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From the editor's desk ...

Gustave Goldmann

I would like to begin this issue of CPS News by thanking the outgoing Council and welcoming the incoming Council. While it is always risky to single out individuals (for fear of leaving someone out) I think that Frank Trovato deserves special mention for the energy and insight that he brought with his term as President. I believe his outreach activities are also noteworthy. Russell Wilkins should also be complemented on the excellent work in organising the last two annual meetings. Although the incoming council faces some interesting challenges, it has the comfort of starting with a well-organised and financially stable (thanks to our incoming President) society. It is now up to us to continue on the path that was set by the outgoing council.

I would also like to welcome the new members to our society (see page 8). It is important to bring new demographers and quantitative social scientists into the community so that we can benefit from their fresh outlooks and insights. It is also important for them to benefit from our experience.

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Many CPS members made presentations at the recent meetings in Winnipeg. They are not listed in the section on Conference Presentations since this would be duplicating what already exists in the published programme.

Congratulations to the winner of the Student Paper Competition – Jianye Liu. You may read an interview with our winner on page 10.

A selection of photos from the Winnipeg meetings is included on page 11 of this issue of CPS News. The full montage will be available on our web site shortly.

The editorial committee for CPS News is undergoing changes. First, I would like to welcome Pascale Beaupré to the committee. It is hoped that she will play an increasingly greater role in the production of this newsletter (especially given my new responsibilities as Vice-President). We are also looking for volunteers who would like to take responsibility for specific sections of CPS News. Please let me know if you are interested.

A contest to select a new logo for our society was launched during the last council meeting. Entries will be judged by the incoming council and the person submitting the winning entry will be given free membership for 1 year. Please send your entries to me.

Please note that the deadline for submissions for the next issue of CPS News is September 17, 2004.

Have a great summer.

CPS Officers: 2004-2006

President:	R. Fernando, UWO
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Forthcoming Conferences

12th Biennial Conference of the Australian Population Association

September 15-17, 2004
Canberra, Australia

http://acsr.anu.edu.au/APA2004/APA04_Call.pdf

13^e Colloque de l'AIDELF

September 20-24, 2004
Budapest, Hungary

http://www-aidelf.ined.fr/colloques/budapest_english.htm

Data Users' Conference 2004

Canadian Institute for Health Information and Statistics Canada
September 26-28, 2004
Ottawa, Ontario

<mailto:info@datausers.ca>

SDA Annual Meeting

October 14-16, 2004

Deadline for submissions is June 30, 2004
Hilton Head Island, South Carolina

<http://www.fsu.edu/~sda>

PAA

March 31-April 2, 2005

Deadline for submissions is September 23, 2004
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

<http://www.paa2005.princeton.edu>

IUSSP

July 18-23, 2005

Deadline for submissions is September 15, 2004
Tours, France

<http://www.iussp.org>

News from the ADQ ...

Geneviève Ouellet

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The last symposium of the *Association des démographes du Québec* (ADQ) was held at the Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM) from the 12th to the 14th of May during the Congress of the *Association Canadienne Française de l'Avancement Scientifique* (ACFAS). The theme of the symposium was "La seconde transition démographique" (The Second Demographic Transition).

The general assembly of the ADQ was held the 13th of May during the Symposium. The following members were elected to the board of directors of the ADQ:

President: Hélène Gautron (Ministère de l'Éducation du Québec)

Vice-President: Chad Décarie-Deblois (Université de Montréal)

Treasurer: Yves Pépin (Régie régionales de la Santé et des Services Sociaux – Mauricie-Bois-Francis)

Secretary: Amélie Gagnon (Université de Montréal)

Adviser for the *Cahiers Québécois de démographie*: Marc Tremblay (Université du Québec à Chicoutimi)

Adviser for the symposium: Pascale Beaupré (Statistique Canada)

Adviser for the News letter (Les Échos): Geneviève Ouellet (Statistique Canada)

Student representative: Laurianne Robert (Université de Montréal).

The next symposium will be held in May 2005 in Chicoutimi at the *Université du Québec à Chicoutimi*. The members of the CPS are invited to attend.

News from the FCD ...

