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Message From The Chair

Dear Alumni and Friends:

It is with great pleasure that I write you and update you on some activities occurring in our department. I am completing my second year as Chairperson of a very dynamic department, and all accomplishments are a direct result of the collective efforts of the entire faculty, staff, and students. I think you will agree, as you read this inaugural issue, that our department is very strong academically and getting better each and every day. For example, we have seen an increase in the number and quality of undergraduate students electing to choose Sociology as a major or minor. We have been successful in attracting some very promising young scholars to our faculty including Frieda Fowler, Timothy Clark, and Derek Martin. With these additions we will be able to expand our course offerings and provide additional assistance to our current and future cohort of graduate students. What follows is a thumb nail sketch of some of the accomplishments of our alumni, students and faculty. However, for a more complete view of our department, you are encouraged to visit our website at <http://www.siu.edu/~socio>. Please note that parts of it are under construction.

One of our undergraduate students won a

major national award and several won university academic awards. In addition to these awards, several students presented papers at regional and national conferences and participated in the McNair program.

The number of Ph.D.s that we are producing is amazing considering the small size of our faculty. Not only are we producing a large number of Ph.D.s but we are placing them at a variety of institutions ranging from small college to research universities.



Professor Thomas Calhoun

Our faculty strength lies in publishing quality research articles, books, and monographs in addition to presenting research papers at regional, national and international conferences. Kathy Ward is on a Fulbright Fellowship this academic year. Rob Benford is Program Chair and President-Elect of the Midwest Sociological Society, and I serve in the same capacity for the MidSouth Sociological Association. It is also note worthy that an article in which Rob Benford is a coauthor is being recognized by one of the premiere journals in Sociology (ASR) as one of the articles that has had a major impact on the discipline. You can read more about the faculty, graduate students, and alumni contributions in this issue. We would like to highlight your accomplishments (i.e. recent

publications, promotions, awards, major grant activity, additions to the family, etc.) in the next edition of the Newsletter which will come out about the same time next year. Please send this information to me at tcalthoun@siu.edu or to my secretary Sue Treece at streece@siu.edu.

Each year we would like to highlight someone, a unique program that you are affiliated with, or something that would be of interest to our readers. Therefore, if you have an idea about something that you would like to contribute or see features, please don't hesitate to contact me. In this issue you will find an excellent article "SIU Sociologists in Ireland" contributed by Rudy Seward (Ph.D., 1973).

Finally, I would like to thank all of you for your financial contributions over the last couple of years for without this assistance many of the things that we are able to provide for our students would not be possible. And although Willie Pearson (Ph.D. 1980) established the Dr. Willie Pearson, Jr. Sociology Endowment a couple of years ago by making a significant financial contribution designed to assist undergraduate students, I would like to encourage each of you to consider following in his footsteps. At the end of this Newsletter you will find the appropriate paperwork necessary to make a contribution to the department. If you would like to discuss with me our primary needs, please feel free to contact me either by email or phone me at 618-453-7615.

New Faculty Introduction:

Timothy Clark (B.A., Sociology, Ohio University, 1996; M.A. Sociology, University of Georgia, 1998; Ph.D. expected August 2005, Sociology, University of Minnesota) will be joining our faculty as Assistant Professor Fall 2005. His areas of specialization are race & ethnicity, criminology, comparative/historical sociology, and political sociology. His dissertation is titled, "Lynch Mob Violence in a Comparative Perspective: Toward an Improved Understanding of the Causal Factors of Lynching."

Frieda Fowler (B.S., Health Science, State University of New York-Brockport, 1996; M.A. Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 1998; Ph.D., Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 2003) joined our faculty as Assistant Professor Fall 2003. Teaching interests are medical sociology, marriage and the family, sociology of mental illness, and undergraduate methods; research interests include mental

health and families, parental practices, women and affective health, biology and mental health, adolescent drug behavior, and intergenerational relationships. She coauthored with Paul Amato, "Parenting Practices, Child Adjustment, and Family Diversity." 2002. *Journal of Marriage and Family*.

