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# WISCONSIN POLITICAL SCIENCE

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A Newsletter for Alumni & Friends of the Department of Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
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## Memo from the Chair

Greetings,

The occupant of the chair's office in North Hall has changed once again, but one thing remains constant: as in the past, we can continue to take great pride in our Badger Political Science Department. This issue of the newsletter—like previous ones—reports our numerous accomplishments over the past year. The faculty continues to be very productive; the awards won for papers and publications that have been on the cutting edge of political analysis are impressive indeed. At the same time, we maintain our department's reputation at the university for excellence in teaching. We now have more majors than any other program on campus, and this past year Professor John Coleman won a prestigious campus-teaching award. Our students are doing exceptionally well. Note the article in this issue by one of our majors, Rob Yablon, who was honored as a Rhodes Scholar.

We've enjoyed great successes, but we also face big challenges. Success itself has generated increased competition from departments at other universities who seek to attract quality students and faculty. New technologies allow us to enhance teaching and research, but require changes and increased resources. Recent increases in the number of students and faculty in the Department have not been matched by additional resources in money, supplies, office staff, or student advisors out of the university budget. North Hall—our collective home since 1963--recently celebrated its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It is

the oldest building on campus and the birthplace of the Wisconsin idea. But as those of you who remember North Hall well will undoubtedly recall, it is a facility that shows its age.

We rely heavily on support from alumni and friends and sincerely appreciate past and current generosity. We are clearly going to have to rely on this more heavily in the years to come. Fortunately, with the support and encouragement of the College of Letters and Science and the University of Wisconsin Foundation, we have been able to establish a Board of Visitors to help us meet these and other challenges that we face. The Board of Visitors is working to assist the Department and the La Follette School of Public Affairs in raising funds for ensuring our futures as top-tier programs. Members of the Board include some of our most distinguished alumni and friends (see the article in this Newsletter). The Board first met in May 2001, and it was clear at that time—and very encouraging—that they are extremely committed to maintaining and enhancing our excellence.

As we complete the first 100 years of our existence as a department, we have many successes to celebrate. We begin our next 100 years with challenges, but also with a vision toward the future and with important resources—a competent and dedicated staff, accomplished and loyal alumni, bright and curious students, and a distinguished and hard-working faculty.

On, Wisconsin!

Mark Beissinger

## **Board of Visitors for the La Follette School of Public Affairs and the Department of Political Science**

During this past year, the Department joined with the La Follette School of Public Affairs and established a Board of Visitors to assist us in developing our programs and resource base. The partnership between the Department and the School allows for supporting the full range of instruction on governance and public policy (undergraduate and Ph.D. with the Department and masters with the School) and both academic and applied research and outreach.

With the help of the Dean's office and the University of Wisconsin Foundation, we contacted some of our most distinguished alumni and friends about joining the inaugural Board. The response was heartening and encouraging. The list of members, with brief biographical detail, bodes very well for the success of the Board—and thus the Department and the La Follette School.

The first Board meeting was held on campus on May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Members joined the public in attending a lecture by John Nichols, "Continuing the Progressive Tradition under the Bush Presidency." This lecture is sponsored by funds from family and friends to honor the memory of Laurie Carlson, a prominent activist in Wisconsin's Progressive Movement.

After a reception and dinner, Board members heard from our Professor Ken Goldstein. In his presentation, "Seeing Spots: Television Advertising and Second Guessing in the 2000 Election," Professor Goldstein shared the results of some of his work on political advertising, funded from a grant from the Pew Charitable Trusts.

On Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, the Board mixed business with interaction with students and faculty. Some La Follette students discussed a policy analysis on snow and ice removal they did for the City of Milwaukee, and Paul Manna, a Ph.D. candidate in political science,

described his dissertation research on education policy and national politics. The Board also had presentations from Professor Kathryn Hendley and Professor Melanie Manion.

Everyone agreed we got off to a good start. Board members got to know one another and to meet with some of our students and faculty. The Board discussed some of the general needs for fund-raising and pledged to work closely with the Department and the School to target efforts. The next meeting of the Board was scheduled for September, 2001, but had to be postponed until March 2002 due to the September 11<sup>th</sup> events.

### **Board Members**

#### **David W. Adamany**

President of Temple University in Philadelphia and professor of law and political science. His past positions include president and professor of law and political science at Wayne State University in Detroit. He holds undergraduate and law degrees from Harvard University, and a master's and doctoral degrees in political science from the UW-Madison and was on the faculty at UW-Madison and served in the cabinet of Governor Patrick Lucey.

#### **P. Bai Akridge**

President of Worldwide Services, Inc., a consulting firm that focuses on international education, commerce, and policy. During the past 20 years, his career has included government relations and philanthropy in international business, and university teaching and research at Washington University in St. Louis. He completed a 17-year career with the IBM Corporation in May 2000. He has earned several advanced degrees, including a master's in public policy and administration and a doctorate in political science from the UW-Madison.

