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**College of Social and Behavioral Sciences**  
*Minnesota State University, Mankato*  
**SBS Good News**

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**STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

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**ANTHROPOLOGY**

*Nate Meyer* received an Undergraduate Research Conference grant.

Recent Anthropology Club Brown Bag Lunch Series presentations were: *Kate Blue*, "Of Fossil Monkeys, Finnish Immigrants and Forensic Work: The Many faces of Biological Anthropology," Feb. 14; *Jay Elliott*, "The Role of Culture in Dementia Evaluation: Working as an Applied Medical Anthropologist in a Clinical Setting," Feb. 28; *Patric Giesler*, *Gustavus Adolphus*, "Ethnographer as Detective: Unraveling the Rise and Fall of a Brazilian 'Cave Goddess' Cult with Ritual Human Sacrifice," March 7; *Susan Schalge*, "Applying Anthropology: Toward an Understanding of Development in Tanzania," March 21; and *Don Johnson M.S.*, Geophysicist, "Case Histories in Geophysics: An Archaeological Perspective," March 28.

**GEOGRAPHY**

*Tonya Rogers* (Geography BS and MA alum), *Martin Mitchell*, *Changjoo Kim*, and *Tim Loesch*'s article, "Determining Orthographic Accuracy," was published in *Geospatial Solutions*, March 2006.

**HISTORY**

*Gina Martin*'s (M.A. student) paper, "'Her eyes are sunk in her head, God bless us from her': The Image of the Old Witch in Early Modern England," won the 2006 Graduate Project of the Year from the President's Commission on the Status of Women. *Martins* wrote her paper for a class taught by *Chris Corley*.

**SOCIOLOGY & CORRECTIONS**

The Sociology & Corrections Department's discussion series included *Dennis Waskul*, "Cultural

Clitoridectomy and Symbolic Purgatory: Women's Recollections of the discovery of their Clitoris," March 1, and *Leah Rogne*, "More Than Meets the Eye: Teaching Transgender Issues in Sociology," March 8.

**URBAN AND REGIONAL STUDIES**

*URSI students* from the URBS 661, Strategic Planning class presented a statistical profile of the Mankato Area to the Envision 2020 community meeting Feb. 16. The data were developed by 23 students, and presented by *Maggie Elliot*, *Heather Jergenson*, and *Julia Spencer*. The PowerPoint of their presentation is available online at <http://www.envision-2020.com/>

**WOMEN'S STUDIES**



*Vice President Scott Olson and Dr. Susan Freeman*

The Women's Studies Department celebrated Women's History Month and the Coming of Age website, March 23. The Coming of Age website is a student project, directed by *Susan Freeman*. SBS Webmaster, *Sajan Dhakal* helped implement the project.

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**FACULTY AND DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES**

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**ANTHROPOLOGY**

*Kate Blue*, *M. McCrossin* and *B. Benefit*, "Terrestriality in a: Middle Miocene Context *Victoriapithecus* from Maboko, Kenya." To be published by Springer as a chapter in "Human Origins and Environmental Backgrounds," the symposium proceedings from the International Symposium, Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan, March 2003. In press.

*Kate Blue* presented a poster, "Sexual dimorphism and indicators of substrate preference: implications for

fossil species," at the American Association of Physical Anthropologists meetings, March 8, Anchorage, AK.

*H. Bauer-Clapp* and *Kate Blue* presented a poster, "An analysis of health indicators in subadults from select Mimbres populations: Why is there no correlation?" at the American Association of Physical Anthropologists meetings, March 9, Anchorage, AK.

*L. Becker*, *M. Birnbaum* and *Kate Blue* presented a poster, "An evaluation of skeletal remains and

Mimbres ceramic typology: The Galaz Ruin," at the American Association of Physical Anthropologists meetings, March 9, Anchorage, AK.

S. Binkley and **Kate Blue** presented a poster, "Beyond the letter of the law: Fleshing out identity as a collaborative process," at the American Association of Physical Anthropologists meetings, March 9, Anchorage, AK.

