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Notre Dame Sociology: Moving Forward

Michael Welch, Past Departmental Chair

The Department of Sociology continues to progress and will be entering a new chapter in its history as Dan Myers begins his term as Chairperson. During the past year, faculty and students alike have accomplished many notable achievements that helped the department gain greater national recognition. Moreover, our impressive entering cohort of graduate students appears to be both talented and eager, continuing an auspicious pattern. Taken together, these developments suggest that our department's recent progress is likely to be sustained and even surpassed.

Faculty Accomplishments: Several faculty members were recognized this year for their notable achievements. *Maureen Hallinan* received the University's 2003 Research Achievement Award for her contributions to research in the field of sociology and to graduate education and research at Notre Dame. This prestigious award is sponsored by the Graduate School Office of Research. *Richard Williams* was named the winner of the 2003 Rodney F. Ganey, Ph.D., Faculty Community-Based Research Award for his work on "Racial, Economic and Institutional Disparities in Home Mortgage Lending." Along with Dick Lamanna, Rich is the second department faculty member to receive this award, which is sponsored by the Center for Social Concerns. It honors faculty who have conducted research requested by nonprofit or other organizations within the local community. *Felicia LeClere* was also named a co-recipient (with graduate student *Eugene Walls*) of the 2003 Rodney F. Ganey, Ph.D. Collaborative Community-Based Research Mini-Grant, which was awarded by the Center for Social Concerns for research on program development at South Bend's Center for the Homeless. *Richard Lamanna* was honored by the Urban League of South Bend and St. Joseph County for his research on school redistricting in South Bend. Dick received the 2003 Urban League Community Service and Civil Rights Award. Congratulations!

Several others should also be congratulated. *Bill Carbonaro* was awarded a \$50,000 NAE Spencer Foundation post-doctoral fellowship. Bill was also awarded a grant from the American Educational Research Association, to work on a project entitled "Racial/Ethnic Differences in College Graduation: The Lasting Effects of Students' High School Experiences." **Dan Myers** received a Pilot Fund Grant for Faculty-Student Research Teams in the Social Sciences from Notre Dame's Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts. The grant will be used to support his research on protest and collective violence in the United States. Dan was also named a consulting editor for the American Journal of Sociology. Finally, **David Yamane** was selected for the Young Scholars in American Religion Program

Graduate Student Accomplishments: As usual, several of our graduate students have been named recipients of major awards. *Carrie Erlin* won the Kaneb Center's 2002/2003 award for Outstanding Graduate Teaching in Sociology, which honors TAs who have distinguished themselves in classroom teaching.

In addition, *Jason Maki* was announced as the winner of one of the University's prestigious Graduate Teaching Fellowships. These awards further extend an already well-established pattern that reflects both the commitment to undergraduate teaching our graduate students display and the excellence of their efforts.

In the past, our students have also been recognized by national or regional organizations for the quality of their research, and this year is no exception. *David Ortiz'* paper, entitled "Confronting Oppression with Violence: Inequality, Military Infrastructure, and Dissident Repression" was selected as the winner of the Midwest Sociological Society's Graduate Student Paper Competition for 2003. Other students also received awards and grants from the University and a variety of sources. These accomplishments are described in detail in another section of this newsletter.

Transition and Continuity: Despite the fact that I will be ending my term as department chair, there will be substantial continuity in the new departmental administration. Both *David Klein* (Director of Graduate Studies) and *Ann Power* (Director of Undergraduate Studies) have agreed to remain in those positions to assist the department and our new chairperson, *Dan Myers*.

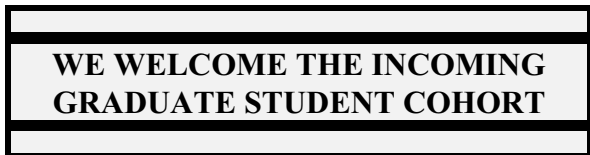
I want to thank David and Ann for their service during my term. I also want to thank the many other faculty, students, and staff who were generous in offering their help whenever I requested it – which from their perspective, must have seemed all too frequently. Finally, I am especially indebted to our wonderful department

staff (*Pat Kipker, Nancy Mitchell, and Katie Schlotfeldt*), without whom our department could never function. As he enters his new term, perhaps the best advice I can give Dan is to repeat what Rich Williams told me when I became chair, "treat the staff well, because they are the persons who really run the department."



Julie Reed Kochanek is a Postdoctoral Research Assistant at CREO. She received her PhD in sociology from the University of Chicago. Her research interests include the organization of schools and the impact of schools on their communities. Her current work focuses on how trust is built between participants in a school community.

Monique Payne is a Visiting Instructor in the Department of Sociology. She received her BA in Sociology and African American Studies from Duke University. She currently is finishing her doctorate in Sociology from Northwestern University. She is also the recipient of the American Educational Research Association's Minority Dissertation Fellowship. Her dissertation examines the impact of the demographic and interpersonal process characteristics of families, schools, neighborhoods, and friends on the achievement of black and white youth. Her research interests are stratification, education, racial and ethnic minorities, and quantitative methodology.



Robert Brenneman – BA in English Literature and Theater from Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, VA. His interests include sociology of religion and education.

Kathleen Callaghan – BA Loras College, Iowa.

Maria-Elena Diaz – BA in Sociology at Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts. Her interests include family and sociology of education.

Kelly Miller – Presidential Award Winner. She has a BA in history from Michigan State University. Kelly's area of interest is social psychology.

Daniel Pasch – MA in urban studies from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Dan's area of interest is culture.

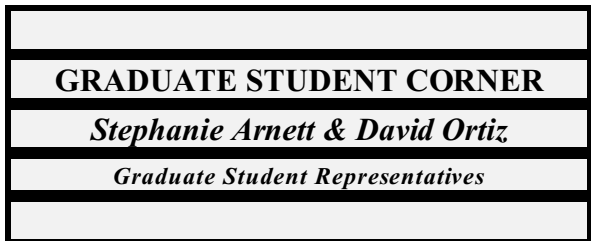
Roberto Rivera – MA in theology from Ateneo DeManila University, Philippines. Robert's areas of interest include research and policy advocacy on urban problems.