Évelyne Lapierre-Adamcyk

During the last year, the FCD Board held several telephone conferences; the FCD General Assembly was also held by telephone at the beginning of December 2003.

The Directory of Members was distributed early in 2004. Many thanks to Laurent Martel who has handled that demanding task with competence and celerity.

The FCD Board is putting in place the first steps towards the organization of a scientific event. The theme is the "contribution of the longitudinal approach to the understanding of the XXIst Century demographic challenges". The scientific committee will be nominated during the month of June. The programme should be determined early in the 2004 fall, aiming at the colloque to be held in the 2005 fall.

Shiva Halli, in charge of the FCD Population and Development Committee, has established contact with the Canadian Agency for International Development, to collaborate to an issue of the new *Journal of Development Policy & Practice* to be launched soon. A call for papers on demographic issues was circulated among members of CPS and ADQ at the end of 2003.

The FCD president, Évelyne Lapierre-Adamcyk, participated in both associations' General Assembly: in Montréal, for ADQ in May and in Winnipeg for CPS in June.

Keeping Posted ...

Personal and Professional Activities:

Shiva Halli is involved with the India-Canada Collaborative HIV/AIDS project (ICHAP). A description of this initiative appears elsewhere in this issue of CPS News. Shiva is also a recipient of the 2004 Outstanding Contribution Award of the CSAA.

Susan McDaniel is leaving the University of Alberta after 15 years with that institution. She has accepted an appointment as the Vice-President of Research at the University of Windsor as of July 1, 2004. She will also be a professor of sociology and will continue her research and policy consultation activities. Susan was also appointed as University Professor at the University of Alberta (see www.uofaweb.ualberta.ca/arts/news.cfm?story=22989 for an article on this appointment). Susan is also a recipient of the 2004 Outstanding Contribution Award of the CSAA.

David A. Swanson was appointed Editor of the official journal of the Southern Demographic Association, *Population Research and Policy Review*, effective 1 July 2004. He also received a RAND Fellowship to attend the RAND Summer Institute on Population Aging, Santa Monica, California, July 7-10, 2004.

Conference Presentations

Beaujot, Roderic. 2004. Roundtable on Second Demographic Transition in North America, meetings of the Association des Démographes du Québec, Montreal, May 2004.

Beaujot, Roderic and Amir Erfani. 2004. Attitudes that differentiate alternate family sizes. Paper presented at the meetings of the Population Association of America, Boston, April 2004.

Erfani, Amir and **Roderic Beaujot**. 2004. A paradox of childbearing and unions: which gets priority? Paper presented at the meetings of the Canadian Population Society, Winnipeg, June 2004.

Beaujot, Roderic and Robert Andersen. 2004. Stress and adult health: Impact of time spent in paid and unpaid work, and its division in families. Paper presented at Conference on Work-Life Balance across the Life Course, International Sociological Association, University of Edinburgh, June 2004.

Gustave Goldmann (Statistics Canada) and Jean Renaud of the Université de Montréal presented a paper on immigrant acculturation at the 10th Bi-ennial Conference on Canadian Studies sponsored by the Halpert Centre at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. The conference was held in Jerusalem from June 28 to

Edward Ng, Russell Wilkins, Jean-Marie Berthelot. *Healthy immigrant effect in Canada: a longitudinal perspective using National Population Health Surveys*. Population Association of America 2004 Annual Meeting, Boston, Massachusetts. 1-3 April, 2004.

Edward Ng, Russell Wilkins, Jean-Marie Berthelot. *The healthy immigrant effect in Canada: a longitudinal perspective using National Population Health Surveys*. Canadian Population Society Annual Meetings, Congress 2004, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, June 2-5.

Russell Wilkins, William J Kierans, Michael Kramer et al. Using linked birth and infant death data to describe disparities in birth outcomes across various demographic groupings in British Columbia from 1981 through 2000. Canadian Population Society Annual Meetings, Congress 2004, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, June 2-5.

Wilkins Russell, Luo Zong-Cheng, Kramer Michael. *Issues de grossesse dans les unions de fait comparés aux mariages traditionnels au Québec de 1990 à 1999*. ACFAS (Association francophone pour le savoir), Section Démographie, Montréal, 10-14 Mai 2004.