#### **Eloise Anderson**

Director of the Program for the American Family at the Claremont Institute where she develops policy approaches to welfare, education,

employment, and health. She was director of the California Department of Social Services, and prior to that was administrator of the Division of Community Services for the Wisconsin Department of Health and Social Services. Her career includes many positions in state and local government, and she holds several degrees.

**Edwin L. Behrens**

Formerly the director of national government relations for Procter & Gamble, Behrens now consults occasionally. Most recently, he served as senior advisor to the Progress and Freedom Foundation, coordinating its research and educational activities regarding online privacy. He received a bachelor's and a master's degree in chemical engineering from the UW–Madison, and a master's in business administration from Xavier University. Previously, Behrens chaired the University of Wisconsin Foundation Committee for the greater Washington area. Mrs. Behrens is active in the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation's annual "National Race for the Cure."

**Jay L. Carlson**

Attorney with Miller & Chevalier, chartered in Washington, D.C., specializing in counsel for the taxpayer. He earned a bachelor's degree at the UW–Madison and a law degree at the George Washington University Law School. His family recently established the Laurie Carlson Lecture Fund through the La Follette School of Public Affairs.

**Bernard Cohen**

Emeritus professor of political science at the UW–Madison and has been on the faculty at Princeton University and the UW–Madison. He is also emeritus vice chancellor of UW–Madison. His undergraduate work, master's degree, and doctoral work were all done at Yale University.

**Elaine Davis**

Retired senior academic adviser for the UW–Madison Department of Political Science. She serves on the board of directors for the Boys and Girls Club of Dane County, chairs the Community Services Committee for the Madison Breakfast Rotary Club, and is on the United Way of Dane County Board of Trustees. She received a bachelor's degree from Cheyney State University and a master's in education from the University of Michigan.

**Charles P. Fischbach**

An arbitrator and mediator, Fischbach has expertise in twenty-five industries including the railroad industry. He is a leading authority on the Railway Labor Act and rail arbitration law. He also arbitrates employment and commercial disputes. He earned undergraduate and law degrees at the UW–Madison and a master's at Rutgers University.

**Thomas R. Hefty**

Hefty is president, chairman, and chief executive officer of Cobalt Corporation and its subsidiary, Blue Cross and Blue Shield United of Wisconsin. He served as Wisconsin's deputy insurance commissioner, assistant general counsel for the Sentry Insurance Group, and as an attorney in the Bureau of Competition of the Federal Trade Commission. He holds a master's degree in health care economics from John Hopkins University and a law degree from the UW–Madison.

**R. Gordon Hoxie**

Founder of the Center for the Study of the Presidency, Hoxie has served as its president, chief executive officer, and chair, and continues as a member of the board. Hoxie is a graduate of the University of Northern Iowa, received a master's degree from UW–Madison, and a doctorate from Columbia University. He is a graduate of the Air War College and a retired Air Force Brigadier General.

**Charles O. Jones**

Professor emeritus of political science at the UW–Madison, and a non-resident senior fellow in the governmental studies program at the Brookings Institution. He has taught at Wellesely College, University of Arizona, University of Pittsburgh, and University of Virginia. He has also been a visiting lecturer in more than 100 colleges, universities, and institutes. He received a bachelor’s degree from the University of South Dakota, a master’s degree and doctorate from the UW–Madison, and a master’s degree from Oxford University.

**Douglas G. Kiel**

President of Journal Communications Inc., a diversified, employee-owned media and communications company which includes the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel. Previously he served as executive vice president there and president of Journal Broadcast Group, Inc., which owns four television stations and 36 radio stations in eleven states. Kiel is a graduate of the UW–Madison.

**Philip M. Kaiser**

Former vice president and director of the Soros Foundation and a former U.S. ambassador to Hungary and Austria. He graduated from the UW-Madison with a bachelor’s degree in classics and philosophy.

**Emanuel R. Lerner**

Former president of Allen Jones and Co. and a board member of Meiklejohn Education Foundation. He received his bachelor’s degree and master’s degree from the UW-Madison in economics.

**Terry Lee Lierman**

Managing director of Life Services Trust LLC and vice chair of both Theracom and the Employee Health Program. He is also president of Capitol Associates, Inc. He has served as administrator of the National Cancer Institute

and was staff director for the U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations, as well as the Senate Subcommittee on Labor. He has a bachelor’s degree from Winona State University and a master’s in public policy from the UW-Madison.

**Thomas A. Loftus**

Special advisor to the director general of the World Health Organization. He is a former U.S. Ambassador to Norway, and long-time speaker of the Wisconsin Assembly. He has a master’s in public policy from the UW-Madison.

**Karl E. Meyer**

Editor of the *World Policy Journal*. Previously he was a reporter and foreign correspondent for the *Washington Post*. He is a member of the *New York Times* editorial board and author of eight books. He earned a bachelor’s degree from the UW–Madison, and a master’s degree and doctorate from Princeton.

**Robert H. Milbourne**

President of the Greater Milwaukee Committee, a civic group of business, labor, and education leaders. He joined the Greater Milwaukee Committee after a career in business and government in Wisconsin. Milbourne earned a bachelor’s degree in economics and master’s in public policy at the UW–Madison and also attended Harvard Business School.

