CDE Celebrates 40th Anniversary

The Center for Demography and Ecology celebrated 40 years of significant contributions to population research during a two day anniversary symposium in October 2002 at the Pyle Center. Presentations by former students and commentary by former faculty and post docs provided stimulating discussions and a fruitful debate of ideas between and after the formal sessions.

Over 25 prominent scholars accepted our invitation to present research or to prepare remarks for discussion. Attendance at some sessions topped 120 people, with many former CDE affiliates traveling to Madison to be a part of the reunion atmosphere.

In organizing the 40th Anniversary event, current CDE faculty and staff were overwhelmed by the intellectual talent that has passed through CDE’s doors since 1962. Between 1962 and 2000, 184 Ph.D.’s were granted to Sociology students affiliated with CDE, and 259 Master’s degrees were granted.

Symposium sessions featured recent work by former students across the spectrum of demographic research. The session on family and fertility included presentations by Dennis Hogan (’76) on fertility limitation in Ethiopia, R. Kelly Raley (’94) on parental cohabitation and children's educational attainment, and Kelly Musick (’00) on family structure and the reproduction of poverty.

The second session, on Population Health, included presentations by Steven Gortmaker (’77) on obesity, Paula Lantz (’91) on stress, and Alberto Palloni on the Hispanic Paradox. The third session on the opening day on education, gender and stratification included papers by Rachel Rosenfeld (’76) on graduate school admissions (presented by Aimee Dechter), Elizabeth Fussell (’98) on education and the transition to adulthood, and Ann Bagchi (’99) on immigrant professionals.

On Friday, the first session on race and ethnicity included talks by Charlie Hirschman (’72) on race and ethnic inequality in college plans, Ron Angel (’87) on the health care safety net, and Samuel Lucas (’93) on race and track assignments in school. The second session on aging and the life course featured talks by Dick Campbell (’73) on family background and successful aging, Deborah Carr (’97) on midlife fathers, and John Robert Warren (’98) on job characteristics.

In the afternoon, the session on population distribution featured talks by David Brown (’74) on migration theory, James Zuiches (’73) on rural development, and James Elliott (’97) on immigrants in gateway cities. Finally, the session on methods and statistics featured talks by Michael Sobel (’80) on randomized studies of housing mobility, David Grusky (’86) on social class decomposition, and Steven Martin (’00) on projecting completed cohort survival. These presenters include some of the most established and productive demographers in the field, as well as a new generation of exciting scholars. A highlight of the event was a celebration dinner and remembrance at the University Club. Attendees were treated to the musical talents of Professors Michel Guillot and Larry Wu and enjoyed hearing the memories of times old and new from many speakers, including Bob Hauser, Hal Winsborough, Annemette Sorrensen, Charles Hirschman, Steve Gortmaker, Alberto Palloni, and Betty Thomson. The celebration dinner also served as an occasion to honor the many years of service to the Center of Janice Deneen, who until her retirement in January 2003 had served as the Center’s first and only administrative assistant.

Work is still being done to provide online video programs of each session, as well as access to the papers in a special “working paper” series. Watch for announcements of these developments on the CDE web site: http://www.ssc.wisc.edu/cde.

Activism Alive and Well In Madison

Some Sociology alumni are veterans of the ’60s anti war protests and campus struggles for civil rights. Many participated in the prolonged period of negotiations, demonstrations, and a 4 week strike that resulted in 1966 in the formation on this campus of the first Teaching Assistant Association in the country, which was recognized in 1969 and won its first contract in 1970.

That spirit seems to be reborn in today’s Sociology graduate students, who have been on the front lines this past year to protest the war in Iraq, television coverage of the war, and a new fee to be paid by international students to offset the cost of implementing and operating a surveillance system to closely track them.

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Activism Alive and Well in Madison cont’d

Department Chairs Adam Gamoran (Sociology) and Gary Green (Rural Sociology) also publicly weighed in on this issue. On behalf of the graduate program, they wrote a letter to Chancellor John Wiley stating our opposition to the $50 per semester fee for international students to offset the cost of the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS). They wrote:

“Singling out international students to pay what amounts to a ‘user fee’ for a program designed to monitor their presence in the United States seems highly inappropriate to us. As both American and international graduate students in our departments pointed out in our joint departmental meeting today, while the per semester amount of the proposed fee is not high, the total amount will certainly mount up over the course of a doctoral program. More importantly, faculty at the meeting expressed concern that such a fee would create the unavoidable impression that international students are not welcome here, and that the University considers our students somehow responsible for the fact that the federal government has imposed these new restrictions.”

Earlier, Gamoran wrote a column published in the Capital Times advocating extension of state health benefits to domestic partners of all qualified state employees, citing the loss this year of two of our faculty members to departments that provide such insurance.

Anti-War Activism

Many graduate students and faculty were active participants in marches and rallies around Madison, as well as two “direct actions.” One action was a so called “educational die in,” which involved members of the community lying down in the streets representing war dead to disrupt morning commuters, with a large banner that said “wake up to war.” Others in the group stood in the road and handed literature about the war to motorists.

Another action was taken by a group calling itself Stop Propaganda Insist on Truth (SPIT) and involved “inspectors” occupying the lobby of the Madison NBC affiliate television station to protest the station’s unbalanced coverage of local anti-war protests. The inspectors were “searching for weapons of mass deception.” Five graduate students were arrested, including three of our own. They spent the night in jail.

International Student Fee Protest

But the major, very successful effort spearheaded by our graduate students this past year involved confrontation and negotiation with university officials over the SEVIS fee. The front page of the April 30 Wisconsin State Journal local section reported, “UW Madison had a near uprising on their hands Tuesday night during a university sponsored ‘listening session’ about a new fee to be imposed on foreign students this fall.” Three of our students were prominent in the large accompanying photo. The administration was at first adamant that the fee was a permanent done deal. Paul Barrows, vice chancellor for student affairs, said “obviously we hear you loud and clear, but the decision has already been made.” The next morning, however, Chancellor John Wiley called a meeting with four to six students to discuss the issue, including three Sociology students. The meeting was taped and the transcript reveals our feisty second year graduate student Kate McCoy leading the charge to articulate the students’ position.

A May 8 email from the Chancellor to all UW Madison Faculty, Staff, and Students stated: “In recent weeks many of you have expressed your strong opposition to our plan to require international students to pay a specific service fee for enhanced visa services we are putting in place. As a result, we have decided to delay the permanent implementation of a fee and to explore alternative funding sources for the future.” He went on to say that the university has no funds to reallocate to cover the more than $330,000 cost of the SEVIS program, so he has established a gift account at the University of Wisconsin Foundation to receive donations from those wishing to support the international community and enhanced visa services.

If you are interested: Checks should be made payable to “The University of Wisconsin Foundation” and marked on the check or in a cover letter as being directed to the “International Student Fund.” Such contributions can be delivered in person at 1848 University Avenue, or sent to The UW Foundation, 1848 University Avenue, P.O. Box 8860, Madison WI 53708 8860.

Berkeley Invades Wisconsin

Two new associate professors, both Berkeley Ph.D.s., have accepted positions at Wisconsin: Ted Gerber, a specialist in social stratification in Russia, and John Levi Martin, a network analyst who studies culture and social structure, will begin teaching this fall. Gerber and Martin join Robert Freeland, yet another new associate professor originally from Berkeley, who was hired last year but delayed his arrival at Madison until this fall. The addition of three Berkeley products, coupled with the departure of two Stanford graduates (Shelley Correll, who is moving to Cornell, and Larry Wu, who is leaving for NYU), led Gary Sandefur (himself a Stanford product) to quip that the quotient of Stanford to Cal graduates among our faculty has fallen far too low!

Scholars both inside and outside of sociology hail Ted Gerber as the world’s leading authority on social stratification in post Soviet Russia. Gerber, who taught previously at Oregon and Arizona, has conducted several surveys in Russia and published numerous articles on the topic, including “Structural Change and Post Socialist Stratification: Labor Market Transitions in Contemporary Russia” (ASR 2002). Gerber's appointment adds an international comparative emphasis on social stratification in our department, and enhances globalization in the University as well. John Martin, formerly assistant professor at Rutgers, is a leader in the “measuring meaning” movement, lending his considerable theoretical and methodological skills to the challenge of measuring the development and diffusion of cultural beliefs. His numerous publications include “Power, Authority, and the Constraint of Belief Systems” (JJS, 2002). Bob Freeland, who has taught at Columbia and Stanford, is an expert in economic sociology and the sociology of organizations. His award winning book, The Struggle for Control of the Modern Corporation (Cambridge 2001), is a radical revision of the accepted wisdom about the management of General Motors.

Two other scholars will join our faculty as assistant professors. Both accepted offers in 2001 2002 but delayed their arrivals while they pursued postdoctoral fellowships. Ruth Lopez Turley (Ph.D., Harvard, 2001) has spent the past year in Madison as the Anna Julia Cooper Fellow and will begin teaching in the fall. Her research focuses on neighborhood poverty and children's academic and social performance. Mara Loveman (Ph.D., UCLA, 2001) has completed a postdoctoral appointment at UCLA, and will bring her expertise in the area of race and nationalism in Brazil and Latin America to the University of Wisconsin in the fall.

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Conference Honors
Steve Bunker

"Nature, Raw Materials, and Political Economy" was the theme for a November 2 conference at UW Madison celebrating Stephen Bunker's contributions to Sociology. The fifteen presenters included many of Stephen's long time peers and former students, and Stephen himself, whose paper was titled "From Amsterdam to Amazonia: How Space and Technology Matter in the Formation of the Capitalist State."