Wilkins R. *Les différentes données et méthodes pour l'évaluation des inégalités socio-économiques et l'état de santé*. Atelier pour les étudiants des programmes conjoints (INRS - Université de Montréal) en démographie. Statistique Canada, Ottawa, le 19 septembre 2003.

Wilkins R. *Socioeconomic inequality in health outcomes*. Health Statistics Data Users Conference, Session on "Pulling Together Different Data Sources", Ottawa, 7-9 September 2003. / Conférence des utilisateurs des données statistiques de la santé. Séance sur « Tirer partie de différentes sources de données en recherche ». Ottawa, 7-9 septembre 2003.

Recent Publications

Beaujot, Roderic. 2004. *Delayed Life Transitions: Trends and Implications*. Ottawa: Vanier Institute of the Family. Available at: http://www.vifamily.ca/library/cft/delayed_life.html

Edmunston, Barry and **Margaret Michalowski**. 2004. *Inter-national Migration in Siegel, J. and D. A. Swanson (eds.) The Methods and Materials of Demography 2nd Edition*. New York, NY: Elsevier Academic Press. pp. 455-492.

George, M. V., Smith, S. K., Swanson, D. A. and J. Tayman. 2004. Population Projections in Siegel, J. and D. A. Swanson (eds.) *The Methods and Materials of Demography 2nd Edition*. New York, NY: Elsevier Academic Press. pp. 561-602.

Swanson, David A. (co-editor with J. Siegel). 2004. *The Methods and Materials of Demography 2nd Edition*. New York, NY: Elsevier Academic Press.

Swanson, David A., Bryan, T. and P. A. Morrison. 2004. Internal Migration and Short Distance Mobility in Siegel, J. and D. A. Swanson (eds.) *The Methods and Materials of Demography 2nd Edition*. New York, NY: Elsevier Academic Press. pp. 493-533.

Luo ZC, Kierans WB, Wilkins R, Liston RM, Mohamed J, Kramer MS, for the British Columbia Vital Statistics Agency. Temporal trends in disparities in birth outcomes by neighbourhood income in rural vs urban British Columbia, 1985-2000. *Epidemiology* 2004; in press.

Luo ZC, Wilkins R, Kramer MS and the Fetal and Infant Health Study Group of the Canadian Perinatal Surveillance System. Differentials in pregnancy outcomes according to marital/cohabitation status. *Obstetrics and Gynecology* 2004; in press.

Kierans W, Kramer M, Wilkins R, Liston R, Foster L, Uh SH, Mohamed J. *Charting birth outcome in British Columbia: determinants of optimal health and ultimate risk -- an expansion and update*. British Columbia Vital Statistics Agency. Victoria BC, 2004.
www.vs.gov.bc.ca/stats/features/index.html

From the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations

Demographic and Social Statistics Newsletter, No. 1/2004

Critical Issues in Planning for the next Decade Round of Population and Housing Censuses (2005-2014).

The Statistical Commission agreed to consider a resolution in 2005 requesting the Secretary-General to proceed with a development of a 2010 World Population and Housing Programme recommending that Member States of the United Nations undertake to carry out population and housing censuses during the period 2005-2014.

2006 Census Content Consultation Report

In preparation for the 2006 Census, Statistics Canada continues its tradition of consulting with data users and other interested parties to obtain their views on the census program. This exercise is conducted to ensure that Statistics Canada meets as much as possible census users' data needs. Participation includes representatives from public libraries, academia, municipalities, provincial and federal government departments, private sector and licensed distributors of Statistics Canada data. The first round of consultation on the 2006 Census was completed in December 2002. The main objective of the consultation was to assess users' socio-economic data needs and evaluate the possibility of fulfilling them either with a content change to the census or through other Statistics Canada data sources. Over 75 written submissions were received and more than 25 meetings were organized throughout Canada, totalling approximately 800 comments. The 2006 Census Content Consultation Report presents the various comments provided on the census content throughout the consultation activities. We hope that it accurately reflects the spirit of the many opinions expressed during the consultation. This report is available in both PDF and HTML formats at the following address:

<http://www12.statcan.ca/english/census06/products/reference/consultation/pdf/92-130-XIE.pdf>

Should you require more information and/or a paper version of the report, please contact us by email at 2006consultation@statcan.ca or by mail at the address listed below. Thank you for your continued interest in the census.

