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DEPARTMENTAL DEVELOPMENTS

Professional Society Activities

International Journal of Comparative and Applied Criminal Justice: PAUL FRIDAY was appointed to the advisory board. Paul has also been appointed to the U. S. delegation to participate in the "International Symposium of Young Penalists," sponsored by the International Association of Penal Law.

American Society of Criminology: PAUL FRIDAY was reappointed chair of the International Liaison Committee. Paul also chaired a session at the 1976 annual meeting in Tucson. He has also completed editing a volume entitled, International Perspectives on Juvenile Justice and Youth Crime, based on the 1975 papers of the Society. The volume will be published by Praeger.

American Sociological Association: TILMAN COTHRAN was a member of the Committee on Publications.

Midwest Region of International Studies Association: CHET HUNT is president elect.

Journal of Voluntary Action Research: JIM PETERSEN was appointed to the Board of Associate Editors in 1976 and became Deputy Editor in January, 1977.

Association for Gerontology in Higher Education: In 1976 ELLEN ROBIN was appointed chair of the Information and Communications Committee and a member of the Executive Committee. She has been reappointed chair of the Information and Communications Committee for 1977.

Research Activity

The following faculty received fellowships and/or grants from the WMU Faculty Research Fund during 1976.

LLOYD BRAITHWAITE, "The Mayflower Murder: A Sociological Analysis of John Billington"

JERRY MARKLE, "Differential Immigrant Fertility: Income, Politics, or Doctrine?"

JIM PETERSEN, "Democracy in Voluntary Associations"

LARRY ROSEN, "The Jewish Community of Kalamazoo, Michigan"

JIM SCHELLENBERG, "A Study of Interpersonal Effects Upon Probability Judgments"

The following faculty received research grants from outside the university during 1976.

ELLEN ROBIN received a grant from the Administration on Aging in HEW which provides funds for 20 one-semester undergraduate assistantships, a speaker-consultant series, a secretary, and released time for the director.

Work is in progress on a contract from the Michigan Office of Substance Abuse Services for an "Evaluation of Pilot Projects and Recommendations for Implementation of P.A. 339" (decriminalization of public intoxication). Those working on the project include: SUBHASH SONNAD (Principal Investigator); graduate students, GREG BLEVINS, KEN MILLER, DENISE KABAT, DORIS CUBBERNUSS and STEVE KONING; and undergraduates SUSAN CARINGELLA and BETH HARRISON.

A contract was recently received from the Riverwood Community Health Center, St. Joseph, Michigan for an "Evaluation of Riverwood Preschool Treatment Program." The project staff includes SUBHASH SONNAD (Director), PAUL PETRO, JACK HALTEMAN, and SANDY VAN ANTWERP.

PAUL FRIDAY received a grant from the Swedish Crime Prevention Board for an "Assessment of Alternative Sanctioning Policies." The project is designed to look at the impact of the day-fine system in Sweden.

PAUL FRIDAY is director of an "Evaluation of the Deferred Prosecution Program" which is a follow-up study of his 1973 study and funded by the Citizens Probation Authority, County of Kalamazoo.

PAUL FRIDAY is director on "International Assessment of the Critical Issues in Adult Probation Services." This research is being funded by OCJP through a subcontract from the Ohio State University Research Foundation. It involves an evaluation of all probation studies throughout the world.

STAN ROBIN and JIM BOSCO are continuing research on the social context of stimulant drug therapy for the treatment of hyperkinetic children. Their research was funded for May, 1976 through December 1977 by NIMH and the Office of Education. Stan and Jim have applied to NIMH for additional funding to continue the research beyond next December.

DICK MAC DONALD and JIM SCHELLENBERG are completing their analysis of a survey on faculty attitudes toward unionization at Western last year. Dick is also working in the area of High Risk Life Styles.

Publications

Books:

DAVID CHAPLIN, Peruvian Nationalism: A Corporatist Revolution, Transaction Books, 1976

In 1976 McGraw Hill Kogakusha, Ltd., published an "International Student Edition" of Sociology by PAUL HORTON and CHESTER HUNT.

JEROME MANIS, Analyzing Social Problems, Praeger, 1976

STAN ROBIN and JIM BOSCO have edited The Hyperkinetic Child and Stimulant Drugs: Definitions, Diagnosis, and Directives to be published by the University of Chicago Press in April. The book was previously published as a special issue of School Review.