Derek Martin (B.A., Sociology, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 1988; M.A., Sociology, minor in Statistics, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 1997; Ph.D. expected June 2005, Sociology, University of California, Irvine.) will be joining our faculty as Assistant Professor Fall 2005. His expertise is in the area of race relations and ethnicity. His dissertation is titled, "Understanding the Low Use of U.S. National Parks by Black Americans: Inside the Marginality and Ethnicity Perspectives."

New Cross-Appointment Introductions:

Joytsna Kapur (B.A., St. Stephen's College, Delhi University, India, 1983; M.A., Department of History, Delhi University, India, 1986. M.Phil, Department of History, Delhi University, India, 1991; M.P.S., Department of Communication Arts, Cornell University, 1992; Ph.D. Department of Radio TV/Film, Northwestern University, 1998. Interests and specialties: Feminist and Marxist analysis of media, globalization, children's film and consumer culture, documentary and ethnographic film, and the German and Japanese New Wave.

Aion Mizan (B.S. with Honors, Sociology, University of Chittagong, Bangladesh; M.A. Sociology, University of Chittagong, Bangladesh, 1978; M.A. Sociology, SIUC, 1983; Ph.D. Sociology, SIUC, 1992), Researcher II in the Center for Rural Health and Social Service Development at SIUC has been cross-appointed as an Adjunct Assistant Professor in Sociology to provide expertise to our graduate students in research areas consistent with those of Dr. Mizan. Teaching interests include

Undergraduate Studies

Professor Mark A. Schneider, Director

As usual, what makes us proud of our Undergraduate Program is the achievements of our students. **Raphi Rechitsky**, a senior with a second major in philosophy, is the University's first Udall Scholarship recipient. Named after Morris K. Udall, this nationally competitive scholarship rewards students "who have demonstrated outstanding potential and a commitment to preserving, protecting or restoring environmental resources." The environment is only one front on which Mr. Rechitsky is active: also the recipient of an Undergraduate Research Award, he is conducting a study under the guidance of Prof. Jennifer Dunn of the media framing of Argentinian protest movements. Senior **Karan Hustedt**, chair last year of our Sociology Club, received a Super Student scholarship from the University, reserved for leaders in Registered Student Organizations, and is working on her

honors thesis with Prof. Michelle Miller. Her topic is tracking and racialization in required multicultural courses. The department also produced three McNair fellows, **Nicole Huffman**, **Danielle Estes**, and **Lavon Pettis**. McNair programs around the country recruit and prepare members of underrepresented groups to replace us as faculty members, populating the universities of the next generation. Nicole was our Scholastic Honors student last spring and captured our paper prize as well.

Each year, graduation scatters our students across the country and the world. Yuko Ishiyama has returned to Japan; Jenny Case is *somewhere* in the Peace Corps, I believe; Martin Davis is in Arizona, working while preparing for grad school; Brian Campbell, one of our Outstanding Seniors, is stationed in Alaska with the Air

Force and also preparing for grad school; Reginald Nance, past recipient of our Scholastic Honors award, is close to home and has not yet been lured back to grad school from his job as a correctional officer; Rob Durr, also an Outstanding Senior, is in Colorado, getting first hand experience working with kids; and so on. Our students indicate most frequently that what they get from their sociological training with us is appreciation of and comfort with diversity, and with this appreciation and their own talents and energies, they are usually carried far away, just as they should be. Of course they scatter just as we are really getting to know them--which is a shame, but is the nature of our work. All alumni should remember that it's easy to keep in touch and that we're anxious to hear from you.