Sarah Shafiq – BA in sociology from Ohio State University. Sarah's areas of interests include comparative and historical sociology and culture.

Yuting Wang – MA in sociology from Western Illinois University. Yuting's areas of interests include stratification and religion.

Xiaohong Xu – BA from Peking University. Xiaohong's interests include social movements and religion.

Jennifer Yonkoski – BA from LeMoyne College. Jennifer is interested in social psychology.



Graduate students have had an exciting, productive year, with seven M.A. degrees and two Ph.D.s awarded. Students participated in a wide range of academic activities that resulted in numerous grants, awards,

fellowships, conference presentations, and publications of note. Here are some of the highlights of accomplishments by graduate students during the 2002-2003 academic year:

Stephanie M. Arnett presented "Constructed Meanings Of 'Home' And Identity Formation: Historical, Social Psychological And Cultural Perspectives" at the 2002 Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, and passed the Race/Ethnicity comprehensive area examination.

Rob Bossarte passed the Statistics and Methods comprehensive area examination, defended his dissertation proposal, received a fellowship from the American Statistical Association to attend the International Conference on Questionnaire Development, Evaluation, and Testing in October 2002, and received a Clogg Scholarship Award to attend the 2003 ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods at the University of Michigan.

Brandy Ellison presented her work entitled "Body Self-evaluation as a Predictor of Anti-gay Prejudice" at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society Conference in April 2003.

Brian Conway's paper "Active Remembering, Selective Forgetting, and Collective Identity: The Case of Bloody Sunday", a revised version of a paper he wrote for Professor Andrew Weigert's class on Society and Identity in Spring 2002, was accepted for publication by *Identity: An International Journal of Theory and Research*, the official journal of the Society for Research on Identity Formation. Also, during the summer, Brian wrote an MA thesis on "The Social Organization of Public Housing: Explaining Variation in Tenant Association Participation Among Public Housing Residents" with thesis advisor, David Hachen.

Congratulations to **Carrie Erlin** on winning a Kaneb Center's Outstanding Graduate Teaching Award. This award recognizes TAs who have demonstrated excellence in the classroom or laboratory.

Brooke Underwood Fischer married English Literature graduate student Ben Fischer in January 2003. She successfully defended her Master's Thesis in June 2003. Additionally, she was invited to participate in the Fashioning Faith with Scholarship in Sociological Research seminar in July 2003.

Sarah MacMillen attended the meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion in Utah where David Yamane presented a paper on Catholic Initiation that is a part of her 2-year long involvement in the research project on Rites of Christian Initiation. Sarah also presented two papers in the spring of 2002 - one on ethnographic methods at the Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction meetings in Arizona, and another on Catholic identity at the Midwest meetings in Chicago.

Jason Maki was awarded a Dissertation Year Fellowship for the academic year 2002-2003. He presented his work in the Departmental Colloquium Series in November, at the Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction Conference in February 2003, and at the Meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society in April 2003. Jason was also awarded a Graduate Teaching Fellowship for 2003-2004.

Nicole J. Meidinger's article, co-authored with Professor Gary Goreham of North Dakota State University, and entitled "Senior High Youth Group Participation in Rural Midwest Churches" was accepted for publication in the *Journal of Youth Ministries*. She also has two entries in the *Encyclopedia of Community* published by Berkshire Publishing in summer 2003.

Gail Mulligan began a position as an Education Statistician with the US Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics in the spring of 2003. In November of 2002, she presented "Public/Private Differences in Opportunities for Parental Involvement in the School Context" at the graduate student workshop for the *Effects of School Sector on Educational Outcomes* conference (sponsored by the Center for Research on Educational Opportunity) and wrote a chapter for a book to be published from the conference edited by Maureen T. Hallinan. Gail also presented a paper entitled "Factors Affecting Opportunities for Parental Involvement in the School Context" at the 73rd Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society in 2003.

David G. Ortiz was the First Prize Winner of the 2003 Midwest Sociological Society's Graduate Student Paper Competition with the paper "Confronting Oppression with Violence: Inequality, Military Infrastructure, and Dissident Repression," which he also presented at a special session of the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society. He passed the Race/Ethnicity and Political Sociology area exams, and was awarded a Dissertation Year Fellowship for the 2003-2004

academic year. David also presented the papers "Art of Resistance: The Relationship between Artistic Expressions and Social Resistance to Political Violence in Colombia" at the 2002 Annual Meetings of the Eastern Sociological Society and "The Effects of Regime Repressiveness, Income Inequality, and Military Infrastructure on Levels of Collective Political Violence" at the 2002 Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association. Finally, he performed as discussant and presider over the session "Political Opportunities and Frames" at the 2003 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society, and served as a referee for *Research in Social Movements, Conflict, and Change*.

Jerry Park taught a first year writing course as a recipient of the Notre Dame Teaching Fellowship award during the Fall 2002 semester, and taught his first solo lecture course on the sociology of race and ethnicity during the Spring of 2003. He presented papers at the joint meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion and the Religious Research Association as well as at the Association for the Sociology of Religion. He completed his final year in the Pew Mentoring Program and was teaching assistant to Robert Wuthnow during the summer 2002 Pew Summer Seminar in sociology. Jerry also published "Revisiting the Social Sources of American Christianity" with fellow alum Sam Reimer in the December 2002 issue of the *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, and recently received a positive revise and resubmit from the same journal for an article co-authored with Professor Victor Hinojosa. He submitted a paper to *Social Forces* with Keely Jones on religion and civic voluntarism, and a book review requested by the *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* (forthcoming in December 2003). Finally, he was the recipient of the John J. Kane Award and the Korean American Scholarship Foundation Award.