In his introduction to Stephen's talk, Sociology Department Chair Adam Gamoran said "Stephen's familiarity with the intricacies of rubber extraction, the variation among coffee beans, or the engineering problems in bauxite mines is part of what gives his theoretical work weight. His careful attention to evidence, and his insistence that theory engage that evidence, is part of what makes his work so memorable."

Stephen is well known for his studies of international inequality, unequal exchange, environmental degradation, and obstacles to development among nations specializing in primary commodity production in the context of the capitalist world system. His work, which began with research in the Amazon 28 years ago, is a unique blend of fieldwork, history, and macro theorizing combined with a detailed knowledge of the physical characteristics of an array of natural resources and extraction techniques.

His first book, Underdeveloping the Amazon, showed how Europeans and then multinational corporations and the Brazilian state itself extracted a series of natural products from the rainforest and river basin, from the colonial era to the present, without regard for the inhabitants or the environment. A later book, Peasants Against the State, describes the strategies used by Ugandan peasants to contest domination by both the Ugandan state and the global coffee market. Peasants Against the State received the distinguished book award from the Political Economy of the World System section of ASA in 1989.

Presenters at the conference included several of Stephen's former students and colleagues, as well as current UW colleagues Fred Buttel of the Rural Sociology Department and Brad Barham of Integrated Agricultural Programs. Others were: Denis O'Hearn, Tyler Priest, Paul Cicciarelli, Jonathan Leitner, Paul Gallert, Andrew Schrank, Chuck Wood, Maria Celia Nunes Coelho, Chris Chase Dunn, Jeffery Paige, David Smith, and Dale Tomich.

The conference was organized by Gay Seidman and sponsored by the Sociology Department; the Havens Center; the Weber Center; the Latin American, Caribbean and Iberian Studies Program; and the College of Letters and Sciences at the University of Wisconsin Madison.

Fred Buttel Appointed

Frederick Buttel was appointed William H. Sewell Professor of Rural Sociology, effective July 1, 2003. He thus becomes the first person in the history of the Department of Rural Sociology to have received a named professorship. This named professorship is one of the WARP professorships allocated annually by the Graduate School Research Committee.

Buttel received his B.S. in 1970, his M.S. in 1972, and a Ph.D. in 1975 from UW Madison. He also received an M.S. degree from Yale University in 1973. He joined the Department of Rural Sociology in 1992 after a 14 year career at Cornell University. His career has focused on environmental sociology, rural sociology, and the sociology of agricultural science and technology. Buttel is co editor of Society and Natural Resources, editor of Research in Rural Sociology and Development, and a member of eight additional editorial boards. He is the author or editor of 14 books, and author of over 220 refereed journal articles and book chapters and 150 reviews and non refereed publications.

Buttel is Affiliate Professor of Environmental Studies and also serves as Co Director of the Program on Agricultural Technology Studies and as Senior Fellow at the Center on World Affairs and the Global Economy (WAGE). Buttel served as Chair of the Department of Rural Sociology from 1998 to 2002.

Buttel is former President of the Rural Sociological Society; the Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society; and the Environment and Society Research Committee (RC 24) of the International Sociological Association. In 1987 he was elected a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He received the Award for Excellence in Research of the Rural Sociological Society in 1993, and the Award for Distinguished Contributions from the Section on Environmental Sociology of the American Sociological Association in 1994. In 2002 Buttel received the Hilldale Faculty Award of the UW Madison Social Studies Division.
Department Chair Adam Gamoran called a special meeting of the Sociology and Rural Sociology departments in April to discuss issues of diversity on campus and in our departments. Topics addressed included trends in inequality in higher education, diversity initiatives at UW Madison, teaching classes with a diverse student body, and creating a learning environment that embraces diversity.

A panel of faculty speakers and graduate students who have taught undergraduate classes discussed their perspectives on diversity and measures they have taken in the classroom to explore the issues involved and to attempt to engage students from all backgrounds in the learning process.

Professor Gary Sandefur, who has recently served as acting UW Provost, said that the university is very committed to diversity because of the benefits it brings to everyone. He discussed some of the programs currently in place. The Posse program identifies approximately 10-15 students in high school, gets them together as a group for a year prior to college, and then supports them financially and otherwise during their years at college. He said we currently had one posse at UW Madison and two more were expected to arrive in Fall 2003.

Speaking from notes she uses for her Sociology 220: Ethnic Movements in the US class and from an article she wrote in 1998 about teaching the sociology of racism, Professor Pamela Oliver said: "One thing I've learned is that all Americans have problems with race and ethnicity. There is a real sense in which the US is inherently racist, in a way that goes beyond the personal feelings of any particular individual." In the course she talks about racism in relation to structural, social problems rooted in history and the legacies of history; how the structures were set up through past actions of people; and how they constrain our choices today. She describes stereotypes and prejudice as consequences of these structures and constraints.

A graduate student panel included Steve Hitlin, Jennifer Weaver, and Daniel Long, all of whom have served as lecturers and/or teaching assistants. They were asked to speak about issues of diversity as they impact graduate students, in their dual role of being both students and teachers.

Jennifer Weaver shared some of the creative statistics problems she wrote as a TA for Sociology 360, using names and situations that were inclusive of all races, ethnicities, and sexual orientations. Daniel Long talked about issues of climate and diversity among graduate students.

Steve Hitlin after pointing out the irony that he, a white, male, middle class American, was speaking on the issue of diversity and department climate said that in conversations over the seven years he has been in the department he has learned that students of color or from less economically privileged backgrounds, and international students, seem to feel that the department can be a welcoming place...if they assimilate correctly. He said that he understands "assimilate" to mean fitting "a rather narrow white, middle class model of speech, of dress, and of interaction. Steve said that if faculty were asked about this issue, many would term the process "professionalization." "To become professional sociologists," he said, "we certainly look to this faculty to learn what being a professional academic means."

"But we might profitably ask," he said, where the line is between professionalization and assimilation. How do those of us that enter with a variety of societal privileges have a head start into fitting into a 'professional' mold?" He urged members of the faculty "to be sensitive to, and perhaps even a bit self critical of, issues of professionalization and assimilation and their effect on building a tolerant climate."

Others in the audience volunteered comments. One student urged the department to acknowledge its hidden curriculum of unwritten and unspoken values, norms, expectations and practices and to work to maintain our high academic standards and at the same time build a departmental culture that recognizes and rewards different forms of cultural capital.
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Fred Buttel was appointed William Sewell Professor of Rural Sociology. This is a WARF named professorship.


Myra Marx Ferree has been appointed Interim Director of the European Union Center, University of Wisconsin. Myra organized a conference on national feminisms in the EU, which brought over 25 European social scientists to Madison to talk about European gender politics. She also has been appointed Deputy Editor of American Sociological Review. Myra's article, "Resonance and Radicalism: Feminist Framing in the Abortion Debates of the United States and Germany" will appear in the *American Journal of Sociology*. Her article, "Four Models of the Public Sphere in Modern Democracies" (with William A. Gamson, Jürgen Gerhards and Dieter Rucht) appeared in *Theory & Society* (2002).

Jeremy Freese was the first annual Robert and Clarissa Rees Alumni Lecturer for the Department of Sociology at the University of Iowa. Freese did his undergraduate studies at Iowa.

Adam Gamaran published, with five co-authors including current sociology graduate student Tona Williams, *Transforming Teaching in Math and Science: How Schools and Districts Can Support Change* (Teachers College Press, 2003).

Chad Goldberg was awarded a course development grant from the Center for Jewish Studies to develop a new course on the civic emancipation of European Jews in the nine teenth century. The course, entitled "The Jews, States, and Citizenship: A Sociological Perspective," will be cross listed with Jewish Studies and offered for the first time in Fall 2003. Chad also was invited to present a paper for a panel at the 2003 Social Science History Association conference entitled "Tocqueville and Liberal Democracy: The Question of Civil Society."

Phil Gorski was promoted to full professor.

Gary Green received the Pound Extension Award from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences.

Michel Guillot published two articles, "The Cross Sectional Average Length of Life (CAL): A Cross Sectional Mortality Measure that Reflects the Experience of Cohorts" (Population Studies 2003) and "Modified Logit Life Table System: Principles, Empirical Validation and Application," with Christopher J.L. Murray, B.D. Ferguson, A.D. Lopez, J.A. Salomon and O. Ahmad (Population Studies 2003). Michiel was also invited to give a talk, "The Momentum of Mortality Decline" at UCLA and RAND.

Michael Handel published, *The Sociology of Organizations: Classic, Contemporary and Critical Readings* (Sage 2002). His article, "Skills Mismatch in the Labor Market" appeared in *Annual Review of Sociology* (2003). Michael has also received grants from the Russell Sage Foundation and the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation to develop and pilot a new survey on job skill requirements, technology use in the workplace, and participation in employee involvement practices. He also appeared on a local NBC news broadcast to discuss the possible impacts of proposed changes in the Fair Labor Standards Act that would alter the criteria for classifying employees as exempt from mandatory overtime pay regulations.


Jack Kloppenburg was promoted to full professor.

Jerry Marwell has decided to "retire" and has accepted a position as Professor of Sociology at New York University, beginning September 1, 2003. In Jerry's words, "This means that after 40 years I will be leaving Madison to return to the department from which I received my Ph.D."

Mara Loveman and husband James Sundu have a daughter, Marisa Liana Sundu, born September 25, 2002.