Undergraduate Honor Students 2004:

Spring 2004

Jennifer Case	Danielle Estes	Nicole Henderson	Raphi Rechitsky
Stacia Creek	Jordan Gremmels	Danny Ho	Yoko Taguchi
Kendra Crews	Lindsay Haulman	Karan Hustedt	Chad Streff
Susan Dunn	Stacy Hauser	Reginald Nance	

Summer 2004

Afiya Tulani Allen	Susan Dunn	Nicole L. Henderson	
Ian Joseph Cohoon	Kimberly A. Gilbert	Karan E. Hustedt	
Stacia Creek	Lindsay R. Haulman	Yoko Taguchi	

Fall 2004

Nathan C. Dent	Jordan Gremmels	Chandal King	Erica Smith
Susan Dunn	Nicole Henderson	Jacob Lunzer	Amy Sterna
Danielle Estes	Karan Hustedt	Zuzana Palovic	Yoko Taguchi
Jessica Faul	Steven Keith	Raphi Rechitsky	Steven Woodall

introduction to sociology: sociological perspective, social change and development, family sociology, social science research methodology, contemporary social problems, social demography; population problems and policies, and social organization and social structure. Dr. Mizan's publications include: *In Quest of Empowerment: The Grameen Bank Impact on Women's Power and Status*. 1994. Dhaka: The University Press; and several articles, research monographs and technical reports.

Fulbright Junior Visiting Research Scholar (August 2003-June 2004)

Adesoji Adeolu Oni (N.C.E.; B.A. Ed--English Education; M.Ed Sociology of education; Ph.D.--in view, University of Ibadan, Nigeria--Department of teacher education; Fulbright Junior Staff Development Program). Oni specializes in

the Sociology of Education focusing primarily on Students' Cults in Nigeria Universities. Teaching experience: 6 years. Publication: 10 (9 journal articles, and 1 chapter).

Recent Sociology Faculty Publications:

Benford, Robert D. Forthcoming. "The Half-Life of the Environmental Justice Frame: Innovation, Diffusion, and Stagnation." Forthcoming in David Pellor and Robert Brulle (eds.), *People and Pollution: A Critical Appraisal of the Environmental Justice Movement*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.

The American Sociological Association celebrates its 100th anniversary this year and as part of that celebration the official journal of the organization (ASR) will publish an article, "...examining its most influential articles..." on the discipline. That article

will include the "ASR 500 Club"--"those articles cited at least 500 times" according to the ISI *Social Sciences Citation Index*. It is with great admiration to see that an article co-authored by David Snow, E. Burke Rochford, Jr., Steven K. Worden and **Robert D. Benford**. 1986. "Frame Alignment Processes, Micromobilization, and Movement Participation," *American Sociological Review* 51:464-81.

Hunt, Scott A. and **Robert D. Benford**. 2004. "Collective Identity, Solidarity, and Commitment." Pp. 433-457 in David A. Snow, Sarah A. Soule, and Hanspeter Kriesche (eds.), *The Blackwell Companion to Social Movements*. Oxford: Blackwell.

Dunn, Jennifer L. 2004. "'Victims' and 'Survivors' Emerging Vocabularies of Motive for 'Battered Women Who Stay'." *Sociological Inquiry*: 75(1):1-30.

Dunn, Jennifer L. 2004. The Politics of Empathy:

Graduate Studies

Professor Darren E. Sherkat, Director

Southern Illinois University's Sociology graduate program has had a remarkable year, highlighted by the introduction of a new cohort of graduate students and by several students' completion of their Ph.D.s. Our graduate students are active in several professional associations, and many of them presented papers at the annual meetings of the American Sociological

Association, including Rifat Akhter, Aleta Gustavson, and Fawaz Alanezi. Bob Jenkot is settling into his new tenure-track job at the University of Alabama, and Bill Lovekamp has taken a multi-year lecturer job at the University of Southern Oregon. Fawaz Alanezi successfully defended his dissertation, and has moved on to a position at Kuwait University. Hakan Arikan,

Ahmet Uysal, Todd Bernhardt, Jason Leiker, and Mary O'Hara also completed their Ph.D.s and are gainfully employed. It's been a fabulous year for SIU graduate studies, and we're looking forward to even better times in the future. Please keep an eye out for promising students who are interested in pursuing either the M.A. or Ph.D. degree in sociology at SIUC.