CHESTER HUNT is editor and principal author of a new sociology text for Philippine college students. One of the co-authors of Sociology in the New Philippine Setting is LUIS LACAR, a WMU sociology Ph.D. (1974). Luis is now chairman of the Sociology Department, Silliman University, Dumaguete City, Philippines.

Articles, Reviews, Etc.

Criminology: PAUL FRIDAY, "Youth Crime in Post-Industrial Societies: An Integrated Perspective," November, 1976.

International Journal of Criminology and Penology: PAUL FRIDAY, "Changing Perspectives on Theory and Research in Criminology," February, 1977.

Federal Probation: PAUL FRIDAY, "Sanctioning in Sweden: An Overview," September, 1976.

The Peninsular Papers: STEVE KONING and RICHARD ROPERS, "Unemployment and Political Attitudes: An Empirical Assessment," Fall, 1976.

Population Studies: JERRY MARKLE and SHARON PASCO, "Family Limitation Among the Old Order Amish," Vol. 31(1).

East-West Population Center Papers: JERRY MARKLE and BOB WAIT, "The Development of Future Family Sex Preference Norms Among U. S. Children," September, 1976.

Journal of Voluntary Action Research: JIM PETERSEN and GARY LEE, "Religious Affiliation and Social Participation: Differences Between Lutherans and Catholics," April, 1976.

Intellect: DON BOUMA, "Three Faces of Poverty," September, 1976.

Michigan Academician: DON BOUMA, Review of Robert Trajanowicz and Samuel Dixon, Criminal Justice and the Community, Spring, 1976.

International Sociological Association, Hiroshima, Japan, 1976: PAUL FRIDAY, "Patterns of Social Relationships and Youth Crime: Social Integration and Prevention."

International Congress on Social Defense, Caracas, Venezuela, 1976: PAUL FRIDAY, "Youth Crime in Post-Industrial Societies: Issues for Prevention Policy."

Manila, Philippines: PAUL FRIDAY, key-note speaker on "Contributions of Criminological Theory and Research to Criminal Justice Practice," August, 1976.

Association of Voluntary Action Scholars, Boston, 1976. JIM PETERSEN served on the program committee for the national meeting and also presented a paper, "Apricots and Cancer: Participation in the Laetrile Movement"; which was co-authored with JERRY MARKLE and MORTON WAGENFELD.

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research: JIM PETERSEN was a participant in the 1976 summer program at the University of Michigan.

HERB SMITH conducted a "Family Life Institute" at West Branch (sponsored by Saints Church Women's Organization) and at Baldwin (sponsored by Grand Rapids area ministers).

DON BOUMA was a guest lecturer at the University of British Columbia on "Recent Challenges to Family Life" and participated in a colloquium on "Issues in Sociology" with the sociology faculty at Calvin College.

Center for Educational Studies: JERRY MARKLE and BOB WAIT, "Children Anticipate their Future Families: Developmental Patterns in the Acquisition of Future Family Size and Sex Composition," July, 1976.

Latin American Studies Association, Atlanta, 1976: DAVE CHAPLIN, "The Careers of Women Latin Americanists," a Ford Foundation funded research report.

Social Science History Association, DAVE CHAPLIN, "Resident Servants as an Indicator of Social Stratification in London, 1851."

American Psychological Association, Washington, D. C., 1976: ELLEN ROBIN, "Old Age in Elementary School Readers."

Gerontology Society, New York, 1976: ELLEN ROBIN, "Through the Years with Agatha Christie: Detecting the Life Cycle." Ellen also presided over a discussion group titled, "Aging and Culture: Some Recent Findings of Content Analysis."

North Central Sociological Society, Louisville, 1976: STEVE KONING and RICH ROPERS, "Political Radicalism and Alienation Among the Unemployed."

Society for Cross-Cultural Research, Michigan State University, 1977: DANNY DIZON, "Explaining Youth Crime: A Proposal for a Cross-Cultural Perspective." DAVE CHAPLIN was a discussant on Danny's panel.

