KUDOS

Hearty congratulations to Joanne Belknap, who is the winner of the 2009 Elizabeth D. Gee Memorial Lectureship Award. This award recognizes and honors an outstanding faculty member of the University of Colorado for efforts to advance women in academia, interdisciplinary scholarly contributions and distinguished teaching. The Gee Award is the only award in the CU system that specifically recognizes outstanding work on women's issues and a concerted effort to advance women in the academy. It carries with it a $1,000 prize, and the recipient had an opportunity to present her scholarly work at a research symposium/award ceremony on February 26, 2010. Joanne's award is discussed in the February 3 issue of the CU Faculty and Staff Newsletter.

IN THE NEWS

Dick Jessor, and the new building are featured in the latest issue of Inside CU, at: http://www.colorado.edu/insidecu/editions/2010/3-23/chancellor.html

Two excellent essays on Haiti coauthored by Kathleen Tierney. One is being featured on the CU website: “Haiti Earthquake a Reminder That Disasters are Preventable, CU-Boulder Expert Says.” It can be found at: http://www.colorado.edu/news/r/4a93d7dd603434a4af5a6e78f06b0761.html. The other, on the CNN website, can be found at: http://www.cnn.com/2010/OPINION/01/22/fischhoff.tierney.haiti.recovery/?hpt=T2

Kathleen Tierney was quoted extensively by ABC news in an interesting article on disaster relief in Haiti: http://abcnews.go.com/Technology/wireStory?id=9565887

Tim Wadsworth was quoted in a happiness article in the Daily Camera. Read the article at: http://www.dailycamera.com/ci_14404187?source=most_viewed#idc-cover

Joanne Belknap’s research and experiences were featured in the February 17th Faculty/Staff Newsletter, and her photo was featured on the front page. Here’s the link to “Five Questions for Joanne Belknap”: https://www.cusys.edu/newsletter/2010/02-17/5q.html

Mike Radelet was profiled in the Daily Camera for his work on the death penalty, and he ended up on the “most viewed” list online: http://www.dailycamera.com/ci_13737900?source=most_viewed

Joanne Belknap is in a discussion on Rocky Mountain PBS for “Colorado State of Mind: I-News Investigation: Sexual Assault on College Campuses.” It aired for the first time Friday Feb 26 at 7:30 p.m. You can follow this link to watch the program online: http://www.rmpbs.org/content/index.cfm/program/13117, then click on “Colorado State of Mind” in the upper right-hand corner, then “Sexual Assaults on Campus.”

BUILDING UPDATE

On Friday, March 12, a milestone was reached on the path to completion of the new IBS Building. At a morning celebration of the occasion, after speeches by Chancellor Phil DiStefano and Provost Stein Sture, the final steel beam was hoisted into place high up on the structure adjacent to the south stair and elevator concrete tower. The beam carried dozens of signatures of IBS personnel and friends of IBS, a listing of all IBS Direc-

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tors since our founding in 1957, current research programs and their Directors, and several pithy quotations from historic figures. When the building is torn down a hundred years or so from now, some campus archaeologist will enjoy uncovering the beam and reading the apothegms.

Work on the building continues on schedule with occupancy still set for the last week of September—barring a disastrous spate of bad weather. The concrete floors have been poured for the basement and mechanical room, and for all four stories, and exterior framing of walls is almost complete. Room layout on all floors has been marked out and interior framing is underway. Decking for the roof is also in place. Backfilling of soil to grade level is nearing completion, with the south east corner and the west side remaining to be brought to grade.

A required mock-up has been constructed near the northeast corner of the building. It shows the exact brick masonry and mortar to be used on the building, the exact limestone, the exact roof tiles, the exact windows and sills, etc. The CU Design Review Board had approved each item individually, and has given its final approval for the materials to be used and for the color palette, now that they can all be seen and judged in conjunction. Stop by and check it all out for yourself.

Steve has been working with our consultants on the moving process into the new building from our present dispersed quarters. A decision will be made shortly on the moving company. Instructions for the move will be forthcoming to each Program closer to the date. Meantime, please start getting rid of as much accumulated paper and materials as possible!

