CPACS Happenings (May 1979 Newsletter)

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May graduates of the College of Public Affairs will be honored at a reception immediately following UNO graduation on May 12th. Faculty, staff and student organizations of the College sponsor the reception which will be held in the Milo Bail Student Center, Room 312.

Prospective graduates received letters inviting them to attend with family and friends. Faculty and staff planning to attend should call the dean's office by May 10th.

The spring meeting of CPACS faculty was held on Friday, May 4th at 11:30 a.m. in Room 314 of the student center. Agenda items included voting on May graduates, and discussion and voting on the proposed CPACS Honors Program.

Mr. Gary L. Poore, a 1975 graduate of the UN-0 Masters program in Public Administration, has accepted the position of chief engineer for the city of Indianapolis, Indiana. His duties will include engineering aspects of the construction and operation of a $250 million advanced waste treatment plant to be completed in 1981. Congratulations and best wishes, Gary.

The Gerontology Program invites all CPACS faculty and staff to stop by the student center May 15, 16, and 17 to observe the Senior Citizen Celebration Days activities. This year the Celebration Days will include mini-courses, health tests, an arts and crafts sale, service information displays, musical entertainment, door prizes, a style show, a dance, meetings, a painting workshop, and movies. All activities will take place between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. and will be offered free to persons 55 and older.

Volunteers are still needed to welcome people, serve as roving guides, and register people for health tests. To volunteer your time or request more information, call Jan Scott, Celebration Days coordinator, at 554-2272.

May 12 UNO Graduation, 10:00 a.m., Fieldhouse
UNL Graduation, 9:30 a.m., Sports Arena
May 15 Departamental Annual Reports due to dean
Administrators' Annual Reports due to dean
May 16 Final Grades due in dean's office, 9:00 a.m.
May 15 Senior Citizen Celebration Days, 9:00-3:00, Student Center
May 21 Summer Evening Session begins
May 28 Memorial Day Holiday, University closed

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CPACS people, from A to Z. In this issue you meet the W's, Y's and Z's. Next month, we'll finish up the series by introducing several people we missed in our alphabetical list. Then, from time to time, we'll introduce new faculty and staff to try to keep you up to date.

Prior to joining the staff of the Center for Applied Urban Research in February of 1977, Beverly Walker had worked in the accessories department at Kilpatrick's, and before that describes herself as a "professional volunteer." At various times, she taught Sunday School and Bible School, led a Girl Scout Troup, was day chairman at the Jumble Shop, worked at the Joslyn Gift Shop and at the Children's Memorial Hospital Snack Shop, and was a member of the women's board at her church. At the Center, her major responsibility is the typing of proposals, research reports, and correspondence for the research staff. She also answers the phone, maintains the "Review" mailing list and keeps staff time sheets.

Leisure activities for Bev include gardening, reading (especially the Bible, mysteries and novels) sewing, quilting, cooking (and eating!), and playing the piano. She also has recently taken up jogging for exercise.

Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice, Sam Walker, received his master's degree from UNO, completed his doctoral studies at Ohio State, and five years ago returned to UNO to teach. He teaches the Criminal Justice survey course, the Police and Society course, and a graduate seminar on the administration of justice. Sam has also served the College this year as chairman of the Committee on Faculty Appointments, Promotion and Tenure.

His prime professional interest is in writing about the history of the police and the history of criminal justice. Sam has written two books—A Critical History of Police Reform, published in 1977 and History of American Criminal Justice, scheduled for publication in 1980. He is presently negotiating publication of a textbook on police.

Personally, Sam is a board member of the Nebraska Civil Liberties Union, and also has been active in efforts to eliminate the death penalty in Nebraska. He enjoys photography and as a serious record collector (blues and jazz), can often be found at the $1.98 bins at K-Mart looking for bargains. A current "hobby" is painting his house—volunteers are welcome!
For the past five years, Shirley Waskel has been Community Service Associate and Instructor in the Gerontology Program. Prior to that she had taught high school business and English, and had been a school administrator.

Pre-retirement education is Shirley's specialty in Gerontology, and her current emphasis is on mid-life career changes. She has developed several pre-retirement instructional packages which have been purchased for use in the U.S., and, recently, packages were obtained for use in Spain, Israel, and Japan. As part of her role, Shirley also conducts problem-solving workshops with the elderly, and teaches the introductory gerontology courses. On May 12th, Shirley will receive her doctorate in Community and Human Resources with a concentration in Gerontology from UNL. Her dissertation topic is "Mid-Life Women and Their Ability to Generate Alternatives."

Among Shirley's personal interests are classical music, ballet, movies, and literature. As a new home-owner, she has acquired a taste for work around the house and yard.

Three jobs, two offices, and one person describes Vince Webb this year. His initial appointment at UNO in December, 1973 was Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice, a job he still holds. In addition, he serves as Criminal Justice department head, and this year, has also been Acting Assistant Dean of the College.

