.ca/2007>. La date limite pour soumettre est le 28 février 2007. Veuillez faire parvenir vos questions et votre correspondance à Maureen Church, assistante au programme. Adresse postale: Bureau des congrès de l'ACE, University of Calgary, Department of Economics, 2500 University Drive NW, Calgary (Alberta) Canada T2N 1N4. Téléphone/Télécopieur: 403-697-9042. Courriel: cea@ucalgary.ca.