Recent Graduates and Where They Are:

2004

Ph.D.s

Hakan Arikan, teaching in Turkey

Fawaz Alanezi, teaching in Kuwait

Mary O'Hara, Associate Professor, John A. Logan College, Carterville, IL

M.A.s

Reshmi Chowdhury is the recipient of the Augusta and Jimmy Auerbach Endowed Memorial Scholarship by International Students and Scholars, SIUC.

2003

Ph.D.s

Todd E. Bernhardt, Assistant Professor of Sociology, Broward Community College, Davie, FL

Curt R. Blakely, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Political Science & Criminal Justice, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL

Martha J. Heltsley, Criminal Justice Professor, Blackburn College, Carlinville, IL

Jason Leiker, Lecturer, Dept. of Sociology, Social Work, and Anthropology, Utah State University, Logan, UT

Ahmet Uysal, teaching at a university in Turkey

M.A.s

Addrain Conyers, continuing Ph.D. student, Sociology, SIUC

Tim J. Cullinane, unknown

Gregory R. Maddox, continuing Ph.D. student, Sociology, SIUC

Suzanne Stoelting, continuing Ph.D. student, Sociology, SIUC

Social Movements and Victim Repertoires." *Sociological Focus*: 37(3)235-250. (Special Issue: New Directions in Social Movements).

Thio, Alex and **Thomas C. Calhoun**. 2004. *Readings in Deviant Behavior*. 3rd Edition. Needham Heights, MA: Allyn & Bacon.

Hendrix, Lewellyn. 2004. "Courtship and Marriage." Pp. 71-77 in Carol R. Ember and Melvin Ember (eds.), *Encyclopedia of Sex and Gender*. New York: Kluwer Academic/Plenum Publishers.

Miller, Michelle Hughes. 2004. "Witnessing Good Mothering: Experts and Expertise in Family Law Decisions." *Journal of the Association for Research on Mothering*: 6(1):75-84.

Schneider, Mark A. 2004. "Cultural studies as fin-de-siècle culture" in Roger Friedland and John Mohr (eds.), *Matters of Culture*, Cambridge University Press.

Sherkat, Darren E. 2004. "Religious Assortative

Marriage in the Late 20th Century: Patterns, Predictors." *Social Science Research*: 33:606-626.

Bazargan, Shahrzad, **Darren E. Sherkat**, and Mohsen Bazargan. 2004. "Religion and Alcohol Use Among Inner city African American and Hispanic Emergency Patients." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*: 43:417-425.

Husaini, Baqar A., Pamela C. Hull, Robert S. Levine, **Darren E. Sherkat**, Clinton Craun, MA, Janice S. Emerson, Monica T. Overton and Van A. Cain. 2004. "Diabetes, Depression and Health Care Service Utilization in a Low-Income Primary Care Setting". *Journal of the National Medical Association*: 96(4)417-425.

Husaini, Baqar A., Sherry Cummings, Barbara Kilbourne, Howard Roback, **Darren E. Sherkat**, Robert Levine, and Van A. Cain. 2004. "Group Therapy and Depression Among Elderly Women: An Analysis of Outcome by Race" *International Journal of Group Therapy*.

Schlesinger, Lynn and **Diane E. Taub** (Eds.). 2004.

Instructional Materials for Teaching Sociology and Disability Studies (2nd edition). Washington, DC: American Sociological Association Teaching Resources Center (340 pages).