Eugene Walls passed the Statistics & Methodology area exam, had a book review published in *Mobilization*, and was awarded (with Felicia LeClere) the *Rodney F. Ganey, PhD Community-Based Research* grant for research conducted at the Center for the Homeless. He presented several papers at conferences, including "Construction of the Tetradic Heterosexism Index: Understanding the Complexities of Attitudes Toward Lesbians and Gay Men" at the Annual Meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality, "Mapping Religion and Sub domains of Heterosexism: Tradition, Religiosity and Religious

Orientation” (co-authored with Eric Sartain) at the Annual Meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, and “Police Departments before and after Riots, 1964-1972” (co-authored with Daniel Myers) at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society. Eugene also organized the session, “Sociology of Sexuality: Emerging Theory and Scholarship” for the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society, served on the editorial board of *Sociological Voices*, and coordinated the activities of the Queer Studies Reading & Research Group which included raising funds for sponsoring two documentaries on lesbian and gay issues, “I Exist: Voices from the Lesbian and Gay Middle Eastern Community in the U.S.” and “Family Fundamentals.”

Xiao-qing Wang received a travel grant award from the Zahm Research Travel Fund. This was awarded to Xiao-qing to allow for travel to China to do research for her dissertation.

Jessica Ziembroski defended her dissertation in August and published an article with Rob Bossarte in *Alternative and Complementary Therapies* in June 2003 on “Healing Touch and Quality of Life for Hospice Patients.”

Good luck and best wishes for the future! We are very proud of them all.

ADVANCED DEGREES, Ph.D.

The following graduate students finished their doctoral studies during the 2002 - 03 academic year:

Yuri Chumakov, “Religion and the Russian Orthodox Church as Factors of National Identity Re-Construction in Post Communist Russia.”

Suzanne Coshow, “The Social Bases of State Policies.”

ADVANCED DEGREES, M.A.

Stephanie Arnett, “Race, Income and Parental Education: Why Family Background Determines School Choice Decisions.”

Brian Conway, “The Social Organization of Public Housing: A Study of the Determinants of Tenant Association Participation Among Public Housing Residents.”

Brooke Underwood Fischer, “The Influence of Family Size and Religion on Educational Attainment.”

Aaron Kreider, “Mobilizing Supporters to Sit-In: High-Cost and High-Risk Activism in the Student Anti-Sweatshop Movement.”

Laurie Nelson, “Constructions of Masculinity in Skateboard Culture.”

Sadia Saeed, “The Myth of British Colonial Legacy: The Case of British India.”

Yan Zhang, “Differences of Adolescent Substance Use Across Race/Ethnicity in America.”

THE UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

SENIORS INDUCTED INTO AKD

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| Jill Adimari | Andrew Moschel |
| *Julie Davis | *Andrew Orosz |
| Ashley Dryer | *Teresa Paulus |
| Catherine Eichers | *Lara Pozorski |
| Anne Gallagher | Kara Roché |
| *Kathryn Golden | Saturnina Siggins |
| *Annette Gonzalez | *Michael Snow |
| *Elias Koliopoulos | *Carolyn Tampe |
| Brennan Leddy | Eileen Turpin |
| Rebecca Lockett | Erin Vanden Busch |
| *Annise Maguire | Kathleen Van Tiem |
| *Michael McGarry | Jaime Volkmer |
| Kathryn Mitchell | Lauren Wendeln |
| *Jamie Moran | |

*Inducted into AKD as Juniors

JUNIORS INDUCTED INTO AKD

John Bacsik	Christine Nowak
Colleen Gannan	Emily Oess
Cole Huth	Laura Rimkus
Kristen Kinder	Lindsay Slevinski
Elizabeth Kopko	

Congratulations also go to **Rebecca Luckett, Kara Roché, Annise Maguire, Michael McGarry, Michael Snow, Catherine Eichers, and Jamie Moran** who successfully completed the Sociology Honors Thesis.

Congratulations to **Justin Golbabai**, who received a summer research fellowship for \$3,600 from the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP), from the Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts (ISLA), University of Notre. Justin will work with Eugene Walls and Dan Myers on a project called "A Quantitative Analysis of Police Departments and Riot Severity, 1967-71". Earlier in the year Justin also received a \$408 ISLA UROP Award for "A Quantitative Analysis of Police Departments and Riot Frequency, 1966-69".

The following students were also recipients of grants from ISLA. **Hye-Jin Kim** received an UROP grant for \$1500 for "The Trajectory of African American-Korean American Conflict Before and After the Los Angeles Riots of 1992". **Kristen Rodriguez** received an UROP grant for \$150 for "Framing Theory and the Marketing Concept: A Comparative Analysis". **Tona Boyd** received an UROP grant for \$600 for "The U.S. Civil Rights Movement's Influence on Black Liberation in South Africa".

Congratulations also to **Russ Faeges** on Volume 1 of *Sociological Voices*. *Sociological Voices* is a publication by Sociology Undergraduate Majors. Russ Faeges is the Editor of *Sociological Voices*.

**VISITING SPEAKERS
2002 - 2003**

Kimberly Dugan, assistant professor of sociology at Eastern Connecticut State University presented a paper in April. The title of her paper was, "Strategic Claims and Images From an Anti-Gay Voter Initiative." This paper examines the 1993 Cincinnati battle over LGBT rights.

Charles Tittle gave a talk in September. The name of the talk was, "Self-Control and Deviant Behavior." Charles, a Professor and Goodnight-Glaxowellcome Chair in Social Sciences at North Carolina State University, is the author of the following books: *Social Deviance and Crime: An Organizational and Theoretical Approach*, *Control Balance: Toward a General Theory of Deviance*, *Sanctions and Social Deviance: The Question of Deterrence*, and *Society of Subordinates: Inmate Organization in a Narcotic Hospital*.