**Kate Blue** attended the Cooperative Stewardship Conference, Prairie Island, MN, February 24-25.

**Kate Blue** presented, "Pre-contact human skeletal remains from the Red Wing area," at the fall Red Wing Conference, November 19, Red Wing, MN.

**Susan Schalge** presented, "Analyzing the Impact of Aid in Africa," at the Society for Applied Anthropology meetings, March 2006.

**Susan Schalge** received an Engaged Department Grant from Learn & Serve American and Minnesota Campus Compact.

**Ronald Schirmer** attended the Cooperative Stewardship Workshop, an effort to build closer working relationships between American Indian communities and archeologists, Feb. 24-25.

**Ronald Schirmer's** textbook review for *The Human Past*, edited by Chris Scarre (published by Thames and Hudson) was quoted in their print catalogue, Feb. 2006.

**Ronald Schirmer** was a content reviewer for a newly published children's book on archeology titled, *Deserted Stone Cities*, by Rachel A. Koestler-Grack (published by Newbridge).

**Ronald Schirmer** was recently elected to membership in the Council for Minnesota Archaeology.

**Ronald Schirmer's** field research program in Red Wing was one of five projects featured in the 2005 Annual Report of the Science Museum of Minnesota, where he is a research associate.

## ECONOMICS

**Phillip Miller's** review of the book, *National Pastime: How Americans Play Baseball and the Rest of the World Plays Soccer*, was published in the February issue of the *International Journal of Sport Finance*.

**Phillip Miller's** paper, "Private Financing and Sports Franchise Values: The Case of Major League Baseball," is accepted for publication in the *Journal of Sports Economics*.

**Phillip Miller's** paper, "Revenue Sharing in Sports Leagues: The Effects on Talent Distribution and Competitive Balance," is accepted for publication in the *Journal of Sports Economics*.

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**Phillip Miller** is an assistant editor to the *Journal of Economics* and serves as a board member for the Minnesota Economic Association.

**Phillip Miller's** blog, Market Power, was discussed in a *Mankato Free Press* article, January 23.

## GEOGRAPHY

The **Geography Department** presented a colloquium, "The African Welfare State and the HIV/AIDS Crisis," by Dr. Fred Kruger and Dr. Cyrus, Samimi, Institut Fur Geographie, Universitat Erlangen, Germany, March 3, Mankato, MN.



Dr. Fred Kruger and Dr. Cyrus, Samimi

## GERONTOLOGY

Minnesota State Mankato's Center on Aging & the Summit Center presented the **Chesley Lecture on Aging**, "The Ageless Community: Get Ready for the Age Wave," March 30. Speakers were Connie Goldman, author of *Seeking Your Ageless Spirit*; Robert McNulty, Partners for Livable Communities; and Jody Kretzmann, Asset Based Community Development Institute, Northwestern University. **Leah Rogne**, Gerontology Program Director and **Kristen Giese**, graduate assistant, organized this event.



Susan Taylor and Betty Chesley

## HISTORY

**Lori Ann Lahlum** received the Herbert S. Schell Award for the best article published in *South Dakota History* in 2005 for, "Everything was changed and

looked strange': Norwegian Women in South Dakota," vol. 35, no. 3 (Fall 2005): 189-216.

#### **POLITICAL SCIENCE/LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**Jim Bailey's** cover page article, "The Art of Profiling a Historical Case: The Whitechapel Murders," was published in *Ripperologist: The Journal of Jack the Ripper, East End and Victorian Studies* (No. 59), May 2005.

**Jim Bailey's** paper (co-authored with Carlo Campabasso and F. Vinci, Department of Legal Medicine, University of Bari, Italy), "Morphological Study of Class and Individual Characteristics Produced by Firing 2500 Cartridges in a .45 Caliber Semi-Automatic Pistol," was published in the *Association of Firearm and Tool Mark Examiner's Journal*, Fall 2005.