American Society of Criminology, Tucson, 1976: LLOYD BRAITHWAITE, "Judicial Decision-Making"

Readings in Social Problems: JERRY MANIS had an article, "The Seriousness of Social Problems," in the 1976-77 annual edition published by the Duskin Publishing Group. The new paradigm of social problems suggested by Jerry in his recent book and articles has begun to receive some attention by other sociologists. For the most part, thus far, the response has been of the "for another point of view see" (e.g., Merton and Nisbett's 1976 edition of their Social Problems text). However, there have been several more notable consequences. Henslin and Roesti, Social Problems (October, 1976) pp. 66 has suggested that the SSSP adopt the Manis criteria of the seriousness of social problems. And, the 1977 edition of Scarpitti's Social Problems (p. 6) has used Manis' definition of a social problem, while dropping and criticizing his earlier edition's definition based on the "public opinion" criteria.

Organization and Administrative Sciences: JIM PETERSEN, "Organizational Structure and Program Change in Protestant Denominations," Winter, 1975/76.

Journal of Voluntary Action Research: JIM PETERSEN, "Ideological Diffuseness and Internal Democracy in Voluntary Associations." January, 1976.

Intellect: HERB SMITH and SANDEE POTTER, "Sex Education as Viewed by Teenage Unwed Mothers," April, 1976.

Journal of Abstracts in International Education: EDESEL ERICKSON, DON DEPEW, WILBUR BROOKOVER, and LEILA BRADFIELD, "A Cross-Cultural Validation Study of a Self-Concept Theory," Fall, 1976.

Contemporary Sociology: MORTON WAGENFELD reviewed Howard Kaplan's The Sociology of Mental Illness in the November, 1976 issue.

Journal of Community Psychology: STANLEY ROBIN and MORTON WAGENFELD, "The Nature and Correlates of Community Mental Health Ideology in Community Mental Health Centers," 1976.

Journal of Health and Social Behavior: MORTON WAGENFELD and STANLEY ROBIN, "Boundary Busting in the Role of the Community Mental Health Worker," June, 1976.

Papers, Reports, Lectures, Etc.

ASA Meetings, New York, 1976: DONNA KAMINSKI, EDESEL ERICKSON, MARTIN ROSS and LEILA BRADFIELD, "Why Females Don't Like Mathematics: The Effect of Parental Expectations";

RICH ROPERS, STEVE KONING, and SUBHASH SONNAD, "Unemployment and Working Class Consciousness";

MORTON WAGENFELD and STANLEY ROBIN, "The Psychiatrist as Social Activist." Morty also organized a session on "Urban Sprawl" for the meetings and LARRY ROSEN served as discussant for the session.

Fourth World Congress of Rural Sociology, Turun, Poland, 1976: CHET HUNT, "The Philippine Compact Farm.

Annual Southwestern Conference of Criminal Justice, Arlington, Texas, 1976:
LLOYD BRAITHWAITE, "Standards and Accreditation of Criminal Justice Programs."

LLOYD BRAITHWAITE had an active year as a speaker during 1976. He gave over a dozen lectures to groups on campus, throughout Michigan and the University of Maryland, Illinois State University and Denver County Juvenile Court. Among the lectures he has presented are "Corrections in America," "The Need for an Ombudsman in Michigan," and "Organized Crime, Politics and Commerce." Lloyd also served as a consultant to the WMU Police Department and the Kalamazoo County Juvenile Court. On January 20 he lectured on "The Symbiotic Relationship of Organized Crime, Commerce and Politics," in a symposium on Criminal Justice at Simon Fraser University in Victoria, British Columbia.

PAUL FRIDAY traveled to Europe early in March to lecture at the Institute for the Study of the Causes of Crime in Moscow on "Youth Crime in Post Industrial Society." He will also be visiting Stockholm as a consultant to the Swedish Crime Prevention Bureau on "alternative sanctions" following his work with them while in Sweden last year on a Fulbright research grant. The primary purpose of Dr. Friday's trip is to gather European data for his comparative international research project on "The Assessment of the Critical Issues in Adult Probation Services" funded by the Law Enforcement assistance administration (LEAA) through Ohio State University.

Midwest Association of Public Opinion Research, Chicago, 1976: STEVE KONING and RICH ROPERS, "The Political Response to Unemployment."

Kalamazoo County Department of Substance Abuse: RICH ROPERS, "Evaluation Report on Public Act 339 (Decriminalization of Public Intoxication) Pilot Project" November, 1976.

EDSEL ERICKSON lectured on "The Relevance of Social Psychology for Human Relations Specialists" at the Great Lakes Naval Station and conducted an inservice workshop at Fort Sheridan.

