**PAA Election Results for 2005**

The results of the election for PAA officers for 2005 are:

- President-Elect: Alberto Palloni
- Vice President-Elect: Kathleen Mullan Harris
- Board of Directors: Lynne M. Casper, Myron P. Gutmann, Wendy Manning, Duncan Thomas
- Nominating Committee: Christine A. Bachrach, Mark D. Hayward, Robert A. Moffitt
- Publications Committee: S. Philip Morgan

Many thanks to John Haaga for assisting in the ballot counting, and to PAA Member Services Coordinator, Lois Brown, for proficient management of the ballots.

Congratulations to the new PAA officers, and thanks to all the candidates who were willing to participate in the elective process.

*V. Jeffrey Evans, Acting PAA Secretary-Treasurer*

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

On July 22, the United States House of Representatives and Senate adjourned for the annual congressional summer district work period. Before leaving town, Congress made modest progress on the thirteen Fiscal Year 2005 appropriations bills, leaving the bulk of the work to be completed when Congress returns in September—the last month of Fiscal Year 2004. To date, the only FY 2005 appropriations bill signed into law is the Department of Defense appropriations act.

It is increasingly unlikely Congress will be able to complete action on all of the remaining appropriations bills individually, increasing the odds that an omnibus spending bill will develop. At this time, the House leadership plans to craft an omnibus bill in September after the full House completes action on the three appropriations bills it has yet to consider: Labor, Health and Human Services and Education (which funds the National Institutes of Health (NIH)), Transportation-Treasury, and Veterans and Housing and Urban Development (which funds the National Science Foundation (NSF)). Also in September, the Senate Appropriations subcommittees may consider its versions of the thirteen appropriations bills. The omnibus bill will be negotiated based on funding levels recommended in the House-passed bills and the funding levels approved by the Senate Appropriations Committee and its subcommittees. Final passage of an omnibus bill may not occur before the end of September though, which means Congress will have to pass a continuing resolution to keep the Federal government operating. Some observers speculate that the FY 2005 appropriations matter will not be resolved by the target adjournment date of October 1. As a result, members would have to return after the November elections to pass an omnibus appropriations bill, or a long-term continuing resolution, during a lame duck session.
FY 2005 Appropriations Highlights
The House of Representatives has acted on several appropriations bills important to the Population Association of America (PAA). A summary of these major actions is listed below.

Labor, Health and Human Services and Education
On July 8, the House Appropriations Committee Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education passed its version of the FY 2005 appropriations bill. The full House Appropriations Committee approved the subcommittee’s bill on July 14. The bill includes $28.5 billion for the NIH—the same amount requested by President Bush. The funding level is 2.6 percent more than the agency’s FY 2004 funding level, but below the amount many had advocated. The National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), a component of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, also received the funding level recommended by the Administration, $150 million, which is a $22 million increase over last year’s budget and a substantial boost to the nation’s premiere health statistical agency. The full House is expected to debate the Labor-HHS bill when it returns in September.

Commerce, Justice and State
On July 8, the full House passed its version of the Commerce, Justice, State appropriations bill, which encompasses the Census Bureau. During the debate, several amendments were offered that could have adversely affected funding for the Bureau—in particular the 2010 Census and the American Community Survey. One amendment offered by Rep. Ron Paul (R-TX), which was rejected, proposed eliminating funding for the American Community Survey. Another amendment, however, came much closer to winning passage. Rep. Weiner (D-NY) offered an amendment to strip $124.5 million from the Census 2010 appropriations to fund the Community Oriented Policing Services’ (COPS) Technology Programs at the Department of Justice. In a protracted vote, the House rejected the Weiner amendment by a vote of 212-206. Overall, the House-passed bill provides the Census with approximately $773.8 million in FY 2005, $55 million less than the President requested.

Veterans and Housing and Urban Development
On July 20, the House Appropriations Committee passed its version of the FY 2005 Veterans and Housing and Urban Development appropriations bill, which includes funding for the National Science Foundation (NSF). For the NSF, the Committee recommended a total of $5.47 billion, $111 million less than FY 2004 and $278 million less than the Administration requested. This total includes $4.2 billion for NSF Research, a decrease of approximately $50 million from FY 2004. The full House will consider this bill when it returns in September.

