



# COLLEGE of SOCIAL and BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE

FALL 2004

*Focus on the Human Factor*

## SECOND ANNUAL DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI/AE AWARDS

*On May 6th, family and friends of three outstanding College of Social and Behavioral Science alumni gathered at the Alumni House to honor this year's recipients of the college's Distinguished Alumni Awards, Edward R. Christensen, Shauna Graves-Robertson, and Leonidas Ralph Mecham.*

These three individuals follow in the footsteps of 2003 Distinguished Alumni, Anthon S. Cannon, Jr., Stan Katz, and Dorothy Watkiss. Each of these awardees has made a lasting contribution to the advancement of the College of Social and Behavioral Science, the University of Utah, the nation, the state, their community, and their professions. In addition to the luncheon, Distinguished Alumni are honored at Convocation and have permanent plaques on the College of Social and Behavioral Science "Wall of Honor" in Orson Spencer Hall.

### EDWARD R. CHRISTENSEN

Edward R. Christensen has achieved wide intellectual accomplishments in a variety of academic and professional fields and is devoted to civic and social service. He graduated from the University of Utah in 1948 with a B.S. in Chemistry and an M.S. in Chemistry in 1949. During his career as a research chemist with Texaco, Inc., Mr. Christensen also earned an M.S. in Industrial Administration from Union College. Mr. Christensen's research while at Texaco, Inc., focused on the development of petrochemicals and led to 23 U.S. and numerous foreign patents.

After retiring in 1985, Mr. Christensen worked several years for Albany Savings Bank before he and his late wife returned to Utah in 1991 and both became volunteer docents for the Museum of Natural History. This led Christensen to complete a B.S. and an M.S. in Anthropology at the U of U. Currently he is working on his Ph.D. in Anthropology. Throughout his life, Mr. Christensen has given countless hours of service to community organizations such as the United Way, the Chamber of Commerce, the American Cancer Society, and the American Red Cross.

### SHAUNA GRAVES-ROBERTSON

Shauna Graves-Robertson has served as a Salt Lake County Justice Court Judge since 1999. She earned her J.D. and a Masters of Public Administration degree at the University of Utah. Prior to her appointment to the bench she served as an attorney with the Salt Lake Legal Defender Association. She also worked with the Division of Youth Corrections and in 1984 was appointed by Governor Scott M. Matheson to head the State Office of Black Affairs.

Ms. Graves-Robertson has volunteered endless hours to community activism, church participation, and youth mentorship with groups that include: the Utah Task Force on Racial and Ethnic Fairness, the Utah Supreme Court Rules of Criminal Procedure Committee, Youth of Families with Promise, and

the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. She is a woman of great character, integrity, and personal strength.

### LEONIDAS RALPH MECHAM

Leonidas Ralph Mecham is devoted to serving his family, country, church, and the University of Utah. He has served as the Director of the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts for the past 19 years and is a member, with seven leading federal judges, of the Executive Committee of the Judicial Conference of the U.S.

Mr. Mecham's career has included service in the corporate world, with

the Four Corners Regional Economic Development Commission of the U.S. Department of Commerce, as Chief of Staff to a United States Senator, as Vice President of the University of Utah, and in service to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He graduated from the University of Utah with highest honors, receiving a B.S. in Political Science in 1951, a J.D. from George Washington University in 1952, and a Masters of Public Administration from Harvard University in 1963.

For information on how to nominate someone else or yourself for a CSBS Distinguished Alumni Award, please call (801) 585-9200.



*Pictured from left: Edward R. Christensen, Shauna Graves-Robertson, and Leonidas Ralph Mecham*



## FACULTY TO WATCH

**LISA DIAMOND**

This year, Lisa Diamond, Assistant Professor of Psychology and Gender Studies, was awarded a prestigious 5-year grant as a Faculty Scholar by the William T. Grant Foundation. Diamond has been recognized with several awards for teaching and research excellence in her short five years at the U of U. Her research focuses on environmental and psychosocial factors that influence the emergence and expression of sexual affectional feeling for same-sex and other-sex partners at different stages of life. Her research has been supported by grants from the National Institutes for Mental Health, Templeton Foundation, Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, and Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality. Dr. Diamond also has received a Superior Teaching Award from the College of Social and Behavioral Science, a University of Utah Early Career Teaching Award, the Recognition Award for Emerging Scholars from the American Association of University Women, the Boyd McCandless Award from the American Psychological Association, the Louise Kidder Early Career Award from the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, and the Outstanding Young Scientist Award from the Personal Relationships Interest Group of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology.

For more information on Dr. Diamond's work, please see her website at [www.psych.utah.edu/diamond/diamond.html](http://www.psych.utah.edu/diamond/diamond.html)

## DONALD RUSK CURREY 1934-2004

*We are saddened to announce the passing of Professor Donald R. Currey, Sunday, June 6, 2004, after a brief illness.*

Don was on the faculty of the Geography Department for 34 years. He was a valued colleague and friend. Don will be missed by the faculty and students of the U, as well as by the many people whose lives he touched through his teaching, scholarship, and friendship.

His research emphasis was documenting the fluctuations of Lake Bonneville over 30,000 years. Some consider Don's work on Lake Bonneville as one of the great research accomplishments in the 20th century. His 1990 paper is still the most cited work ever by a faculty member in the Geography Department.

Don mentored almost 400 graduate students who now work all over the world in a variety of professions. Don's legacy will live on. We will greatly miss him.

In memory of Don, we have established the Donald R. Currey Scholarship Fund. To contribute, send a gift to the College of Social and Behavioral Science, 260 South Central Campus Drive, Room 205, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah 84112-9150, or call (801) 585-9200.

## 2004 CSBS AWARDS LUNCHEON

*Each year, the College of Social and Behavioral Science recognizes the excellence of its students and faculty.*

On April 14th, approximately 150 friends of the college gathered at the Fort Douglas Officers Club to celebrate the outstanding academic achievements of 44 students and 20 faculty members. This year, thanks to your support, we were able to award 32 Honor Roll Scholarships, 5 other college scholarships, and 5 college graduate fellowships.

### 2004-2005 HONOR ROLL SCHOLARSHIPS

**Eugene K. Andreasen Scholarship**  
Elizabeth Marchani (Anthropology)

**Eugene K. Andreasen Scholarship in Environmental Studies**  
Brent Bardo  
Laura Gee  
Tara Merrill

**E. Rich Brewer Scholarship**  
Nathan Alvey (Economics)

**Jeff and Helen Cardon Scholarship**  
Adam Bishop (Political Science)

**CSBS Advisory Board Scholarship (made possible by Dave Buhler, Kaye Coleman, Bonnie Dew, Diana Felt, Howard Jorgensen, Barbara Vance, and Dorothy Watkiss)**  
Lacy Kosier (Political Science)

**Dean's Scholarship**  
MaryAnn Bennett (Political Science)

**Barbara and George Denton Scholarship**  
Jason Luttrell (Sociology)

**Katherine W. & Ezekiel R. Dumke, Jr. Foundation Endowed Scholarship**  
Anndrea Parrish (Anthropology)

**C. R. England, Inc. Scholarship (made possible by Dan England)**  
Aaron Andrus (Sociology)

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Larksana Rowe (Sociology)

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Masami Goda (Political Science)

**Bill and Chari Moreton Scholarship**  
Fred Castro (Political Science)

**James H. Moyle Scholarship in Public Service (made possible by Jeff Scott & Family)**  
Laura Biddle (Political Science)

**Lawrence S. and Eleanor S. Olsen Scholarship**  
Anne Looser (Political Science)

**Jean and Gene Overfelt Scholarship**  
Natalie Spohn (Anthropology)

**Stirling Pack Scholarship**  
Jesse Morris (Geography)

**Pedersen Children Scholarship (made possible by Jason and Heather Pedersen)**  
Janna Papa (Family and Consumer Studies)

**D. Brent Scott Scholarship**  
James Sorenson (Political Science)

**William Simpson Scholarship**  
Sophia Said (Economics)

**Earl and Elies Skidmore Scholarship**  
Tobi Thaller (Behavioral Science and Health)

**Earl and Elies Skidmore Scholarship**  
Renn Upchurch (Psychology)

**Clara Andreasen Stirrat Scholarship (made possible by Eugene K. Andreasen)**  
Sara Baldwin (Environmental Studies)

**Ralph J. and Julienne Thomson Scholarship**  
Maria Murguia (Psychology)

**David and Dorothy Watkiss Scholarship**  
Chung-Lei Kao (Psychology)

**David and Dorothy Watkiss Scholarship**  
Glenn Symes (Geography)

**David and Dorothy Watkiss Scholarship**  
Suzanne Petrucci (Family and Consumer Studies)  
Min Jian Yu (Family and Consumer Studies)

**Wells Fargo Bank Scholarship**  
Angelina Chan (Psychology)

**Jeff Wright Scholarship**  
Adam Ben-Abdalla (Social Science Composite Teaching)

### 2004-2005 OTHER COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

**Oakley J. Gordon Memorial Scholarship**  
Natasha Ball (Social Science Composite Teaching)

**Siegfried and Ellen Karsten Scholarship**  
Jennapher Lutu

**David C. Williams Memorial Graduate Fellowship**  
J. Jason Berry (Public Administration)

To contribute to the CSBS scholarship program, please call Dale Snyder at (801) 585-9200.

## PLANNED GIVING

When planning your estate, please consider a planned gift to the College of Social and Behavioral Science. We thank the following individuals who have made generous planned gifts to the college and its departments:

Eugene K. Andreasen  
Colleen C. Caputo  
Stephen and Cindy Clinger  
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Ted Wilson

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*Parry Mead Murray*

1977 with undergraduate degrees in anthropology and psychology. She went on to complete a Master of Arts degree in Museum Studies at San Francisco State University in 2001.

While attending the University of Utah, Parry was influenced greatly by a number of the faculty in the Anthropology Department as well as her favorite folklorist, Jan H. Brunvand, Professor Emeritus in the English Department. Her years spent at the university were profoundly important: "My interests were not only nurtured amongst some genuinely caring and inspiring professors, but the infectious passion with which they taught their subjects has stayed with me, shaping much of who I am and how I conduct myself in the world. I remain deeply appreciative of their meticulous devotion to professionalism, their guidance and support, and their friendship." The new scholarship will be awarded to anthropology students in honor of the professors who had such impact on her life. In spring of 2005, the first Mead Scholar will be named in memory of Dr. Charles Hughes.

Parry Mead Murray is a third generation winegrape grower on her family property in Napa, the Mead Ranch. This 1300 acre property encompassing rolling hills of chaparral, oak, vernal pools and other precious habitat, as well as a vineyard and homestead, has been in her family since 1913. Since 1981, Ms. Murray has managed the ranch, sharpening her expertise in viticulture by taking numerous courses from UC Davis and Napa Valley College. Parry recently retired from this position and now devotes her time to her passions: her family, museum work, and environmental conservation issues. She also looks

## "AN ENTHUSIASTIC THANK YOU"

*We are excited to announce that in February of 2004, the Giles W. and Elise G. Mead Foundation provided a generous grant of \$50,000 to create the Giles W. and Elise G. Mead Foundation Endowed Honor Roll Scholarship Fund.*

This gift was made possible by CSBS alumna, Parry Mead Murray, foundation board member and vice president. Ms. Murray graduated from the University of Utah in

forward to resuming her historical research and documentary projects. Aside from time in Napa, she and her husband spend several weeks a year at their home in New Mexico.

Parry's father, Giles Mead, Jr., retired to the ranch in 1986 after a long career in ichthyology, oceanographic research, and museum directorship to sit and watch the grapes grow. From that point on, he remained on the ranch. Until his death in 2003, Giles Mead set an example for those around him in caring most profoundly about his family and friends, the land, and an environmentally sound world. In 1990, he and his daughters, Parry and Jane, placed a conservation easement over the entire property, forever prohibiting the subdivision and development of the land.

Over the years, Parry has been active in the Land Trust of Napa County, the Nanakila Institute in Kitimaat, British Columbia, and the Napa River Watershed Task Force. She remains active with the Exhibits and Collections Committee of the Napa Valley Museum, the Napa Valley Grape Growers Association, and the Mead Foundation.

The Mead Foundation supports environmentally oriented organizations with a primary emphasis on problems throughout western North America. Typical areas of interest include forestry, fisheries, and the sustainable use of natural resources.

We applaud Parry Mead Murray and the Giles W. and Elise G. Mead Foundation for their generous support of our students in anthropology and the U of U!

To establish a CSBS scholarship, please contact the college at (801) 585-9200.

## FOCUS ON FACULTY

### FACULTY AWARDS AND HONORS:

*From the University of Utah*

**Faculty Research Grant and Diversity Award**  
American West Center

**Student Choice Teaching Award, ASUU**  
Robert Benedict (Political Science)  
Robert Huefner (Political Science)  
Theresa Martinez (Sociology)

**Early Career Teaching Award**  
Lisa Diamond (Psychology & Gender Studies)

**University Professor**  
Laurie Holland (Political Science)

**Faculty Research Grant**  
Daniel Levin (Political Science)

**John R. Park Teachers Fellowship**  
David Strayer (Psychology)

*From the College of Social and Behavioral Science*

**Superior Teaching Award**  
Marissa Diener (Family and Consumer Studies)

**Superior Research Award**  
Harvey Miller (Geography)  
Nicholas Wolfinger (Family and Consumer Studies)

**Sam Rich Scholar in Global Affairs**  
Ibrahim Karawan (Political Science)

## GENDER IMBALANCE IN TENURE-TRACK POSITIONS

*It has long been known that female Ph.D. recipients are less likely to get tenure-track positions than are their male classmates.*

A new study by Assistant Professor Nicholas H. Wolfinger, Department of Family and Consumer Studies, in collaboration with UC-Berkeley colleagues Mary Ann Mason and Marc Goulden, sheds light on this gender imbalance. Wolfinger and his colleagues analyze nationally representative data that comprise seventeen years and more than 30,000 respondents. The lower rate of tenure-track employment for female Ph.D.s can be fully explained by their family status. Spouses and young children dramatically reduce the likelihood that women obtain ladder-rank professorships, but have little effect on the rates of male employment. Indeed, single women without children under six are more likely to get tenure-track jobs than are comparable men. Regardless of marriage and children, fewer women receive tenure track positions than men. The study was funded by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation.

### CSBS ALUMNI/AE, WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_  
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News about you \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you to all who sent in information! We will begin featuring responses soon and would like to include yours. Please return in the mail to Dale Snyder, College of Social and Behavioral Science, 260 S. Central Campus Drive, Room 205, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84112-9150 or email to [dale.snyder@csbs.utah.edu](mailto:dale.snyder@csbs.utah.edu).

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## MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

*Another year comes to an end —*

and I cannot help but reflect on the state of our dramatically unsettled world. I don't need to enumerate the areas of the globe in which this nation — this world — faces extraordinarily complex psychological, political, economic, environmental, and social complexities. Never before have our graduates faced such challenges, each with enormous consequences for the future of humanity. We are bombarded with the enormity of these challenges daily and I question when or if the notion of "insuring the domestic tranquility" will have meaning again.



July marked the beginning of my 5th year as Dean and I continue to be amazed at the accomplishments of our students, faculty, and staff. Our faculty has once again been recognized for their excellence with both national and university-wide awards. Our students have won research, college, and university awards. This year the college awarded an amazing total of 1,661 undergraduate degrees and 137 graduate degrees. These degrees represent 35% of all bachelor degrees, and 29% of all degrees awarded by the U of U.

Fall Semester brings many exciting changes. President Michael K. Young, 14th president of the University of Utah, began his tenure leading the U of U in August. We are thrilled to have such a dynamic and excellent new leader. Harvey Miller follows Tom Kontuly as the new chair of the Geography Department. The 2004 Rocco C. and Marion S. Siciliano Forum will feature Richard B. Freeman, Ascherman Professor of Economics at Harvard University, Co-Director of the Labor and Worklife Program at the Harvard Law School, and Director of the Labor Studies Program at the National Bureau of Economic Research. Dr. Freeman will present a public lecture on "Labor Goes Global: The Effects of Globalization on Workers Around the World."

As the social and behavioral sciences continue to face challenges with the world around us, we thank you for your support. We are proud to be educating our world's future leaders. Please keep in touch — we are always glad to hear from our friends.

Sincerely,

J. Steven Ott, Dean

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