**Theresa E. Mintle**

Program director for Chicago Metropolis 2020, formulating and recommending policies on a portfolio of issues including tax reform initiatives and other areas dealing with public and private investment. She also oversees legislative strategy and governmental relations. Mintle holds a bachelor’s degree in political science from the University of Illinois-Urbana, and a master’s degree in public affairs from the UW–Madison.

**Joy N. Picus**

Served as a member of the Los Angeles City Council for many years. Her major public policy achievements were in the fields of garbage and hazardous waste, and dependent care and the creation of a “family friendly” city. She has earned national recognition for her efforts to promote opportunities for women. Picus currently serves on many civic committees and boards in Los Angeles. She earned a bachelor’s degree in political science from the UW–Madison.

**Phillip J. Schemel**

Managing director in the derivatives and financial products group of the Societe Generale Bank in New York. Previously, he was an associate in the derivatives group at Citibank in New York and a floor broker at the Chicago Board of Trade for Dean Witter in Chicago. He earned a bachelor’s degree in political science and economics from UW–Madison, and a master’s in business administration from the University of Chicago.

**John Karl Scholz**

Professor of economics and director of the Institute for Research on Poverty at the UW–Madison. He has been deputy assistant secretary for tax analysis at the U.S. Treasury Department, senior staff economist at the President’s Council of Economic Advisers, and is currently a research associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research.

**Allan H. “Bud” Selig**

After many years of distinguished participation in baseball and the Milwaukee community, Selig was elected the ninth baseball commissioner. He has been active in the governance of Major League baseball and served as chairman of the executive council where he brought numerous changes to the sport, including the opening of many new stadiums. He earned a bachelor’s degree in history and political science from the UW–Madison.

**Lee C. Shapiro**

In her capacity as director of media services for Voter News Service, a cooperative venture of major television networks, Shapiro assists over 125 national and local news organizations in producing their election night coverage. Working with newsroom staff, Shapiro helps develop political stories and provide election analysis. Previously she was with the CBS News election and survey unit. She is a political science graduate of the UW–Madison.

**Carol N. Skornicka**

Senior vice president and general counsel at Midwest Express Airlines. She serves on numerous boards, including Acuity, Johnson International, Inc., AAA-Wisconsin, and the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation. Former Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations, Skornicka practiced law for fourteen years prior to that. She has three degrees from the UW–Madison: a bachelor’s in English, a master’s in education, and a law degree.

**Joel L. Skornicka**

Skornicka’s partnership, Herndon, Mays & Skornicka, assists executives and organizations in identifying capital funding strategies and growing through changes and transitions. Prior positions include mayor of Madison, assistant chancellor at the UW–Madison, director of development at the University of California-Davis, and senior vice president of the University of Wisconsin Foundation. Skornicka earned a bachelor’s degree and a master’s degree in political science at the UW–Madison.

**Robert H. Trice, Jr.**

Vice president for business development at Lockheed Martin Corporation, responsible for worldwide new business strategies and operations. He joined Lockheed from General Dynamics Corporation, where he was vice president-international. Prior to that he was vice president and general manager of business

development at McDonnell Douglas Aerospace. Trice holds a bachelor's degree from the College of William and Mary and a master's degree and doctorate in political science from the UW–Madison.

### **Congratulations to these recent Wisconsin doctoral students, who received jobs at the following institutions:**

**Michael Malley**, Ohio University

**Jim Mosher**, Ohio University

**Mike Mosser**, University of Kansas (administration)

**Sam Nelson**, University of Toledo

**Alisa Rosenthal**, Rollins College

**Ed Schatz**, Southern Illinois University

**Tom Schmeling**, Rhode Island College

**David Siemers**, UW-Oshgosh

**Steven Vanderheiden**, University of Minnesota-Duluth

**Kate Weaver**, University of Kansas

**Joe Wong**, University of Toronto

### **Prize Students**

Because of the generosity of our alumni and friends, we were able to offer a number of student fellowships and awards to help students in their work and reward them for their efforts. Congratulations to these Wisconsin students for winning the following fellowships and awards:

**Clara Penniman Fellowship** (awarded to a graduate student in the Department of Political Science specializing in American government, preferably with a focus on public administration): **Amy Wochos**

**Philip J. Schemel Scholarship** (awarded to a deserving political science major with financial need): **Louis A. Chrisostomo**

**Elaine C. Davis Prize** (given to a senior political science major in recognition of

outstanding academic achievement): **Louis A. Chrisostomo**

**Vera Elliot Scholarship** (given to an outstanding junior or senior female or member of an under-represented group majoring in Political Science): **Heather Peto**

**William Jennings Bryan Award** (given each year to the student submitting the best term paper written in a political science course): **Erich N. Mussak**

### **Visiting Scholars**

Students and faculty in the Department and the University generally benefited from interactions with several visiting scholars during 2000-2001:

**Pyung Kyung Woo** an Associate Research Fellow at the Institute for Peace Studies, Korea University, who studied Russian foreign policy while here.