Foreign Operations
On July 15, the House passed its version of the FY 2005 Foreign Operations bill, which includes funding for the United States Agency for International Development and its Office of Population and Reproductive Health. Through the Child Survival and Health Programs Fund, the Office supports data collection and research efforts important to PAA. The bill includes $1.65 billion for the Fund, an amount that is $228,500,000 above the President’s request, but approximately $175 million less than the FY 2004 funding level.

News Highlights
National Children’s Study—On May 26, PAA President, Dr. Sara McLanahan, met with Dr. Peter Scheidt, Director of the National Children’s Study (NCS) at the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), and his staff to discuss the status of the study and concerns regarding the evolving study design. In July, NICHD Director Dr. Duane Alexander and the NCS Interagency Coordinating Committee members announced their intention to use a national probability sample to select locations and participants for the NCS. The sample will be a multistage design with clusters designed “to enhance both efficiency and the ability to measure chemical, physical, and social characteristics of communities as well as of Study participants.” Regional medical centers will collect measurements from Study participants (children and their families). The sampling and enrollment will occur incrementally and pilot studies will be done to assess the study design. PAA will continue to monitor the roll out of this ambitious study and report on its implementation.

CDC Futures Initiative—On May 13, CDC announced a major reorganization of the agency as part of its Futures Initiative. The new organization places the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) in a new Coordinating Center for Health Information and Services (CCHIS). Along with NCHS, CCHIS will contain two
new offices — a National Center for Health Marketing and a Center for Public Health Informatics. Dr. James Marks, who has been the director of the CDC Chronic Disease Center since 1995, will be the new director of CCHIS. CDC plans to implement all of its organizational changes by October 1. Prior to the announcement, PAA sent a letter to CDC Director Dr. Julie Gerberding, asking CDC to ensure NCHS retains its independence and objectivity as a Federal statistical agency regardless of its placement within the agency. As a member of the Friends of NCHS, PAA also participated in a recent conference call with Dr. Marks to congratulate him on his new appointment and to learn more about the practical effect of this change on NCHS.

**USAID Courtesy Visit**—On May 20, members of the PAA and the Association of Population Centers (APC), Dr. Susan Palmore, Dr. Ken Hill, Dr. Peter Donaldson, and Ms. Mary Jo Hoeksema, met with senior staff at the USAID Office of Population and Reproductive Health, including its Director, Ms. Margaret Neuse. The purpose of the visit was to express support for the data collection and research efforts the Office supports and to discuss ways in which PAA, APC, and the Office can work together to ensure research complements and benefits the agency’s programmatic objectives and addresses relevant issues in developing nations.

**House Energy and Commerce Committee Courtesy Visit**—On June 10, members of PAA and APC, Dr. Matthew Stagner, Dr. John Haaga, Dr. Bob Schoeni, and Ms. Mary Jo Hoeksema, met with staff on the House Energy and Commerce Committee to discuss legislation the Committee may be drafting later this year to reauthorize programs and revise policies at the National Institutes of Health.

**Senate Commerce Committee hearing on marriage**—On May 13, PAA members, Dr. Steven Nock, University of Virginia, and Dr. Nicholas Zill, Westat, testified at a hearing convened by Senator Sam Brownback (R-KS), Chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space. The hearing focused on what social/behavioral research has revealed regarding the effect of marriage and divorce on children. Testimony is posted on the Committee’s home page at: http://commerce.senate.gov/hearings/witnesslist.cfm?id=1188.

**PAA People**

“PAA People” profiles a different member of PAA in each issue of PAA Affairs. The member is selected at random from the membership roles and then interviewed by Jill Keesbury, University of Hawaii. The goal is to foster a broader appreciation of the diverse membership of the association and the different types of work that PAA members do. In this issue, Jill interviews Dana Aronovich, Research and Evaluation Advisor, DELIVER/John Snow, Inc.