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Book Announcement

THE LIFE COURSE OF BIRTH COHORTS AND THE ELDERLY: TODAY AND TOMORROW. This 304 page report from the Institut de la Statistique du Québec helps us understand the living conditions of today's and tomorrow's elderly. To this end, the authors analyze cohorts over the years. While following the evolution of the characteristics of today's elderly, the report gleans invaluable indications of what tomorrow's elderly will be like. The cost is \$27.95 plus tax (if applicable). To consult or order, check the website below:

http://www.stat.gouv.qc.ca/publications/conditions/vie_generation_an.htm

Summary Report on the 2004 CPS Council Meetings and the General Assembly in Winnipeg

Frank Trovato, CPS Outgoing President

This has been another very busy and productive year for the CPS Council. Judging from the enthusiastic applause at the AGM, there was much appreciation for the dedicated and devoted efforts of our Council. Particular appreciation was given to **Russell Wilkins** and his program committee for preparing an outstanding set of sessions (including Shiva Halli for helping with the local arrangements in Winnipeg). Russell has done a superb job in not only spearheading the organization of the meetings, but also in conducting the sessions, making sure that speakers were on time and ensuring that all was in working order. This year there were 77 persons registered for the CPS meetings, 22 individuals for the SAS workshop, and 43 for the RDC symposium.

In my opinion, this year's sessions were as good as those held in Halifax last year. Attendance was very good. The CPS Banquet was a huge success. Dr. Francis Plummer, of the University of Manitoba, Department of Medicine and Microbiology, gave an excellent and informative presentation on HIV/AIDS based on his work in India and Africa.

Francois Simard of SSHRC gave a brief presentation to the General Assembly on this year's SSHRC grants competition. He indicated that demography received a 40% success rate (and there were only 10 submissions from demographers), which is lower than usual. He also mentioned that starting with the next competition, demography would be combined with sociology only; the other areas, which have traditionally been with demography and sociology, will be placed in a separate committee (i.e., criminology, communications).

Don Fisher and Paul Ledwell of the Federation updated the CPS Assembly on the latest regarding the Federation's consultations on the SSHRC Transformation proposal. They acknowledged the submissions of the CPS. It was announced that the 2005 Congress will be at the University of Western Ontario, London Ontario, and that CPS sessions will be held June 2-4. It was indicated that the Federation's report on Task Force on New Scholars will be placed on the Federation's website soon. Their report on Scholarly Associations will be released soon. The Federation has established a special endowment fund to help the Associations. Rob Merrit is the contact person.

I thank all the members of the CPS Council and all those who helped in either chairing or participating in a variety of sub-committees. The assistance of these colleagues has been invaluable, especially in connection with the SSHRC Transformation consultations and various other CPS activities. I would like to thank **Rajulton Fernando** for his tireless work as Secretary-Treasurer over the past two years (actually four years) and the members of the Council for their dedicated assistance and involvement over the past two years: **Tina Chui, Catherine Krull, Andy Siggner, Richard Wanner, Zheng Wu, Shiva Halli, and Alison Yacyshyn**. Thanks also to those who served on CPS sub-committees in various capacities: **Eddie Ebanks, Wayne McVey, Rod Beaujot, Barry Edmonston, Eric Fong, Anne Gauthier, Kevin McQuillan, Celine LeBourdais, Doug Norris, Rosemary Venne, Shiva Halli, Mark Rosenberg, Eddie Ng, David Hall, Madeline Kalbach, and Judith Rempel**. In particular, I would like to acknowledge the excellent collaboration and assistance of **Rod Beaujot** in connection with the SSHRC Transformation consultations. Thank you.

Thanks to **Gustave Goldman** for organizing the methods and data workshops for the Halifax and Winnipeg meetings and also for his fine work as Editor of the CPS News. The Assembly expressed its appreciation to **Wayne McVey** for his diligent and dedicated work as Editor of Canadian Studies in Population.