**Mochtar Pabottingi** the Director of the Center for Political and Regional Studies in Indonesia, who studied and lectured as part of the UW-Madison International Institute's International Visiting Professor Program.

**Prakash Sarangi** a researcher from the University of Hyderabad in India, who was with us on a Fulbright Visiting Lecturer Grant.

**Patcharee Siroros** a Ph.D. graduate of the Department and now a Professor at Thammasat University in Bangkok, Thailand, who was hosted by the La Follette School of Public Affairs as she studied regulatory policies and procedures.

**Paloma Aguilar Fernandez** teaches Political Science at the Universidad Nacional de Educacion a Distancia and at the Instituto Universitario Gutierrez Mellado, both in Madrid. She was with us for the Fall 2001 semester.

Future issues of **WISCONSIN POLITICAL SCIENCE** will continue to offer alumni, department, and program news. Let us know you are interested and support our efforts. And please send us news items.

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**News and Notes for WISCONSIN POLITICAL SCIENCE:**

**Suggestions for features for the next issue of WISCONSIN POLITICAL SCIENCE:**

## ***Refurbished Digs***

Thanks in large part to generous gifts to the Department, we were able to turn our seminar room, the Ogg Room, from a place that looked like the corner of a warehouse where odd pieces of old furniture were stored into a comfortable and professional room for lectures by distinguished visitors, graduate seminars, and department meetings. We have a beautiful conference table, new (matching!!) chairs, and elegant window hangings. The historic photos that have been in the building have all been cleaned and remounted. Our collection of dissertations and faculty publications are displayed in handsome cases. We are quite proud of the Ogg Room.

## ***New Faculty Profile***

**Byron E. Shafer** comes to the University of Wisconsin as Hawkins Chair of Political Science after having been Mellon Chair of American Government at Oxford University for the last sixteen years. He got his B.A. (Magna Cum Laude and Departmental Honors with Exceptional Distinction) from Yale University and his Ph.D. (Odegard Prize for Outstanding Dissertation Proposal) from the University of California at Berkeley, and worked for some years as a Resident Scholar at the Russell Sage Foundation in New York, a private foundation supporting basic research in the social sciences. He has written extensively about institutions, intermediaries, and public preferences in American politics, resulting in eleven books and numerous articles. These include *Quiet Revolution: The Struggle for the Democratic Party and the Shaping of Post-Reform Politics*, *Bifurcated Politics: Evolution and Reform in the National Party Convention*, and *The Two Majorities: The Issue Context of Modern American Politics*. He is currently working on a book on partisan change in the postwar South, a book on issue evolution in postwar American politics, and a book on public preferences and candidate strategies in contemporary politics. His hobbies include furniture restoration and livestock management.

## ***Faculty Awards***

This has been another banner year of awards for our faculty:

**David Canon** American Political Science Association's Richard F. Fenno prize for best book published on legislative politics in 1999, *Race Redistricting, and Representation: The Unintended Consequences of Black-Majority Districts.*

**John Coleman** University of Wisconsin Distinguished Teaching Award

**Hawley Fogg-Davis** Ford Foundation Fellowship for Minority Scholars

**Ed Friedman** Phi Beta Kappa Teaching Award at UW-Madison

**Kathie Hendley** University Romnes Scholar for distinguished research accomplishments

**William Howell** American Political Science Association's E.E. Schattsneider Award for the best dissertation in American Politics

**William Howell** Center for Presidential Studies award for the best dissertation on the U.S. presidency

**Paul Hutchcroft** United States Institute of Peace Fellowship

**David Leheny** Advanced Research Fellow at Harvard University Program on United States-Japan Relations

**Leigh Payne** Global Security and Cooperation Fellowship from the Social Science Research Council

**Leigh Payne** John Leddy Phelan Award for outstanding contribution to the Latin American, Caribbean and Iberian Studies Program at UW-Madison

**Jon Pevehouse** American Political Science Association's Helen Dwight Reid Award for the best dissertation in International Relations

**Virginia Sapiro** Elected to the Social Studies Divisional Committee, UW-Madison

**Virginia Sapiro** Feminist Scholars Fellowship, UW-Madison

**Aseema Sinha** Kellogg Fellowship, University of Notre Dame

**Aili Tripp** Victoria Schuck Award (co-winner for 2001, awarded by APSA for best book published on women and politics) for book, *Women and Politics in Uganda*

**Aili Tripp** 2001 Choice Outstanding Academic Title Award (Current Reviews for Academic Libraries) for *Women and Politics in Uganda*



## Faculty News

**Michael Barnett:** His book, To Do the Right Thing: The United Nations and Rwanda has been accepted for publication by Cornell University Press.

**Mark Beissinger:** Cambridge University Press published his, Nationalist Mobilization and the Collapse of the Soviet State.

**David Canon:** Signed a contract with Congressional Quarterly Press to compile a four volume reference work on committee assignments in the U.S. Congress.

**Kelly Chang:** Was at the University of Michigan on the first of her two-year grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

**John Coleman:** Had two scholarly articles published in the prestigious Journal of Politics—one, with Paul F. Manna, in 2000 and one in 2001.