Edward Tiryakian also gave a lecture in September entitled "Assessing American Hegemony." Edward is a Sociology Professor at Duke University. Edward is currently the Distinguished Leader of the Fulbright New Century Scholars Program on sectarian, ethnic, and cultural conflict within and across national borders. He has previously served as president of the American Society for the Study of Religion, of the International Association of French-Speaking Sociologists, and as chair of the Theory Section of the American Sociological Association.

**FAREWELL TO
FACULTY**

We are sorry to report that **Naomi Cassirer** has decided to leave Notre Dame and continue her work with International Labor Organization (ILO). This is a loss for Notre Dame but an exciting opportunity for Naomi. We want to thank Naomi for the help she has provided the department and for the outstanding job she has done, teaching and training our students. We wish her the best as she moves on to this new opportunity.

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FACULTY NEWS

Being busy with research and teaching is one of the great things for **Joan Aldous**, the William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of Sociology, about being in Notre Dame's Department of Sociology. This year, a paper based on her research with graduate student Gail Mulligan appeared in the *Journal of Family Issues* for 2002, pp. 624-647. The article, entitled "Fathers' Child Care and Children's Behavior Problems: A Longitudinal Study," detailed how fathers who are actively involved in bringing up their children when they are preschoolers have children who are less apt to show behavioral problems when they are in grade school. This paper, its analysis and findings were interesting enough to catch the eye of John Monczunski, an editor of the *Notre Dame Magazine*. He wrote it up under the eye-catching headline "Participatory Papas Produce Prime Progeny," (Winter, 2002-03, p. 17). Joan Aldous was also the advisor for Laurie Nelson's innovative study of rollerbladers, a study originally undertaken for Mark Gunty's class in masculinity that with more work and writing became Laurie's MA thesis.

Teaching Aldous' class in World Families enabled her to work with Rebecca Luckett who will postpone her medical training to go to Uganda to

do service work with Holy Cross Missions. It was fascinating to learn that she would be teaching secondary school part-time as well as working in an AIDS clinic to complete her work assignment. Through undergraduate Laura Russ in the Today's Gender Roles class, she also had entrée to the Early Childhood Development Center to observe the similarities and differences in the behavior of little girls and boys.

Bill Carbonaro published two papers this year. One was entitled "High School English: A National Portrait," and was published in the *The High School Journal*. The other paper examined "The Production of Achievement Inequality in High School English," and was published in the *American Educational Research Journal*. Bill also gave an invited lecture at the Determinants of Economic Success Lecture Series, University of California-Davis. He presented papers at the annual meeting of American Sociological Association, at the annual meeting of American Educational Research Association and at CREO's November conference.

Bill has been awarded a \$50,000 post-doctoral fellowship from the National Academy of Education (NAE)/Spencer Foundation. Bill will be a fellow from fall 2003 until fall 2005 and will work on a project entitled "Racial/Ethnic Differences in College Graduation: The Lasting Effects of Students' High School Experiences." Bill also received a \$32,700 Grant from the American Educational Research Association for this same project.

Bill's family, Sara, Christopher (6), and Matthew (1), are enjoying life in South Bend and doing well.

Rev. Leonard F. Chrobot presented "Polonia and the Church at the Beginning of the 21st Century: Problems and Prospects" at the 7th Biennial International Conference on East-Central and Polish Affairs – "Quo Vadis American Polonia? From the Past to the Future" at Saint

Mary's College of Ave Maria University, Orchard Lake, Michigan, on October 26, 2002.

Len also presented "Sexual Abuse within the Church: A Sociologist's View," at the Forever Learning Institute, Saint Patrick Parish Center, November 13, 2002.

In February, 2003, he presented "Polish Immigration to the St. Joseph Valley – 1870 to 2003" to the Genealogical Society of South Bend at the First Christian Church, South Bend.

On May 14, 2003, he presented "The Polish Presence in the South Bend Area," with a tour of Saint Hedwig Church to the Methodist Circle Tour of Churches.

Fabio Dasilva finished his book, *Encounters: The Phenomenology of Race*, a book co-authored with Evandro Camara, PhD '86. Fabio also co-authored, with Anthony Blasi, *Readings in International Social Theory*, forthcoming.

Fabio also presented a paper at the Midwest meetings entitled "The Phenomenology of the Other: Race. He also presented a paper at the Southern Sociological Society meetings entitled "The Other in Husserl, Heidegger, Merleau-Ponti and Schutz.

Fabio received a merit award for his painting at the Boca Raton Art Show. He also has an upcoming painting at the Museum of Art-Coral Springs.

When Fabio isn't busy writing or painting, he has been visiting his mother in Brazil.

Robert Fishman had a busy and enjoyable year in which he completed a book manuscript called *Democracy's Voices: Social Ties and the Quality of Public Life in Spain* now forthcoming with Cornell University Press. Robert co-organized a conference on The Year of the Euro held at Notre Dame in December and is now co-editing a conference volume along with Tony Messina of Notre Dame's political science department. During the year Robert began two new projects: 1) a

comparative analysis of major contrasts in democracy and labor markets within Portugal and Spain, the two Iberian neighbors which initiated the ultimately worldwide "third wave" of democratization in the 1970s, and 2) a collaborative project with sociology department Ph.D. student, Keely Jones, on cross-national variation in the evolution of priestly vocations. During the summer months of 2003 Robert delivered papers at the annual meetings of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-economics in Aix-en-Provence and the American Political Science Association in Philadelphia as well as co-authoring a paper for the Religion and Politics Workshop held at Notre Dame.