Doug Maynard published a book, *Bad News, Good News: Conversational Order in Everyday Talk and Clinical Settings* (University of Chicago Press 2003). He also gave the plenary address at the International Conference on Conversation Analysis, titled, "Whose News Is This and How to Respond? Bad News, Good News, and Social Relations" (Copenhagen, Denmark) and an invited address, "Ethnography and Conversation Analysis: What is the Context of an Utterance?" at the Conference on Texts, Interaction, and Ethnography (University of Tampere, Finland).


Lincoln Quillian was promoted to associate professor and will give the Annual William H. Sewell Memorial Lecture December 5, 2003.

James Raymo published "Educational Attainment and the Transition to First Marriage Among Japanese Women" in *Demography* (2003), "Premarital Living Arrangements and the Transition to First Marriage in Japan" in Journal of Marriage and Family (2003), and "Economic Potential and Entry into Marriage and Cohabitation" with Yu Xie, Kimberly Goyette, and Arland Thornton in *Demography* (2003). Jim also received an Abe Fellowship from Social Science Research Council for a project titled "The Family Context of Work at Older Ages in Japan and the U.S." As part of this fellowship, Jim will be a visiting scholar at Keio University in Tokyo from 6/1/03 through 1/15/04.

Mark Suchman spent the past year in Palo Alto, CA, as a fellow at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences. In December, he received two major grants (totaling roughly $600,000) from the National Science Foundation and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.
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Foundation, to fund a three year multi method study of the organizational, professional and legal challenges posed by new information technologies in healthcare. The project will focus, in particular, on the privacy, security and standardization issues surrounding electronic medical records and computerized medical order entry. Mark and his wife, Nina Tannenwald, also became parents, with the arrival of Isaiah Tannenwald Suchman on May 15. Mark also was promoted to full professor.

Ruth Turley published three articles, "When Do Neighbors Matter? The Role of Race and Neighborhood Peers" in Social Science Research (2003), "Is Relative Deprivation Beneficial? The Effects of Richer and Poorer Neighbors on Children's Outcomes" in Journal of Community Psychology (2002), and "Are Children of Young Mothers Disadvantaged Because of Their Mother's Age or Family Background?" Child Development (2003). Ruth was also awarded a small grant from the Russell Sage Foundation for a project titled, "Toward Equal Opportunity? Changes in the Effect of Socioeconomic Background on Educational Attainment."

Franklin Wilson has been elected Secretary of the American Sociological Association. He will serve as Secretary Elect this year and will hold office as Secretary during 2004 05.


Lawrence Wu became chair of the ASA Methodology Section. Larry has also been appointed to the editorial board of Contexts. He published "Event History Models for Life Course Analysis" in Handbook of the Life Course, Jeylan Mortimer and Michael Shanahan, eds. (Plenum) and "Questions in Time: Investigating the Structure and Dynamics of Unfolding Classroom Discourse" with Martin Nystrand, Adam Gamoran, Susie Zeiser, and Daniel A. Long in Discourse Processes (2003). Larry is also taking a leave of absence from the department and will be a Professor of Sociology in the Department of Sociology, New York University.


Odin W. Anderson (1915-2003)

Anderson was known for his research in the macro aspects of health services delivery in the United States and cross nationally (in the U.S., Sweden, and Britain). He was awarded the title Distinguished Medical Sociologist by the Section on Medical Sociology, American Sociological Association (1980), and the title Distinguished Health Services Researcher by the Association of Health Services Research (1985). He was further honored for his research on access to health care in 1999 when he and Ronald Andersen were selected joint winners of the Baxter Allegiance Foundation Prize for Health Services Research, considered the highest research honor in the field. In accepting that prize, Ronald Andersen said, "I feel especially privileged to be jointly recognized with my long time mentor and colleague. The acknowledgment of our work emphasizes the importance of continuing to examine the generic characteristics of health services systems and fundamental determinants of health services utilization in order to better understand and address the current problems our system faces."

Odin was professor of sociology in health care 1969-1980 at the University of Chicago. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees (1937 and 1938) from UW Madison and his Ph.D. degree in Sociology (1948) from the University of Michigan. He was granted honorary degrees from the Faculty of Medicine, University of Uppsala, Sweden, and the College of Osteopathic Medicine, Chicago.

Born July 5, 1914, in Minneapolis, Odin grew up on a small family dairy farm in rural Blair Wisconsin and spoke Norwegian before English. He would tell stories about skiing to his country school, which was several miles away from his home. Odin was an entertaining storyteller and also loved to entertain by playing his harmonica.

He is survived by his wife Helen Hay Anderson (P.O. Box 216, Apalachicola, FL 32329); his daughter Kristin Alice Anderson, also of Apalachicola; his son Thor Edwin Anderson; and a granddaughter, Ashley Anderson.

Odin Waldemar Anderson, professor in the Department of Sociology from 1980 to 1995, died March 18, 2003, at the age of 88, in Apalachicola, Florida, where he and his wife Helen Hay Anderson had been living for the past several years.
Center for Demography and Ecology

Since its founding in 1962, CDE has grown from a handful of faculty and students in Sociology to more than 100 faculty and student members from 10 departments. The Center’s current research portfolio is worth about 13 million dollars annually.

The program for CDE’s recent 40th Anniversary Symposium (see separate article) reflected the Center’s traditional and emerging strengths. Those familiar with CDE’s past would not be surprised to find sessions on family and fertility, stratification and inequality, population distribution and methods and statistics. But only in the past decade or so have we developed similarly strong research programs in race and ethnicity, aging and the life course, and population health.

The growth of research in these latter areas reflect the Center’s strategic plan. That plan is simple: recruit the best scientists, provide them with the best resources possible for their work, and maintain the collaborative, collective cultural practices under which scientific excellence flourishes. CDE provides an environment in which its members are most likely to identify new directions, orient their research programs accordingly, and produce innovative research.

A case in point is the virtual explosion of work in the area of population health, including mortality. Alberto Palloni has been a leader in this area for many years, and has slowly built research relationships and eventually a joint graduate training program between Sociology, Economics and Population Health Sciences. By following our strategic plan of recruiting the best population scientists, regardless of specialty, we added Karen Swallen, Stephanie Robert, M. Giovanna Merli and Michel Guillot to the CDE faculty ranks. Not by design, but by finding and supporting top scholars, we have more than quadrupled the size of the population health program. Pre- and postdoctoral training in population health has also been augmented by grants from the Hewlett Foundation and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

A related example is the huge increase in CDE’s international research portfolio. Five years ago, we expected to expand ongoing research in Europe and Latin America. Our strategic plan produced much more dramatic and varied growth in international research.

through the work of James Raymo (Japan), M. Giovanna Merli (China, Viet Nam) and Michel Guillot (India, Kyrgyzstan). International research activities are also augmented by a large group of incoming international students, most of them supported by the Hewlett Foundation training grant and a grant from NIH’s Fogarty Institute.

An area of continued strength at CDE is the collection and dissemination of innovative data for population research. During the past year, a large proportion of CDE faculty, staff and students have labored on the third wave of the National Survey of Families and Households (Larry Bumpass and James Sweet, Principal Investigators); on the fifth wave of the Wisconsin Longitudinal Survey (Robert Hauser, P.I.), on a new survey of Health Conditions of the Puerto Rican Elderly (Alberto Palloni, P.I.), and on creating a public use file for the 1910 and 1920 Puerto Rican Censuses (Alberto Palloni, P.I. with Hallman Winsborough). Currently at varying stages of production, each of these data sets will be of high value to the population research community and will occupy the research agendas of Center faculty for several years to come.

The Center continues to be directed by Elizabeth Thomson, and Alberto Palloni has been selected as the incoming (2004) director. In the past year, CDE membership has been relatively stable, adding members Louise Keely (Economics) and James Elliott of Tulane University who is collaborating with Franklin Wilson. In addition to the influx of a relatively large cohort of graduate students, the Center benefited this past year from several new post doctoral scholars. Pamela Davidson is conducting research on household composition and children’s poverty in the United States. James Murrell is investigating methods to improve forecasts of economic development outcomes (such as food production & distribution) by incorporating population characteristics such as skills and education level. In the fall, we will welcome Katherine Curtis White from the University of Washington.

We also benefited from the presence of three long term visitors. Barbara Okun, Chair of Population Studies at Hebrew University of Jerusalem, is conducting a study of trends and determinants of ethnic religious and gender gaps in educational attainment, over roughly 50 years of Israeli birth cohorts. Mihoko Iwasawa, Japanese National Institute of Population and Social Security Research, collaborated with James Raymo on studies of Japanese fertility and marriage. Mariachiara De Cesare, University of Rome, completed research on fertility in India.

poverty wage service jobs. As Another, "Economic Opportunity in a Volatile Economy" compares how labor market intermediaries such as temporary agencies help or hinder access to quality jobs in two distinct communities: Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and San Jose, California. COWS is part of a consortium conducting The Advanced Manufacturing Project, which seeks to improve relationships between original equipment manufacturers and their parts suppliers, in order to keep quality manufacturing jobs in our region.

Side by side with its research agenda, COWS supports demonstration projects that promote high road economic and workforce development in South Central Wisconsin and the Milwaukee metropolitan area. The Wisconsin Regional Training Partnership (WRTP) brings together employers, unions, and community residents to promote workplace modernization and workforce training, recruitment, and retention. WRTP Executive Director Eric Parker, who holds a Ph.D. in Sociology from the UW Madison, has led the effort to replicate the WRTP model in other parts of the country. The Milwaukee Jobs Initiative (MBI), launched in 1997 and funded by the Annie E. Casey Foundation, connects low income urban residents to family supporting jobs. The Jobs With A Future Partnership (JWF) advances workforce training in health care and manufacturing, as well as in finance, insurance, and business services.