Taub, Diane E. (authored or coauthored): 2004. "Introduction" (pp. 2-6); "Incorporating Disability Studies in Sociology Courses" (pp. 15-17); "Selected Rationale for Multicultural Education" (pp. 18-19); "The Inclusion of Disability in Introductory Sociology Textbooks" (pp. 198-210); "Writing Assignment Using Current News Articles on Disability" (p. 286); "Recent Publications" (pp. 302-305); "General Contacts: Journals, Magazines, and News Sources" (p. 319); "General Contacts: Arts, Music, and Films" (pp. 322-325); and "Organizations, Listservs, and Other Contacts" (pp. 333-337).

Taub, Diane E., Penelope A. McLorg, and Patricia L. Fanflik. 2004. "Stigma Management Strategies Among Women with Physical Disabilities: Contrasting Approaches of Downplaying or Claiming a Disability Status."

Ward, Kathryn, Fahmida Rahman, A.K.M. Saiful Islam, and Rifat Akhter (and Nashid Kamal from Independent University Bangladesh), "The Effects of Global Economic Restructuring on Urban Women's Work and Income-Generating Strategies in Dhaka, Bangladesh," *Critical Sociology*, Volume 30, issue 1, 2004.

Recent Publications by Sociology Graduate Students:

Ward, Kathryn, Fahmida Rahman, A.K.M. Saiful Islam, and Rifat Akhter (and nashid Kamal, Independent University Bangladesh). 2004. "The Effects of Global Economic Restructuring on Urban Women's Work and Income-Generating Strategies in Dhaka, Bangladesh." *Critical Sociology*, Vol. 30, issue 1.

Chananie, Ruth. Forthcoming. "Offering Empowerment to Women: Psychopharmaceutical Advertising Strategies," *Sociological Spectrum*.

Hunter, Wanda T. 2005. "Correctional Officer Unions," *Encyclopedia of Prisons & Correctional Facilities*, Vol. 1, pages 187-188, Mary Bosworth (ed.), Sage Publications.

Hunter, Wanda T. 2005. "Recreation Programs," *Encyclopedia of Prisons & Correctional Facilities*, Vol. 2, pages 826-828, Mary Bosworth (ed.), Sage Publications.

Jenkot, Robert. 2005. "U.S. Marshals Service," *Encyclopedia of Prisons & Correctional Facilities*, Vol. 2, pages 988-991, Mary Bosworth (ed.), Sage Publications.

Rader, Nicole. 2004. "The Threat of Victimization: A Theoretical Reconceptualization of Fear of Crime," 24:4, *Sociological Spectrum*.

New Graduate Students Fall 2004

Stacia Creek, B.A. August 2004, SIUC (Sociology/Philosophy).

Geraldine Hendrix, M.A. May 2003, Western Illinois University (Sociology).

Jacob Jantzer, B.A. May 2004, St. John's University, Collegeville, MN (Sociology).

Jennifer Krabill, M.A. May 2004, Middle Tennessee State University (Sociology).

Shelly McGrath, M.A. July 2003, Ball State University, Muncie, IN (Sociology/Political Science)

Kristie Perry, M.S. August 2004, Southern University A & M, Baton Rouge, LA (Sociology)

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Spotlight on Alumni

Blakely, Curtis R., (Ph.D., Sociology, SIUC, 2003) wrote: *America's Prisons: The Movement Toward Profit and Privatization*. This book is available at Amazon.com.

We've recently heard from a few alumni who graduated in the 70s and 80s:

Stephen Cernkovich (Ph.D., Sociology, SIUC, 1975) is Professor, Director of Graduate Studies and Associate Chair in the Department of Sociology at Bowling Green State University.

Professor Cernkovich, with his co-authors Peggy C. Giordano and Jennifer L. Rudolph are the recipients of the James F. Short, Jr. Distinguished Article Award. Crime, Law and Deviance Section of the American Sociological Association, August, 2004 for their article: "Gender, Crime, and Desistance; Toward a Theory of Cognitive Transformation." *American Journal of Sociology* 107 (January):990-1064.