ROBERT ACKERMAN participated in a panel discussion on Army Alcohol and Drug Rehabilitation Programs and spoke on "Alcoholism in the Military: A Promotable Concept" at the winter workshop of Psychotherapy Associates. The workshop was on "Treatment and Rehabilitation of the Alcoholic" and was held in Colorado Springs, January, 1977.

North Central Meeting, 1977: RICHARD ROPERS and STEVE KONING will present a paper entitled, "Authoritarianism and Working Class Consciousness, An Empirical Reexamination."

Michigan Sociological Association Meetings, April, 1977: RICHARD ROPERS and STEVE KONING, "Unions, Radicalism and Economic Insecurity"; STEVE KONING AND RICHARD ROPERS, "Self-Esteem Among the Unemployed."

DAVID LEWIS, "Ethnicity and Institutional Dominance: The Influence of Japanese and Japanese Americans on Judo in the U.S.," Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters, March, 1977.

NEWS NOTES

Promoted: JERRY MARKLE and SUBHASH SONNAD to Associate Professor, JIM PETERSEN to Assistant Professor.

JERRY MARKLE was appointed chair of the Kalamazoo SMSA Census Tract Committee.

HELEN NELSON is a member of the Kalamazoo City Planning Commission, the Zoning Board of Appeals, and the Southcentral Michigan Planning Council (Region III) Housing Committee.

JIM SCHELLENBERG has followed Ross Eshleman (Wayne State) and Don Horning (St. Mary's, Notre Dame) in leaving Western to chair a department (Indiana University at Terre Haute). Jim's combines sociology, anthropology and social work. Jim and Cris will be greatly missed and have our best wishes.

LARRY ROSEN is settled in as the demographic analyst at the Bureau of Budget and Management in Lansing. Once he overcame the "culture shock" of an 8:00 to 5:00 schedule and the lifestyle of the state bureaucracy, Larry finds his work very challenging. We look forward to his return as our first adjunct faculty member to talk to us about his work on estimating local intercensal populations.

JOHN VONK (WMU, sociology Ph.D., 1972) received tenure at the University of Northern Colorado.

AL LECOFF, a former doctoral candidate at Western is working with his twin brother, who is the director of the Amaranth Gallery and Workshop in Elkins Park, Pennsylvania.

JOHN FOX (WMU, sociology Ph.D., 1976) is finishing his second year of post-doctoral research with David Mechanic at the University of Wisconsin (Madison). John has continued his consulting work with the Center for Educational Studies in Grand Rapids.

CLIFFORD BRYAN and BOB HORTON, both Ph.D.s from Western and now faculty at Idaho State, aroused nationwide interest through their article on "School Athletics and Fan Aggression" in Educational Researcher, July-August, 1976. Cliff wrote, "This thing has really been moving. So far, I have been interviewed via telephone via CBS from Boston, UPI from New York City, Educ. t.v. in Iowa State U., a California radio station, one in Twin Falls, Id., and clippings have been sent from Texas, Detroit, Milwaukee, Colorado, Mexico, and others. In fact, the only place that I know of that this [article] has received no publicity is Idaho. It was also covered in September 24 issue of Education USA and the August 30 issue of Behavior Today. It is kind of neat to see an idea that one has worked on and polished for several years just suddenly take off."

Three graduate students received their Ph.D.'s during the past year. They are:

August, 1976: RICHARD H. ROPERS, "Political and Social Attitudes Among the Unemployed; A Marxist Analysis." Rich is a lecturer at Western this year. JOHN W. FOX, "Elementary School Effects: An Explication of Theory and Methods." John is a research associate at the University of Wisconsin (Madison).

December, 1976: KENNETH L. STEWART, "A Dramaturgical Model for Analysis of Social Control Through Conflict Management: The Case of the University Ombudsman." Ken is teaching at Angelo State University in Texas.

LLOYD BRAITHWAITE married Gloria Harris, November 24, 1976.

DON BOUMA was listed in the 1976 edition of Who's Who in the Midwest.

DON BOUMA'S son, Dr. Gary Bouma, has been re-named chair of the Sociology Department at Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

LLOYD BRAITHWAITE directed Western's first Police Internship Program during the 1976 spring session. Seventeen students were placed in five agencies. This spring, it will place over twice as many students in a wide range of criminal justice organizations in addition to the police.

LEW WALKER and CHET HUNT took Ethnic Relations classes to Chicago for a field trip, the 60th such field trip.

CHET HUNT is teaching "Rural Communities and Minorities," the first time a rural sociology course has been taught in the department.

