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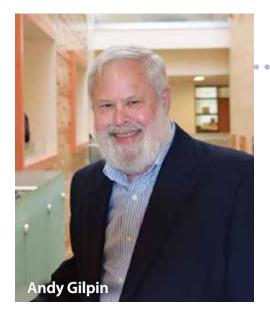
# CSBS in review

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**April 2015** 

# **Best Wishes...**

With much gratitude for their many years of service to the university and the college, CSBS sends our fondest wishes with the faculty retiring this year.



**Andy Gilpin**Professor, Department of Psychology, 41 years

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Gilpin joined UNI's psychology faculty in 1974, after one-year appointments at Jackson Community College and then at Michigan State University, where he had received his Ph.D. He was tenured and promoted to associate professor in 1979 and to professor in 1986. From 1978 to 1981, Gilpin served as assistant and then associate dean of the college. He also served for several years as coordinator for the graduate program in general psychology. He has taught many different courses but specialized in teaching psychological statistics (at both undergraduate and graduate levels) and the history of psychology. He edited three books and authored over 50 professional publications, mostly dealing with computer applications and statistical analysis. He served on numerous thesis and dissertation committees, and on a variety of faculty committees, including the University Faculty

Senate, the Graduate Council, and the CSBS Senate—which he chaired twice, most recently in 2013-14. He looks forward to traveling and taking photographs as well as writing.

#### **Carole Henkin**

Professor, Department of Social Work, 26 years

Henkin joined UNI's social work faculty in 1989. She had previously been at Wichita State University's Department of Health Administration and Gerontology. She received her M.S.W. from the University of Iowa, where she also taught courses and was a research associate with the Gerontology Center. Her research and teaching interests also included social policy, health care policy, and women and aging, but her Ph.D in administration/curriculum policy studies with her undergraduate and graduate degrees in Spanish and music made her a particularly well-rounded scholar. Henkin's colleagues recall her tremendous depth of knowledge of social work (and in general), her ability to speak many languages, her musical talent, and her love of travel. She has retired to the coast of California.



# In Memoriam: John Baskerville



John Baskerville, associate professor in the Department of History, passed away on March 3, 2015.

Baskerville was a native of Waterloo. He completed undergraduate degrees in music education and performance and secondary education; a master's in African-American world studies; and his doctorate in American studies at the University of Iowa. He returned to the area and joined the history faculty in 1993.

Baskerville also played bass for the local band Checker and the Bluetones, and he co-hosted the program "Community Rhythms" on local radio.

His campus colleagues described him as "a gentle colleague, a mentor to many students, and a friend whom we will all greatly miss."

In lieu of any public ceremony, faculty, students, staff, and friends of Dr. John Baskerville gathered April 9. They shared special memories of him and celebrated his life of 52 years.

# **Transitions**

The end of the academic year marks a number of transitions in the college.

**Howard Barnes** of the School of Applied Human Sciences is stepping down from his administrative role and returning to teaching. He came to UNI in 1997, serving consistently in the leadership position of the college's programs in family studies, gerontology, interior design, and textiles and apparel. Annette Lynch of textiles and apparel has begun to serve as interim director of the school.

**Richard Featherstone** of the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminology has accepted the position of dean of humanities at Dixie State University in Utah. He began as an assistant professor of criminology at UNI in 2002. Greg Bruess of history now serves as associate dean of the college.

**Eric Hiris** of the Department of Psychology has accepted a position at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. He came to UNI in 2013 to serve as department head. Adam Butler has been selected to serve as interim head.







# **TEDx UNI**

On March 28, UNI was the site of TEDx UNI, an independently organized TED event.

TED is a nonprofit organization at the convergence of technology, entertainment, and design. Started 30 years ago in California, it's devoted to "Ideas Worth Spreading" with many of its events available for free.

The UNI event, "Charting Destiny," was organized by the college's Creative Life Research Center and held at the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center. It included four remote live-viewing parties and such speakers as Purple Heart recipient Taylor Morris, a Mayo Clinic physician, a life design specialist, and other local and campus leaders.

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## TEDx UNI emcee Tara Thomas, communications director at Waterloo Schools and former KWWL anchor

# **Arctic Conference**

The Department of Geography, the UNI Museum, and the Consulate General of Canada hosted "Canada and the US: Partners & Allies in Arctic Research, Sustainability and Development" on March 9. The symposium on Arctic exploration, sustainability, and governance included in-person and remote speakers Dr. Lee Huskey, University of Alaska Anchorage; Consul General Jamshed Merchant, Consulate General of Canada; Dr. Chris Southcott, professor at Lakehead University; Dr. Andrey Petrov, UNI associate professor of Geography and director of Arctic-FROST and ARCSES; and Norma Kassi, Yukon Gwich'in leader and co-founder of the Arctic Institute of Community-based Research.

The event also included a screening of Kassi's film about her homeland, a poster session highlighting student research at UNI, and a companion exhibit at the UNI Museum at the Rod Library.