David Hachen's co-authored paper with Michael Davern entitled, "The Rose of Information and Influence in Social Networks" will be appearing in the *American Journal of Economics and Sociology*. David also has under review a co-authored paper with Brian Conway entitled "Grievances, Resources, Attachment and Efficacy: The Determinants of Tenant Association Participation Among Public Housing Tenants." David, along with Min Zhang, have been using the 1996-1997 National Organizations Survey to examine the extent, character, and determinants of contracting out work by organizations. David is also in the process of designing a local area study of staffing and temporary help organizations. David served as a discussant for the panel "Social Policy and Social Organization" at the Year of the Euro Conference held at Notre Dame and at the ASA session on Social Movements and the Internet.

Maureen T. Hallinan continues to serve as the Director of the Center for Research on Educational Opportunity (CREO) in the Institute for Educational Initiatives. She has been involved in several CREO activities. In November, she organized the annual education conference at Notre Dame entitled "Stability and Change in Education: Structure, Processes, and Outcomes." Under her direction, CREO received a \$2.55 million grant from the US Department of

Education: Fund for the Improvement of Education, for collaborative research on the project "Comparative Analysis of Best Practices in Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools." As part of this project, she is currently involved in data collection in the 6th, 8th, 9th, 10th and 12th grade classes in all the Catholic schools in the Chicago Archdiocese. Currently Maureen is co-editing a book entitled *Stability and Change in American Education: Structure, Process and Outcomes*, which will be published this summer. Also in process is an edited volume entitled *Effects of School Sector on Educational Outcomes* from the 2002 CREO conference.

Maureen is also the winner of the University's 2003 Research Achievement Award. Sponsored by the Graduate School Office of Research, the award was established in 2001 to recognize a faculty member who has made significant contributions to scholarship in his or her discipline and to the research and graduate education goals of the University. Maureen is the past President of the American Sociological Association and was honored for her work in Sociology of Education.

Eugene Halton had an article written by the South Bend Tribune relating to his contribution to the edited volume *Teleparody*. Gene's piece was titled, "No Man is an Island: It Takes a Village Idiot." A Review of *On Temptation Island: The View from the Hot Tub*. In *Teleparody: Predicting/Preventing the TV Discourse of Tomorrow*. Edited by Angela Hague and David Lavery, London: Wallflower Press: 2002: 99-108. A French translation of his essay, "Brain Suck" also appeared: "Le Suce-Cerveau." *X-Alta*, No. 6 "Police et corps du texte", Octobre, 2002, p. 145-159, translation by Henri Vaugrand. And another essay "The Cosmic Fantasia of Life," appeared in a German publication of *Myths of Creativity: Mythen der Kreativitat: Das Schöpferische zwischen Innovation und Hybris*. Edited by Annette Deschner, Oliver Krüger und Refika Sariönder. Frankfurt-am-Main, Velag Otto Lembeck, 2003.

In addition, Gene presented the following papers: "The Signifying Self," at the International Theory Consortium Meeting, Dubrovnik, Croatia, July 1-5, 2002, "The Art and Craft of the Home" at the International Visual Sociology Association Meeting on Santorini Island, Greece, July 10, "Self-Constructing and the Bio-Social Self" at the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Denver, March (in an all-sociologist session on pragmatism including ND alum Robert Antonio, "Peircean Animism and the End of Civiliation" at the Charles S. Peirce's Religious Writings Conference in Denver, March, and "Flight from the Earth" at the Midwest Sociology Society Meeting in Chicago in April. Gene's Off the Wall Blues Band, including some of Chicago's top musicians, performed at the meeting.

One of Gene's teaching highlights of the year was a new course he introduced on the sociology of the body. Holding the class in the gym and periodic "practica" classes made for a different intellectual center of gravity.

Gene's favorite theory quote from the year: Near the end of the session on pragmatism and civility at the SAAP conference, Bob Antonio, speaking of the tumultuous meals in his Italian-American family, said, "It almost drove me to Habermas."

Richard Lamanna continues to monitor the local public schools and their compliance with the school desegregation order.

In March, Dick received the 2003 Urban League Community Service and Civil Rights Award at the League's annual meeting and awards luncheon. The award, according to the citation, is presented annually to an individual or organization who has worked diligently in the community to further the goals and aspirations of the Urban League movement. The citation stated in part, "your outstanding leadership in our community has helped many to overcome the obstacles inherent in racial and economic injustice, and we take pride in recognizing you in this very special way."

Dick has also been appointed to serve on the board of a proposed charter high school in South Bend.

Felicia LeClere, Eugene Walls and South Bend's Center for the Homeless have received the inaugural Rodney F. Ganey, Ph.D., Collaborative Community-Based Research Mini-Grant.

Dan Myers had another eventful year serving as the Book Review Editor for *Mobilization*, continuing as Secretary-Treasurer of ASA's Collective Behavior and Social Movements Section and organizing Religion and Politics 2003 conference at Notre Dame.

Dan finished work on his textbook *Social Psychology* (with John Delamater and Andy Michener) and is putting the finishing touches on his second book with Ralph Conant, *The Future of Urban Poverty*. He also co-authored "The Co-Evolution of Social Movements", *Mobilization*, 8:1-24 (with Pam Oliver), "Individual Orientation toward Engagement in Social Action." *Political Psychology* 23:703-729 (with Alexandra Corning), and "Networks, Diffusion, and Cycles of Collective Action." In *Social Movements and Networks: Relational Approaches to Collective Action* (with Pam Oliver).

Dan continued his project on religion in America after September 11th with David Sikkink and Chris Smith; continued collecting riot data from the 1960s under a grant from the National Science Foundation; and completed the first year of a Research Experiences for Undergraduates (UROP) site grant which funded several student projects examining protests and collective violence. Unable to follow his own "no new projects" rule, he has begun working a new method of collecting data on protest events in the United States (with the able assistance of Eugene Walls and David Ortiz).

Last, but certainly not least, Dan has been transitioning into the position of department chair and would like to thank everyone for their support during the process—especially outgoing chair,

Mike Welch. Dan is looking forward to working with everyone in his new role.