On a separate track, the selection of furniture for offices and public spaces in the building, as well as for the outdoor terrace and three balconies, has been essentially completed. Bids will soon be requested from several vendors, and purchasing decisions made shortly after that. The color palette of the building’s interior will be a warm white on the walls; there will be some red trim on the soffits; doors, desk tops, and casework will be maple; there will be warm carpeting in hallways and offices, except for black tile on the main floor hallway; and chairs in the conference rooms and gathering areas will be upholstered. Overall, a light, open, contemporary, and welcoming appearance truly worth waiting for!

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

Health and Society Program

Congratulations to Christie Sennott who successfully defended her dissertation proposal, entitled, “Childbearing and Motherhood in the Context of HIV/AIDS in South Africa.” Christie is off to South Africa for six months, where she will be teaching Introduction to Population Studies at the University of the Witwatersrand from February 1-March 12 and collecting qualitative data for her dissertation from January 7-June 22. Also, congratulations as she passed her specialty comp, entitled “Sexual Behavior, Fertility, and HIV/AIDS in South Africa.”

Also, congratulations to Devon Thacker who successfully defended her dissertation proposal, entitled, “Mandatory Arrest Laws: A Case Study of Colorado.”

Jason Boardman was in Bethesda on November 20, where he gave a talk in the Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research Lecture Series at the National Institutes of Health Campus in Bethesda. His talk was entitled, “The Challenges and Opportunities of Interdisciplinary Research: The Case of Genetics and Demography.” A brief description of the lecture series can be found here: http://obssr.od.nih.gov/news_and_events/lectures_and_seminars/BSSR_lecture_series/seminars.aspx

Stefani Mollborn was elected to the council of the Pacific Sociological Association for a two-year term.

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Mara Goldman earned her Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, in 2006. Prior to coming to CU-Boulder, she was a post-doctoral fellow at the International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI), in Nairobi. Her post-doctoral work was funded by a National Science Foundation International Research Fellowship Postdoctoral Grant, “Communication and the Politics of Participation in Pastoral Societies: An ethno-geographical analysis in East Africa.” She joined IBS in 2009 as a Faculty Research Associate, in the Environment and Society Program, and has been a member of the geography faculty since 2007.

My research interests lie at the interface of human-environment relations and critical geographies of conservation and development, with a regional focus in East Africa. I primarily work in Tanzania, and to some extent in Kenya, with members of the Maasai ethnic group (who reside in both countries). My dissertation research explored the politics of knowledge and participation associated with land management and wildlife conservation. My recent research has expanded to look more specifically at changing pastoral livelihood and communication practices, the politics of participation more broadly, and empowerment and leadership issues within Maasai communities.

Last spring I spent six months in Tanzania completing and extending the research I had initially worked on as postdoctoral fellow at ILRI. I examined communication and participation processes in Maasai areas. I also started a new research project with the help of funding from CU Boulder (a Grant-in-Aid from CRCW, a small Seed Grant from CARTSS, and a University of Colorado Innovative Seed Grant). This money helped to jump-start a new project and pilot methodologies and questions in collaboration with a political scientist from the University of Dar es Salaam, a social psychologist from CU-Santa Cruz, and a local Maasai women’s organization in Tanzania. The research is focused on understanding the complex dynamics related to various women’s empowerment processes in different Maasai communities in northern Tanzania. We began last spring by focusing on the interventions of one organization, MWEDO (Maasai Women’s Development Organization) with a particular interest in the impacts of land ownership on women’s empowerment.

This fall we received NSF funding to continue the project. I just returned from a one-month trip to Tanzania where I continued to collect some base-line data and laid the groundwork for future work. I became familiar with different forms of women’s empowerment projects run by different organizations in different Maasai communities, including adult education, micro-enterprise development training and assistance, small development projects, training on land (and some assistance receiving titles), and leadership training. I also learned about different ways that Maasai women are empowering themselves economically and personally by becoming the main providers of food in the households (through small scale business in the village such as selling firewood, beads, sugar, tobacco.) Interviewing men and women, across different villages, I learned that more and more women are providing the basic daily needs for the household. While this may not lead to large scale economic empowerment for women, it does seem to be leading to increased freedoms (of movement and participation) and possible decreases in violence against women. Additionally, women (and men) spoke of women becoming more actively involved in local politics and decision-making in recent years, though this varies considerably by village. Part of my study involves corroborating what people are saying about Maasai women’s participation with what is actually happening. In terms of land ownership, it seems that while few women have become owners of land themselves, women as a group have become concerned with the loss of land (through illegal sales by men), in their

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villages in many places. I suggest that the more political participation women achieve, the more they will likely fight to keep land within their (and their community’s) hands.

There is a new project run by a local community-based organization that I had the opportunity to observe and review. This project seeks to build on this potential of an empowered group of women to engage more directly in land-use and political decision-making. They are working to create women’s leadership forums throughout Maasai villages. These forums are designed to provide women with an official platform from which to interact with both customary and government power structures. This project has the potential to challenge customary gender norms in Maasai society (where only men are leaders) and upset gendered power relations. Participants in the forums are receiving training on their legal and human rights, as well as the laws regarding land and natural resources. In one village already the women’s forum has made a stance against illegal land sales.

I am interested in looking at how the forum is working to build on existing power that women have, as well as to alter power dynamics in Maasai communities. But I am also interested in how other projects are working to empower Maasai women in different ways as well as how different types of interventions interact. My current project explores how economic, political, and personal empowerment processes interact and strengthen each other; and how these processes interact with shifting notions of “development,” “modernity,” and “tradition” by Maasai themselves. In Maasai communities, where women have historically been considered “children,” and all property (land, cattle, children) officially belongs to men, the links between economic, political, and personal empowerment are particularly strong. For instance, as women become economically empowered enough to support their families, they gain personal empowerment in the household. If a woman owns cattle, she gains political empowerment in the community. Yet cultural norms prohibit women’s ownership of cattle and even her own children. Here, education and leadership-building among women may build the sort of social and political empowerment necessary for real changes to emerge at the household and community level. My research attempts to tease apart these various processes by comparing different Maasai villages with different degrees of involvement with different types of “empowerment” processes both introduced from outside and cultivated from within.

If you have comments or questions about my research project, please send me an email at Mara.Goldman@Colorado.edu

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Health and Society Program in Print

Mollborn, Stefanie and Angel Hoekstra. “A Meeting of Minds: Using Clickers for Critical Thinking and Discussion in Large Sociology Classes.” Teaching Sociology 38, no. 1 (2010):18-27. Because lecture-based teaching limits student learning, many instructors are interested in pedagogical strategies that support critical thinking, student participation, and group discussion in large classrooms. Audience response systems, or “clickers,” are an emerging tool for addressing this problem, but predominant pedagogical models for clicker use developed in the natural sciences often do not encourage the “inquiry-guided learning” that is useful in sociology. This article introduces readers to clicker technology and outlines a new pedagogical model for clicker use designed to address sociological learning goals, including critical thinking, applications of concepts to real-life experiences, and critiques of sociological methods. The authors discuss the effects of clickers for classroom interaction and students’ experiences in three undergraduate sociology courses, using quantitative and qualitative data about students’ perceptions of the effects of this pedagogical model on learning. The results suggest that the model positively affects participation, critical thinking, and classroom interaction dynamics. The authors conclude with practical suggestions for instructors considering implementing clickers in sociology courses.

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Political and Economic Change Program

Jennifer Bair recently presented a paper entitled “The Place of Disarticulations: Global Commodity Production in La Laguna, Mexico” at the Social Science History Association conference, which took place in Long Beach, California, November 13-15, 2009. Jenn was also invited to participate as a critic on an author meets critic panel discussing Loic Wacquant’s most recent book, “Publishing the Poor: The Neoliberal Government of Social Insecurity.”

Environment and Society Program

Lori Hunter recently returned from Nairobi and Nakuru, Kenya. She visited reforestation and livelihood initiatives in the Maasai Mau Forest, implemented by the Green Belt Movement and funded by The Nature Conservancy. Lori and Tracy Kirkland have been assisting the organizations in development of a baseline socio-economic survey to document conditions prior to the integrated development-conservation interventions.

Lori Hunter gave an invited presentation at Global Greengrants Fund on the topic of “Gender, Natural Resources and Livelihoods.” Global Greengrants offers small loans to environmental causes in less developed settings across the globe. They’re interested in embedding research within some of their efforts and could offer entrée to fascinating study sites for graduate student Population/Environment Research Internships and/or dissertations on topics such as environmental activism, women’s empowerment, integrated development initiatives, etc. Contact Lori for additional information. http://www.greengrants.org/

Lori Hunter gave two invited talks in Mexico City on December 3-4, at a seminar entitled “The Demographic Factor in the Contemporary Environmental Crisis”, co-sponsored by El Colegio de México, UNFPA, and CONAPO. Within a session on “Gender, Livelihoods and Environment,” she presented an overview of a book chapter written by herself and Emmanuel David entitled “Climate Change and Migration: Considering the Gender Dimensions.” The manuscript is presently under consideration by UNESCO for a collection of papers on Migration and the Environment. (CUPC Working Paper POP2009-13). In a session on “Health and Environment,” she presented her collaborative work with Wayne Twine, Laura Patterson and Aaron Johnson on HIV/AIDS mortality, food security and natural resources within the Agincourt Demographic and Health Surveillance Site in rural South Africa. (CUPC Working Paper POP2009-01) and (EB Working Paper EB2005-04).

Natural Hazards Center

The Hazards Center is setting the groundwork for their own field work in Haiti, which will focus on the provision of temporary housing to the victims of the earthquake. The assistant director for research, Liesel Ritchie, plans to go into the field. She will be traveling with a group from the Lower 9th Ward in New Orleans, which has foundation backing to begin the process of building temporary housing for earthquake victims. There will be many such efforts, and this is the process the Center would like to study. There is access to a limited amount of funds through the Center’s own quick response research program (funded by NSF), but most of those funds must be kept available for others to use. (The Center is already funding two research teams from other universities). Kathleen Tierney is trying to raise money to support initial research efforts in Haiti—including asking the University for assistance.

Brandi Gilbert did a live radio interview with head Meteorologist of Univision Puerto Rico discussing the Haiti Earthquake. Specifically, the interview focused on measures that can be taken to make Haiti more disaster-resistant in the future. Brandi also gave a talk to sixty second grade students at Central Elementary School about her role as a disaster researcher at the Natural Hazards Center and how children can be involved in disaster preparedness and recovery.
Natural Hazards Center (cont.)

Congratulations to Duke Austin, who received an unconditional pass on his dissertation defense this week, entitled: “Surviving the Next Disaster: Assessing the Preparedness of Community-Based Organizations.” Community-based organizations (CBOs) play a critical role in providing services to the nation’s most marginalized populations. Austin’s dissertation helps explain variation in the levels of disaster preparedness among CBOs with the goal of helping all CBOs—and therefore their clients—become better prepared for disasters. Austin gathered data while working on the BayPrep Initiative, a joint research project of the University of Colorado Natural Hazards Center and the Fritz Institute of San Francisco. He utilizes factor analysis to condense numerous measures of disaster preparedness into a manageable number of artificial dimensions known as factors. He then constructs multivariate models to examine the effects of organizational characteristics on the previously generated disaster preparedness factors. Finally, he enriches his quantitative results with the qualitative data he gathered while conducting in-depth interviews with the executives of the CBOs in the study.

Population Program

Graduate Research Assistant Rob Kemp was awarded a ten-week summer fellowship from the Center for Population and the Environment. He will be working at NCAR with the Integrated Assessment Modeling Group to create global multi-region population projections.

Population Program graduate student Justin Denney was recently interviewed by a health reporter for AOL News on suicide and divorce. A link to the article: http://www.aolnews.com/nation/article/suicide-rate-greater-among-divorced-men-research-finds/19388300

Shelli Walker was awarded a $300 travel grant from UGGS to go to the Midwest meetings in Chicago at the beginning of April. She is attending the meeting to present a paper, “Beyond the Gender Divide in Mental Health: Relationships between Dimensions of Mental Health and Overall Self-Ratings.”

Liam Downey’s and Brian Hawkins’s recently published research on environmental inequality was the feature of a research brief in the Winter 2009 issue of Pathways magazine, published by the Stanford Center for the Study of Poverty and Inequality. The article can be found at: http://stanford.edu/group/scspi-dev/media_magazines_pathways_winter_2009.html

Fred Pampel has been invited to teach a two-week class (in English) this summer in Paris at the Laboratoire de Sociologie Quantitative, Centre de Recherche en Economie et Statistique. The topic will be “Socioeconomic Disparities in Health Behavior: Comparative Approaches.”

Liam Downey has received a College Scholar award from the College of Arts and Sciences. This award will allow him to pursue creative work or research full time. Congratulations, Liam!

Congratulations to Casey Blalock, who passed his specialty comps this semester and thereby also made progress towards the interdisciplinary demography certificate.

Jason Boardman was in Bethesda Friday, Nov 20, 2009 where he gave a talk in the Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research Lecture Series at the National Institutes of Health Campus in Bethesda. His talk was entitled, “The Challenges and Opportunities of Interdisciplinary Research: The Case of Genetics and Demography.” A brief description of the lecture series can be found here: http://obssr.od.nih.gov/news_and_events/lectures_and_seminars/BSSR_lecture_series/seminars.aspx


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Population Program graduate students actively participated in this year’s Southern Demographic Association’s annual meeting held from October 22-24 in Galveston, Texas. Justin Denney presented “The Impact of Health Indicators and Household Formations on Suicide Mortality in the United States;” Bethany Everett presented “Expectational Life Outlooks and Educational Achievement: Examining the Role of Neighborhood,” and “Education Differentials in Mortality;” and Jeff Dennis presented, “Exploration of Factors Contributing to the Weathering Hypothesis in Low Birth Weight Using Nationally Representative U.S. Data.” The presentations were as insightful as they were well received. Importantly, the Department of Sociology, the Population Program, the Graduate School, and individual faculty grants generously provided travel support.

Jane Menken’s recent laureate honor was highlighted in the Oct 13, 2009, edition of *Inside CU*. Her award was also featured in the October *CU Faculty and Staff Newsletter*.

Liam Downey’s research on family structure and environmental inequality was featured in the October 13, 2009 edition of *Inside CU*: http://www.colorado.edu/insidecu/editions/2009/10-13/story4.html

The fall 2009 on-line issue of “Colorado’s Arts and Sciences Magazine” contains an article of special interest which focuses on the work of Liam Downey and Brian Hawkins on environmental inequality: http://artsandsciences.colorado.edu/magazine/2009/09/toxic-neighborhoods-in-black-and-white/

The University of Colorado Population Center (CUPC) and Population Program recently funded five outstanding developmental grants totaling $30,000. These awards represent an invaluable way to support junior and senior faculty, fund graduate students, bridge programs, and encourage interdisciplinary research. These proposals grapple with central demographic issues and are quite likely to result in cutting-edge research contributions. The CUPC Developmental Grant Review Committee—composed of Fred Pampel and Tim Wadsworth—made the following awards: Jason Boardman, Department of Sociology: The Integration of Genome-Wide Data into Social Demographic Research; Lori Hunter, Department of Sociology: The Reciprocity of Social and Environmental Well-Being: Reforestation in Rural Kenya; Fernando Riosmena, Department of Geography: International Migration and the Informal Economy in Latin America; Sanyu Mojola, Department of Sociology: Understanding the Role of Transitions to Adulthood in Shaping HIV Risk among African Americans; Stefanie Mollborn, Department of Sociology and Paula Fomby, Department of Sociology (CU-Denver): The Transition to School among Children of Teen Parents: The Reciprocity of Social and Environmental Well-Being: Reforestation in Rural Kenya.

The Population Program expects to make similar awards next year.

**Population Program in Print**

Denney, Justin. “Family and Household Formations and Suicide in the United States.” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 72, no. 1 (2010): 202-213. Family support systems have been theoretically linked to suicide risk. But no research to date has investigated the effects of detailed living arrangements on individual risk of suicide. Using data on 825,462 adults from the National Health Interview Survey Linked Mortality File reveals that living in families with stronger sources of social support and integration decreases risk of suicide. These effects persist despite controls for important individual level characteristics. Risk of suicide decreases for persons in married as well as unmarried families when children are present and risk increases for persons living with unrelated adults. These results reveal the structural importance of family formation on the social integrative forces that contribute to an individual’s risk of suicide.