Susan McDaniel and **Shiva Halli** have both won Awards from the Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association (CSAA). They each won the Sociology Outstanding Contribution Award. Susan will soon assume her new post at the University of Windsor as Vice-President Research. **Daniele Belanger** was awarded the Canada Research Chair. Congratulations to Shiva, Susan and Daniele.

Just after the CPS meetings, it has come to my attention that one of our members, **Amelie Quesnel-Vallee**, has won the Dorothy Thomas Award from the Population Association of America. The CPS congratulates Amelie on this fine achievement. Amelie is currently at Duke University, but will soon join the departments of sociology and epidemiology at McGill University.

Some of our distinguished colleagues have retired recently from their regular professional posts: **MV George**, now settled in Atlanta, Georgia; **P. Krishnan, Professor Emeritus**, University of Alberta; **N.M. Lалу**, University of Alberta; Eddie Ebanks, Professor Emeritus, University of Western Ontario. Our best wishes to these colleagues. We wish them much success and continued involvement in the CPS.

I appreciated the Assembly's show of appreciation toward me as the outgoing President of the CPS.

Some specifics from the Executive meetings and the AGM:

The new CPS Council would consist of:

President: Rajulton Fernando

Vice-President: Gustave Goldmann

Secretary Treasurer: Ravi Verma

Councillors: Charles Jones, Anne Gauthier, David Hall, Mary Jane Norris, Teresa Abada, Stephen Obeng Guyimah

Student Representative: Kelli Phythian.

I acknowledge those individuals who so graciously agreed to run for the various positions. The CPS is extremely fortunate to have such dedicated members, so willing to come forth and allow their names to be listed on the ballots. "Thank You."

CIDA collaborative program

This year, CIDA sponsored two CPS sessions: "Demographic perspectives on developing countries" (2 half-day sessions) and gave financial support of \$9,425. On behalf of the CPS, I thank CIDA for its support. We hope to continue this collaboration with CIDA.

SSHRC Transformation consultations:

Letters were submitted to the Federation on behalf of the Canadian Population Society. Rod Beaujot attended meetings in Ottawa on behalf of the CPS President, March 26 and 27, 2004. Rod Beaujot and I collaborated with the National Committee on formulating the letters submitted, and also participated in a teleconference with Doug Owram, Federation President and other academics. Rod Beaujot and Cathie Krull attended the SSHRC meeting held on June 2 at the Congress at the University of Manitoba.

Here are the 14 recommendations presented by the Federation in its most recent report:

#1 - The Government of Canada must recognize the value of research in the humanities and social sciences and increase the level of funding for the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

#2 - Foundational research must be protected, financially supported and fully valued for the seminal role it performs in knowledge development.

#3 - The Standard Research Grant must be supported as the most important SSHRC activity. It is the core of research in the humanities and social sciences. Every attempt should be made to expand the amount of available funds.

#4 - In the absence of sufficient funding to fund all positively reviewed proposals, grants of lesser value should be given to a greater number of researchers to improve the success rate of Standard Research Grants from its current rate of 43 percent and to eliminate the 4A classification. Flexibility of size of grants must be established within the program.

#5 - Strategic grants should continue as part of the SSHRC funding envelope, provided that sufficient funding exists to eliminate the 4A classification of Standard Research Grants.

#6 - Provisions must be made to safeguard the independence of the research and the researcher, predominantly by determining the themes in consultation with the humanities and social sciences community. Decisions should not be made unilaterally by the government. The peer-review process must be retained as the basis for all strategic grants.

#7 - The granting system must be flexible to respond to the diversity of research undertaken, while guaranteeing research excellence.

#8 - As it is essential to the future of research, student support must be emphasized in a renewed SSHRC. Specifically:

- more graduate scholarships should be provided;
- dedicated funding should be the principal mechanism to support graduate students (although funding received as part of professors' grants should continue to be an option if it better suits the research needs of the student); and graduate and undergraduate summer support should be pursued.

#9 - The needs of new scholars must be recognized explicitly within the granting system, including the possibility of a new scholars operating grant immediately upon getting their first tenure track position.

#10 - Travel grants to associations should be recognized as an essential component in ensuring research dissemination and developing new scholars. SSHRC must lift the moratorium and work with the Federation to design a travel grant program that meets the needs of the scholarly community.