In his role as professor, he teaches Criminal Justice research methods, planning, and criminology courses. As department chairman, he handles the usual administrative details of running an academic program, and as assistant dean... well, he copes! His primary professional interest is criminal justice education. Prior to coming to UNO, he had completed his Ph.D. work at Iowa State University, and then held an appointment as Assistant Professor of Sociology at Drake University.

Vince's personal interests include music (especially country western), woodworking, canoeing, and fishing. He also enjoys running, and it's a good thing! How else would he keep up with the acting dean?!

Carol Witfoth became Secretary II and Administrative Assistant for the Foster Parent Training Project in June 1978. Her office is located in the 501 Building on the Lincoln campus. She has a degree in business administration from Southeast Community College in Fairbury, and previously worked as Secretary to the Director of the Division on Alcoholism in Lincoln. She is currently working to complete a degree in psychology.
As part of her responsibilities with the Foster Parent Training Project, she maintains audio/visual materials, is responsible for distribution of materials to program participants, and coordinated the production of the program curriculum. She also handles, of course, the typing, filing, and reception duties in the office. Her career goals are directed toward ownership of a small business someday. Carol has five children, two college age, which naturally take up much of her personal life. Her biggest hobby is reading, but she also likes to knit, and is interested in stained glass art and painting.

Since August of 1975, Dr. Jane Woody has been Assistant Professor of Social Work. Immediately prior to her appointment at UNO, she had been Coordinator of Parent Education and Counseling Services at Ohio University.

Jane teaches primarily in the graduate program and offers the courses in human behavior and social environment, mental health, and sexual issues in social work practice. She has chaired the School's curriculum committee this year, served as a member of the CPACS curriculum committee.

Her major professional interests are in mental health, and counseling with families and children. She is also certified by the American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors and Therapists as a sex educator and therapist. Her research and writing are focused in these areas. She authored "Preventive Interventions for Children of Divorce" which appeared in the November '78 issue of Social Casework.

Jane's personal interests center on the family. She and her husband have three children, Bobby (10), Jennifer (12), and Matthew (4). She enjoys reading, cooking, movies, and plays, and in the summer exercises by running.

Cathy Young, Secretary II in the Goodrich Scholarship Program, has worked at UNO for a total of 12 years full and part-time. She began as a student worker in the Sociology Department, worked as a student, and later full-time, at the Center for Applied Urban Research. She has also worked in the CPACS Dean's Office, the Department of Urban Studies, and with the College of Continuing Studies before joining the Goodrich staff two years ago. Prior to UNO? She was a high school student.

Cathy generally manages the Goodrich office, assisting the director supervising student workers, arranging meetings and conferences, handling acquisition of supplies and equipment, coordinating
travel arrangements for staff and visitors and maintaining personnel files, in addition to the ever present typing, filing, and telephone answering.

Her personal interests are varied and include writing poetry, playing tennis, reading and macrame-ing. Her interest in indoor horticulture (The woman has lots of growies!) has necessitated a move to a larger apartment, where we hope she will have more room too!

Initially a part-time instructor in Sociology at UNO, Lucille Zelinsky became a full-time faculty member in 1967, and by 1971 had developed the undergraduate curriculum for a major in social welfare. She is now Associate Professor of Social Work and Coordinator of Undergraduate Social Work Education for the School. She teaches introductory courses and practice courses in addition to administrative responsibilities.

While her primary professional interest is social work education, her practice background and interest is in family social work. Prior to coming to UNO, Lucy was a public welfare worker in Chicago, a child welfare worker in Rock Island, Illinois, a family counselor in Detroit, a social work consultant, and, after all that, was for ten years "the best educated chauffeur on the block."

Lucy has been active in the Council on Social Work Education and currently serves on its accreditation commission. She has served as president of the Omaha chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, and is currently a member of the Jewish Federation's newly formed Bureau for the Aged.

She has three children, a daughter in Omaha who is a free-lance writer, a son who is an attorney in New Haven, CT, and a daughter completing her master's degree at Northwestern. Lucy enjoys concerts, good music and musical comedy, is a "mediocre" bridge player, and forces herself to go to the spa "to prevent the onset of rigor mortis."

Not many CPACS staff on the UNO campus have had an opportunity to meet Karen Zimmerman, secretary for the Criminal Justice faculty located on the Lincoln campus. Karen joined the Criminal Justice staff in May of 1978. A graduate of the Lincoln School of Commerce, Karen previously worked in the UNL records office. Her job now includes maintaining office records, senior checks for graduating students, typing and reception duties. She is also a part-time student, currently taking a history course, and is considering the possibility of returning to school to pursue a degree in journalism.

Karen enjoys sports both as a participant (tennis, raquetball, snow skiing) and as a spectator (football and basketball). She is also a chess player and a music lover.
Susan Holm, Staff Assistant in the Dean's Office, has resigned to accept a position at the Lutheran Medical Center. We wish Susan much success in her new job.