Jane Gordon (Ph.D., Sociology, SIUC, 1976–Jane Gordon Keyes at that time) is Professor of Sociology and Chair of Women's Studies at Mount Saint Vincent University in Halifax, Nova Scotia; previously served two terms as Chair of the Sociology and Anthropology Department.

Tom Inglis, (Ph.D., SIUC, 1984) is Professor in the Dept. of Sociology at the University College Dublin. For Professor Inglis' information, go to the website: <http://www.ucd.ie/sociolog/>.

Jan Rienerth (Ph.D., Sociology, SIUC, 1972–the first woman through the new Ph.D. program) is Professor in the Department of Sociology and Social Work at Appalachian State University.

Mike Siegfried (Ph.D., Sociology, SIUC, 1985) is the Chair of the Department of Behavioral Sciences and Chair of the Faculty Senate at Coker College in Hartsville, South Carolina.

Rudy Seward (Ph.D. Sociology, SIUC, 1973) is Professor of Sociology, Graduate Advisor and Associate Chair in the Department of Sociology, University of North Texas, Denton, TX.

Professor **Rudy Seward** attended the Sociological Association of Ireland's annual meeting, and was impressed by the fact that four of the heads or representatives are SIU graduate students. They were **Tom Inglis**, head of sociology at University College Dublin; **Donal Igoe** from Political Science and Sociology Department at national University of Ireland at Galway (NUIG); **Brian Keary**, head of sociology at University of Limerick, and **Liam O'Dowd** from the school of sociology and social work at Queens University in Belfast.



SIU Sociologists in Ireland

SIU Sociologists Prominent in Ireland: The Impact of Exchanges begun in 1967

At the 31st annual meeting of the Sociological Association of Ireland in Athlone last April, sociologists trained at SIU played salient roles. Collectively, their participation at this meeting and, even more importantly, their actions as teachers, scholars, and researchers in Irish universities are impressive. Their success is a realization of efforts to extend SIU's reach internationally. These same efforts helped me to make the connections that brought me to Ireland to attend this meeting. In 1967, one year after I started in the master's program, Professor Herman R. Lantz, the Director of Graduate Studies, initiated exchange programs with European universities. During several extended trips, Lantz presented seminars, consulted, or was appointed as a visiting scientist at academic institutions in Ireland, England, Scotland, Holland, Belgium, Denmark, Sweden, Poland, Rumania, Italy, Switzerland, France, Austria, and Yugoslavia. At every stop administrators and faculty were approached about possible exchanges.

The first objective of the program involved attracting competent European faculty and students to Carbondale to complement existing perspectives to enhance the graduate program. European faculty from many nations, including Ireland, Sweden, and Poland, made their way to Carbondale to teach courses, make presentations, or consult about exchanges. Professor Gunnar Boalt from Stockholm University (SU) was one of the most active and prominent. He taught graduate seminars in Carbondale for many years and co-authored books and articles with several SIU faculty and students. Erling Ribbing and Nils-Magnus Björkman also from Stockholm taught courses in Carbondale as well. Father Edmund Dougan, chair of sociology at University College, Galway (UCG) help initiate and maintain numerous exchanges. Michael D. Higgins from UCG taught courses in Carbondale. Donal Igoe was the first graduate student to come to Carbondale from UCG. He was followed by Liam O'Dowd and Delma McDevitt.

The second objective was to send SIU faculty and students to European institutions. Among the SIU faculty members who participated were Jerry Gaston, who went to England, Ireland, and Poland; Peter Munch who went to Sweden; and Tom Eynon, who went to Sweden and Ireland. Dick Stivers was the first SIU student to go to UCG where he stayed for two years. The data he collected for his dissertation became the basis for his first book, *Hair of the dog: Irish drinking patterns and its American stereotype*, published in 1976 and in a new revised edition in 2000. Dan McMillin was the first student to go to Stockholm where he taught courses and worked on his dissertation dealing with Swedish drinking patterns. Steve Hall was the second student to go to Stockholm and I was the third.