#11 - Support for scholarly journals, including funding for the development of electronic editions of new and existing journals, must be given priority.

#12 - Support for the Aid to Scholarly Publications Programme must be increased to provide greater opportunity for the publication and dissemination of Canadian scholarly monographs.

#13 - SSRHC should undertake a survey of public engagement endeavours in humanities and social sciences and gather more concrete evidence to assess the current vitality of our research in the public domain.

#14 - SSHRC and the Federation should work together to develop a system of support to scholarly associations which:

- encourages linkages between scholars,
- fosters graduate students and new scholars, and
- facilitates the dissemination of research.

Ethics Tri-Council

Russell Wilkins, Andy Siggner (Chair, National Committee), Rod Beaujot and I submitted a letter to the Tri-Council Committee, stating CPS's position on matters of research ethics. (This report will be on the CPS website, and will contain a more complete overview of the CPS submission to the Ethics Tri-Council).

CPS membership fee increases

The CPS Council proposed the following fee increases, to become effective January 1, 2005: Regular members (from \$40 to \$50), Student members (from \$15 to \$20), Emeriti members (from \$30 to \$35), and Institutional members (from \$70 to \$80). The General Assembly approved these increases, subject to presenting a brief outline of the reasons behind these proposed fee increases. As it was pointed out in the Assembly, the new fees will give an additional \$1500-\$2000 per year, and much of this money would be spent in supporting more students to attend the meetings, meeting the rising costs of maintaining the journal Canadian Studies in Population, and possibly meeting the costs of eventual transition to electronic publishing and archiving of past issues of the journal.

CPS/PAA Joint Session in Boston

During the Assembly, Barry Edmonston reported on the joint CPS/PAA session he organized at the PAA meetings in Boston in April 2004, "Immigrant Adjustment and Adaptation---Comparative Experiences for Canada and the United States." The session was a huge success and was well attended. The participants were: Alan Simmons, Eric Fong, Michael Teitelbaum, and John Logan.

I thank Barry for his excellent work in organizing such a successful joint session. The new CPS Council will pursue the possibility of a joint CPS/PAA session for 2005 PAA meetings in Philadelphia.

Report of the Secretary-Treasurer

According to Rajulton, CPS finances are in good shape. Although expenditures during the year 2003 exceeded the revenues by about \$3852, the financial situation is stable with a surplus of \$14828 at the end of the year 2003. A major change in the revenue was the travel grants from the FCD for two years together (that is, for 2002 and 2003). Major expenses include the extra expenses incurred during the 2003 meetings at Halifax as well as travel claims from members attending the meetings. Rajulton also indicated that the financial outlook for next year looks positive.

Report from the FCD

Evelyne Lapierre-Adamcyk, President of FCD, reported that preparations are underway for the next FCD conference. A teleconference of the FCD General Assembly was held in January 2004. Discussion focused on preparations for the Conference, which will be held in Ottawa in the fall of 2005. The theme of the conference will be on longitudinal demographic research. A scientific committee will be struck for this purpose. A call for papers will be issued. As Evelyne pointed out, one of the major accomplishments by FCD during the past year was the release of the FCD Directory. We all thank Laurent Martel for his extraordinary effort in collecting and updating the mailing addresses of members of CPS and ADQ.

Student Paper

As it was reported by Tina Chui, although seven students submitted their abstracts for the competition, only three were finally able to submit their papers. This year's winner is **Jianye Liu** (Department of Sociology and Population Studies Centre, University of Western Ontario), for his paper "Who is Dropping Out of School in Vietnam?" Our congratulations

to Jianyie. We need to encourage more student participation in this annual competition.

Communications

CPS Webster: After years of service as CPS Webster, Judith Rempel has stepped down from this position. Our thanks and sincere appreciations are due to Judith for her dedicated service and support over the years. She has done a wonderful job of creating a web page that looks excellent in many respects. Rajulton Fernando, with Sue Shiel at the University of Western Ontario, will try their best in maintaining what Judith started for us a few years ago. I take this opportunity to thank Sue Shiel for doing this service for our Society.