**Jim Bailey** presented a paper, "Preservation of Latent Impressions on Curved, Conical, and Asymmetrical Surfaces," at the International Association of Forensic Sciences Meeting, Hong Kong, China, August 21-26.

**Colleen Clarke** was elected president of the Information & Public Policy Section at the Academy of Criminal Justice conference in Baltimore, MD in March.

**Doran Hunter's** paper, "Is There a Scientific Basis for Moral Government? A Western Perspective," was published in electronic form by Caux Round Table Publications ([www.cauxroundtable.org](http://www.cauxroundtable.org)), St. Paul, Minnesota, March 14. The paper, along with others, will be read and discussed by members of the Board of the Caux Round Table at the annual conference, March 31, at Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.

**Joseph A. Kunkel** was interviewed March 3 by the *Mankato Free Press* about precinct caucuses.

**Bill Lewinski** presented, "Legal, Psychological and Biomechanical Aspects of Officer-Involved Lethal and Less Lethal Force," AELE Law Enforcement Legal Section Seminar, 1 of 9 presenters, Las Vegas, NV, Feb. 2006.

**Bill Lewinski** presented, "Force Science Research Center Presentation on Human Performance in Lethal Force Encounters," Association of Training Officers of Minnesota Conference, St. Paul, MN, Feb. 2006.

**Bill Lewinski** presented, "Force Science Research Center Presentation on Human Performance in Lethal Force Encounters," American Society of Law Enforcement Trainers Conference, Albuquerque, NM, Jan. 2006.

**Bill Lewinski** presented, "Threat Assessment and Survival in a Challenging Mental Health Environment." Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health. Los Angeles, CA, Dec. 2005.

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**Bill Lewinski** presented, "Critical Incident Policing," London Metropolitan Police Federation, Constables' Branch Board. London, England (presented with Dr. Alexis Artwohl, Scott Ingram, and Colonel Bob Stewart), Oct. 2005.

**Bill Lewinski** presented, "An Eye to the Future - Leading Edge Research in Law Enforcement Safety Training," (panel) Canadian Officer Safety Conference, Victoria, B.C., Canada, Sept. 2005.

**Bill Lewinski** presented, "Research from the Force Science Research Center," Canadian Officer Safety Conference, Victoria, B.C., Canada, Sep. 2005.

**Bill Lewinski** presented, "Research from the Force Science Research Center," Labor Relations Information Systems, Use of Force Seminar, San Antonio, TX, Sept. 2005.

**Bill Lewinski** presented, "Research from the Force Science Research Center," Iowa Department of Criminal Investigation. Des Moines, IA, Sep. 2005.

**Bill Lewinski** presented, "Research from the Force Science Research Center," Wisconsin Law Enforcement Training Officers Association. Oconomowoc, WI, Sept. 2005.

**Bill Lewinski** presented, "Research from the Force Science Research Center," High Liability Trainers' Conference. Orlando, FL, Sept. 2005

#### **PSYCHOLOGY**

**Dawn Albertson's** paper, "Distinctive Profiles of Gene Expression in the Human Nucleus Accumbens Associated with Cocaine and Heroin Abuse," has been accepted to the journal *Neuropsychopharmacology* and the rough manuscript version is now available in the rapid publication section of their website. This is the first ever publication on gene expression in the brains of human heroin abusers. In addition, the findings completely invalidate the paradigm drug abuse researchers have been working under for 30 years.

**Kevin Filter** presented, "Functionally-Indicated and Contra-Indicated Academic Interventions for Problem Behavior," at the International Conference for Positive Behavior Support, Reno, NV, March 2006.

**Kevin Filter** presented, "Post-Implementation Evaluation of the Check In/ Check Out Program in a Natural School Context," at the International Conference for Positive Behavior Support, Reno, NV, March 2006.

**Lisa Perez and Ryan Riley** (I-O alum) presented, "Coping with Workplace Incivility: Implications for Psychological Distress and Counterproductivity," at the International Conference on Occupational Stress and Health, Miami FL, March, 2006.