David Sikkink finished a National Academy of Education Postdoctoral Fellowship, which culminated in two papers presented at the American Educational Research Association annual meeting, one of which analyzed the relation between educational level of parents and schooling choices for children and the other included a longitudinal analysis of the Panel Study of Income Dynamics on the influence of racial distributions in schools and residential mobility on schooling choices of parents. In a related project, David finalized work on a national survey of adolescents that will allow an in-depth look at the relation between religion of family and child and schooling outcomes. The first fruits of this research included an invited lecture at Indiana University-Bloomington, "Civic Education at Religious Schools" and interim report for the Institute for Latino Studies, entitled, "Religion Matters: Predicating Schooling Success Among Latino Youth." David also worked with Dan Myers to complete the data collection and analysis for a Louisville Institute-funded project on religion and September 11. Two papers hit the presses this year, including "From Christian Civilization to Individual Civil Liberties: Framing Religion in the Legal Field", in *A Secular Revolution*, Christian Smith (ed.), (Berkeley: University of California Press), and "The Loyal Opposition: Evangelicals, Civic Engagement, and Schooling for Children" in *Evangelicals and Civic Engagement*, Michael Cromartie (ed.), (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans).

Michael Emerson (Rice University) and David are constructing the survey instrument for the first wave of a national longitudinal study, the Panel Study of American Religious Life, which is expected to be in the field in May. The Lilly Endowment recently awarded Rice and Notre Dame \$3.4 million over 3 years to launch this first ever national panel study of religion in U.S. life. The project aims to understand religious change in individuals and families over the course of their

lives and across generations by studying an ethnically and religiously diverse group of Americans. The longitudinal design will allow researchers to understand the reciprocal relationship between religion in everyday life, educational outcomes, civic participation, and family dynamics. By focusing on processes of religious change, and the reciprocal relations of social and religious change, the study will provide a fresh and unique perspective on the challenges and opportunities in such areas as faith formation, congregational involvement, public service, racial justice, and religion in public life.

Lyn Spillman continued her research on “Meaning and Markets,” developing with Rui Guo a new dataset of business associations. She is also co-editing, with Mark Jacobs, a special issue of *Poetics* on the diffusion of cultural sociology. In other professional activities, she presented “Cultural Sociology and Causal Reasoning” at the World Congress of the International Sociological Association, was co-organizer and discussant of “Institutional Boundaries” at the ASA meetings; acted as discussant of a panel on “Diffusing Cultural Sociology: Intellectual Fields and Transnationalism, or Communities Across Borders,” at the Social Science History Association meetings, as well as on “Local and National Perspectives,” at the The Year of the Euro conference; co-ordinated the “Culture and Social Movements” workshop at the Collective Behavior and Social Movements miniconference; and participated in “Institutes and Institutionalizing,” the fourth Cultural Turn miniconference. She also served on the ASA Theory Section Prize Committee, developed a new University Seminar for first year students and continued as a member of the ASA Culture Section Council and, at Notre Dame, The Arts and Letters College Council.

J. Samuel Valenzuela presented an analysis of the characteristics of the Chilean electorate in a Santiago lecture before a group of top political leaders. He began a new research initiative with Eugenio Tironi to study family life in Chile, and with Timothy Scully, CSC, to study religious

influences on voting behavior. He gave a paper entitled “A Model to Follow? Labor Relations, Labor Markets, and Neo Liberal Policies in Chile” at the meetings of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics in Aix-en-Provence, France, at the end of June 2003. While on leave during the spring semester he continued working on a book manuscript on Chilean party politics and elections.

Andrew Weigert spent last June teaching a course on society and environment at Georgetown University. His article on a Goffman approach to terrorism, identity and public order led to an issue of the journal, *Identity*. Viktor Gecas and his chapter on “Self” appears in the *Handbook of Symbolic Interaction*. Meantime, Andy is revising the manuscript on “Endtime Thinking and Identity” for re-submission to hopefully friendlier publishers. His article “Meditations on Teaching: A Learning Community Pedagogy” continues to lengthen. This past spring occasioned the first burning of his small reconstructed prairie. Re-birth came rapidly and hopefully with better conditions for prairie plants.

Congratulations also to Andy, he was the 2002 recipient of The Charles E. Sheedy, C.S.C., Award for Excellence in Teaching – the top teaching award in the College of Arts & Letters.

During the last year of his term as departmental chairperson, **Michael Welch** continued to maintain an active research agenda. Mike, Rory McVeigh, and former student Thor Bjarnason (PhD ‘2000) submitted a proposal to the National Institute of Justice to fund work on hate crime reporting that grew out of “The Social Structure of Hate” project they began a year ago. The first paper from that project received an encouraging R&R from the *American Sociological Review* and was presented at the 2003 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association. The revised version is now back in the hands of the reviewers.

Mike and Thor have also collaborated on several other papers. One paper, entitled “Father Knows

Best: Pastor's Influence on Catholic Parishioners' Attitudes Toward the Death Penalty," was presented at the 2003 annual meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion and has been accepted for publication in the June, 2004 issue of the *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*. Another paper, with co-authors Thorolfur Thorlindsson and Inga Sigfusdottir (both from the University of Iceland), is entitled "Familial and Religious Influences on Adolescent Alcohol Use: A Multi-Level Model of Students, Families, and School Communities" and is under review at *Social Forces*. A third paper, with former student Yili Xu and a string of other former students, is also under review.

Mike and David Sikkink presented a paper on religion and social trust at a conference sponsored by the Pew Trust that was held in January at Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan. The paper "Trust in God and Trust in Man: The Ambivalent Role of Religion in Shaping Dimensions of Social Trust," (with student co-authors Carolyn Bond and Eric Sartain) is now under review at the *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*. Although the Religion and Social Trust project is moving slowly, new data from the recent national survey fielded out of Chapel Hill should prove valuable and push the project into a higher gear.