**John Coleman:** Selected to Chair the American Political Science Association's section on Political Organizations and Parties.

**Bruce Cronin:** Had three articles on relations with international organizations accepted for publication—two in scholarly journals and one in an edited volume.

**Don Downs:** Taught a four hour course on the First Amendment on University of the Air and had several essays on censorship and pornography accepted for publication.

**Dennis Dresang:** Published new editions of both Public Personnel Management and Public Policy and Politics and Policy in American States and Communities.

**Orfeo Fioretos:** Was a Research Fellow at the Center for German and European Studies, Georgetown University.

**Hawley Fogg-Davis:** Cornell University Press is publishing her book, The Ethics of Transracial Adoption: Public Policy and Parental Choice, in the fall of 2001.

**Hawley Fogg-Davis:** Won two research grants—one from the Ford Foundation Minority Scholars Program and one from the

University of Wisconsin System Institute on Race and Ethnicity.

**Robert Booth Fowler:** Directed the Integrated Liberal Studies program and had an essay on Carrie Chapman Catt accepted for publication.

**Charles Franklin:** Served as the President of the Society for Political Methodology and had an article accepted for publication in Political Analysis.

**Ed Friedman:** Published or had accepted for publication 10 articles on Chinese democratization and foreign policy.

**Ken Goldstein:** Won a grant of over \$1 million from the Pew Charitable Trusts to study political advertising and campaign finance and had an essay published in Journal of Politics.

**Kathryn Hendley:** Directed the Center for Russia, East Europe and Central Asia and published or had accepted for publication 4 essays on law and legal institutions in post-Soviet Russia.

**William Howell:** Had 3 articles on school choice published or accepted for publication and 1 article on the productivity of Congress under divided government.

**Paul Hutchcroft:** Cambridge University Press has agreed to publish his book, Deciphering Decentralization: Central Authority and Local Bosses in the Philippines and Beyond.

**Don Kettl:** Chaired the Governor's Blue-Ribbon Commission on State-Local Partnerships for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century and published The Global Public Management Revolution: A Report on the Transformation of Governance.

**Herbert Kritzer:** Directed the Behavioral Science and Law Program and had 5 essays published or accepted for publication.

**David Leheny:** Made numerous presentations on counterterrorism in Japan based on his work for the Council on Foreign Relations in 1999-2000.

**Melanie Manion:** Has a book contract with Harvard University Press for Corruption by Design: Reducing Private Gain through Public Office in China.

**Benjamin Marquez:** University of Texas Press has accepted his book manuscript, Choosing Issues Choosing Sides: Mexican American Organizations and Identity Politics, for publication.

**Kenneth Mayer** Directed the University's Data and Computation Center and his book, With the Stroke of a Pen: Executive Orders and Presidential Power, published by Princeton University Press, appeared on 2001.

**Leigh Payne:** Directed the Global Studies Program in the UW-Madison International Studies Institute and Johns Hopkins University Press published her book, Uncivil Movements: The Armed Right-Wing and Democracy in Latin America.

**Jon Pevehouse:** Had 3 articles accepted for publication and is co-project director for the Correlates of War Intergovernmental Organizations data set.

**Mark Pollack:** Was a Senior Research Fellow and Scientific Coordinator at the European University Institute in Florence, Italy.

**Neil Richardson:** Directed the College of Letters and Science Advising Center and served on the Executive Council of the Wisconsin Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies.

**Patrick Riley:** Oxford University Press published his Malebranche's Treatise on Nature and Grace and Cambridge University Press his edited volume, The Cambridge Companion to Rousseau.

**Virginia Sapiro:** Served as Vice President of the American Political Science Association and on the Planning Committee for the National Election Studies 2000 study.

**Michael Schatzberg:** Indiana University Press accepted for publication his book,

Political Legitimacy in Middle Africa: Father, Family, Food.

**Howard Schweber:** Peter Lang Publishing has contracted for his book, Speech Acts and the First Amendment.

**Aseema Sinha:** Organized seminars and workshops on democratization in India and made several presentations at conferences on economic policies in India.

**Marion Smiley:** Returned from a year as a faculty fellow at the Swedish Institute for Advanced Studies and had 3 essays published or accepted for publication.

**Aili Tripp:** Directed the Women's Studies Research Center at UW-Madison and Oxford University Press published her Women and Politics in Uganda.

**Katherine Cramer Walsh:** Designed a research and service project on the City of Madison and Madison Urban League program of Study Circles on Race, intended to investigate the ways citizens of disparate backgrounds and perspectives establish common understanding.

**David Weimer:** Among his 6 writings either published or accepted for publications is a new edition of his co-authored book, Cost-Benefit Analysis: Concepts and Practice, and he was an Honorary Visiting Scholar at Shih Hsin University in Taiwan.

**Graham Wilson:** Served as Associate Director of the La Follette School of Public Affairs and as Chair of the Social Studies Divisional Committee at UW-Madison, and had 3 essays published or accepted for publication.