COWS staffers have been busy, too, addressing conferences, speaking to the media, and acting as a resource for policy makers, union officials, and business leaders alike. Last October, for example, COWS Director Joel Rogers addressed the UW sponsored Economic Summit III in Milwaukee, where he outlined high road strategies for preserving Wisconsin’s manufacturing base. In December, Joel was asked by newly elected Governor Jim Doyle to lead an assessment of DWD’s, its administrative functioning, and its capacity to serve welfare recipients and other clients.

COWS Research Director Laura Dresser was appointed as one of three technical advisors to DWD’s Transitional Jobs Task Force (part of an effort to help Wisconsin’s welfare recipients succeed in the paid labor market). She also spoke about “Social Justice, Economics, and Child Care” at Worthy Wage Day in Madison.

COWS Senior Associate for Policy John Keckhaver co presented a workshop on “Making Wisconsin’s Economic Development Efforts Accountable,” at the Wisconsin State AFL CIO Legislative Conference in Madison. He also traveled to Wisconsin Rapids to address 200 members of the Wisconsin Municipal Treasurers’ Association about the state budget deficit. One can find out more about COWS (and join its email list) by visiting http://www.cows.org, or by contacting Tami J. Friedman, Senior Associate for Communications, at (608) 262 5387.

Havens Center

Established in the Sociology Department at the University of Wisconsin Madison in 1984, the A. E. Havens Center for the Study of Social Structure and Social Change is named in honor of the late Professor of Rural Sociology, A. Eugene Havens. Inspired by the combination of progressive political commitment and scholarly rigor that embodied Gene Havens’ life and work, the Center is dedicated to promoting critical social thought throughout the social sciences and humanities and to fostering intellectual exchange between the University and the broader community.

The major ongoing activity of the Havens Center is the Visiting Scholars Program, which brings distinguished scholars and political activists to UW Madison to lecture and lead seminars on their work. Visiting scholars spend the better part of a week in residence at the Havens Center, delivering lectures, conducting seminars, and meeting with students, faculty, and the interested public. The Visiting Scholars Program enriches the campus and community in several ways. Scholars speak with expertise on a wide range of topics, very often presenting the findings of recently conducted original research. During the spring semester of each year, the Center offers an integrated series of lectures linked to a graduate seminar. This past Spring, the topic was “National Feminisms, Transnational Arenas, Universal Human Rights,” taught by Professors Myra Marx Ferree (Sociology) and Alii Tripp (Political Science). Havens Center lectures and seminars are also sites of cross disciplinary discussion among faculty and students and a con text in which people from the broader community can participate in intellectually stimulating programs with scholars.

The Center also organizes conferences that attract scholars from around the world. The clearest example of this is the Real Utopias Project organized by the Center’s Director, Professor Erik Olin Wright. To date, Verso Press has published four volumes in the Real Utopias Series, the fourth of which is Deepening Democracy: Institutional Innovations in Empowered Participatory Governance, by Erik Olin Wright and Archon Fong. In May, the Havens Center hosted a fifth Real Utopias conference titled “Rethinking Redistribution: Universal Basic Income and Stakeholder Grants as Designs for a More Egalitarian Capitalism.” In part inspired by the conference on participatory governance, the Havens Center also organized an international conference on “Local Democracy” in November, which attracted approximately 225 attendees. That conference in turn led to a collaborative relationship with the Transnational Institute in Amsterdam, with which the Havens Center is involved in a working group on “Participatory Democracy.” Another result of the Center’s collaboration with the Transnational Institute is a conference titled “The New Latin American Left: Origins and Future Trajectory,” which is scheduled to take place in March.

The Havens Center also seeks to promote progressive social and political change through engagement with the activist community. The principal vehicle for this effort is RadFest, an annual conference for progressive activists and academics held the weekend after Memorial Day. The central goal of the conference, which is now also known as the Midwest Social Forum, is to provide an opportunity for progressive intellectuals, organizers, and activists to come together to discuss issues of mutual interest and concern, strengthen networks, and devise strategies for progressive social, economic, and political change. The conference is held at the George Williams Lake Geneva Campus of Aurora University. In recent years, the conference has grown enormously and there is every indication that it will continue to grow. In 2003, the conference’s twentieth anniversary, approximately 425 people attended, with participants coming from throughout the upper Midwest and beyond. Another example of the Havens Center’s engagement with the activist community is the National Media Reform Conference, which the Center is helping to organize in conjunction with Free Press, a new national grassroots organization dedicated to media reform. The conference will take place on the UW Madison campus on the weekend of November 7-9, 2003 and is expected to attract as many as 1,000 1,500 participants from all over the country.

Patrick Barrett is the Havens Center’s Administrative Director. In the fall of 2003, the staff will consist of Sociology graduate students Celeste Benson and Kevin Walsh, who will be taking the place of long time Havens Center project coordinators Grace Livingston (Curriculum and Instruction) and Shamus Khan (Sociology).
News from The Centers

Applied Population Laboratory

The tidal wave of data being released from Census 2000 has slowed to a mere torrent, and the Applied Population Laboratory is still cruising along! APL Director, Dan Veroff, who holds an appointment with Cooperative Extension, is busy doing workshops and in services on census data and demographic trends and has played a key role in a statewide project focused on Wisconsin's Hmong population. Based on these programs, Dan received the 2003 Quality of Communication award from the Wisconsin Extension Community Development Association. Dan also was recently asked to serve as an interim member of the national steering committee for the State Data Center (SDC) program, a federal state partnership program focusing on Census Bureau data and activities. Through the steering committee, Dan can bring his experience in working with community data users to bear on a wide array of federal data initiatives.

Even as data from Census 2000 continues to roll out, Paul Voss, in his role as the Population Association of America's representative to the Commerce Department's Decennial Census Advisory Committee, has already been involved with planning for the 2010 Census. In addition, Paul has been active in analyzing and garnering support for the Census Bureau's new American Community Survey (data from which are planned to replace traditional long form census data in 2010). Over the last several years, the APL has expanded its leadership and training role in the areas of spatial data analysis and Geographic Information System (GIS) applications and has continued to provide support to the Center for Demography and Ecology (CDE) in these areas. Over the past year, these activities (under the auspices of CDE's Geographic Information and Analysis Core) have been carried out by GIS specialist Nick Fisher and spatial data consultants Paul Voss and Dave Long. Nick, Paul, and Dave have each started to make extensive use of spatial regression analysis and modeling on a number of APL and CDE projects. Through this collaboration between the APL and CDE, awareness and use of new techniques and tools have been steadily increasing and recent seminars and classes presented by the APL and CDE have been very well attended.

Over the last year, Jim Beaudoin succeeded fully launched a new version of WisStat, Cooperative Extension's on line data and information delivery system and successfully added data from Census 2000 to the system. It has been very well received and Jim continues to "tweak" WisStat to address user suggestions and to improve the look and feel of the site. Jim also developed an on line, interactive mapping system which eventually will be a companion to WisStat and providing users with a wonderful way to visualize and analyze data from the census and other sources.

Along with managing the APL's highly successful School District Enrollment Projection program, Robin Blakely, has charted new territory in working with community planning processes as a consultant on school enrollment, community demographics, and residential development impacts. Her skills in facilitating partnerships between local officials, school districts, and private sector agencies have been in high demand over the last year. Jennifer Vogt, has been an integral part of the School District Enrollment Projection program and she has also made valuable contributions to a number of other APL projects and presentations. Several of the research projects at the APL during the past year can be described as fitting well into the expanding sub discipline of demography loosely known as "Population and Environment." With research support from the US Forest Service, a grant focused on environmental "hotspots" is coordinated by Paul Voss and Roger Hammer. The Forest Service grant has successfully linked satellite images of ground cover with 50 years' worth of census data on housing unit development for very small units of census geography. Paul and Roger, together with Forestry Professors Don Field (joint with Rural Sociology) and Volker Radeloff, have expanded the "hotspots" research to the Forest Service's North Central Region. The research was aided by Research Assistants Kwang Koo Kim and Richelle Winkler.

Over the last year, the APL completed major work on two US Forest Service projects dealing with county level net migration rates and population projections. Both Rural Sociology Emeritus Professor Glenn Fuguitt and Loyola University of Chicago Professor Ken Johnson were involved in the population projections piece, while Scott McNiven, research assistant in the APL, provided much statistical support and analysis on both projects. Many APL projects benefited from the involvement of our talented CAR interns, Charles Kostlevy and Liz Wilke. Charles graduated in December and then joined the APL staff to work on various data intensive projects. Liz will graduate in May and then will head off to graduate school over the summer.

Institute for Research on Poverty

The Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP) is a national, university based center for research into the causes and consequences of poverty and social inequality in the United States. It is nonprofit and nonpartisan. The Institute was established in 1966 at the University of Wisconsin Madison by the U.S. Office of Economic Opportunity, the organization given responsibility for reducing poverty in America. In the years since then, the Institute’s multidisciplinary affiliates have formulated and tested basic theories of poverty and inequality, developed and evaluated social policy alternatives, and analyzed trends in poverty and economic well being.

In November 2002, the US Department of Health and Human Services designated Madison’s Institute for Research on Poverty as one of three Area Poverty Research Centers. The IRP Area Poverty Research Center will focus on research and analysis of poverty and anti-poverty policies in the upper Midwest. DHHS received a total of 27 applications for the three available area awards. The agency also designated Area Poverty Research Centers at the University of Kentucky and the University of Missouri. The designation is important as it means that IRP will receive approximately the same level of annual funding that the Institute has received since 1995 as one of two National Poverty Research Centers.