Carole Stephens, who you may recognize as the Criminal Justice secretary, has resigned that position to become Secretarial Specialist in the Dean's Office. She replaces Susan Holm.

Jan Scott, program assistant for the Center on Aging, has resigned and will leave on May 18th to move to Wichita, Kansas where her husband, Gary, will begin his residency in orthopedic surgery. Best wishes to both Jan and Gary.

**Staff Activities**

**BARBARA KENDRICK**
Foster Parent Project

A work by Ms. Kendrick is part of a traveling exhibition "Nebraska: Works on Paper" which was hung at the University of Missouri-Kansas City Art Gallery. The March issue of ARTNews reports "...some artists used paper in a traditional way, while others pushed it into new forms and unexpected surfaces. Among the latter was Barbara Kendrick, whose 'Night Wings' of handmade paper and graphite possessed a strange and powerful, animal-like presence."

**CHRIS ESKRIDGE**
Criminal Justice

Dr. Eskridge presented a paper "Community Relations in Criminal Justice: A Policy of Appeasement?" at the annual meeting of the Western Society of Criminology, and presented "An Empirical Examination of Failure to Appear Probabilities Among Accused Offenders" at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences.

He was also invited to speak on the use and abuse of point scales at the National Symposium on Pretrial Services held recently in Louisville, Kentucky.

Dr. Eskridge's article, "An Empirical Study of Failure to Appear Tendencies Among Accused Offenders: Construction and Validation of a Prediction Scale" was published in the Annual Journal of Pretrial Services.

He recently accepted a position as co-chair of the membership committee for the American Society of Criminology.

**GENEVIEVE BURCH**
CAUR

"Positive Parenting: A Solution for the Abused Child" a paper by Dr. Burch was presented at the Midwest Sociological Society meeting in Minneapolis on April 26th.

**CHRIS BOLTON**
JAN SCOTT
Gerontology

"Peer-Group Advocacy Counseling for the Elderly: A Conceptual Model" by Dr. Bolton and Ms. Scott was accepted for publication in the summer issue of the Journal of Gerontological Social Work.

Dr. Bolton has been named co-chair of the Publishers and Exhibitions Subcommittee of the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education. He is also a member of the steering committee for the group's 1980 national meeting.
On April 5th, Dr. Woody spoke to participants in the Foster Parent Training Program on "Child Development and Sexuality."

Dr. DiMartino presented his paper "Local Initiative and National Trends as Determinants of Nonmetropolitan Growth" at the 75th annual conference of the Association of American Geographers in Philadelphia April 22-25. He remained in Philadelphia to attend the annual Population Association of America conference April 25-28.

Dr. DiMartino also presented a paper written by Drs. Ludwig and Frost "The Attraction of Interstate Radial Freeway Corridors for New Office Sites" at the Philadelphia American Geographers conference.

On April 19th, Dr. Frost presented his paper "How to Survive as an Urban Research Unit within a University" at the annual meeting of the Council of University Institutes for Urban Affairs in Toronto.

Dr. Horney is the recipient of a National Science Foundation grant for her project "Research Methods Modules for Criminal Justice Students." The grant extends from April 1, 1979 to September 30, 1980.

Mr. Petersen and Ms. Waskel conducted a workshop on "Problem Solving and the Elderly" for the Junior League's Volunteers Intervening for Equity on April 17th.

Ms. Waskel spoke on "After Retirement—What for the College Professor?" as part of a panel discussion at the spring meeting of the AAUP State Conference in Lincoln April 7th.

Dr. Suzuki appeared on KETV's "For Your Information" April 12th to discuss and explain Japanese culture, with special reference to selected games, toys and leisure-time activities.

On March 22, Ms. Tremblay did a poetry reading on the public radio program "Native Awakenings" in Sioux City, Iowa. On April 20th, she chaired the session and read her paper on "Traditional Native American Art and Its Relation to the Environment" at the National Institute of Indian Studies Conference at the University of South Dakota. The conference papers will be published by the Institute of Indian Studies.

Dr. French's article "The Educational Dilemma Facing Urban Indians" was published in the January 1979 issue of the Journal of American Indian Education.

"Prison Sexuality: Inmate Adaptations to Psycho-Sexual Stress" appears in the April issue of Corrective and Social Psychiatry. He chaired the "American Indian Session" at the Midwest Sociological Society meetings in Minneapolis in April.

Dr. French presented "Appalachian Fundamentalism Among Whites, Blacks and Indians" at the Annual Conference on Ethnic and Minority Studies in LaCrosse, Wisconsin May 2-5. At the conference he will present "The Contemporary Indian Warrior."
Dr. French was invited to review "American Indian Tribal Courts: The Costs of Separate Justice" by Samuel J. Brakel for Explorations in Ethnic Studies.


A paper by Dr. Lee, "A Variable Versus Uniform Sample Rate in Conducting the 1980 Census" will be on the program of the Computer Science and Statistics Twelfth Annual Symposium on the Interface, May 10th at the University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada.