

From the Dean



Pictured: Mary Beth Walker in Turkey.

The university delegation to Turkey has just returned from a highly successful trip, mostly due to the extraordinary efforts of CJC faculty, **Volkan Topalli**. As you probably know, he leads the university task force for Turkey, which is one of the five countries that GSU chose to focus on for internationalization efforts. He was assisted by economics faculty **Erdal Tekin** and between the two of them, they made the trip both productive and enjoyable. I am very grateful to the two of them for their help and for making the AYS look so good.

We visited five universities and I believe we have very strong chances of meaningful connections at three, if not four, of these universities. I am doing follow up work on these visits now. I think there will be opportunities for exchanges, dual degree programs, and executive training. One university, Bacesehir, not only has two AYS alums on faculty, **Bulent Anil** (Ph.D. Economics '07), and **Deniz R. Gokce** (Ph.D. Economics '81), but they also have an interest in expanding their center for social research into a larger policy school.

I hope other faculty will also be engaged in these different efforts as we go further.

Faculty Recognition



Brent Teasdale, associate professor and director of graduate studies (Criminal Justice and Criminology), was recently elected the division chair for the Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division of the Society for the Study of Social Problems. The term runs from 2013-2015.



Robert Friedmann, professor emeritus (Criminal Justice and Criminology), and director (Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange), was named among the most popular authors in the *Criminology and Criminal Justice Commons* in August 2012. Per a March 25 email from the Digital Commons Network, of the 466 authors in this discipline, his work received some of the highest downloads.



Harvey K. Newman, professor (Public Management and Policy) and **John C. Thomas** (pictured), professor (Public Management and Policy), were placed on the Urban Affairs Association's Service Honor Roll for their lifetimes of outstanding leadership and commitment to the organization and its members at its annual meeting April 5, 2013 in San Francisco, Calif.

AYSPS Public Service & Research End Event

Thank you to the students who participated in and faculty/alumni who judged the AYSPS Public Service & Research End Event in May. It was a full house with over 200 students, faculty, guests and alumni celebrating student work this academic year.

The winners (1) and runners up (2) in each category were:

Capstone Projects

- 1) Identifying Communities for Great Promise Partnership Program Expansion, Ashley Brooks, Kenneth Durden and Pamela Holmes (PMAP)
- 2) ACORN Remittance Justice Campaign, Charlene Davison, Alice Lee, Jennifer Phillips, Brittany Burgess and Tim Zdencanovic (SW)

Internships

- 1) Continued Police Officer Hand-to-Hand Combat Training After the Academy, Joshua Johnson (CJ)
- 2) Success in the TANF Program, Kimberly Chiltoskie (PMAP)

Research (Undergraduate)

- 1) Pathways to Homelessness of Older Adults Living in Extended Stay Hotels, Wendy Myers (SW)
- 2) Citizen Participation and Local Governance Effectiveness: Evidence from Uganda, Maria Morales (Econ)

Research (Graduate)

- 1) Impact of Charter District Status on Student Performance, Brandon Williams (Econ)
- 2) Disaster Demographics: Assessing Resilience Through Social Connectivity, Erik Brownsword, Parker Martin, Rachel Mast and Andriy Kruglasho (PMAP)

Publications

Rohit Jindal (University of Alberta), John Kerr (Michigan State University), **Paul Ferraro** (pictured), professor (Economics), and Brent M. Swallow (University of Alberta), "Social Dimensions of Procurement Auctions for Environmental Service Contracts: Evaluating tradeoffs between cost-effectiveness and participation by the poor in rural Tanzania," *Land Use Policy*, 31: 71-80 (2013). Article can be found at: <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0264837711001359>.



Kwaw Andam (pictured), alumnus (Ph.D. in Economics '08 and now with the World Bank), **Paul Ferraro**, and **Merlin Hanauer**, alumnus (Ph.D. in Economics '11), "The Effects of Protected Area Systems on Ecosystem Restoration: a quasi-experimental design to estimate the impact of Costa Rica's protected area system on forest regrowth," *Conservation Letters*, doi: 10.1111/conl.12004 (2013). Article can be found at: <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/conl.12004/abstract>.

Daniela Miteva (Duke University), Subhrendu Pattanayak (Duke University), and **Paul Ferraro**, "Do biodiversity policies work? The case for Conservation Evaluation 2.0. In D. Helm and C. Hepburn (Eds.), *Nature in the Balance: the economics of biodiversity*,. Oxford University Press, (2013)

Christopher B. Barrett (Cornell University), Erwin Bulte (Wageningen University), **Paul Ferraro**, and Sven Wunder (Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research – CGIAR), "Economic instruments for nature," in D. MacDonald (Ed.), *Key Topics in Conservation Biology*. Blackwell Publishing, (2013).



David L. Sjoquist (pictured), professor (Economics) and **John V. Winters**, alumnus (Ph.D. in Economics '09, and now assistant professor at the University of Cincinnati), "The Effect of HOPE on Post-Graduation Retention in the Georgia Workforce," *Regional Science and Urban Economics*, 43 (3) (2013): 479-490. Article can be found at: <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0166046213000124>.



Bill Kahnweiler, professor (Public Management and Policy), "Nonprofit Leaders and Organization Development Consultants: Caveat Emptor," *Organization Development Journal* (forthcoming).



Vjollca Sadiraj (pictured), assistant professor (Economics) with co-authors **James C. Cox**, professor (Economics), director (Experimental Economics Center), and the Noah Langdale Jr. Chair in Economics/Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar, **Kurt E. Schnier**, associate professor (Economics), Ira L. Leeds (Emory University School of Medicine), and John F. Sweeney (Emory University School of Medicine), "Assessing Clinical Discharge Data Preferences among Practicing Surgeons," *Journal of Surgical Research*, Vol. 179, (2), February 2013.