In one of the past year’s most important developments at the Center, IRP researchers are embarking on a major new initiative to investigate the interactions of the welfare and child support systems and their implications for family well being. Wisconsin is the only state in which families participating in the cash welfare system regularly receive all current child support paid on their behalf. In most other states child support is used to offset welfare costs and does not directly benefit the family. This innovative child support policy was initially implemented using a random assignment experimental design, and many of the components of the newly funded extension build on the original experimental evaluation. The new research will extend Child Support Demonstration Evaluation (CSDE). UW Sociology and Rural Sociology faculty contributing to this project are Gary Sandefur, Nora Cate Schaeffer, and Jane Collins.
IRP affiliate Ruth López Turley joins the faculty of the Sociology Department in the fall. The IRP also will be adding three poverty scholars in other departments as a result of a University wide "cluster hiring" competition. Carolyn Heinrich, an expert in public management and social program evaluation, will be an Associate Professor at the LaFollette School of Public Affairs. Katherine Magnuson will be an assistant professor in the School of Social Work. She researches the ways in which poverty and socioeconomic resources affect family and child well being, and the role of social policies in promoting children's healthy development. Joe Soss will be an associate professor in the department of Political Science. His research and teaching interests include the politics of poverty and welfare as well as political psychology.

The IRP maintains a website describing its many projects and programs. The URL for this site is http://www.ssc.wisc.edu/irp/.

**Center for the Demography of Health and Aging**

The Center for Demography of Health and Aging (CDHA) is now in the fourth year of its initial 5 year center grant from the National Institute on Aging. Led by Robert M. Hauser and an interdepartmental steering committee, CDHA is designed to create links between social demography and biomedical and epidemiological research on health and aging. The overall goal is to build a major research and training program in the demography of health and aging from several, diverse activities. The major themes of ongoing and development research activities within CDHA include midlife development and aging; economics of population aging, including future prospects for economic well being of aging and future trajectories of the Social Security system; inequalities in health and aging; and international, comparative studies of population aging.

There are several major continuing research projects in CDHA. The Wisconsin Longitudinal Study (WLS), under the leadership of Robert Hauser, is entering the field for a new and major round of data collection. Meanwhile, as that survey enters the field, The National Survey of Families and Households (NSFH), under the leadership of Larry Bumpass, has completed the fieldwork for the third wave of surveys since 1989. The Puerto Rican Elderly Health Conditions (PREHCO), under the leadership of Professor Alberto Palloni and in collaboration with the School of Public Health at the University of Puerto Rico, has also completed its fieldwork. Meanwhile, Health, Well Being, and Aging in Latin America and the Caribbean (known by its Spanish language acronym, SABE), under the leadership of Alberto Palloni and in collaboration with the Pan American Health Organization, has completed a final report containing comparative analyses of data from seven Latin American countries and is preparing data for public dissemination through CDHA’s web based data archive.

Several CDHA affiliates received external support for research projects concerning health and aging, often with pilot support or other assistance from CDHA. Michel Guillot, Jane Pilatvin, and Karen Swallen all received support from the National Institute on Aging. Michel’s project concerns ethnic differences in mortality in Kyrgyzstan; Jane’s concerns the relationship between volunteering and health; and Karen’s project studies Hispanic and Immigrant Mortality.” James Raymo has received support from the Social Science Research Council for his project on “The Family Context of Work at Older Ages in Japan and the United States.” Preliminary research and proposal writing have been supported by CDHA’s pilot project funds. Aimee Dechter, along with graduate students Hyunjoon Park and Huey Chi Chang, received support from the Robert Wood Johnson foundation for their project on the “Implications of Services and Environment for Socioeconomic and Racial Differentials in Mortality.”

The NIA supported training program in population aging also continues. Erin Ruel began her postdoctoral appointment with CDHA in February 2003. Erin has a Ph.D. in sociology from the University of Illinois at Chicago. She is exploring relationships among community context, racial segregation, work environment and health. The training program also supports graduate students Alair MacLean, Steven Haas, Kristen Springer, and Elizabeth Rainwater. In addition, the CDHA also supports student Randi Cartmill (working on a project with CDHA affiliate Victoria Beard on the support that adult children provide for their parents in Indonesia), Carolina Milesi (working with Alberto Palloni), and Mukunda Sharma and Nonpumelelo Nznamade (both working with Giovanna Merli and Alberto Palloni).

The CDHA continues to develop its Current Awareness in Aging Research service to keep researchers on aging, both at the University of Wisconsin and elsewhere, aware of recent developments. One of its services is a daily e mail summary that includes links to newspaper articles relevant to the concerns of aging researchers that are drawn from newspapers worldwide. While this service started less than four years ago with less than 100 subscribers, it now boasts more than a thousand. A weekly e mail newsletter that provides links to many different kinds of relevant reports has also grown considerably over the last four years. You can find out more information about CDHA’s mission, people, and projects by checking out its website: http://www.ssc.wisc.edu/cdha/.

**Save the Date**

The Annual William H. Sewell Memorial Lecture
Lincoln Quillian
Friday, December 5, 2003
Sessions and Presenters at the CDE 40th Anniversary Symposium

Family & Fertility
Dennis Hogan (1976) Brown University
"Social Identity and Community Effects on Fertility Limitation in Southern Ethiopia"
R. Kelly Raley (1994) University of Texas
"Parental Cohabitation and Children's Educational Attainment"
Kelly Musick (2000) University of Southern California
"Family Structure, Intergenerational Mobility, and the Reproduction of Poverty: Evidence for Increasing Polarization?"
Discussant: Judith Seltzer, University of California, Los Angeles
Organizer: Larry Wu; Moderator: M. Giovanna Merli

Population Health
Steven Gortmaker (1977) Harvard University
"Demographic Consequences of the Obesity Epidemic in the United States"
Paula Lantz (1981) University of Michigan
"The Role of Stress in Socioeconomic Disparities in Health"
Elizabeth Arias (1998) Centers for Disease Control
"A Re Examination of the Hispanic Mortality Paradox"
Discussant: Nan Astone, Johns Hopkins University
Organizer: Alberto Palloni; Moderator: Karen Swallen

Education, Gender & Stratification
Rachel Rosenfeld (1976) University of North Carolina
"Race and Gender in Graduate School Admissions"
Elizabeth Fussell (1998) Tulane University
"The Role of Education in Standardizing and Individualizing the Transition to Adulthood in the U.S."
Ann Bagchi (1999) Rutgers University
"Gendered Networks among Immigrant Professionals: Implications for Successful Adaptation"
Discussant: Annemette Sørensen (1980), Harvard University
Organizer: Gary Sandefur; Moderator: Aimee Dechter

Race & Ethnicity
Charles Hirschman (1972) University of Washington
"Race and Ethnic Inequality in College Plans and Applications among High School Seniors in the Pacific Northwest"
Ronald Angel (1987) University of Texas
"The Health Care Safety Net and Latinos"
Samuel Lucas (1993) University of California Berkeley
"Race and Track Assignment in School"
Organizer: Franklin Wilson; Moderator: Lincoln Quillian

Aging & the Life Course
Richard Campbell (1973) University of Illinois Chicago
"Family Background and Successful Aging: The Intergenerational Transmission of Health, Risk and Illness"
Deborah Carr (1997) Rutgers University
"Parental Pride or Father Son Rivalry? How Midlife Fathers Compare Their Work and Family Lives with Their Young Adult Sons"
Robert Warren (1998) University of Minnesota
"Job Characteristics as Mediators in SES Health Relationships"
Discussant: Donald Treiman, University of California, Los Angeles
Organizer: Robert Hauser; Moderator: James Raymo

Population Distribution
"Migration Theory and Research: What We Have Learned Since the 1960s"
James Zuiches (1973) Washington State University
"Demography, Rural Development, and Public Policy"
James Elliot (1997) Tulane University
"Immigrant Redistribution and Adaptation through Gateway Cities"
Discussant: William Frey, University of Michigan
Organizers: Paul Voss and Glenn Fuguitt; Moderator: Roger Hammer

Methods & Statistics
"What do Randomized Studies of Housing Mobility Reveal?"
David Grusky (1986) Cornell University
"Are Social Classes Decomposing?"
Steven Martin (2000) University of Maryland
"Predicting the Near Future: A Comparison of Models and Statistics for Projecting Completed Cohort Survival for Life Course Transitions"
Discussant: Robert Mare, University of California, Los Angeles
Organizer: Halliman Winsborough; Moderator: Michel Guillot

From the CDE Celebration, October 2002
Janice Deneen Retires

With over 42 years of service to the University of Wisconsin, the Center for Demography and Ecology's first and almost forever office administrator, Janice Deneen, retired in January 2003. Janice started working for the Department of Sociology as a typist within a few weeks of her graduation from Madison's old Central High School in 1960. Saddle shoes and circle skirts were the uniform of the young professional woman. Taking dictation, typing up handwritten manuscripts, and using carbon paper were the office skills of the day. As she proved herself in her job, she caught the eye of some young faculty looking to start up a new research group. Calling themselves the Center for Demography and Ecology, Professors Norman B. Ryder and Leo Schnore applied for an NIH training grant, including support for a full time administrative assistant. Janice took the job and history was made!