**John Witte:** Directed the La Follette School of Public Affairs and Princeton University Press published his book, The Market Approach to Education: An Analysis of America's First Voucher Program.

**Jason Wittenberg:** Published an article in the American Journal of Political Science and helped write accompanying software

that won the American Political Science Association research software award.

**Bernard Yack:** Published or had accepted for publication 4 essays and was at the Swedish Collegium for Advanced Studies in Social Sciences during 1999-2000.

## **Newly Retired Professors in Political Science**

### **Donald K. Emmerson**

Professor Emmerson began his scholarly career as an Assistant Professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, after having earned his Ph.D. at Yale University. He is retiring from our faculty and joining the staff at the Institute for International Studies at Stanford University. There he will continue his valuable work on Southeast Asia, especially Indonesia.

Don Emmerson is a prolific writer and frequent commentator on politics and culture in Southeast Asia. He published a scholarly book on the bureaucracy in Indonesia and edited and contributed to a widely used and cited volume on the political activities of students in developing countries. Professor Emmerson reached a broad audience with his analyses of developments in Indonesia and other countries in Southeast Asia. His published articles have appeared in scholarly journals and in both international and regional newspapers. Don excelled at using current events to illustrate academic concepts and general patterns.

Professor Emmerson was known for his research and expertise in political culture, political institutions, and political participation. His early analyses included Indonesian shadow plays. Then he studied closely the nature of bureaucracy, the army

and international bodies, before moving to inquiries about students and others who became active forces for political change.

Don was a challenging yet popular instructor. He was known and respected for asking that profound “So what?” question and for suggesting alternative analytical approaches. He attracted more than his share of honors students and helped them bring their critical thinking skills to a new level. Don was inspiring to those with whom he interacted.

Fortunately, Don defined his classroom as spanning more than the classrooms on campus. He was accessible and effective in reaching the informed readers of the Christian Science Monitor, International Herald Tribune, Wall Street Journal and Foreign Affairs. Don also wrote columns for local newspapers like the Jakarta Post and the Wisconsin State Journal. He consulted with those who were already expert and with those who simply yearned to understand the basic nature of political conflict in Southeast Asia.

We will continue to learn from Don Emmerson. Unfortunately, it will not be learning from him as a colleague and teacher on this campus.

### **Richard M. Merelman**

Richard M. Merelman earned his Ph.D. from Yale University in 1965 and began his scholarly career at Wesleyan University. He then was appointed as an Assistant Professor at the University of California, Los Angeles, where he quickly began to distinguish himself as a scholar of political culture in the United States and as a leading and highly respected critique within the discipline generally.

Dick joined the University of Wisconsin-Madison faculty in 1969, as an Associate Professor. In his 31 years in our department, he has helped identify Wisconsin as a leading institution in the study of American political behavior. His students and his colleagues universally credit him with raising the general level of political discourse and inquiry. He guided the Department in its review of its Ph.D. program and generated reforms that made the graduate learning experience both more efficient and more beneficial. Other major political science departments now frequently copy those reforms.

Richard Merelman has written four major books, coauthored another and edited a highly respected volume. He has just completed another manuscript that is certain to be published in the near future. In addition, he has contributed 42 articles in scholarly journals, including 7 in the *American Political Science Review*, the premier journal in the discipline. The intellectual range of his work is remarkable, from analyses of television westerns to Black culture, from Madison schoolrooms to the linguistic uses of symbolism, from the British TV sitcom to the Yale political science department. He took on big and difficult subjects: democratic education; the transformation of American culture; race, culture, and politics; and the meaning and influence of pluralism as a central political science doctrine and reigning belief system.

In all of his work, an imaginative yet rigorous adaptation of method to unusual data sources is evident. He spent many hours in close observation of Madison schoolrooms in gathering data for Making Something of Ourselves, a study of how young people develop perceptions and attitudes of politics and then decide how they will participate in the political process. He watched enough sitcoms in the United States, Great Britain

and Canada to deaden the hardest soul. The result, published in *Partial Visions*, was a study of arresting originality, through careful interpretive analysis. He uniquely combined the quantitative and the qualitative, finding a series of untrodden paths of analysis over the course of his career.

For many of us, Dick's work redefined what it was that political scientists could and ought to study. Picking up a new piece of work or talking with him about a planned project was always an encounter with the unexpected. His scholarship both broadened the subject matter of political science and spanned the disciplinary boundaries, and it did so before this was entirely fashionable. He is going to be missed, but he has left an impact and a legacy that are a permanent part of political science.

## **In Memoriam: Murray Edelman**

Murray Edelman, who helped pioneer a new approach to political science by arguing that the true importance of many political acts and institutions is often very different from what it seems, died at the age of 81 on January 26, 2001. He is survived by his wife, Bacia, his daughters, Lauren, Judith and Sarah, and five grandchildren. He is remembered with affection and respect—even awe—by the thousands of students and colleagues who were so positively impacted by him. Professor Edelman joined the Wisconsin faculty in 1966 and retired in 1990.