CPS Newsletter: According to Gustave Goldmann, the new name of the newsletter is “CPS News.” Gustave is trying to enhance the newsletter and to include more material from university faculties. There is need to consider the possibility of assigning certain individuals to handle the various aspects of the newsletter in terms of notices (e.g., one person can handle all notices from Statistics Canada, someone else could be responsible for all notices coming in from students; and someone could be in charge of notices from the faculties, etc.). A corner of the CPS News could be devoted to Award Winners or recipients of important recognition. A new section could be devoted to profiling new members, for example winners of the student paper competitions could be interviewed for publication in the newsletter.

Canadian Studies in Population: Communications from our Editor, Wayne McVey, stated the dire financial situation the journal is in: Costs of production have been on the rise; there is reduced department support for the journal; and currently, the CSP is not funded by SSHRC. A funding application for the next 3-year cycle is being prepared and will be submitted for the fall competition. The Council and the General Assembly expressed strong appreciation to Wayne for his excellent work as Editor. The Assembly also suggested that given the increasing trend toward electronic publishing, there is need to consider the creation of a CSP website as to showcase the journal and to place past issues on it so that people would easily access these free of charge. This would give the journal greater exposure and recognition. The question as to how to actualize this transition needs to be discussed further. The General Assembly recommended that the incoming Council strike a sub-committee to advise and assist the Editor of CSP on future directions concerning the journal, specifically with respect to: (a) the preparation of the next application to SSHRC for funding; (b) the transition to electronic publishing; (c) the archiving of past issues of the journal on the web. The spirit of these recommendations is to achieve the best possible future for the journal and to facilitate and assist the Editor toward this objective.

As I close this report I would like to express my appreciation to the CPS for having given me the opportunity to serve our association over the past two years. It has been hard work, but highly rewarding. My job has been made easier by the dedicated assistance of the Council. I think we can be proud of what has been accomplished, and I am sure that the new Council, headed by Rajulton, will excel in its duties. Finally, I wish to thank all the colleagues who attended the meetings in Winnipeg, especially those who have traveled from outside of the country.

I wish all of you and your loved ones a pleasant and safe summer.

Frank

Welcome to new members of the CPS ...

The following people have joined the CPS. Please welcome them into our society.

Pascale Beaupré (Ottawa)

Christina DiPanfilo (North Bay)

Philippe Fines (Ottawa)

Christopher Fries (Calgary)

Alain Gagnon (London ON)

Jenny Godley (Calgary)

Jennifer Hansen (Victoria)

Yan Jin (Edmonton)

Lisa Kaida (Toronto)

Evelyne Lapiere-Adamcyk (Montreal)

Yimin Lou (London ON)

Valerie Martin (Montreal)

Parveen Nangia (Sudbury)

Catherine Pearson (Toronto)

Kelly Phythian (London ON)

Vijayan Pillai (Arlington, USA)

Donald Schopflocher (Edmonton)

World Congress of Sociology, Durban, July 23-29, 2006

By now you must have seen the ISA announcement of the World Congress of Sociology, to be held in 2006 Durban; if not, then please click <http://www.ucm.es/info/isa>. The theme of the Congress is: "The Quality of Social Existence in a Globalizing World."

As Coordinator for the Research Committee on Sociology of Population (RC41) program at the World Congress, I am supposed to submit by October 31, 2004 the list of session topics and names (and e-mails) of session organizers to the ISA secretariat in Madrid for publication on the ISA website, which will become a "Call for Papers". The RC41 Board has suggested the following as a tentative list of topics for RC41 Sessions, which are inclusive enough to be able to include almost anything in sociology of population:

Integrative Session

1. Health, Illness, and Mortality in Africa and Asia in the Context of Globalization (jointly with RC15)
2. Families, Youth, and Children's Well Being in a Globalizing World (jointly with RC06, RC34, and RC53)
3. Special Session: Demography and the Quality of Social Existence in Africa

Regular Sessions

4. Fertility and Family Planning
5. Health, Illness and Mortality (jointly with RC15)
6. Demography of Immigrants and Minority Groups (jointly with RC05 and RC31)
7. Marriage, Families, and Children (jointly with RC06, RC34, and RC53)
8. Aging and the Elderly (jointly with RC11)
9. Migration and Urbanization (jointly with RC21 and RC31)
10. Emerging Issues in Sociology of Population

On the basis of the number of members of our RC, who are also members of the ISA, we will be allocated only 8 regular sessions. However, if we can recruit new members, we will be able to increase the number of sessions. May I, therefore, appeal to you to recruit your colleagues, friends, and students as new members of our Research Committee (RC41).

