



# We the People

## News from the Department of Political Science

After much deliberation the recount is back and it appears that **Professor Howard Handelman** will be **Chair** of the department for one more term. However, with the problem of “hanging chads”, one can never be certain of the accuracy of the recount.

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### PROFESSOR EWIG SELECTED FOR FELLOWSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

**Christina Ewig**, Assistant Professor of Political Science & Women’s Studies, has been selected as a Fulbright New Century Scholar for 2004-2005. The New Century Scholars Program (NCS) was initiated in March 2001, as an effort to extend the mission and outreach of the Fulbright Program. Each year the NCS program selects, through an open competition, 25-30 top professionals and scholars from around the world to engage in multidisciplinary, collaborative research around a theme of global humanitarian significance. The theme for 2004-2005 is “Toward Equality: The Global Empowerment of Women.” The selected fellows will meet three times over the course of a year to engage in collaborative thinking, and to identify collaborative projects centered on the theme. In addition, **Ewig** will use the fellowship award to carry out her own research on gender equity and the politics of health sector reform in Colombia and Chile. This research will form part of **Ewig’s** broader research project on gender and the politics of health sector reform in Latin America, research that also includes reforms in Mexico and Peru.

### Have you noticed the Political Science bulletin board?

Thanks to work-study student **Sarah Pingel**, we have a newly designed bulletin board. If you haven’t seen it you need to stop in Bolton Hall (1st floor) by the elevators and take a look. Opposite is a miniature version of the board. Sarah actually interviewed several Political Science faculty members, and came up with questions most frequently asked by the professors to their students.



## Faculty and Students on the move....

**Assistant Professor Alison Alter** will be leaving the department at the end of the academic year. All of us wish her the best in her future activities.

### The following doctoral students have accepted the following positions:

**Deborah Carroll** will join the faculty at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville in the fall of 2004 as an Assistant Professor in Public Administration. Her primary teaching responsibilities will include public financial management and methodology courses that are part of the department's Master of Public Administration degree curricula. She will also continue to pursue her research agenda on state and local government issues including tax, revenue diversification and urban economic development.

**Terri Johnson** has accepted a position as Assistant Professor in Public and Environmental Affairs at the UW-Green Bay. Terri's position will begin in fall 2004.

**Justin Marlowe** will be an assistant professor in the Department of Public Administration at the University of Kansas. The teaching load includes courses in public budgeting/finance and research methods for the MPA and Ph.D. programs. The Department is also launching an undergraduate program this fall, so he'll likely be teaching introductory courses in public administration at some point in the future. Quoting Justin, "We'll be in Milwaukee all summer because that's what Jenny decided."

**Scott Sager** will be working at the Legislative Audit Bureau, a non-partisan service agency, as a Legislative Analyst. The primary function of the program evaluation division is to conduct performance audits to determine whether programs are accomplishing their policy goals and to identify any improvements that can be made. This is accomplished through reviewing program activities of the State Departments at the direction of the Joint Legislative Committee; independently initiating a review of program performance; conducting a biennial performance audit of the Gaming Division in the Department of Administration and the Wisconsin Lottery; auditing any county, city or school district; conducting a biennial performance audit of the State of Wisconsin Investment Board; and disseminating information concerning performance auditing. This is a great opportunity to apply knowledge gained from graduate school to make an impact on public policy. Currently, I am completing a small audit of Milwaukee and Outagamie counties' restorative justice programs, which are alternative to incarceration.



## WELCOME TO THE DEPARTMENT!

### ADJUNCT STAFF:

Barbara Blumenfield  
Zachary Cook  
Jung In Jo  
Elizabeth Wabindato  
Susan Yelich Biniecki

### GRADUATE STUDENTS:

Lican Liu  
Erica Syed

## Recruitment Notes

**Chair, Howard Handelman** is pleased to announce two newly appointed positions within the department .

**Professor John Bohte** was chosen to fill the Public Administration position . John comes to UWM from Oakland University, Rochester, Michigan.

**Erin Kaheny** will fill the new Public Law position. Erin comes to UWM from the University of South Carolina-Columbia.

# NEWSMAKERS

**Deborah Carroll**, Ph.D. student has won the 2004 National Emerging Scholar Award. Deborah will be receiving the award from the Urban Affairs Association at their Annual Conference in Washington, D.C. in April 2004. Congratulations Deborah!

**Professor Kathy Dolan** has been named as a member of the inaugural editorial team of "Politics and Gender," the new official journal of the APSA Organized Section on Women and Politics. The journal, which will be published by Cambridge University Press, will begin publication in early 2005.