Through office moves, technology updates, student arrivals and graduations, and faculty changes, Janice remained a constant at the Center. Ask any current or former CDE student to name the person who served as their guiding light in the struggle to get settled in our large, complex university, and you will doubtless get the answer, "Janice." She was the one who knew all the answers or if she didn't, she knew who would!

Janice not only shepherded CDE's students through their postgraduate experience, but the faculty and staff as well. A fountain of knowledge, she was the go to person for nearly any kind of question. With her positive attitude, she made the place work smoothly, always with the ultimate goal being to allow the Center's research to be done efficiently.

Janice struggled with her decision to retire early. She felt a commitment to the Center, but also yearned for more time to care for her elderly mother and for herself. She finally decided that it was the right time to put herself first. She plans to travel, spend time with friends, and take some community classes.

We wish her well in all her future adventures!

Wisconsin Hosts Environmental Conference

For over 20 years the University of Wisconsin Madison's Departments of Rural Sociology and Sociology have had one of the United States' leading programs in environmental sociology. It is thus fitting that UW Madison will be hosting an important international environmental sociology symposium during fall semester 2003. The symposium will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, October 31, 2003, and continue through 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 1.

Entitled the "Symposium on Environment and the Treadmill of Production," the conference will focus on the concept of the "treadmill of production," which was originally developed by Allan Schnaiberg, Professor Emeritus of Sociology at Northwestern University. The treadmill of production notion was originally laid out in Schnaiberg's book, The Environment: From Surplus to Scarcity (Oxford University Press, 1980), and has since been elaborated in several subsequent books (Environment and Society, Local Environmental Struggles, and Urban Recycling and the Search for Sustainable Community Development) authored by Schnaiberg and his former Northwestern graduate students. The "treadmill of production" is arguably the most visible and venerable concept of the first three decades of environmental sociology. This symposium aims to take stock of the development of North American and global environmental sociology through the lens of retrospective and prospective views on the concept of treadmill of production. The symposium, which will include about 25 presentations, will be held in the Sewell Room (8417 Social Science Building) and is open to the UW Madison community.

The symposium is co sponsored by the UW Madison Departments of Rural Sociology and Sociology and by the Environment and Society Research Committee (RC 24) of the International Sociological Association. RC 24 is one of the most vibrant and successful of the ISA's research committees. The fall 2003 Madison symposium will be the third major conference sponsored by RC 24 since the July 2002 Brisbane International Sociological Association World Congress.

The opening session of the Symposium on Environment and the Treadmill of Production will include papers by Allan Schnaiberg and three of his major collaborators (David Pellow, Adam Weinberg, and Kenneth Gould) and by Fred Buttel. Other presenters at the symposium will include Arthur Mol (Wageningen University), Gert Spaargaren (Wageningen University), Mol and Spaargaren are two of the major contemporary figures in the development of "ecological modernization" theory in environmental sociology. Other speakers include John Bellamy Foster (University of Oregon), Stephen Bunker and Michael Bell of UW Madison, former Madison faculty member Bill Freudenburg (University of California, Santa Barbara), and several Madison alumni (Andy Szasz of UC Santa Cruz, Greg Hooks of Washington State, Rachel Schurman of the University of Illinois, Dana Fisher of Columbia, Brian Obach of SUNY New Paltz, and Kevin Wehr of Cal State Chico).

The University of Wisconsin organizing committee for the Symposium on Environment and the Treadmill of Production consists of Frederick Buttel, Michael Bell, Stephen Bunker, Aya Hirata, Christine Overdevest, Brad Brewster, and Damayanti Banerjee. The preliminary program can be found at http://www.drs.wisc.edu/bell/RC24/conference.htm.
Awards Honor Outstanding Teachers and Teaching Assistants

The committee for the Evaluation and Improvement of Instruction presented the 2003 Awards for Excellence in Teaching to Professor Joe Elder, Lecturer Mary Campbell, and Teaching Assistant William Lugo during the final faculty meeting of the academic year.

During his forty two year career, Joe Elder has taught many of the Sociology Department's core courses, including Classical Sociological Theory and Intermediate Sociological Theory. Joe is most well known, however, for courses in which he has introduced his primarily Midwestern students to the societies of India and Muslim countries. In evaluations, students repeatedly praise Joe's innovative use of films, videos, and guest speakers to "make it real." Many of these students have gone on to take courses in South Asian languages and visit the countries they learned about in Joe's classes. Recently, Joe has added a completely different course to his teaching repertoire, developing a course titled Introduction to Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies.

Mary Campbell, the recipient of the Award for Excellence in Teaching by a lecturer, has received exceptional evaluations for her teaching of American Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the summers of 2001 and 2002. These courses have included a range of students from pre freshmen to graduating seniors many of whom clearly appreciate Mary's knowledge of the subject matter, enthusiasm, responsiveness, and preparation that clearly goes into her lectures. Others appreciate her presentation of variety of perspectives on the complicated and controversial issues covered in this course. Her course evaluations are full of superlative statements such as "I truly believe the course could not have gone better" and "without reservation, I feel that Mary Campbell is one of the best teachers I have encountered so far."

William Lugo has been a teaching assistant for Contemporary American Society and American Racial and Ethnic Minorities. Students rave about William's ability in front of the class room. His friendliness, creativity, organization, availability, and knowledge of the material make a lasting impression on students. Some students said they have "friends who took this course last year and still talk about him" and evaluations commonly include statements to the effect that "William is one of the best TAs I have ever had" and "William will make an excellent professor."

The presentation of these awards provided an excellent opportunity to thank Joe, Mary, and William for their invaluable contributions to teaching and learning in this department.
Ramer Receives Recognition

Sometimes, good deeds receive the recognition they deserve. Such was the case when Sandy Ramer, Graduate Program Coordinator of the Department of Sociology, received the Frontline Award from the Student Personnel Association of the University of Wisconsin. The Frontline Award recognizes an individual who positively influences students' perceptions of the University, a characterization that captures the essence of Sandy Ramer's role.

In nominating Ramer for the award, department chair Adam Gamoran explained, "Sandy Ramer deserves the Frontline Award because she is both the person students meet face to face and the person who works behind the scenes to make the program run, and in serving this dual role for 20 years, Sandy has had an extraordinary influence on students' positive perceptions of the University." Gamoran, who calls Sandy "saint of sociology graduate students," emphasized her important administrative contributions and her role in helping students navigate the complex waters of the University's bureaucracy. Pamela Oliver, Director of Graduate Studies in the department, summed up Sandy's role: "We would have a very hard time running the Graduate Program without Sandy." Ramer's work was also praised by Elena Hsu, Degree Coordinator of the Graduate School. When word got out that the award nomination was in process, a groundswell of support emerged and took on a life of its own. Over 100 current students signed a letter extolling Sandy's virtues, and 27 students submitted brief testimonials to accompany longer letters from two former students. A sampling of remarks included such praise as, "I doubt that I can convey how helpful Sandy Ramer has been throughout my time here, but she has been an absolute beacon in the administrative fog;" "No matter what type of red tape I get myself tangled up in, Sandy know how to extricate me;" and "[Sandy] is so capable that she successfully shepherds over two hundred students through a myriad of technical hoops every day, and still has time and energy to be our friend."

The Department congratulates Sandy Ramer on this wonderful honor.

Taissa Hauser Honored

In April, the College of Letters of Sciences announced that Taissa (Tess) Hauser was the winner of its Judith S. Craig Distinguished Service Award for Academic Staff. Tess is the second recipient of this award; the first was Judith S. Craig herself. At a ceremony in May, Tess was cited for 32 years of service to the department, university, and national social science community.

As Senior Scientist in the Center for the Demography of Health and Aging, Tess continues to be responsible for the management and organization of the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study (WLS), a long term and ongoing study of 1957 Wisconsin high school graduates. Over the past three decades, Tess's management of the WLS has contributed vitally to developing its reputation as one of the most important social surveys in the United States. The books and many articles by UW researchers using the WLS have played an important role in the perennial eminence of the Department of Sociology here.

Currently, she is coordinating final preparations for a new round of telephone and mail surveys that will include over 20,000 graduates, spouses, and siblings. In the past, her contributions to the WLS have included innovative methods for tracking respondents and the development of creative survey modules for studying work and childbearing history (in 1975) and menopause (in 1992).

In addition to the WLS, Tess has provided invaluable expertise to other studies at the university. Most notably, Tess collaborated with her husband, Robert Hauser, on a research study in the 1980's on potential biases in the compensation of academic staff at the University of Wisconsin Madison. Their findings eventually led to a series of system wide reforms.

In nominating Tess for the award, Jennifer Sheridan, a UW Ph.D. who is now director of the Women in Science and Engineering Leadership Institute here. Sheridan discussed how Tess has been a important role model for her and how she "has been a mentor and friend to countless undergraduate and graduate students." In a similar vein, Deborah Carr, a UW sociology Ph.D. now at Rutgers University, emphasized not only that Tess "has had a powerful impact on American sociology and public policy," but also that she has had a similarly important influence "on the lives of many sociologists throughout the United States and Asia." As a testament to this, Carr's letter was also signed by 21 other current or former graduate students.

Celeste Benson received a HEA Title IV Foreign Language and Areas Studies Fellowship in Portuguese for the 2002-2003 academic year.

Sarah Bowen received a Field Research Grant from the Latin American, Caribbean and Iberian Studies (LACIS) Program.

Matthew Boxer won the Weinstein Distinguished Graduate Fellowship from the Center for Jewish Studies at UW Madison.