The *I-O Psychology Master's Program* hosted a talk on *Honesty in the Workplace* by Dr. Kevin Murphy, Head of the Psychology Department at Penn State University and a former President of the Society for Industrial-Organizational Psychology, Feb. 15.

### **SOCIAL STUDIES**

**Clark Johnson** presented, "Dialogs in Poetry and Motion," at the Minnesota Council for the Social Studies Annual Conference, Bloomington, MN. March 9, 2006.

### **SOCIAL WORK**

**Christine Black Hughes** and the Department of Social Work are conducting Interdisciplinary Ethics workshops in Brown County, Jordon, SPRTC, Sibley County, Kandiyohi County, Crow Wing, and here at MSU. As a requirement of the Minn. Board of Social Work all Licensed Social Workers are required to have continuing education in the area of ethics.

On March 22-24, faculty members from the Department of Social Work accompanied 63 students to the Minnesota Social Services Association annual training conference in Bloomington. Students attended workshops, served as volunteers for the conference organizers, and hosted a social event for alumnae and others. Faculty staffed a display booth about the proposed new MSW program that drew a steady stream of interested potential students and others.

### **SOCIOLOGY & CORRECTIONS**

**Leah Rogne** presented a paper, "A Social Movements Approach to Mobilizing Support for Gerontology Programs," as a part a Presidential Symposium, "What to Do When the Wolf Is At the Door," at the the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education meeting, Indianapolis, IN, February 18.

**Leah Rogne** was co-facilitator for a roundtable discussion on, "Teaching on Social Security," at the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education meeting, Indianapolis, IN, February 18. She also

participated in the meeting as a member of the AGHE Academic Programs Committee.

**Leah Rogne** presented, "More Than Meets the Eye: Teaching Transgender Issues in Sociology," at a MSU Sociology Department discussion series, March 8.

### **URSI**

**Tony Filipovitch** was elected vice-chair of the Mankato Planning Commission at their January meeting.

**Tony Filipovitch** was selected to chair the Development Committee of the Mankato Area Foundation at their October meeting.

**Miriam Porter, Perry Wood, and Tony Filipovitch** were chosen by Scott County to lead four townships in a strategic planning process from October, 2005, through January, 2006. Their report to the community is available through Scott County's Administrator Office.

**Tony Filipovitch** presented a paper on the panel, "Social Studies in Action: Engaging with Local Government," at the Minn. Council for the Social Studies, March 9.

**Tony Filipovitch** was a delegate for the InterCity Leadership Visit to Bellingham, Washington, Oct. 2-4, 2005. The visit was sponsored by the Greater Mankato Economic Development Corporation.

**Tony Filipovitch** was appointed to the steering committee for the Mankato/North Mankato Region's "Envision 2020" process. The community visioning process extends from January through August, 2006. He is also the chair of the subcommittee for research.

**URSI** and the Region IX Development Commission were selected by the MN Department of Administration to receive the MN State Planning Agency's "Local Planning Assistance" library and to take over the functions of the Local Planning Assistance Center.

## **COLLEGE AND RELATED ACTIVITIES**

### **KESSEL PEACE INSTITUTE**

Interim Dean Wagner and the Kessel Peace Institute announced that **Dr. Jacqueline Vieceli** will be the new Director of the Kessel Peace Institute. Jackie has been a member of this group since it was started and has a long history of promoting peace education on our campus. Thanks to Jackie for agreeing to take this leadership role, we are confident she will do a great job! Thank you to **Dr. Barbara Carson** for the outstanding job she had done during the years she served as director of the Kessel Peace Institute.

**The Kessel Peace Institute organized and presented** *U.S. and Iran "Great Decisions"* film, March 30 (co-sponsored by the United Nations-International Relations student club), *American Civil Liberties Union* documentary on the right to protest, March 28, *WALL*, a cinematic meditation on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, March 9 (co-sponsored by the United Nations/International Relations Club), and *Eyewitness Report from Iraq*, presented by Mr. Sami Rasouli, an Iraqi American, who spent six months working in Iraq, March 2 (co-sponsored by the Student Resistance)