Congratulations go to Jill Williams, Doctoral Candidate in Sociology, for receiving one of the seven annual Dorothy Martin Awards. This award is given to women on the Boulder campus whose work has been exemplary. The principle criteria for selection include awareness and activism concerning women’s issues, academic excellence, and openness to life and true diversity of interests.

**PROGRAM ACTIVITIES**

**ENVIRONMENT AND BEHAVIOR PROGRAM**

*“Africa in the Rockies”*

Terry McCabe and his former Graduate Research Assistant, Laura DeLuca, are helping organize a weekend event, “Africa in the Rockies,” which takes place Saturday April 5th and Sunday April 6th in Boulder. The goal of this conference is to bring together diverse organizations working on African-related research, social issues and arts. The project will create a resource guide of African-related materials for K-12 teachers and the public in general. To introduce the resource guide, university researchers, artists, non-profit workers, and community business people will conduct intensive workshops addressing K-12 grade levels. The Woodrow Wilson Foundation's Public Scholarship Initiative is the primary sponsor of this event; CU’s DART (Developing Area Research and Teaching) and OIE (Office of International Education) are co-sponsors. It is being organized by the University of Colorado-Boulder's Department of Anthropology and the Boulder-based Africa Center in collaboration with numerous community and educational organizations along the Front Range.

Participants include the University of Colorado Anthropology Department, the Foundation for African Resources, DAWA (Denver and Africa Working Against AIDS), KGNU, Denver-Nairobi Sister Cities, the Denver Pan-African Film Festival, Bantaba (African Dance), Professor Adéèkó (University of Colorado English Department), Daraja African Language and Cross Cultural Training, Ujama News, Global Response, Denver Museum of Nature and Science Youth/Teacher Programs, African Community Center (refugee issues), Spring Institute for Intercultural Learning (immigration), Murulle Foundation (conservation), Jafrika (dance, music, and stories performances), the CU African Ensemble under the direction of Kwasi Ampene, and the Denver Art Museum among others. For more information contact: africaworkshop@yahoo.com.
ENVIRONMENT AND BEHAVIOR PROGRAM (CONT.)

Natural Hazards Center

Lori Peek presented “Becoming Muslim: The Development of a Religious Identity” at the Eastern Sociological Society meeting in Philadelphia on February 27-March 2. This paper draws on data gathered through focus groups, in-depth interviews, and participant observation with Muslim university students in New York City and Colorado. Through a qualitative in-depth analysis, the process of religious identity formation is explored. The emergence of religion as the most salient source of individual and social identity for a group of Muslims living in the United States is examined. Three stages of religious identity development are presented: religion as ascribed identity, religion as chosen identity, and religion as declared identity. This research illustrates the individual and social implications of religious identification, and offers directions for future research.

POPULATION PROCESSES PROGRAM

Jane Menken and Valerie Durrant co-edited a monograph, Leveraging Longitudinal Data in Developing Countries, which was published by the National Academy Press as part of the work of the Committee on Population which Menken chaired for five years, having stepped down in October, 2002. The monograph is available at http://www.nap.edu/books/0309084504/html/. Menken, with Ann Blanc and Cynthia Lloyd, co-edited a Panel Report for the Population Council, Training and Support of Developing-Country Population Scientists. She chaired the panel, which consisted of nine members from Costa Rica, Egypt, Nigeria, Thailand, the U.K., and the U.S. The report is available on the Population Council website at http://www.popcouncil.org/pdfs/trainingreport.pdf.