The exhibit featured photographs from Canadian Geographic as well as a selection of Arctic artifacts from the museum's collection—including several Inuit masks donated by Dorothy Jean Ray, a 1941 graduate of UNI and ethnographer of Native Alaskans. Ray and her husband Verne F. Ray, an anthropologist of Northwest Indian tribes, established the The Dorthy Jean Ray Anthropology Scholarship at UNI.

# **Promotion & Tenure!**

Congratulations to those CSBS faculty earning tenure and promotion! Pending Board of Regents approval, the following will take effect for the 2015-2016 academic year.

**Promotion to Professor:** 

Joanne Goldman, History

Cyndi Dunn, Anthropology

**Tenure and Promotion to Associate Professor:** 

**Don Gaff**, Anthropology

Elizabeth Lefler, Psychology

Pat Gross, Family Studies

#### **FACULTY & STAFF** Kudos

**Michael Childers** (*History*) has been awarded the E. Peter Mauk, Jr./Doyce B. Nunis, Jr., Fellowship at the Huntington Library in San Marino, California, for summer 2015. The fellowship supports one a month at the library, which will allow him to review travel diaries, guide books, and the John Muir Papers for his current book project on Yosemite National Park.

Annette Lynch (School of Applied Human Sciences) has been recognized as a Title IX Champion by the American Association of University Women. The award celebrates advocacy that supports and advances gender equity in education. Lynch was nominated by the board of directors of the AAUW Cedar Falls branch.

**Xavier Escandell** (Sociology) has been accepted into the National Endowment for the Humanities summer seminar series. He is one of only 16 scholars selected to participate in the five-week seminar *The Cross-Border Connection: Immigrants, Emigrants, and their Homelands*, which will be held at the University of California, Los Angeles.

**Bill Downs** (Social Work) received the Iowa Behavioral Health Association 2014 Award for Excellence.

**Leisl Carr Childers** (History), with colleagues across campus, has been working on the FORTEPAN lowa project. The digital archive features 20th century snapshots by ordinary lowans along with an oral history of the images. The project was inspired by a Hungarian project—named after the country's most popular film-paper—and is the first international companion project.

**Linda Walsh** (*Psychology*) continues on the steering committee of the lowa Teachers of Psychology Conference—the 15th annual of which was held in November. The committee receives all conference submissions and moderates the teaching demonstrations portion of the program. About ten of UNI's psychology graduate students also attended the conference.

Eric Hiris (Psychology), Tyler O'Brien (Anthropology), and Patrick Pease (Geography) served as poster presentation judges for the Graduate College's 8th Annual Graduate Student Symposium held April 1. Oral presentation judges included Michael Childers (History), John Johnson (History), and Chris Larimer (Political Science).

Bill Henninger (Family Studies), Kim MacLin (Psychology), Gayle Rhineberger-Dunn (Criminology), and Jennifer Becker (Social Work) served on a recent Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning panel on the topic of helping prepare students for the job market while maintaining high academic standards.



#### **STUDENT** Kudos

Max Martino (Psychology & Economics), a Panther men's basketball player, was awarded a Missouri Valley Conference Elite Eighteen Award after the championship basketball game in St. Louis. The award honors academic achievement and is presented to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade-point average who competes at the finals of the conference's 18 team championships. Martino participates in UNI's Honors Program.

**Megan Vogt** (*Psychology MA*) presented a break-out session at UNI's 4th Annual African-American Children and Families Conference in February. She discussed the goals of the Community Partnership for the Protection of Children. Vogt's concentration is in social administration.



The **Graduate College's 8th Annual Graduate Student Symposium** was held April 1. Of the 20 research poster presentations, 16 included CSBS students. Among the oral presentations, nearly two-thirds were from CSBS.

**Sushil Tuladhar** (Geography MA) received two awards: Oral Presentation, 2nd place, for "Spatial and Temporal Analysis of Total Phosphorous in the Cedar River Watershed" and Best Poster, 1st place, for "Assessing Vulnerability Mapping of Nitrate Contamination Among the Private Well Owners of Black Hawk County, Iowa" (coauthored with Junu Shrestha of HPELS).

For oral presentations, the following students placed in their categories:

**Kristin Broussard** (Social Psychology MA), 1st place, "Predictors of Racial Prejudice: A Meta-Analysis of the Influence of Religion and Political Orientation"

**Megan Vogt** (Social Work masters), 2nd place, "Influx of Child Immigrants to the United States: Policy & Practice Implications"

**Annalee Hollingsworth** (History MA), 1st place, "More Gallant By Far': Middle Class Enforcement of Masculine Ideals During the Evacuation of the Titanic"

**Rachel Meisinger** (*Psychology MA*), 1st place, for "Identification of Sluggish Cognitive Tempo by Teachers"

**Scotti Hagensick** (*School Counseling*), 1st place, "Adolescents and Sexting: The Various Consequences and Strategies for Schools to Respond"

**Taylor Ash** (*Social Work*), 2nd place, "Suicidal and Non-Suicidal Self-Injury"



Right: Public Policy graduate students Rachel Gregory (right) and Kerri Robinson (left) lead the effort to bring the Elect Her program to campus. Held January 24, the event promoted women in government. Above: An Elect Her panel included Northern lowa Student Government leaders, including Victoria Hurst (second from left), of public administration and political science.