Serwaa-Bonsu, Adwoa, Abraham J. Herbst, Georges Reniers, Wilfred Ija, Benjamin Clark, Chodzi-wadziwa Kabudula, Osman Sankoh. "First experiences in the implementation of biometric technology to link..."
Population Program in Print (cont.)

data from health and demographic surveillance systems with health facility data." Global Health Action 3(2010): 2120. Background: In developing countries, Health and Demographic Surveillance Systems (HDSSs) provide a framework for tracking demographic and health dynamics over time in a defined geographical area. Many HDSSs co-exist with facility-based data sources in the form of Health Management Information Systems (HMIS). Integrating both data sources through reliable record linkage could provide both numerator and denominator populations to estimate disease prevalence and incidence rates in the population and enable determination of accurate health service coverage. Objective: To measure the acceptability and performance of fingerprint biometrics to identify individuals in demographic surveillance populations and those attending health care facilities serving the surveillance populations. Methodology: Two HDSS sites used fingerprint biometrics for patient and/or surveillance population participant identification. The proportion of individuals for whom a fingerprint could be successfully enrolled were characterised in terms of age and sex. Results: Adult (18-65 years) fingerprint enrolment rates varied between 94.1% (95% CI 93.6-94.5) for facility based fingerprint data collection at the Africa Centre site to 96.7% (95% CI 95.9-97.6) for population-based fingerprint data collection at the Agincourt site. Fingerprint enrolment rates in children under 1 year old (Africa Centre site) were only 55.1% (95% CI 52.7-57.4). By age 5, child fingerprint enrolment rates were comparable to those of adults. Conclusion: This work demonstrates the feasibility of fingerprint-based individual identification for population-based research in developing countries. Record linkage between demographic surveillance population databases and health care facility data based on biometric identification systems would allow for a more comprehensive evaluation of population health, including the ability to study health service utilisation from a population perspective, rather than the more restrictive health service perspective. Found on line at:
http://www.globalhealthaction.net/index.php/gha/article/view/2120

Reniers, Georges and Susan Watkins. "Polygyny and the spread of HIV in sub-Saharan Africa: a case of benign concurrency." AIDS 24, no. 2(2010): 299-307. Objectives: Much of our understanding about the effect of concurrent sexual partnerships on the spread of HIV derives from mathematical models, but the empirical evidence is limited. In this contribution, we focus on polygyny, a common and institutionalized form of concurrency for which data are available, and study its relationship with HIV prevalence at the ecological level. Methods: First, we describe country-level variation in the prevalence of polygyny and HIV. Second, we test the relationship between HIV and polygyny at the subnational level using country fixed-effects regression models with data from 19 Demographic and Health Surveys. Results: The ecological association between polygyny and HIV prevalence is negative at the country as well as subnational level, HIV prevalence is lower in countries where the practice of polygyny is common, and within countries, it is lower in areas with higher levels of polygyny. Proposed explanations for the protective effect of polygyny include the distinctive structure of sexual networks produced by polygyny, the disproportionate recruitment of HIV-positive women into marriages with a polygynous husband, and the lower coital frequency in conjugal dyads of polygynous marriages. Conclusion: Existing mathematical models of concurrency are not sufficiently specific to account for the relatively benign effect of polygyny on the spread of HIV and require refinements before they are used to inform HIV prevention policies. Found on line at:

Problem Behavior Program

Mike Radelet testified in late January in favor of a bill abolishing the death penalty in front of the Kansas Senate Judiciary Committee in Topeka. On January 29 that bill was approved by the Committee on a 7-4 vote. It now moves on to the full Senate.

Mike Radelet was one of three dozen death penalty and legal scholars from around the world invited to attend an International Symposium on the Universal Abolition of the Death Penalty in Madrid, December 9-11, 2009. The Conference, sponsored by the European Union and the Spanish government, was designed to develop a strategy for how Spain can intensify efforts to abolish the death penalty worldwide.
Problem Behavior Program (cont.)

when it assumes the presidency of the European Union in January. The Conference began with addresses by
Yayi Boni, President of the Republic of Benin, and Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero, President of the Government
of Spain.

The Department of Sociology was well-represented at this year’s “Women Who Make A Difference” recogni-
tion event on Wednesday December 2nd. Congratulations to Joanne Belknap, Rebekah Dury, and Dawn
Stanley for being recognized for their work by the Women’s Resource Center, CU students, and staff.

On November 20, 2009 Mike Radelet was a guest at Utah Valley University in Orem, where he presented a
paper entitled “Does the Death Penalty Help Families of Homicide Victims?” The occasion was their 5th
Annual Symposium on Restorative Justice and the Death Penalty.

Mike Radelet recommitted himself to working with historically black colleges, and presented a paper on
Thursday entitled “Health Perceptions of Virgin Islanders” at the 2nd Annual Health Disparities Institute,
October 16-19, 2009, sponsored by the Division of Nursing Education, University of the Virgin Islands, St.
John, USVI. This is part of a six-year, $6 million project that Radelet is involved in, funded by the National
Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities, NIH.