**Jill:** How did you become interested in population issues?

**Dana:** After college, I joined the Peace Corps and was sent to a rural village in Mali, West Africa. I originally was sent to work in natural resource management, but quickly realized that my community had other priorities. They were mostly subsistence farmers and were very poor with very low health indicators. It was hard to get farmers to focus on planting trees for the next generation when they were just trying to survive day to day—coping with high rates of morbidity and maternal, child and infant mortality; praying for a good harvest so that they could provide nutritious food for their families this month or year, etc. So, I started working more in health and trying to address the intersection with the environment. Ultimately in Mali, it comes down to a delicate balance between the ever-growing population competing for quickly vanishing environmental resources. This experience inspired me to come back to the U.S. and begin my career in public health. Math was always my strongest subject in school, so demography was a good fit for me—the crossroads of math and public health. I’ve been working in public health ever since.

**Jill:** Tell me a bit more about your graduate studies.

**Dana:** I got a master of health sciences with a concentration in population studies/demography and international health at Johns Hopkins University. Since I was in the part-time program, and working full-time in public health at the same time, I was not required to do an internship. I did have to write a final thesis, however, which I wrote about an assignment that I had for work. I conducted a facility-based survey in Senegal looking at the impact of cost recovery on utilization of family planning services, which included a client exit interview.
Basically, the survey looked at clients’ willingness to pay, their perceptions of the quality of services they received and whether the revenue generated by the facilities led to improvements in quality of care and contraceptive availability. I based my final thesis on the results of this survey.

**Jill:** What type of work are you currently involved in?

**Dana:** I’m working as a research and evaluation advisor on a USAID-funded project called DELIVER. DELIVER works to ensure the continuous availability of contraceptives and other health products to people in developing countries around the world by designing and strengthening the logistics systems that distribute these products. I’ve done national surveys of health facilities to see how their logistics operations are working and how they can be improved to increase product availability to clients. I also look at global issues around logistics and its role in ensuring the success of health programs, including quantifying product requirements based on demographic data.

**Jill:** What benefits do you draw from your PAA membership?

**Dana:** I like to keep in touch with what’s going on in the field of demography and what other organizations are working on and researching. The DELIVER project is not a research project by design—we’re more focused on program implementation—so it’s nice for me to stay in touch with the demographic research community.

**Jill:** What do you do when you’re not working?

**Dana:** I spend every possible moment with my newborn son, Ethan (7 months old), and my husband, Ronen. I like working in my yard and going for walks in the park. I also love spending time with friends, cooking and yoga.

**Jill:** You’re a new mom! Do you have any pointers on how to balance professional and personal life?

**Dana:** It’s definitely a tough balance, juggling work and home life. I’m very lucky to have such a flexible employer and a very involved husband. I really count on my husband to help out and I’ve also had to rearrange my priorities. For example, I have to make sure I leave work on time and I plan activities with friends on weekends, rather than during the week. There never seems to be enough time during the week and I’m always sleep-deprived! What can I say—you just keep going. I’m loving motherhood and it helps that I love my work, too.

Editorial Note: This was the last PAA People interview conducted by Jill. We thank Jill for her exceptional service, good cheer, and dedication to the PAA. Also, we wish Jill the best in her new job—who knows, she may be our next PAA People person!
CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

ROBERT J. LAPHAM AWARD

Nominations are invited for the Robert J. Lapham Award, to be presented on April 1 at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the PAA in Philadelphia. The Robert J. Lapham Award recognizes members of PAA who contributed to the population profession through the application of demographic knowledge to policy issues. The recipient does not have to be a member of the Association. The award consists of a certificate and a cash prize.

Robert J. Lapham contributed to the population profession in numerous ways. His original research and his direction of the Demographic and Health Surveys Project advanced our knowledge of population processes. He helped formulate population policy through his work at the Population Council and with the National Academy of Sciences’ Committee on Population. He strengthened the profession through his service as Secretary-Treasurer of the PAA. In recognition of these contributions and as a way of promoting his professional interests, the Lapham family established the Robert J. Lapham Award to recognize others who have made similar contributions.

The award given biennially to individuals who have distinguished themselves by their achievements in the following areas:

1) contributions to population research,
2) applications of demographic knowledge to improve the human condition, and,
3) service to the population profession.