Pramesti Resiandini, visiting assistant professor (Economics), "Japanese and Korean Automobile Exports and the Alchian-Allen Theorem," *International Journal of Trade and Global Markets*, forthcoming. The working paper is online at <http://mpr.ub.uni-muenchen.de/41928/>.



James Alm, (Tulane University), **Robert D. Buschman** (pictured), senior research associate (Fiscal Research Center), and **David L. Sjoquist**, "How Did Foreclosures Affect Property Values in Georgia?" *State Tax Notes*, 67 (12) (2013): 947-952.

Presentations



Bill Waugh (pictured), professor (Public Management and Policy) presented a paper coauthored with **Cathy Liu**, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy) titled "Disaster and Development as Capacity-Building" at the National Conference of the American Society for Public Administration, New Orleans, La. Waugh also served on a panel on "The ASPA Post-Katrina Task Force: An Update on Katrina Recovery" and on a conference super panel with LTG Russel Honore and the emergency management directors of the State of Louisiana, St. Tammany Parish, and the City of New Orleans, on "Louisiana Post-Katrina: What's Changed?", March 14-18, 2013.

Paul Ferraro, profesor (Economics), presented “The social and environmental impacts of USAID’s SCAPES initiative,” as the keynote speaker at the U.S. Agency for International Development Sustainable Conservation Approaches in Priority Ecosystems network annual meeting, Baltimore, Md., March 19, 2013.

Paul Ferraro was the keynote speaker at a meeting of the Consultative Group on Biological Diversity, a group of philanthropic foundations that fund environmental programs, where he presented “What works and how? Impact evaluations to catalyze conservation policy and practice,” San Francisco, Calif., January 8, 2013.

Paul Ferraro presented “Panel Data Designs and Estimators as Substitutes for Randomized Controlled Trials in the Evaluation of Environmental Policy: a design-replication study” as an invited speaker at Oregon State University, Corvallis, Ore., January 11, 2013.



Harvey K. Newman (pictured), professor (Public Management and Policy), with **Andrea Young**, member (AYSPS Advisory Board) and **Kelechi Uzochukwu**, Ph.D. student (Public Management and Policy), presented “Tourism and the ‘Atlanta Way,’ Lessons from the Making of Modern Atlanta Project for Other 21st Century Cities” at the annual meeting of the Urban Affairs Association, San Francisco, Calif., April 5, 2013.

Media Hits

Robert Friedmann, professor emeritus (Criminal Justice and Criminology) and director (Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange), was quoted in an *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* PolitiFact Georgia story titled “Fuzzy use of data undercuts marijuana arrests claim,” March 14, 2013. Article can be found at:

<http://www.politifact.com/georgia/statements/2013/mar/26/james-bell/fuzzy-use-data-undercuts-marijuana-arrests-claim/>

Activities & Outreach



Sally Wallace, chair and professor (Economics), provided testimony on Washington, D.C.’s fiscal structure to the D.C. Tax Revision Commission, April 15, 2013, D.C.

Harvey K Newman, professor (Public Management and Policy), participated in an oral history project of the Urban Affairs Association. As one of the pioneers of the association, he was interviewed about its annual meetings, publications and his two terms as a member and chair of the Governing Board.

Student Awards, Honors and other News

Five MSW students presented “Fired Up, Ready to Go! Disaster Readiness in African American Communities” at the annual National Association of Black Social Workers (NABSW) 45th Annual Conference, Jacksonville, Fla., April 6, 2013. **Breanna Kelly, Tiffany Person, Brittney Adams, Franci Frazier** and **Brandi Shine** presented their research findings on emergency



preparedness disparities among African Americans in the metro Atlanta area and on providing tools and strategies to prepare community members for disasters. They worked vigorously in coordination with the NABSW Disaster Preparedness Team to examine these disparities and identify methods to decrease them. The students completed this project as part of the final community project required of their master's program.

Graduating BSW student, **Wendy Meyers** took 2nd place in a competitive Poster Presentation at the Southern Gerontological Society Conference on April 6, 2013, in Charlotte, N.C. Meyers' topic, “Pathways to Homelessness for Older Adults Residing in Extended Stay Hotels,” emerged from **Terri Lewinson's**, assistant professor (School of Social Work), funded John A. Hartford study exploring ‘Health Challenges of Older Adults Residing in Extended Stay Hotels.’ Meyers will continue to work in this area as she transitions into the MSW program this fall.

AYSPS Field Day

We extend a big thank you to our students and faculty who joined us for Field Day 2013 on April 6th. After some intense competition among the 33 competitors representing our four academic departments, PMAP came out on top, making them the reigning AYSPS Cup Champions for 2013! Students topped the competition with a BBQ lunch and mingling in perfect weather at the Student Rec Center. PMAP winning team pictured on right.



We look forward to continuing this friendly rivalry at next year's Field Day event.

Congratulations to the 2013 Co-Ed Intramural Softball Team (regular season: 1-3, playoffs: 1-1)



Top: Dennis Young (PMAP), Lily Haley (GHPC), Margo Doers (FRC), Angie Snyder (GHPC), Debbie Kibbe (GHPC), Julia Manzella (Econ)

Bottom: Huiping Du (FRC), Jim Marton (Econ), Chuck Courtemanche (Econ), Travis Blake (PMAP), Eric Napierala (Econ)

Not Pictured: Jenny Giarratano (Dean's Office), Danyang Li (Econ), Lorenzo Almada (Econ), Shelby Frost (Econ), Shelly-Ann Williams (OAA), Kyle Mangum (Econ), Yanling Qi (Econ), Melissa Haberlen (GHPC), Laura Wheeler (FRC), Dan Montanera (RBC).

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