**Professors' Christina Ewig and Joel Rast** have won Graduate School Research Committee Awards. These are highly competitive with only 22 of 99 applicants winning awards. Congratulations Christina and Joel!

**Fred Gerlach**, adjunct instructor (PolSci 327 - Politics of the Middle East and North Africa), recently attended the annual conference of the Global Development Network ([www.gdnet.org](http://www.gdnet.org)), held this year in New Delhi, India. There, at a closed meeting of the organization's governing body, he and a colleague presented the tentative findings of the independent evaluation of GDN they have conducted over the past several months. Last December, the same project took Fred to Marrakech, Morocco, and Cairo, Egypt.

**Professor Uk Heo's** article (coauthored with Alexander C. Tan at the University of North Texas) appeared at Comparative Political Studies.

He also gave a talk at the Frank Church Symposium in February.

**Professor Tom Holbrook** has been busy with media appearances related to the 2004 election:

Radio: WUWM, WHAD

Television: WITI (local Fox), WISN (local ABC), WPTV (Wisconsin Public Television)

Recent Articles:

*Orlando Sentinel, Chicago Tribune, Newsday, Agence France Presse, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Shepard Express.*

Recent Publications:

- "Sources of Error in Statewide Presidential Trial-Heat Polls" (2003) *Political Research Quarterly* 56:431-40 (With Jay DeSart)
- "State-wide Trial-Heat Polls and the 2000 Presidential Election: A Forecast Model." (2003) *Social Science Quarterly* 84:561-73 (With Jay DeSart).

**Professor Mordecai Lee**

- monograph: *E-Reporting: Strengthening Democratic Accountability* (Washington, DC: IBM Center for the Business of Government, February 2004).

- article: "The First Federal Public Information Service, 1920-33: At the US Bureau of Efficiency!" *Public Relations Review* 29:4 (November 2003) 415-25.

- paper: "Public Reporting: A Neglected Aspect of Nonprofit Accountability and Public Relations," at the 32nd annual conference of the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA), November 19-22, 2003 in Denver, CO.

- professional service: re-elected to third one-year term as Vice Chair of the Sec-

tion on Teaching of the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA).

- grant: \$4,000 Faculty Research Grant from the Knowledge Management component (directed by Steve Percy) of the UWM Helen Bader Institute for Non-profit Management to research early 20th century governmental and nonprofit Bureaus of Efficiency.

**Eben J. Christensen**, Ph.D student and **Professor Steven B. Redd** authored the following article:

*"Bureaucrats versus the Ballot Box: An Experimental Analysis of the Bureaucratic Politics Model and the Polyheuristic Theory."* (2004) *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 48 (1) :69-90.

**Professor Don Pienkos** assisted Marquette University in promoting public and UWM student and faculty awareness of the March 2 visit by Nobel Laureate, Solidarity leader, and past president of Poland, Lech Walesa. Through his efforts, over fifty UWM students, most of them international studies and political science majors, and some 200 members of the Milwaukee community were invited to the ceremonies on the Marquette University campus.

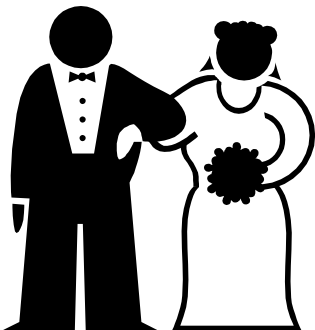
## STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM CAN BE "FRUITFUL" IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE

by Brenda Carr

One Friday morning, a mid-aged couple came in to see Professor Pienkos. Although he wasn't present at the time, the excited couple stayed long enough to tell me their story. Professor Don Pienkos has been teaching here over 30 years. Specializing in International Studies, he routinely hosts Eastern Europe field studies for a select number of students in his classes. Sometime between 1974 and 1975, Professor Pienkos was hosting a field study in Russia. The couple stated that it was here where they first met, and only 5 ½ months later they were married. Now, both of them are very successful, the husband being a renowned Professor of Pediatric Neurology at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee. They have a son who attends UWM, and was in fact, in Professor Pienkos class last semester.

### ON A PERSONAL NOTE.....

Congratulations are in order for **Don and Sara (Benesh) Pashak** who became the proud parents of **Molly Jayne** on January 30, 2004.



Congratulations to **Doug Ihrke** on his engagement to **Emily!** They are planning a September, 2004 wedding.

### *Alumni News*

Political Science **Alumni** are encouraged to contact the Political Science newsletter editor, Brenda Carr at <bstocks@uwm.edu> with news about what they are doing. We'll include as many notices as we can.

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