In Print

Silvey, Rachel M. 2003. “Spaces of Protest: Gendered Migration, Social Networks, and Labor Activism in West Java, Indonesia,” Political Geography, 22(2). This article examines the gender geography of labor activism in two communities in West Java, Indonesia. Based on in-depth interviews and a survey of workers in the two sites carried out in 1995, 1998, and 2000, it explores the place-specific meanings attached to migrants' social networks and gender relations, and their roles in mediating the gendered patterns of labor protest in the two villages. Previous analyses of labor protest in Indonesia have occluded scales and processes that are critical to understanding how gender dynamics are linked to the geography of protest. By contrast, attention to the gender- and place-based contexts of women's activism illustrates the complex interactions between migrants' local interpretations of gender norms, social network relations, household roles, state gender ideology, and global neo-liberal restructuring. Through examining these interactions, gender is conceptualized as ontologically inseparable from the production of specific activist spaces, providing a challenge to the uni-directional spatial logic and deterministic views of gender and place put forth in theories of the New International Division of Labor.
The Social, Cultural, and Economic Dimensions of Health

Patrick Krueger is a Doctoral Candidate in the Department of Sociology and a research assistant in the Population Program. Patrick earned his B.A. in Sociology from Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, Michigan in 1998. He is the recipient of a National Science Foundation grant to support his dissertation work, which is under the direction of co-chairs Richard Rogers and Leslie Irvine (Department of Sociology). Finally, he is just one of the smiling faces you’ll find around the Social Science Data Analysis Center should you need help with data management and statistical analysis.

My research examines the social and demographic factors that lead to poorer health and higher mortality in the U.S. In particular, my dissertation examines whether and how disparities in social, cultural, and economic capital account for race/ethnic and sex differences in physical activity. Females, blacks, and Hispanics are less likely to participate in regular physical activity, or exercise, than are males and whites, respectively. These disparities are important because they mirror persistent health inequalities in the population. Compared to whites, blacks live shorter lives, and blacks and Hispanics spend more of their lives in poor health. Further, compared to males, females typically live longer lives but live more of those years in poor health.

Regular physical activity suggests interest in health promotion and leads to better health and lower mortality. I borrow from several theoretical frameworks to better understand what factors lead individuals to initiate and maintain healthy behaviors. First, economists suggest that individuals may invest in their health through health promoting activities and access to high quality care should they have the requisite economic resources. Second, social capital theories posit that social relationships shape health behaviors, sometimes for the better and sometimes for the worse. Although spouses may model and encourage exercise, non-smoking, and moderate drinking behaviors, they may also support more deleterious activities. Finally, cultural factors may provide tastes or preferences for either healthy or unhealthy lifestyles. In sum, I attempt to examine the costs and benefits of social, economic, and cultural resources in shaping exercise behavior.

My dissertation work builds on my many other research projects. Indeed, in several manuscripts written in collaboration with Richard Rogers, Robert Hummer (University of Texas, Austin), and various other collaborators, I examine the effect of wealth, diverse income portfolios, participation in the Food Stamp program, neighborhood characteristics, obesity, and smoking on overall and cause-specific mortality. Further, through collaboration with Leslie Irvine and others, I endeavor to understand the cultural and social psychological dimensions of social action. Through my work, I aim to better understand the cultural, social, and economic factors that shape health behaviors and health outcomes in the U.S.
Population Processes Program
In Print (Cont.)

Silvey, Rachel M. and R. Elmhirst, 2003. “Engendering Social Capital: Women Workers and Rural-Urban Networks in Indonesia's Crisis,” *World Development*, 31(5). Recent approaches to social capital have cautioned against the view that social networks are resources to be called upon in times of crisis. We contribute a feminist perspective to this argument and call attention to the gendered power relations of social capital and social networks. We draw on field studies that examine women migrants' rural-urban networks in two regions of Indonesia during the 1997-1999 economic crisis period. Our findings direct attention towards the gender-specific limitations of social capital as a resource for development, and identify some ways in which the costs and benefits of social capital are organized by gender.

Pampel, Fred C. February 2003. “Declining Sex Differences in Mortality from Lung Cancer in High Income Nations,” *Demography*, Vol. 40, Number 1, pp. 45-65. After decades of widening, the difference in mortality from lung cancer between men and women has begun to narrow in recent years. Recognizing that the increase in smoking among women relative to men is the proximate cause of the changing sex difference in rates of lung cancer, I analyzed two approaches to identify the more distant sources of the changes. A gender-equality argument suggests that the difference is related to the more general equalization of women's and men's work and family roles, which also encourages the adoption of harmful behaviors such as smoking by women. An alternative explanation suggests that the convergence in mortality from lung cancer among men and women is the byproduct of a lag in the adoption, diffusion, and abatement of smoking by women. Using mortality data on 21 nations from 1955 to 1996, an analysis of logged rates of men's and women's lung cancer mortality and the logged ratio of the rates demonstrated little relationship between the sex difference and gender equality. However, I found a strong and consistent relationship between the sex difference and the stage of diffusion of the use of cigarettes.