These exchanges were the results of several years of negotiation. As Lantz noted, it was relatively easy to make the contacts but actual exchange took considerable time and effort on the part of all parties. The most interest and success were at institutions where sociology was just getting started or was underdeveloped. Lantz noted several frank discussions with contacts at more established sociology programs because of their concerns about setting up exchanges with an institution unknown in Europe.

Finding the best fit, accommodating personal plans and preferences, possible cultural clashes, and differences in compensation and benefits were some of the challenges faced. As Dick Stivers found out early on at UCG, not all expectations were met in these exchanges. The funding for his position was bare bones and had to be supplemented by income from extra teaching jobs set up after he arrived. An Irish student noted that not all the promises made for their stay in Carbondale came to fruition. My appointment suggests the challenge of matching research and teaching resources, needs, and interests in exchanges. I was to be Professor Boalt's research assistant and although he had published in the area of family sociology, it was not his primary focus. Further, my dissertation research was on the U.S. and not Sweden. Many exchanges never worked out. For example, intern appointments in the medical school at UCG never got beyond the discussion stage. The arranged appointments for students in Poland were never filled.

My academic year in Sweden opened many new worlds for me as I was a first generation college student who had never before traveled outside the U.S. During my stay, I was encouraged, and assisted, to meet with Swedish scholars who were experts in my research area like Jan Trost, who headed a family study group at Uppsala. I crossed paths frequently with the Nobel prize winner, Gunnar Myrdal, whose office was nearby. The visitors to SU that year included Margaret Mead, Alvin Gouldner (who had been a visiting professor at SIU), and Frank Jones from Canada. I attended many graduate seminars and various department functions. My office mate, Suk-Nam Moon from South Korean, was also an interloper. Many of the contacts I made nurtured my research over the years and enabled several return visits.

During my stay at SU, our family took a spring trip to Ireland to visit with fellow SIU student Gerry Booth, who was then at UCG. Little would I have expected during that first trip to Ireland that twenty-two years later I would be back presenting a paper on "Irish Family Patterns during the Twentieth Century" with the help of two co-authors who had made the initial student exchanges between UCG and SIU.

The SAI conference stimulated thoughts

about the opportunities that the SIU exchanges had provided many and how these exchanges had lead in many cases to ongoing and expanding relationships with professional and personal payoffs. A prime stimulant was the unintended reunion of former SIU graduate students in Athlone. During my long 'tenure' as a SIU student, I was privileged to share graduate school with most of the students who came from Ireland. Four of them were at this conference. During one of our discussions, I was struck by the fact that at a luncheon and meeting for the heads of sociology departments at major Irish universities, these four were in attendance. They were in the majority among the seven departments represented including: Tom Inglis, head of sociology at University College Dublin, Donal Igoe from NUIG (standing in for Chris Curtin), Brian Keary, head of sociology at the University of Limerick, and Liam O'Dowd from the school of sociology and social work at Queens University in Belfast (standing in for Mary Daly). Another former SIU student, Tony Varley from NUIG was scheduled to be at the meeting but was unable to attend. Tony, Donal, and Liam have either been head of their departments at one time, have been the acting head, or held other administrative positions (e.g., Igoe served as assistant to the dean of liberal arts at NUIG). The exchanges with SIU set this in motion almost 40 years ago. In 1970, Herman Lantz wrote that:

"... our department stands in a unique position to have a significant impact on the development of sociology in Ireland which is only beginning to get underway. I would not be at all surprised to see Irish students, SIU trained, occupying the most important university and research positions in Ireland . . ."

He would be proud. Obviously the impact of his efforts and the SIU graduates on Irish sociology has been and will continue to be enormous. I am reminded of Henry Brooks Adams' quote that: "A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops."

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