Such contributions may be original research or efforts that increase our knowledge of population processes by enabling others to conduct research. Examples of the latter would be directing population surveys, creating a statistical system, or administering a program to facilitate demographic research. Applications of population knowledge to improve the human condition may be contributions to public policy, education, or program development. Service to the population profession may be building institutions within the profession, or service that advances the interests of the profession.

The name of the nominee, a brief description of his or her contributions, and a copy of the nominee’s vitae should be sent, no later than December 31, 2004 to: Reynolds Farley, Chair, University of Michigan, Population Studies Center, 426 Thompson Street, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1248; 734.327.1021; fax: 734.998.7415; email: renf@umich.edu. Committee members: Rebecca Clark, rclark@mail.nih.gov; John Hobcraft, j.n.hobcraft@lse.ac.uk; Robert Mare, mare@ucla.edu; Frank Mott, mott.1@osu.edu; Jeffrey Passel, jpassel@ui.urban.org; Steven Ruggles, ruggles@hist.umn.edu; James Smith, james_smith@rand.org.

IRENE B. TAEUBER AWARD

Irene Taeuber was President of the Population Association in 1953-54 and Vice-President of the IUSSP in 1961-62. She was the first woman elected to these positions. Her scholarly production included sixteen books and monographs and some 250 articles. Her magnum opus was The Population of Japan published in 1958. For more than 20 years, she also prepared the annotated bibliographies published in Population Index. She did much to bring an international and comparative perspective to the emerging discipline of demography. Her scholarly work covered more than a dozen countries in Asia, Africa, Latin American, North America and Oceania.

The Irene B. Taeuber award is presented in recognition of an unusually original or important contribution to the scientific study of population or for an accumulated record of exceptionally sound and innovative research. It is presented every other year at the annual meeting of the Association and consists of a cash award and a certificate.

Nominations for this award should include a concise summary of the nominee’s contributions and accomplishments (one page) and a selected list of the important demographic positions the nominee has held and his or her most significant publications or presentations (one page). Nominations should be submitted by e-mail or mail no later than December 15,
DOROTHY S. THOMAS AWARD

Pre or postdoctoral students are invited to submit papers for the 2005 Dorothy S. Thomas Award competition. The Award has been established by the Population Association of America (PAA) in honor of Dorothy S. Thomas and is presented annually for the best graduate student paper on the interrelationships among social, economic and demographic variables. The Award consists of a cash prize and a certificate, presented at the Annual Meeting of the PAA in April 2005.

Eligibility: The research must be undertaken while the author is a pre-doctoral student in an accredited graduate program. The paper must have both theoretical and empirical aspects. Two or more students may share the award for a collaborative study, but a paper jointly authored by a student and a member of the graduate faculty is not eligible. An individual is eligible for one year following completion of study. Published papers are acceptable. Recipients of the Ph.D. prior to December 1, 2003 and previous winners of the Award are not eligible.

Length: The paper cannot exceed 35 pages, including doublespaced text, tables, figures, footnotes, references and appendices. Papers that exceed this page limit will not be considered.

Submission Procedures: The deadline for receipt of submission is January 6, 2005. The student should mail six copies of the paper and a letter from their research advisor confirming eligibility to: Shoshana Grossbard-Schechtman, Chair, San Diego State University, Department of Economics, 5500 Campanile Drive, San Diego, CA 92182-4485; Phone: 619.594.5468; Email: shosh@mail.sdsu.edu. Do not email paper submissions. The Committee reserves the right to withhold the Award if it decides that no suitable paper was submitted.