Mike also renewed a long-standing collaborative relation with his former colleague Charles Tittle, holder of the Goodnight-Glaxo Wellcome Endowed Chair in Sociology at North Carolina State University. Along with Harold Grasmick (Professor of Sociology, University of Oklahoma) and a graduate student Nicole Meidinger, the team of researchers is using data from several years of Grasmick's well-known Oklahoma City Survey to examine a variety of issues in the area of crime and deviance. The first paper, entitled "Religiosity, Self-Control, and Deviance" is being reviewed at *Social Forces*.

Richard Williams continued his research on racial, economic and institutional disparities in home mortgage lending. This work has been

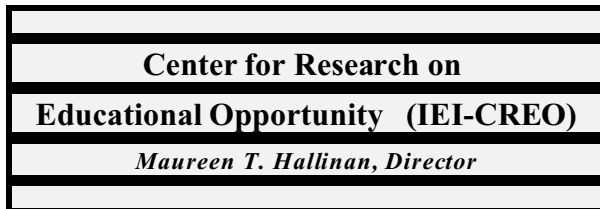
funded with grants from the National Science Foundation and the Department of Housing and Urban Development. In May, Rich was honored for his work in Indiana with the 2003 Rodney F. Ganey, Ph.D., Faculty Community-Based Research Award. The award, named after a former Notre Dame Sociology professor, recognizes distinguished research conducted for a local nonprofit or community organization. In June, Rich was an invited discussant at an American Enterprise Institute conference on the Government Sponsored Enterprises, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Rich's current work, with graduate student Carolyn Bond, includes an investigation of how changes in home mortgage lending during the 1990s affected residential segregation.

David Yamane and his family spent the 2002-2003 academic year in Charlottesville, Virginia where David was a fellow at the University of Virginia's Center on Religion and Democracy. He spent the year researching and writing a book on the role of conferences of Catholic bishops in state-level politics tentatively titled *The Catholic Church in State Politics: Negotiating Prophetic Demands and Political Realities*.

Because David began his study prior to the emergence of the clergy sexual abuse scandal that rocked the church in 2002, he was well positioned to comment on the public role of the bishops in the wake of the scandal. He did so in interviews with newspapers from Massachusetts, New Jersey, and Texas, in essays published in *Commonweal* magazine (May 20, 2003) and the ASA Religion Section newsletter and in a private consultation at the Brookings Institution organized in May 2003 by the Pew forum on Religion and Public Life.

Other miscellaneous events during the year: *Goodbye Father: The Celibate Male Priesthood and the Future of the Catholic Church* (Oxford University Press, 2002), which David edited, was reviewed by Pulitzer Prize-winning historian Garry Wills in the *New York Times Book Review*

(November 24, 2002) and went into its third hardcover printing in February 2003. In April David participated in the first of four meetings of the Young Scholars in American Religion program at IUPUI's Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture and in the summer of 2003 he drew on a grant from the Notre Dame Scholarship in Teaching and Learning Program to begin evaluation of a strategy he has developed for creating discussion-based courses.



Under the direction of Professor Maureen T. Hallinan, the Center for Research on Educational Opportunity completed its second year of the five-year project, "Comparative Analysis of Best Practices in Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools." This project, funded by a 2.5 million dollar grant from the U.S. Department of Education, has progressed through the first round of a massive data collection effort. Last spring principals, teachers, and students were surveyed in almost all of Chicago's Catholic schools. This year the surveys were scanned and analyzed by our partners in the project, the Consortium on Chicago School Research, and Summary Individual School Reports were distributed to all participating Chicago Catholic schools and the Archdiocesan Office of Catholic Schools. The next round of data collection is set for the spring of 2004.

Professor Hallinan also organized the annual CREO conference this past November, which examined the "Effects of School Sector on Educational Outcomes." This conference, designed in conjunction with our Department of Education Project, included presentations by a number of well-regarded sociologists of education, among them Robert Dreeben, Charles Bidwell, Barbara Schneider, Adam Gamoran, and CREO's own David Sikkink, Bill Carbonaro, and Warren

Kubitschek. Professor Hallinan is currently editing a volume containing many of these conference papers.

CREO sponsored a second conference this year on Race, American Education, and Inequality which was primarily organized by Professor Bill Carbonaro, ably assisted by Professor David Sikkink. This conference brought four nationally renowned experts on race and education to Notre Dame - Karl Alexander, Jomills Braddock II, Roslyn Mickelson, and Gary Orfield - for a series of presentations on their research and several panel discussions of issues in race and education.

This has been an active year for publications and presentations among CREO faculty. Professor Hallinan published several articles this year, including "Catholic Education as a Societal Institution" in *Catholic Education: A Journal of Inquiry & Practice*; and a chapter entitled "Ability Grouping and Student Learning," in the *Brookings Papers on Education Policy 2003*, edited by Diane Ravitch.

Professor Hallinan gave a number of presentations this year. In connection with CREO's Department of Education project, Hallinan talked about "Recent Research on Catholic Schools" at the annual meeting of Chicago Catholic school principals. Her presentations also included "Sørensen's Learning Opportunities Model: A Reconceptualization of School Effects" at the American Sociological Association meetings. This paper will be published in a forthcoming volume in honor of Aage Sørensen, a well-known sociologist of education, and Maureen's former colleague and friend.

Professor David Sikkink published several papers this year. These included two book chapters: "From Christian Civilization to Individual Civil Liberties: Framing Religion in the Legal Field" in *A Secular Revolution*, edited by Christian Smith, and "The Loyal Opposition: Evangelicals, Civic Engagement, and Schooling for Children" in

Evangelicals and Civic Engagement, edited by Michael Cromartie.