We can have an additional 'special session' if it is on the specific theme of the Congress. We are thinking of proposing such a session on "Demography of Africa in a Globalizing World". Given that Africa is still in the early stages of the demographic transition and is also attracting a lot of attention because of the HIV/AIDS epidemic, we might capitalize on this subject. However, we have to attract some high profile sociologists and demographers and some external sponsors to get it approved by the ISA. We can also have another additional session if it is of "integrative" nature. We have thought about proposing two such sessions mentioned above. We have approached various Research Committees and national organizations to support us. If these sessions are not approved by the ISA, then we could include them as regular sessions.

Some Important Dates:

- August 15, 2004: Deadline for submitting suggestions on session topics and names (and e-mails) of organizers to RC41 Programme Coordinator
- October 31, 2004: Deadline for submitting session topics and names (and e-mails) of organizers by the Programme Coordinator to the ISA Secretariat. This will become a Call for Papers
- September 15, 2005: Deadline for submitting proposals for Integrative Sessions which involve at least 3 Research Committees, 3 National Associations or a combination of the two to the ISA Secretariat
- November 1, 2005: Deadline for submitting abstracts to RC41 session organizers
- July 23-29, 2006 World Congress of Sociology, Durban

Please advise me of any other ideas, themes, and names of organizers. Let's try to attract as many people as possible.

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An interview with Jianye Liu ...winner of the 2004 CPS student paper competition

Edward Ng, CPS meetings in Winnipeg



'Who is dropping out of school in Vietnam?' asked Jianye Liu, a PhD candidate specializing in Social Demography in the Department of Sociology of the University of Western Ontario in London. At this year's CPS meetings, he presented the findings of his thesis research. At the same time, he also found that he was the winner of this year's student paper competition.

When asked how he felt when he learned he was this year's winner, Jianye said, 'I felt excited. This told me that my past 5 years' of hard work really was recognized. It gave me the confirmation that my thesis work, from which this submitted paper drew, has value and quality.'

Jianye also has a Masters degree in Demography from Peking University (1996-1999), and previously worked for eight years in the Demographic Division of the Statistics Bureau of China (1988-1996).

'My presentation at this year's CPS conference also helped me in preparing for my thesis defence,' he said. Let's wish him success in his up-coming defence. Besides getting this award, he also has a confirmed job prospect. We will wait for him to share with us what it is.

See the abstract of his paper at the CPS website (www.canpopsoc.org).

The ICHAP

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The India-Canada Collaborative HIV/AIDS project (ICHAP) is a comprehensive HIV/AIDS prevention and control programme in India. ICHAP is a 5-year(2001-2006), \$12.7 million project funded by the Canadian International Development Agency. The main objectives of ICHAP are to build the capacity and implement and evaluate high quality programs for HIV prevention, care and support. In addition to building capacity directly through modalities such as training and technical assistance, ICHAP is designing and implementing several Demonstration Projects that are intended to create program models that address important gaps in the existing programs. These Demonstration projects include program models for integrated HIV/AIDS program for vulnerable rural and urban populations, comprehensive programs for female sex workers in rural areas, and innovative programming for communities affected by out-migration.

The challenge for India and for Karnataka in particular where ICHAP is working, is to take these preventive interventions to a sufficient scale to arrest the HIV epidemic. Given the immense size and diversity of the population of Karnataka (population approximately 55 million), such an initiative will require substantial investment, and perhaps more importantly, an implementation plan that is flexible enough to be responsive to local needs. To respond to this challenge, the University of Manitoba team received \$22 million from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. The main objectives of the Gates Foundation funding are to:

1. Increase condom use by female sex workers with clients and other sexual partners.
2. Reduce the incidence of curable sexually transmitted infections among female sex workers.
3. Increase the prevalence of condom use by high risk men with non-regular sexual partners.
4. Reduce the incidence of curable sexually transmitted infections among high risk men.

