ANTHROPOLOGY

Jared Langseth and Emily Hildebrant presented a poster titled, “Collecting the Collectors & Communities and Communication,” at the Midwest Archaeological Society, October 18.

ECONOMICS


GEOGRAPHY

Katie Gerber’s and Kelsey Erickson’s project, “Monitoring invasive species in Minneopa State Park, Minnesota, using remote sensing and GIS,” was awarded a $2000.00 URC grant and will be presented at the Association of American Geographers meeting in March and the MSU Undergraduate Research Conference in April.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Jerica Gamber, Mark Schroepfer, and Claire Theobald, attended GEOFEST on Oct. 25 at Macalester College. GEOFEST is a set of workshops related to teaching Geography in schools and was sponsored by the Minnesota Alliance for Geographic Education.

SOCIAL WORK

On November 7 the Department of Social Work celebrated its annual Honors Day. Winners of the Social Welfare Scholars competition were recognized and gave synopses of their winning papers.

Emilie Kuenzel received the 3rd Place prize for her paper, "Adoption: Issues & Services."

Sheryl Larsen received the 2nd Place prize for her paper, "Services for Children in Foster Care."

Sheryl Velishek received the 1st Place prize for her paper, "Services for Runaway and Homeless Teens."

WINNERS OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE SCHOLARS COMPETITION

Emilie Kuenzel, Sheryl Larsen, Sheryl Velishek.

Christopher B. Rodgers (’94) was recognized on November 7, during the Department of Social Work’s Honors Day. He received the 2008 Alumnus of the Year for his work as a school social worker in Red Wing, Minn.

The Department of Social Work’s Honors Day Alumnus of the Year, Chris Rodgers, and his family.

URBAN AND REGIONAL STUDIES INSTITUTE

URSI students in the Public Information and Involvement class made a presentation to the St James EDA on the evening of November 24. KEYC aired a story about it that night and it is available at http://www.keyc.com/node/13783.
Faculty and Department Activities

ECONOMICS

Philip Miller presented his paper, "Facility Age and Ownership in Major American Team Sports Leagues: The Effect on Team Franchise Values," at the Wisconsin Economic Association meeting, October 18.

Philip Miller was interviewed by the Toronto Star for a story on how a slumping economy might affect the four major sports leagues in North America.

Correction from November Good News

Michael Spencer’s article, “Loyalty, Protocol, Bargainer Characteristics, and Rationality in an Experimental Investigation of Bilateral Bargaining in Dyads,” has been accepted for publication in Applied Economics Letters.

Michael Spencer presented his article, “Loyalty, Protocol, Bargainer Characteristics, and Rationality in an Experimental Investigation of Bilateral Bargaining in Dyads,” at the 45th annual meeting of the Missouri Valley Economic Association held October 23 – 25, 2008 in St. Louis, MO.

Michael Spencer served as a paper discussant in a session on Nonprofits at the 45th annual meeting of the Missouri Valley Economic Association held October 23 – 25, 2008 in St. Louis, MO. The title of the paper discussed was “Online Philanthropy: Some Hypotheses about its Nature.”

ETHNIC STUDIES

Rhonda Dass presented, “Making it Mine: How local folk connect to a traveling exhibit” at the American Folklore Society meeting, October 22-26.

Professor Dass attended the MSU “Teaching With Technology” conference on November 7. She is implementing online technologies and teaching with the proposed American Indian Studies program and the forthcoming Ethnic Studies introductory textbook with a web-based component.

GEOGRAPHY

Martin Mitchell published, “Deadwood, South Dakota: Place and Setting Combine with Gambling and Historic Preservation,” in the fall issue of the American Geographical Society’s Focus on Geography.


POLITICAL SCIENCE


Joseph Kunkel delivered an October 30 public lecture with question period on the 2008 election, at an event sponsored by Mankato Life Long Learners.

Joseph Kunkel was interviewed by KEYC Radio on October 30, about the outlook for important contests in the November election.

Joseph Kunkel was interviewed by KEYC TV on October 31 for perspective and interpretation of comments made by Senator Chuck Grassley at campaign stop in Mankato on behalf of Senator Norm Coleman's reelection.

Joseph Kunkel participated in a panel discussion on the U.S. Election at an election eve party, November 4, at Friedrich-Alexander University, Nurnberg Campus in Germany.

Joseph Kunkel delivered a guest lecture, “And the winner is...” at the Main Library, Friedrich-Alexander University, Erlangen Campus, November 5.
Joseph Kunkel participated in a panel discussion on U.S. Election at Post-Election Breakfast, Roedl & Partner, Nurnberg, Germany, November 5. He was interviewed by the Nurnberger Nachrichten newspaper.