Professor Bill Carbonaro published two papers this year. One was entitled “High School English: A National Portrait,” and was published in *The High School Journal*. The other paper examined “The Production of Achievement Inequality in High School English,” and was published in the *American Educational Research Journal*. Bill also gave an invited lecture at the Determinants of Economic Success Lecture Series, University of California Davis. He presented papers at the annual meeting of American Sociological Association, the annual meeting of American Educational Research Association and at CREO’s November conference.

Warren Kubitschek presented a paper on “Organizational Effects on Learning Opportunities and Student Achievement” at the CREO November conference. A revision of this paper will be published as a chapter in the forthcoming volume honoring Aage Sørensen.

CREO graduate students were also active this year. Brandy Ellison presented “Body Self-evaluation as a Predictor of Anti-Gay Prejudice” at the annual meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. Stephanie Arnett presented “Race, Income and Parental Education: Why Family Background Determines School Choice Decisions” at the American Sociological Association annual meetings. Gail Mulligan presented “Factors Affecting Opportunities for Parental Involvement in the School” at the Eastern Sociological Society meetings.

This February, CREO graduate assistant Gail Mulligan began working at the National Center for Education Statistics, Department of Education, in Washington, D.C. Among other responsibilities, she will be working with the large NCES data set known as “NELS,” which is widely used by CREO researchers.

Two other CREO graduate students, Karen Boyd

and Brandy Ellison, applied for and have been selected to participate in this summer’s annual NELS training workshop. This workshop is restricted to about 40 people a year, and all travel, housing, and training expenses are paid by the federal government. Perhaps Gail will be one of their instructors!

ALUMNI NEWS

Jim Cavendish, Ph.D. ’97, has been promoted to Associate Professor with tenure at the University of South Florida.

Garry Hesser, Ph.D. ’72, has received the 2002 Distinguished Sociologist Award from The Sociologists of Minnesota (SOM). Garry is a professor of sociology and the director of Metro-Urban Studies at Augsburg College.

Garry has been active in numerous state, regional and national organizations, he is the past president of the National Society for Experiential Education and of the Higher Education Consortium for Urban Affairs. He has led workshops on service-learning and experiential education on more than 50 campuses and is a Minnesota Campus Compact Fellow collaborating on “Multicultural Education for Social Change.” Hesser teaches courses in Community, Urban Sociology, Urban Planning, and Creativity and Problem Solving.

Min Liu, Ph.D. ’00, has accepted a position as a tenure track Assistant Professor at Ashland University in Ashland, Ohio.

Eileen Diaz McConnell, Ph.D. ’01, has accepted a position as a tenure track Assistant Professor at the University of Illinois-Urbana, Champaign. Eileen will have a joint appointment in the departments of Sociology and Latino Studies.

Peter Nardi, BA '69, has a new textbook called *Doing Survey Research: A Guide to Quantitative Research Methods*, (Allyn & Bacon, 2003). Peter is a professor of sociology at Pitzer College, a member of the Claremont Colleges, near Los Angeles. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania.

Amy Orr, Ph.D. '00, published an article in the *Sociology of Education Journal*. The title of Amy's publication is, "Black-White Differences in Achievement: The Importance of Wealth."

Sam Reimer, Ph.D. '97, has received tenure at Atlantic Baptist University. Sam's wife, Mary Beth, is busy taking care of kids, Danielle 7, Aaron 5, and Justin 2. Research from Sam's dissertation and elsewhere has taken book form, *Evangelicals and the Continental Divide*, McGill-Queen's Studies in the History of Religion, September 2003.

Lisa Riley, Ph.D. '97, taught last spring semester in Creighton's Abroad Program in the Dominican Republic.

Kerry Rockquemore, Ph.D. '99, has accepted a tenured position as Associate Professor of Sociology and African American Studies at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Marek Szopski, Ph.D. '01, is teaching two courses at the Sociology Department of Warsaw University, in Warsaw, Poland. Marek also has a monthly column on International Affairs and Culture in a publication, *What's Up in Warsaw* that is also published in English. Marek also organized a panel on Multiculturalism in European Metropolitan Areas within the frame work of the Warsaw Multicultural Week from May 20 to May 26. He is now working on the publication resulting from that session.

Kathleen Maas Weigert, Ph.D. '72, has now settled in as Director of the Center for Social Justice Research, Teaching and Service at Georgetown University (GU), with a full-time staff

of 10 and several part-time folk. Her academic home is Sociology and Anthropology where the faculty voted to create a Social Justice Analysis concentration for the major. GU and Washington have been an exciting place, from 9/11 to anthrax to snipers to politics. The commuter marriage seems to be holding up (right, Andy?) and they are purchasing a co-op unit for the D.C. home.

Bob Woodberry, MA '97, has accepted a tenure track assistant professor position at the University of Texas-Austin.

Stephen Zavestoski, BA '94 published an article in *Sociological Quarterly*. The article was entitled, "Toxicity and Complicity". Steve is an Assistant Professor at the University of San Francisco.

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Carrie Erlin and Chris Forbes are the proud parents of Jonathon Michael Forbes. Jonathon was born on November 9, 2002, he weighed in at 7 lbs 4 oz, and was 19" long.

Asia Kaftan and her husband are the proud parents of Evalyn Rebecca. Evalyn was born on June 13, 2002.

Jon and **Cinthia Hill** are the proud parents of Isabella Barreto Hill. Isabella was born on August 18, 2003, and weighed in at 8 lbs. 10 oz. and she was 21" long.

Charles and **Patty Pressler** are the proud parents of Halle Renee Pressler. Halle was born August 9, 2002, and weighed in at 7 lbs. 12 oz. and was 20 ¾" long.

David and **Karen Sikkink** are the proud parents of a baby girl. Caroline Faye Sikkink was born on September 2, 2002. Caroline weighed in at 8lbs. 2 oz., and she was 21 ¼ inches long.

Steve Zavestoski and his wife are the proud parents of Claire Gilbert Zavestoski. Claire was born on October 7, 2002. She weighed in at 8 lbs. 2 oz.

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