His most widely cited books were The Symbolic Uses of Politics and Politics as Symbolic Action: Mass Arousal and Quiescence. His productivity as a scholar continued through the last months of his life. Weeks after he died, Cambridge University Press published his The Politics of Misinformation. It is classic Edelman. One reviewer (former UW Professor James Scott) cautioned readers that if they didn't get disturbed by his book, then they had not read it carefully.

Murray believed that public political developments often act as symbols, with meanings that can be determined only by careful investigation. He saw the symbolic value of democratic elections as their ability to convince voters that they have more of a political choice than is often the case. The elaborate rituals of the courts are intended to inspire awe and to convey authority on judgments. He saw government programs as often attempts to allay public concern while creating a bureaucracy with a vested interest in preserving, rather than solving, the problem. Murray constantly challenged us to look beyond the appearance and understand the substance.

Among his many achievements and honors were a chaired professorship at UW-Madison, two Fulbright Professor appointments to Italy and Austria, two Guggenheim Fellowships, and a senior fellowship from the National Endowment for the Humanities. He served as Vice-President of the American Political Science Association and as Director of the National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminars for College Teachers.

We will miss Murray.

The family of Murray Edelman, along with friends and former students, have established a fund in his memory to provide support to graduate students who present papers at the annual meetings of the American Political Science Association. This continues Murray's longtime wish to encourage the highest level of professionalism and development among our graduate students. Those who wish to contribute to this fund may simply send a check to the Department of Political Science and note that it is in memory of Murray Edelman.

**“Its significance is enormous”**

## **Hallowed Hall**

**North Hall, once all of the UW campus, celebrates 150 years**

**Story by  
Jay Rath**

It's old, drafty and probably not the first building you notice on a jaunt through the UW-Madison campus. But North Hall, all 150 years of it, is history.

The first building on the University of Wisconsin campus, North Hall opened on Sept. 17, 1851. For its first four years North Hall was the entire UW campus, and it's still in service today.

“It was the whole university,” says Art Hove, UW special assistant emeritus and author of “The University of Wisconsin: A Pictorial History.” “Until Bascom Hall was built, and shifted the emphasis, it was the cornerstone of the university. Its significance is enormous.”

On the day of North Hall's anniversary, Monday, Sept. 17, that significance was celebrated by the UW's Political Science department, North Hall's current tenant.

The celebration was attended by about 75 faculty, staff and graduate students. “There was a very large birthday cake with the inscription, “Happy 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday, North Hall,” on it,” says Prof. Mark Beissinger, chairman of the department. “After a short speech noting some of the similarities between 150 years ago and today – just like today, back then the heating in the building was unreliable and the air-

conditioning didn't work – we then all joined in singing ‘Happy Birthday’ to our collective home.”

If the history and a common heritage can provide strength and unity in times of trouble, it's no surprise that the anniversary of the oldest building on campus was celebrated. Besides serious academia, North Hall's early-decades saw a series of wild adventures filled with pranks, ghosts, gunfire and the first nature studies of a young student named John Muir. The building is on the National Register of Historic Places.

It may be revered now, but when it was new, “it was cold and drafty and full of people,” says Jim Feldman, author of “The Buildings of the University of Wisconsin”. Civilization – 14-year old Madison – was a mile away, and to get to campus you had to walk through thick woods unmarred by trails.

“It does seem sort of incredible when you go there now,” says Feldman. “There were very few amenities of any kind.”

“And there still are very few amenities,” laughs Beissinger. “There is no elevator to the fourth floor, for example.”

In the beginning, North Hall, atop Bascom Hill, included dormitory, museum, classrooms, mess hall and library, all within four floors. The next building, South Hall, was completed in 1855, and Bascom Hall in 1860.

The university itself first received students Feb. 5, 1849, but the first classes were held in borrowed quarters in town, near Wisconsin Avenue, at the Madison Female Academy, until North Hall could be completed. State Street then ended at Broom Street.

As construction for North Hall began, teenager Daniel K. Tenney hiked over and announced to workmen his intention to attend the university as soon as the building was finished.

“Young man,” said one of the laborers, “if you intend studying here, now is your chance. You may lay the cornerstone.” And so he did. Tenney did go to school at the UW, but after a time the faculty “invited him to adopt some other institution as his alma mater,” according to a 1906 issue of Wisconsin Alumni Magazine. He afterward worked as a printer for the Wisconsin State Journal and went on to become a wealthy leading citizen.

About 30 students signed up for the first semester in North Hall. The faculty – all three of them – lived in the building, along with the students and janitor. To signal each day's first class at 6 a.m., the instructors rang a large bell on the second floor. In the first of many mysteries surrounding North Hall, the bell's clapper somehow disappeared until a later starting time was set. Curfew was 9 p.m., and a large basket and rope were sometimes secretly flung outside, for students sneaking in late.

In front of North Hall was a hitching post and a pump. The water from it was of dubious quality, and one early alumnus recalled in 1906, "It's a wonder it didn't kill us all." Freshman came to have an intimate knowledge of the pump, since through the 1860's they were "baptized" beneath it by upper-classmen.

