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Gary Spraakman Awarded 2016 Barbara D. Merino Award for Excellence in Accounting History Publication

Management Accounting at the Hudson's Bay Company: From Quill Pen to Digitization

Gary Spraakman is a professor of management accounting at the School of Administrative Studies, York University where he teaches management accounting. Since 1999, he has been active with the Academy. His research interests include accounting history, management accounting, and accounting education. He is a CPA, CMA, and he worked for 14 years as an accountant at various Canadian companies prior to undertaking a PhD and an academic career. He is happily married to Cherilyn; they have three adult children and two grandchildren and counting.



Diane Roberts is the Recipient of the 2016 Alfred R. Roberts Memorial Research Award

Diane H. Roberts is Professor of Accounting at the University of San Francisco. She has twice been the Director of the American Accounting Association's Symposium on Research in Accounting Ethics. Diane is an Associate Editor of *Accounting and the Public Interest*, the journal of the American Accounting Association's Public Interest Section, and on the Editorial Board of the journal, *Research on Professional Responsibility and Ethics in Accounting*. She was



awarded the Third Annual Glen McLaughlin Prize for Research in Accounting Ethics by the Oklahoma Center for Accounting Research and a Post-Sabbatical Merit Award by the University of San Francisco.

Diane's project is based on the ninth goal from Professor Emeritus Richard Vangermeersch's List of 35 Goals: "Accounting historians should expand their (Continued on page 18)

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Martin Persson Accepts 2016 Thomas J. Burns Biographical Research Award

Martin E. Persson is an Assistant Professor of Managerial Accounting and Control at the Ivey Business School. He holds a BSc in Accounting, an MSc in Accounting, Organizations and Institutions from London School of Economics, and a PhD in Accounting from Royal Holloway University of London.

Martin's research interests are broadly within the field of critical accounting research and accounting history. He is particularly interested in people, ideas, and institutions from the 1900s and is currently focusing on the develop-



ment of economic models and calculative practices as well as classical accounting theory and measurement issues. His research interests have taken him to various archives, such as those found at the Universities of Northwestern, Columbia, and Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Martin has published several articles in the Accounting Historians Journal, Accounting History, and Meditari Accountancy Research, and he has served as an ad-hoc reviewer for journals such as Accounting History Review, Accounting, Auditing & Accountability Journal, and European Accounting Review. He has also published an edited book with Routledge, as part of their Studies in the Development of Accounting Thought Series, and has another book forthcoming.

At Ivey Business School, Martin teaches Financial Fundamentals in the Honors Business Administration program and the research course in the Graduate Diploma program. For his teaching, he received the 2015 David G. Burgoyne Teaching Award for Outstanding Commitment to Student Development.

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horizons to include a broader scope of accounting historical figures like women and various minority groups." Tentatively titled Women and Minorities in Accounting Occupations in the 1940 US Census, this project will ascertain the extent and nature of women and minority participation in accounting occupations. Diane is the author of several accounting history papers using Census data, most relevantly Women in accounting occupations in the 1880 US Census in *Accounting History Review*, 2013, and has published in the *Accounting Historians Journal*.