Problem Behavior Program

Sharon Mihalic presented "Blueprints for Violence Prevention: Research to Practice" at the Western Society of Criminology meetings in Vancouver, Canada on February 22.

Delbert S. Elliott was an invited keynote speaker at the Boys and Girls Clubs of America Symposium on Youth Gangs and Delinquency held in Chicago, March 13-15. The conference, "From Research to Reality," provided community leaders and youth development professionals with the latest research, strategies and approaches for working with delinquent and gang-involved youth.
POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC CHANGE PROGRAM

Books Not Bombs Teach-In

Thomas Mayer served as the general coordinator of a day long teach-in dealing with the crisis posed by the possibility of war with Iraq. The teach-in happened on Wednesday, March 5 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. in various locations around the CU campus. The event was titled “Books Not Bombs: A Day of Discussion” and was sponsored by Faculty and Staff Against the War (FASAW). It included 21 different sessions, and over 70 faculty, staff, students, and community members gave presentations during the teach-in.

Contained in the “Books Not Bombs” teach-in were sessions on The Theory and Practice of American Imperialism, The History of Iraq and Its Bearing on the Current Crisis, Analyzing United States Foreign Policy Towards the Middle East, Germany’s Position on Iraq, Terrorism: Reality and Epithet, Are There Alternatives to War?, The Palestine-Israel Conflict and Its Relevance, Race and War – At Home and Abroad, Women, War, Peace and Feminism, and Nonviolent Solutions to Global Challenges. Virtually every session was well attended and some were jam packed. Tom estimates that around 2,000 people participated in at least one session of the March 5 teach-in.

NEW NAME FOR SSDAC: The Social Science Data Analysis Center (SSDAC) has been officially renamed the Center for Computing and Research Services (CCRS)

Mandatory Computer Backup and Anti-Virus Protection Policy: IBS Director Jane Menken has issued the directive that all IBS personnel must take steps to routinely backup important files and to guarantee anti-virus protection. In the next few months, all faculty, staff, and students will be contacted and expected to meet with Richard Cook (richard.cook@colorado.edu) or Gabriel Westmass (Gabriel.Westmaas@Colorado.EDU) to arrange for automated backup and to verify that each computer has up-to-date anti-virus protection.

On January 9, Tom Dickinson attended a half-day ENVI training session in the Geography Department's KESDA Lab. ENVI is a full-featured application for analyzing remote sensing imagery. ENVI runs on common Windows platforms as well as Unix-based machines and is available to IBS researchers through a very inexpensive site license program. The training session materials are also available for self-study. Contact Tom at thomas.dickinson@colorado.edu for more information.

The Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Program in Quantitative Methods offers a comprehensive, integrated program of studies in research design, statistics, data analysis, and social methodology. Two- to five-day workshops of potential interest to IBS researchers are: “Latent Growth Curve Analysis”, “LISREL Models: Introduction”, “Multilevel Models Using SAS”, “Mixed Models for Categorical Data”, “Hierarchical Linear Models”, “Spatial Analysis: Introduction”, and “Spatial Regression Analysis”.

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Their program website at www.icpsr.umich.edu/sumprog/ offers course descriptions, a schedule, and application forms. As an ICPSR member institution, CU students and faculty may receive stipends to attend. Contact Jani Little (jani.little@colorado.edu) for details. Workshop applications are due by April 28.

**Upcoming CCRS workshop:** "Migrating to WebMail and Using the WebMail Interface" April 15, 3 – 4 p.m. Contact instructor, Jani Little (jani.little@colorado.edu) for details.

### RESEARCH PROPOSALS SUBMITTED

**Population Processes Program**

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