Kathy Brasier got married to Kevin Sikorski on October 5, 2002, finished her degree in December 2002, and started a faculty position in the Department of Agricultural Economics & Rural Sociology at Pennsylvania State University in January 2003.

Mary Campbell was awarded a University Dissertation Fellowship for next year and will be getting married to Jeremy Brett on August 1, 2003.

Mami Fuji was married to Jeffrey Douglas Jones on May 9, 2003.

Mark Harvey has been awarded a 12 month Dissertation Fellowship by the Rural Policy Research Institute's Rural Poverty Research Center. The fellowship will allow Mark to work full time on writing his dissertation, which examines the impacts of NAFTA and PRWORA on the ability of low income mothers to construct household survival strategies. Mark spent six months in Maverick and Starr counties in Texas interviewing local leaders and welfare recipients.

Dimitri Kessler recently finished a term with a Fulbright in Beijing, China and will spend the summer in Beijing participating in a project concerning labor codes of conduct. The project is a cooperative effort by the China Working Group and the Beijing Academy of Social Sciences. His summer in China is supported by the Scott Kloeckke Jenson International Internship Grant.

This spring Abby Kinchy received the Department of Rural Sociology's John H. Kolb Award for academic achievement an award whose previous recipients include current faculty members Daniel Lee Kleinman and Fred Buttel. Abby also has a paper forthcoming in the journal, Social Studies of Science (Abby J. Kinchy and Daniel Lee Kleinman. 2003. "Organizing Credibility: Discursive and Organizational Orthodoxy on the Borders of Ecology and Politics").

Greta Krippner won the 2002-2003 Genevieve Gorst Herfurth Award for outstanding research in social studies for her paper "What is Financialization?"

Paul Lachelier, who moved to the Boston area in Sept 2000 to pursue his evolving PhD research, ran for Massachusetts State Representative as a Green Party candidate in November 2002. Paul ran against a Democratic Party incumbent in an area comprising East Cambridge and East Somerville, Massachusetts and his campaign received 37% of the vote.


Tom MacLeod received a Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship for the 2003-2004 academic year.

Jesse Norris received a HEA Title IV Foreign Language and Areas Studies Fellowship in Portuguese for the 2002-2003 academic year.

Aaron Pitluck, a dissertation, is beginning a 12 month research and teaching position with the Research Group on Social Studies of Finance and Knowledge, in the Department of Sociology, at the University of Constance (Germany), under Prof. Karin Knorr Cetina.


Jeff Rothstein received an award from the Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER) to support his 2003-2004 research.


Buffy Smith received a Graduate Student Citizen Scholar Honor from the Graduate School. Buffy was recognized based on her excellent academic record combined with her willingness to provide leadership and service to the university. She was one of 42 delegates (nation wide) nominated to be a speaker on a panel discussion regarding diversity issues in graduate education at the National Conference on Graduate Student Leadership, Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri (2003).

Kelly Strawn received a Field Research Grant from the Latin American, Caribbean, and Iberian Studies (LACIS) program.

Sarah Swider received a Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship for the 2003-2004 academic year.

Teddy Weathersbee-Kardash was elected to a two year seat on the ASA's Student Forum Advisory Board beginning in August 2003, when she also begins her second year as newsletter editor for the ASA's Sociology of Sexualities section.

Spencer D. Wood was interviewed by the Saint Louis Post Dispatch for a story on African American farmers. Wood’s first study is a Ford Foundation sponsored project analyzing land retention and valuation rates in two North Carolina New Deal resettlement communities, one all White and one all Black. The second is a U.S.D.A. sponsored project investigating the effects of land ownership on rural African Americans’ civic participation. This project is studying three additional African American resettlement communities in Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas.
Achievement

Recent Masters


Angela M. Barien  Maximizing Masculinity: Representations of Masculinity in a Popular Men's Magazine. John DeLamater

Jessica A. Brown  In Praise of Good Breeding: Pronatalism and Immigration in the British Print Media. Myra Marx Ferree


Kathryn Flynn  Fit for Tot: A Life Course Model of Breastfeeding Behavior. Karen Swallen

Erin Hatton  Stuck in the mud: Inmobility in the low wage service sector and possibilities for change. Erik Wright

Jessica Jakubowski  Intergenerational Transmission of Early Family Formation Behaviors. Lawrence Wu


Shamus Khan  Manifesto for Theoretical Pluralism. Erik Olin Wright

Emily Kremer  Dork and Proud: Negotiating a Subordinated Masculinity. John DeLamater

Chi Yeung Ricky Leung  "Networks" or "Society"? Determinants of Hiring Channel in Chinese Private Enterprises. James Montgomery


Katherine McCoy  The Rates of Human Rights Abuses Committed by Graduates of the U.S. Army School of the Americas. Mark Suchman


Cesar Rodriguez  Global Governance, Cross Border Organizing, and Labor Rights: Codes of Conduct and Anti Sweatshop Struggles in Global Apparel Factories in Mexico and Guatemala. Erik Olin Wright

Andy Sauber Olols  Designing Policies for the Child Care Industry: Evidence from the First Two Years of the Local Child Care Wage Initiative in the City of Madison and Dane County. Joel Rogers

Erik Schneiderhan  Labor Market Intermediaries and Workforce Development: The Case of Engine Products and the WRTP. James Montgomery

Andrea Voyer  School Belief and Work Behaviors: Exploring the Connections between Educational Expectations and Adolescent Employment. Gary Sandefur

Teddy Weathersbee Kardash  Doing Sexuality. Douglas Maynard

Yu, Yan  Direction and Intensity of Relationship Happiness: A Comparison of Marriage and Cohabitation. Aimee Dechter

Recent Ph.D.s

Kathy Brasier  Conceptualizing Space within the Sociology of Agriculture. Major Professor: Peter Nowak

Liba Brent  The Rise and Fall of Financial Industrial Groups: The Genesis of Russian Capitalism. Major Professor: Erik Olin Wright


Steven Cook  Constructing a New Measure of Poverty. Major Professor: Gary Sandefur


Lina Guzman  Love and Investment: Grandparents Care for Children. Major Professor: Elizabeth J. Thomson

Jeff Hayes  Nice Work if You Can Get It: Gender and Job Quality at Midlife. Major Professor: Robert M. Hauser

Steven Hiltlin  Values as the Core of Personal Identity: A Sociological Integration of the Self. Major Professor: Jane Allyn Pillavin

Rebecca Krantz  Unfolding Creative Democracy: Participatory Neighborhood Planning, Community Organizing, and Pragmatist Sociology in Madison, Wisconsin. Major Professor: Mustafa Emirbayer


William Lugo  High Risk Drinking on America's College Campuses. Major Professor: Gary Sandefur

Susan Mannon  Our Daily Bread: Constructing Households, Constructing Labor Markets. Major Professor: Gay Seidman

Molly Martin  Producing and Reproducing the Family: Economics and Family Formation Behavior in Two Generations. Major Professor: Gary Sandefur

Ann Meier  The Morning After (and Beyond): Adolescent Well Being After First Sex. Major Professor: Gary Sandefur

Susan Munkres  Activists for Others? How Privileged People Build Alliance Movements. Major Professor: Paul Lichterman

Angel Adams Parham  The Diasporic Public Sphere: Internet Mediated Community and Civic Life in Transnational Haiti. Major Professor: Gay Seidman

Andrea Robles  Dismantling the Ideal Worker: Bringing in Low Income Mothers' Expertise in Balancing Work and Family. Major Professor: Jane L. Collins

Theresa Thompson Colón  The Significance of Social Networks to the Health of Immigrant Mexican Mothers and their Children: A Bination Case Study. Major Professor: Alberto Palloni

Julie Whitaker  Seeking Compassionate Women: The Crisis in Low Wage Health Care Work. Major Professor: Jane L. Collins

Josh Whitford  After the Outsourcing: Networks, Institutions, and the New Old Economy. Major Professor: Joel Rogers, Co Advisor: Jonathan Zeitlin


Newsletter of the departments of Sociology and Rural Sociology at the University of Wisconsin–Madison
Achievement and Staff News

Job Market Success

Angel Adams (Ph.D. 2003) Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Loyola University, New Orleans

Kathy Brasier (Ph.D. 2002) Assistant Professor, Department of Agricultural Economics & Rural Sociology, Pennsylvania State University.

Liba Brent (Ph.D. 2003) Postdoctoral Fellow, Animal Science Department, University of Wisconsin Madison

Steven Cook (Ph.D. 2003) Researcher, Institute for Research on Poverty, UW Madison

Rachel Dwyer (Ph.D. 2003) Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, The Ohio State University.


Jeff Hayes (Ph.D. 2002) Instructor, Department of Sociology, and Associate Director, Social Science Data Lab, University of Colorado at Boulder

Steven Hitlin (Ph.D. 2003) Postdoctoral Fellow, Sociology Department, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill.


Greta Krippner (Ph.D. 2003) Assistant Professor, University of California Los Angeles.

Susan Mannon (Ph.D. 2003) Assistant Professor; Department of Sociology, Social Work, and Anthropology; Utah State University, Logan.


Ann Meier (Ph.D. 2003) Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota.

Susan Munksres (Ph.D. 2003) Assistant Professor, Furman University, Greenville, South Carolina.

Kevin Wehr (Ph.D. 2002) Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, California State University Sacramento.


Josh Whitford (Ph.D. 2003) Postdoctoral Fellow, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies, Cologne, Germany.

At Dean Certain’s request, Department Administrator Pat Whipple became the 2002 College of Letters and Science Chair of the annual State, University and UWHC Employees Combined Campaign of Dane County. The SECC is an annual workplace fund raising effort for local, national and global charities.