LEW WALKER'S role on the All-University Committee to Study Graduate and Professional Education at Western is finally over. After two and a half years' work, the committee's final report, Graduate Education at Western Michigan University was published in April, 1976. In October, Lew participated as a panel member to discuss some of the report's major recommendations for changes in graduate education. Lew has again been appointed to a similar task within our own department. As a member of the Blue Ribbon Committee, he along with CHET HUNT and DAVE LEWIS have been assigned the task of conducting a critical review of graduate education in sociology at Western.

RHONDA COWDERY brought her first child, Craig Andrew, to visit the department February 7. He was born February 4.

MORT WAGENFELD is developing a radio course on the sociology of health and illness for Western's Aural Press.

DONNA KAMINSKI spent six weeks in England and Scotland during June and July, 1976. She also has a new leather shop in the "family," The Corner Cobbler in the Common Market at Locust and Vine.

ROSE FRANKLIN'S appointment to the university Graduate Studies Council was renewed for 1976-77.

ALA TOLOUIE defended his M.A. thesis in January, 1977. He is currently enrolled in the sociology doctoral program at Michigan State University.

Next fall, Sociology will join with Art, Teacher Education and Counseling and Personnel to sponsor a Sangren Hall Film Workshop. MILT BRAWER organized our end of it, which will be offered Fall and Winter as Sociology 495.

ANN GOETTING was interviewed on the Accent Show (WKZO-TV) on her dissertation findings on "Role Expectations or Remarried Dyads" (relations among all partners of the former and current remarriages, with former spouses and their new mates). Ann is also running a workshop for Continuing Education on "Divorce and Remarriage in Contemporary American Society," for a six-week period beginning February 8.

PAUL PETRO has accepted a position as Planning and Research Assistant with the Southcentral Michigan Commission on Aging. His work involves the collection of data on characteristics and needs of the elderly in Region III, data analysis, and planning of Aging Programs.

New graduate students in Sociology 1976-77):

Robert Ackerman	Texas	Takashi Miyaxaki	Japan
Ala Ahmad Al-Tarrah	Kuwait	Marzieh Moghadam	Iran
Victoria Brubaker	Kalamazoo	Ralph O'Sullivan	Texas
Stephen Cannel	Kalamazoo	David Person	Kalamazoo
Sharon Dye	Ann Arbor	Hamid Pouryoussefi	Iran
Virginia Fish	Stevens Pt., Wisconsin	Clarence Ritsema	Texas
Timothy Goodman	Ann Arbor	Minoo Safai-Amini	Iran
Julia Johnson	Portage	Thomas Shepard	Kent, Mich.
Earlene Jordan	Grand Rapids	Sukaesinee Subhadira	Thailand
Denise Kabat	Saginaw	Denise Tyiska	Kalamazoo
Brenda King	Grand Rapids	John Van Dyke	Belmont, Mich.
Deborah Miller	Jackson	Yvonne Vissing	Jeffersonville, Ind.
		Rosalyn Von Koenig	St. Joseph, Mi.

CONNIE (C.J.) BAILEY and SHARON DYE are recent honors graduates who completed an honors thesis in sociology. Sharon then entered our graduate program as the holder of a university fellowship.

JOLENE JACKSON, an undergraduate major in Sociology (Dec 1974) with a minor in linguistics is admissions counselor in Western's Office of International Student Services. There she helps our increasing number of foreign students with their admissions and visa problems. She is also pursuing an M.A. in Counseling.

JULIE ROSSER, a senior sociology major was one of 26 Western students to receive a "distinguished senior" scholarship for winter semester. Julie is from Cassapolis and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rosser. (The awards go to students with at least a 3.5 GPA and on the basis of "participation in extra-curricular activities and contributions to the campus and Kalamazoo communities.")

MARILYNNE G. QUATES a sociology junior from Detroit was a semi-finalist in the School of Social Work's 1977 Whitney M. Young, Jr. Scholars Awards. These awards are based on a proposal writing contest for creative social welfare projects open to upper level minority students at Western.

Sociology major JANET ONESIAN has been granted a Russell Seibert Fund Award for the current semester. During 1975-76 four sociology majors, Carol Koza, Jennie Wasik, Harold Varnis, and Michael Branigan, received Russell Seibert Awards. Harold, an undergraduate math major developed a late interest in sociology and is now a graduate student at the University of Wisconsin.