With the Civil War came deep cuts in state aid to the university. In 1864, every senior but one had joined the army, and so commencement was not held. A year later funds dwindled to the point where North Hall's wood-fired furnaces were idled. For heat, students had to provide the wood. Some took axes to the surrounding forest. Others simply stole, until several Madisonians took action by filling logs in their woodpiles with gunpowder. One North Hall stove actually exploded, and stealing stopped.

As for restrooms, outhouses served that function, though they were often tipped over or burned.

Food was a problem for the first UW students. By the 1860's, the faculty themselves provided board in a mess room within North Hall, for \$3 a week. Some students, such as the legendary naturalist, Muir, lived on mush and roasted potatoes, which they cooked themselves. One survivor of those years recalled that others depended on "the involuntary contributions of the surrounding inhabitants, many of whom had cows, pigs or poultry who took turns contributing to the rising generation." Still other students, and at least one faculty member, kept their own livestock right outside North Hall; in 1861 the UW Board of

Regents forbade the pasturing of animals on campus.

Still others hunted. "Madison in the 1850's was a paradise for game," recalled Richard W. Hubbell in 1906. He lived in North Hall before graduating in 1858. "One day a nice flock of quail came near the bedroom window in study hours, and the temptation being too great, I fired out the window at them." Chancellor Hiram Lathrop was not pleased. But on another occasion when Hubbell aimed at a partridge and instead hit a chicken, Lathrop was more forgiving.

Said the Chancellor, "If this tame hen was so unwise as to try and imitate the peculiar attributes of the wild bird, I think" (and here is where he cleared his throat) "it justly deserves its fate. You may take it back to the kitchen."

Even Muir hunted around North Hall as a student. In those days before endangered species, "Muir wrote about shooting an eagle with a six-foot wingspan," says Feldman.

Muir came to the UW in the fall of 1860, and legend holds that his room was in the northeast corner of the first floor. His room's location is officially uncertain, but it is true that he filled it with specimens, laboratory equipment and strange wooden clocks, which he built himself.

If Muir had not gone on to become America's earliest and foremost naturalist, and father of our national parks system, he perhaps would have become an inventor. The strangest of his North Hall clocks was also a desk and bookshelf. Its elaborate mechanisms would open books for Muir to study, a half hour at a time, one after the other. It also lighted his lamp. The strange desk-clock has been preserved at the State Historical Society, and

you can see it displayed at its headquarters, at 816 State St.

Despite his clocks, Muir had trouble waking each morning, so he and the janitor came to an arrangement: at night Muir would tie a string to his big toe and throw the other end out the window. Each morning the janitor would yank it.

Muir stayed at the UW for four years, but left without receiving a degree.

"I was far from satisfied with what I learned, and should have stayed longer," recalled Muir in "The Story of My Boyhood and Youth." "Anyhow, I wandered away on a glorious botanical and geological excursion, which has lasted nearly 50 years and is not yet completed..."

Despite all the pranks, the faculty did try to keep students in line, and not only with required daily prayers. Chancellor Lathrop created the "Excuse Box," which hung in North Hall and, later, Bascom Hall. Into it were placed students' excuses for missed lectures, to avoid demerits. Students began each semester with a credit of 100 points for scholarship and deportment. Missing prayers cost you two points, and a student lost five points for merely entering any Madison saloon.

In 1880 a student awoke and left his second floor room to see an "apparition in white" – a ghost! It floated apparently in mid-air in the corridor. The student rushed back to awake his roommate, but the ghost had left. They went back to bed. But the ghost reappeared in their room the same night. According to the student newspaper, *The Daily Cardinal*, the specter "floated around the room a moment or so and then departed."

Word quickly spread across the entire campus – by then the UW comprised a handful of buildings besides North Hall – and the phantom satisfied the curious by

reappearing several nights. Sometimes it materialized in a corridor, “skipping through the halls and vanishing,” said The Cardinal. Other times it would enter a room, eerily linger, and then depart. Often it was satisfied with torturing sleepers by taking coal from scuttles and throwing it down stairways.

The Wisconsin State Journal even printed an account by student Alvin Hitchcock, who described the ghost’s “garments of unearthly whiteness.”

A group of terrified students came to UW President John Bascom for help. And Bascom took action in a manner which some might say has become a model: he formed a committee of study. But student Whitney Trousdale stepped forward and claimed responsibility. He had simply covered himself with a bed sheet and romped through the hallways. Trousdale later became a Methodist minister.

North Hall continued to serve at least partly as a dorm until 1884. As the campus grew, North Hall hosted departments including German, Scandinavian, mathematics and the Madison Weather Bureau. Today, as home to the Department of Political Science, at least one real ghost of sorts has turned up.

We just renovated a room, and in doing so we had to take down the blackboards,” says Beissinger. “And behind it was another blackboard, and on it was an old German lesson.”

Students and faculty passing by North Hall each day may not realize the building’s history, but, says Hove, “one thing I think about is the elegance of its architecture. On the one hand, it looks like a simple rectangular box. But on the other hand, the proportions are just perfect.”

“It has such a dignity to it. It never ages.”

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