#### **ALUMNI** Kudos



The college held its annual Distinguished Alumni Day on April 9. This year's guests spent the day meeting with Dean Bass, development director Nate Clapham, President Ruud, and students and faculty from their respective departments.

#### 2015 College of Social & Behavioral Sciences Distinguished Alumni:

**Jack Petersen** ('78 History) has been employed in the internal law department of Principal Life Insurance Company, located in Des Moines, since 1983. His primary responsibility in the law department has been working with the pension/retirement investor services business unit.

**Carl B. Boyd** ('87 Criminology and Sociology) was a partner in the law firm Starks & Boyd, P.C., with over 22 years of experience. The Honorable Carl B. Boyd was sworn into office on December 3, 2012, as judge who is assigned to the Sixth Municipal District in Cook County (IL).

**Serena Zwanziger** ('03 Interior Design) is an interior designer with InVision Architecture in Waterloo. In addition to creating interior environments suited to the needs of her clients, Zwanziger was recently appointed for her second term on the Interior Design Examining Board of Iowa.



#### **ALUMNI** Kudos

**Beaumont R. Hagebak** (Social Science BA '60, Counseling MA '62) served as the first school counselor in Reinbeck, lowa for a couple of years before obtaining his doctorate in counseling psychology from Arizona State University. He developed the psychological services clinic at Mankato State University, Mankato, Minnesota, and served as dean at Northland College in Ashland, Wisconsin, before moving to Georgia in 1972 to develop community mental health centers and integrated health and human service programs under then-Governor Jimmy Carter. He joined the U.S. Public Health Service in 1977, obtained his license as an applied psychologist, and eventually became the executive officer and senior public health advisor for federal public health programs in eight Southern states. Hagebak also managed a part-time private practice and wrote award-winning professional journal articles and books on human service integration. After he retired from federal service in 1999, he served as a consultant on emergency preparedness training and for ten years was an adjunct professor of psychology in the Georgia university system. He now lives in California, where he does watercolor portraits and drinks red wine. He is married, the father of four sons, grandfather of six granddaughters, and great-grandfather of two little boys. He says, "My career mentor, Dr. Calvin J. Daane, was on the counselor education faculty at the University of Northern lowa, then at Arizona State University, and had an immense and positive impact on my professional and personal life." Prior to attending lowa State Teachers College, Hagebak was a veteran of the U.S. Army and served in the occupation of Germany.

**Ben Hussmann** (*History BA '86, MA '89*) is a history teacher at Glenbrook South High School in Glenview, Illinois, a northern suburb of Chicago. He has taught a bit of everything but currently teaches advanced-placement U.S. history and economics. He lives in Evanston with his wife Kristin (who teaches AP European history and Western civilization) and his daughter.

**Bethany Frerichs** (*Psychology and Religion, '10*) is working on her master of science in mental health counseling and works as a youth development specialist and an in-home counselor at Children & Families of lowa in Fort Dodge.

**Justin Sprung** (*Psychology '09*) earned his Ph.D. in industrial-organizational psychology from Bowling Green State University in 2013. He is an assistant professor of psychology at Luther College in Decorah.



The Midwestern History Association, formed in the fall of 2014, has named its best book prize in Midwestern history in memory of Jon Gjerde.

Gjerde was a 1975 UNI alumnus of history and philosophy and religion. He earned a Ph.D. from Minnesota and was a scholar of American history, with a specialization in the Midwest during the 19th and 20th centuries. Gjerde was the Alexander F. and May T. Morrison Professor of History and dean of the Division of Social Sciences at the University of California, Berkeley, at the time of his death in October 2008.

Gjerde's father taught at Iowa State Teachers College. Dr. Waldemar Gjerde, associate professor and specialist in audio-visual education, died in 1957 after 12 years of service.

## **EMERITI** Kudos

**Tom Hill** (Anthropology, retired in 2002) has been enjoying retirement but is keeping intellectually engaged. His book, Native American Drinking: Life Styles, Alcohol Use, Drunken Comportment, Problem Drinking, and the Peyote Religion, was named a finalist in two categories: the multicultural non-fiction category and the general non-fiction category in the 2014 Next Generation Indie Book Awards.

# **CSBS** in pictures











- 1. The undergraduate Student Social Work Association adopted gift recipients for the holiday season
- 2. Jim McCullagh of Social Work receives his Regents Award for Faculty Excellence
- 3. The CSBS contingent at Panther Caucus/UNI Day at the Capitol
- 4. Kim MacLin's Careers in Psychology class uses technology to keep in touch with alumni