Joseph Kunkel delivered a guest lecture, "And the winner is..." at the James F. Byrnes Amerika Haus Stuttgart, Germany. He was interviewed by the Stuttgart Press, November 6.

Joseph Kunkel was interviewed by KEYC TV about the Second Amendment, possible Obama Administration limitations on guns, and upswing in gun sales since the election, November 10.

Joseph Kunkel was interviewed on November 12 by the Mankato Free Press about his experiences in Germany analyzing the American election.

Joseph Kunkel was interviewed on November 14 by KEYC TV about his trip to Germany and international reaction to the election of Barack Obama.

Joseph Kunkel delivered a public lecture on November 14 on the election outcomes of the 2008 election at an event sponsored by Mankato Life Long Learners.

**PSYCHOLOGY**


**SOCIAL WORK**

Annelies Hagemeister presented the session, "Beyond Bruises and Barriers: Dynamics Involved in Leaving a Violent Relationship," as part of Mayo Clinic's Day-long Conference on Intimate Partner Violence: Challenges, Interventions, and Solutions, October 9.

Annelies Hagemeister presented a paper entitled "Mothers and their Sons Talk about Domestic Violence: A Qualitative Analysis," at the Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, Oct. 30-Nov. 2. Dr. Hagemeister is also the co-chair of the Annual Conference's Track on Violence against Women and Their Children. She helped to organize that track's 16 conference presentations. She was appointed last year to co-chair this track for a 3-year term.

**WOMEN'S STUDIES**

Maria Bevacqua presented, “Rape on the Public Agenda,” an invited lecture at the University of Minnesota’s Humphrey Institute and Department of Gender, Women’s, and Sexuality Studies on October 14.

Maria Bevacqua was interviewed by The Free Press regarding Carol Ortman Perkins lecturer Jessica Valenti on Oct 31.

Maria Bevacqua was interviewed The Reporter for a story on LGBT Center director Jessica Flatequal on Nov 5.

**SBS ADVISOR RECOGNITION**

Advising U honored four outstanding SBS faculty advisors on November 11. Dawn Albertson (Psychology), James Burnett (Sociology & Corrections), Kevin Filter (Psychology), Tomasz Inglot (Political Science). There was a special recognition of Donald Friend (Geography), who has been nominated all ten years the honors have been awarded.
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SBS SUMMER SCHOLARS
The 12th annual Teaching Scholars were honored November 10, with a reception and recognition ceremony hosted by President Richard Davenport. Two SBS Teaching Scholars presented their research November 13. Kathleen Blue (Anthropology) presented, “Childhood Health in Anglo-Saxon Britain,” and Vicki Hunter (Sociology & Corrections), presented “Identity Work in Women’s Re-Entry Experiences.”

SBS FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS
12 faculty Fulbright recipients were honored as Global Citizens on November 12. The first-ever, invitation-only Global Citizens Awards honored current and emeriti faculty members who have served as Fulbright scholars, senior specialists and researchers, recognizing their contributions to globalization at Minnesota State Mankato. The event was sponsored by Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Scott R. Olson and the Elizabeth and Wynn Kearney International Center.

SBS honorees were
Wayne E. Allen (Ethnic Studies) studied at the University of Alberta-Edmonton in Canada in 1993-’94 with a Fulbright student research award.
Donald A. Friend (Geography) was a senior scholar at Friedrich-Alexander University, Erlangen-Nuremberg, Germany, in 2005-’06.
Lori Ann Lahlum (History) earned a doctoral research award at the University of Oslo, Norway, in 2000-’01.
Richard Wintersteen (Social Work emeritus) was a senior scholar at Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda, in 1997-’98.

We would also like to honor three other SBS Fulbright Scholars
Kathryn (Jay) Elliott (Anthropology) conducted her doctoral research as a Fulbright Scholar in Denmark, examining the way elders see themselves and how this personal view of aging differs from, and sometimes conflicts with, the way the Danish welfare state views "pensioners" and structures services and institutions for them.

David Laverny-Rafter (Urban and Regional Studies) received a 2005-2006 Fulbright award researching the impact of light rail transit and conducting comparative research of European and American light rail systems. He met with the University of Southampton Transportation Research Group for three weeks in May. This is his third Fulbright appointment. His previous awards were in Ireland in 1986 and 1995, where he taught in Cork and Dublin and researched urban planning and policies.

Jackie Vieceli (Political Science/Law Enforcement) completed her doctorate in political philosophy supported by a Fulbright-Hays research fellowship in Swaziland, where she studied the economic and educational development of that country.