The back cover of the 2009 edition of “Just the Facts: University of Colorado at Boulder,” had a photo of
Mike Radelet with a description of his recent research on expert consensus about the effectiveness of the
death penalty.

Joanne Belknap presented a co-authored paper on the racial differences in sexual abuse histories among
women prisoners, participated in a round table on incarcerated women’s trauma histories, participated in a
panel on teaching about violence against women, served on a panel on batterer intervention programs as part
of male prisoners’ re-entry into society, and conducted with others a workshop for new faculty at the Ameri-
can Society of Criminology meeting November 2009.

Joanne Belknap and Tamara Williams recently attended the National Association of Women Judges Con-
ference in Memphis.

Joanne Belknap was appointed to the Committee on Women in Prison of the National Association of
Women Judges.

Joanne Belknap gave an invited talk at The Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology's Centennial Sympo-
sium: A Century of Criminal Justice at Northwestern Law School, entitled: “The Victimization and Offend-
ing of Women and Girls and the Invisible Link Between Them: An Historical Perspective.”

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Belknap, Joanne. “Meda Chesney-Lind,” in Keith Hayward, Shadd Maruna, Jayne Mooney (Eds.) Fifty Key

Radelet, Michael L.. “The Executioner’s Waning Defenses,” in Charles Ogletree & Austin Sarat (eds.) The


Belknap, Joanne. 2009. “The Multi-Pronged Potential Effects of Implementing Domestic Violence Pro-
grams in Men’s Prisons and Reentry Programming,” in Natasha A. Frost, Joshua D. Freilich, & Todd Clear
RESEARCH PROPOSALS AWARDED

Political and Economic Change Program

Levy, Adam
O’Loughlin, John
Doctoral Dissertation Research: Territory and Identity in the Borderlands: The Moldovan case
National Science Foundation
07/01/09 - 06/30/11 New $12,000

Holland, Ted
O’Loughlin, John (as faculty sponsor)
Doctoral Dissertation Research: Geography and Identity among Russia’s Buddhist Populations
National Science Foundation
09/15/09 - 02/28/11 New $12,000

Environment and Society Program

Ritchie, Liesel
Collaborative Research: To Investigate and Document Social Impacts of High-Stakes Litigation Resolution in a Renewable Resource Community
National Science Foundation via Oklahoma State University
07/01/09 - 06/30/12 New $150,000

Goldman, Mara
Personal Politics of Empowerment: An analysis of the links between property, civic participation and violence against women in East Africa
University of Colorado (Innovative Grant Program)
07/01/09 - 06/30/10 New $38,250

Goldman, Mara
Collaborative Research: Property, Empowerment, and Gender-Based Violence in Rural Tanzania
National Science Foundation
08/01/09 - 07/31/12 New $205,873

Tierney, Kathleen
NL-US Water Crisis Research Network (NUWCREN)
Ministry of Transport, Public Works and Water Management Kingdom of The Netherlands
04/15/09 - 04/15/12 New $236,703

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Barham, Tania
The Effects of Childhood Health Interventions on Human Capital Development
NICHD
09/30/09 - 08/31/11 Resubmission $135,754

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UPCOMING COLLOQUIA

Thursday, April 29, 12 noon, IBS 3 Conference Room
Sara Yeatman, Assistant Professor, University of Colorado at Denver, Health and Behavioral Sciences
FERTILITY AND UNCERTAINTY IN AN AIDS EPIDEMIC: EARLY EVIDENCE FROM A LONGITUDINAL STUDY OF YOUNG ADULTS IN MALAWI
Cosponsored by the Health and Society Program

Monday, May 3, 12 noon, CSTPR Conference Room
Barbara Farhar, CU Institute of Behavioral Science
CONCENTRATING SOLAR POWER: TENSIONS IN THE SAN LUIS VALLEY OF COLORADO
Co-sponsored by the CIRES Center for Science and Technology Policy Research, the Renewable and Sustainable Energy Institute, and the Environment and Society Program

Monday, May 10, 12 noon, Atlas 229
Kevin Doran, RASEI Fellow, CU Center for Energy and Environmental Security
GEOLOGIC CARBON SEQUESTRATION IN COLORADO—LEGAL AND POLICY ISSUES
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