Sociology department Graduate Student Coordinator Sandy Ramer won a 2002 2003 Frontline Award from the Student Personnel Association. Ramer was also elected to the Letters & Science Classified Staff Issues Committee. The committee meets monthly with Dean Phil Certain of the College of Letters & Science.

Once the Wisconsin State Budget was approved, both Tim Reckinger (Payroll & Benefits Specialsit ) and Toni Schulze (Financial Specialist) were kept quite busy. Kate MacMillan’s (Undergraduate Program Assistant) eldest son Bill graduated with honors in both Political Science and Sociology from UW Eau Claire this May. Bill also presented at the Midwest Sociology Association Conference in Chicago, and the National Conference for Undergraduate Research in Salt Lake City. And Michelle Bright continues to serve and protect the Chair’s office.

Staff Updates

As reported in last year's Update Mary Powers retired in July after 12 years of service in the Department of Sociology. Her Graduate Admissions Assistant position was filled by Bonnie Rieder on September 15, 2002. Bonnie transferred to Sociology from the Economics Department.

Last year two of the staff who joined the department also left the department. Kim (Dunford) Edwards, Faculty Support and Reception, who joined us in July, left in December to pursue her lifelong dream of becoming a police officer. Patrick Brenzel, Kim's replacement, came in January. He transferred from the Admissions Office. Sheryl Jones left in January to become a full time student and complete her bachelors degree. In May, we lured Denise Karns away from Limnology. Diane is both support for Science Technology Studies and Web Manager for Sociology.

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Well Deserved Promotions

Janet Clear Administrative Program Specialist
John Carlson Senior Special Librarian
Andrew Arnold Senior Systems Programmer
Scott Risberg Information Processing Consultant
Ellen Jacobson Senior Student Services Coordinator
Laura Dresser Associate Scientist
Alumni News

Jeffrey M. Armstrong (MS 1994), associate researcher in the Department of Psychiatry at UW Medical School, supervises the Wisconsin Study of Families and Work, an ongoing, multi disciplinary, longitudinal study involving approximately 500 Wisconsin families who were recruited during mothers’ second trimester of pregnancy.

David Bartram (Ph.D. 1999) has been awarded tenure at the University of Reading, UK.

Kelly Besceke (Ph.D. 2002) won the ASA 2002 Religion Section’s Best Student Paper Award, had a fantastic time teaching at Colorado College during the 2003-2004 school year, and will begin teaching at another top national liberal arts college, Kenyon College, as a visiting assistant professor for the next two years.


Eduardo Bonilla Silva (Ph.D. 1993), associate professor of sociology, Texas A&M University, and Hewlett Fellow, Stanford University (2002-2003), will have two books published this summer: Racism without Racists: Color Blind Racism and the Persistence of Racial Inequality in the USA (Rowman and Littlefield, June 2003) and, in collaboration with Ashley Doane, Jr., Whiteout: The Continuing Significance of Racism (Routledge, August 2003).

Donald C. Bross, (J.D., Ph.D., 1979), professor of pediatrics (Family Law) at the University of Colorado School of Medicine, received the 2003 Commissioner’s Award for Outstanding Leadership and Service in the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect, U. S. Department of Human Services, Administration for Children & Families.

Lisa D. Brush (Ph.D. 1993), Associate Professor, University of Pittsburgh, is celebrating ten years post doc by releasing her new book, Gender and Governance. This latest contribution to the Gender Lens Series (co edited by UW Ph.D. Joey Sprague) and published by AltaMira, provides a feminist analysis of states, power, and governance, showing the inequalities in political systems and gender systems and how they intersect. Lisa also co edited a special issue of Violence Against Women on poverty and abuse, co organized the next Trapped by Poverty/Trapped by Abuse conference, published articles in Social Politics and Violence and Victims, served as Director of Graduate Studies for a second year, and closed out her research grant from the National Institute of Justice on battering and welfare to work transition.

Frederick Buttel (Ph.D. 1975) was appointed William H. Sewell Professor of Rural Sociology, effective July 1, 2003, becoming the first person in the history of the Department of Rural Sociology to have received a named professorship. In 2002 he also received the Hilldale Faculty Award of the UW Madison Social Studies Division.

Mia Cahilh (Ph.D. 1999) opened her own Princeton, N.J. law firm in April: Mia Cahilh, L.L.C.


Robert L. Coles (Ph.D. 1995) was promoted to associate professor in the Department of Social and Cultural Sciences at Marquette University.

Nancy J. Davis (Ph.D. 1978), professor of Sociology at DePauw University, was in April 2003 the recipient of the Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Tucker Distinguished Career Award, honoring contributions to scholarship, teaching, and the university. In the 2003-04 academic year, she will be on sabbatical in Paris and Sydney working on a project with Robert V. Robinson on the effects of religious belief and affiliation on political involvement.

Jim Elliott (Ph.D. 1997) received the 2003 President’s Junior Faculty Teaching Award and the 2003 President’s Service Learning Teaching Award at Tulane University. He continues to research racial and spatial inequalities in U.S. labor markets and recently received a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to study immigrant churn into and through gateway cities.

Paul Gellert (Ph.D 1998), assistant professor in the Department of Development Sociology at Cornell University, published two articles in 2003: “Renegotiating a Timber Commodity Chain: Lessons from Indonesia on the Political Construction of Global Commodity Chains,” Sociological Forum (18:1:53 84) and AMegaprojects as Biophysical and Social Displacement," International Social Science Journal No. 175 (March) co authored with Barbara D. Lynch. He has been awarded an Abe Fellowship by the Social Science Research Council to conduct research on “Globalization or Regionalization? Japan, Indonesia, the United States and the Political Economy of Timber Markets.”

Angie Hattery (Ph.D. 1996) was promoted to associate professor in the Department of Sociology at Wake Forest University.

Randy Hodson’s (Ph.D. 1980) recent book Dignity at Work (Cambridge University Press, 2001) was highlighted in an "Author Meets Critics" session at the Southern Sociological Meetings in New Orleans (March 2003) and also will be highlighted in a Contemporary Sociology symposium in an upcoming issue. Randy Hodson is currently Professor of Sociology at The Ohio State University.

Elizabeth A. Hoffmann (Ph.D. 2001), assistant professor of Sociology at Purdue University, received two national awards for her dissertation entitled Compromise, Confrontation, and Coercion: Formal and Informal Dispute Resolution in Cooperative and Hierarchical Worksites. She won first place in the Dissertation Award Competition sponsored by the Industrial Relations Research Association (January 2003) and second place from the W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research Dissertation Competition (January 2003).

David Jerome Jackson (Ph.D. 1971) passed away October 1, 2001 at the age of 62. His first teaching posts in Sociology were at SUNY Albany and the University of Maryland Baltimore County, but the largest portion of his career B from 1976 to 1988 B was spent on the professional staff of the Mental Health Studies Center at the National Institute of Mental Health in Maryland. Following his time at NIMH David was on the faculties of the University of Miami and the University of New Mexico. In 1996 he joined a team of researchers in the Program on Disability and Health at the New Mexico Department of Health, where he worked until his retirement. To recognize the influence of his work in disabilities research, his colleagues there have created an annual David J. Jackson Distinguished Research Award, which recognizes outstanding disability related research.

Corey Keyes (Ph.D. 1995) was promoted to associate professor in the Department of Sociology at Emory University, where he also has a joint appointment in the Department of Behavioral Sciences and Health Education.
Olson, and director of the Disaster Research Center at the University of Nebraska.  Mayaguez, will be full professor of Sociology and director of the Disaster Research Center at the University of Delaware effective September 2003.

Rachel Rosenfeld (Ph.D. 1976) Our distinguished alumna, Rachel Rosenfeld, passed away November 24, 2002. At the time of her death, Rachel was William R. Kenan Distinguished Professor of Sociology and Chair of the Department of Sociology at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Rachel was a rare individual who combined superb scholarship, compassionate teaching, and outstanding service and leadership throughout her career. She will be greatly missed.

Laura Sanchez (Ph.D. 1992) is acting director of the Center for Family and Demographic Research at Bowling Green State University.

Al Simkus (Ph.D. 1980) has a permanent position as Professor of Sociology in the Sociology Department of the Social Sciences Faculty of the University of Tromso (located on an island on the coast of Norway, about 200 miles north of the arctic circle). During the last two years, he has received funding of over 1.2 million dollars from the Norwegian Research Council for training and survey research projects in cooperation with the sociology departments of the major universities and academies of sciences in Poland, Croatia, Bosnia Herecegovina, Yugoslavia and Montenegro, Kosovo, Macedonia, and Albania. He is also developing cooperative projects with institutions in Lithuania and Latvia.

David Tabachnick (Ph. D. 2001) is assistant professor at Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio.

Richard A. Williams (Ph.D. 1986), has received Notre Dame's Rodney F. Ganey, Ph.D., Faculty Community Based Research Award. The award, named after a former Notre Dame sociology professor, recognizes distinguished research conducted for a local nonprofit or community organization.

David Yamane (Ph.D. 1998), Assistant Professor of Sociology at Notre Dame, spent the 2002-2003 year as a fellow at the University of Virginia's Center on Religion and Democracy, completing a book on the Catholic Church and publishing an essay, "Bishops' Political Influence in the Long Lent of 2002," in the lay Catholic magazine Commonweal. He also was selected to participate in the Young Scholars in American Religion program at IUPUI's Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture and named a Lilly Faculty Fellow of the Notre Dame Vocation Initiative.
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