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY. The Department of Sociology invites applications for up to three positions at the assistant and/or associate ranks (the latter with possibility of tenure upon appointment), effective August 2005. We seek candidates with specializations in (1) Race/ethnicity, (2) Political Sociology (social movements, social policy, political sociology, or comparative-historical), or (3) Immigration/demography. Candidates who can teach graduate level classical and/or contemporary theory will be given priority. Applications must include a personal letter, curriculum vitae, three letters of reference, and one writing sample. Candidates’ letters should describe how their teaching and research interests meet departmental needs, summarize their research accomplishments, and describe the promise of their research for external funding. Collaboration among faculty and students is encouraged and affiliation with the Pepper Institute on Aging & Public Policy or Center for Demography & Population Health is possible. We strongly welcome race/ethnic minority applicants. Screening will begin October 1 and continue until the positions are filled. Send materials to Patricia Yancey Martin, Chair, Department of Sociology, Florida State University, Tallahassee FL 32306-2270 or email: sociology@fsu.edu. For more information, visit our webpage at www.sociology.fsu.edu. Florida State University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY. The Department of Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor of Sociology. We seek to fill this position with a candidate specializing in Demography. A secondary specialization in health, social epidemiology, or life course is encouraged. Consideration will also be given to applicants specializing in demography whose strengths complement one of the Department’s other areas of strength: social change and development; environmental/natural resource sociology; and inequality/social problems. Preference will be given to candidates who can teach courses in research methods and statistics.
The successful applicant must demonstrate a strong potential to develop a substantial research record that includes both scholarly publications and securing extramural research funds. Demonstrated ability and commitment to excellence in teaching and professional service are required. The department offers master’s and doctoral degrees in Sociology and bachelor’s degrees in Sociology, Social Work, and Anthropology. Faculty are involved in a wide variety of interdisciplinary research and teaching programs. The successful applicant for this position will have an opportunity to participate in a new university wide epidemiological research center. For appointment at the Assistant Professor level the PhD should be in hand prior to August 2005. Review of applications will begin on October 10, 2004, and continue until the position is filled. Utah State University is a land-grant university with a Carnegie (Research I) doctoral extensive designation. Logan is located in a scenic mountain area 90 miles northeast of Salt Lake City. Information about the department (with links to information about the university and community) may be accessed at http://www.usu.edu/~sswa. Application materials, which include: (a) a letter of application addressing the position criteria, (b) three letters of reference, (c) official transcripts, and (d) a curriculum vita, should be sent to: Professor Michael B. Toney, Chair of Demography Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, Social Work, and Anthropology, Utah State University, Logan, UT 84322-0730. USU offers competitive salaries and outstanding professional benefits (see http://personnel.usu.edu for details). Utah State University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer and encourages applications from women and minorities.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP)**

25th IUSSP INTERNATIONAL POPULATION CONFERENCE
Tours, France, 18-23 July 2005

All those working on population issues are invited to submit paper and poster abstracts for the 25th IUSSP International Population Conference to be held in Tours France 18-23 July 2005. The official languages of the Conference will be English, French and Spanish. Abstracts for paper and poster presentations may be submitted in one of the three languages by Internet until 15 September, 2004. Interested authors should visit the official IUSSP Conference website at http://www.iussp.org/France2005.

**Research on Aging**

Special Issue: Wartime Military Service, Aging, and the Life Course

Research on Aging announces a Call for Papers for a special issue on Wartime Military Service, Aging, and the Life Course. Most scholarship on aging is based on cohorts born in the first few decades of the 20th century, and these cohorts have had significant exposure to war. Much remains to be learned about how wartime experiences have affected the short- and long-ranging development of veterans and their families. In America, for example, these matters will become increasingly important as large populations of World War II and Korean veterans move through advanced old age, and as Vietnam veterans enter old age. Wartime experiences

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**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

PAA would like to welcome 26 new members since May, 2004. Current membership now stands are 2,830.
may be important but largely invisible factors underneath contemporary knowledge of aging. Attention to these factors is necessary to assess the degree to which current knowledge can be generalized to future cohorts, and to respond to the needs of veterans and their families.

We are especially interested in manuscripts that:
- are framed by life-course principles
- are based on longitudinal evidence
- consider positive and negative effects
- consider long-ranging effects, direct or indirect
- consider potential processes that link earlier and later experiences
- unravel variability across wars or cohorts; between men and women; by location, type, duration, and timing of service

We particularly welcome manuscripts that take a comparative perspective, or that provide views from single countries other than the United States. Relevant submissions are welcomed on a broad array of topics, including (but not restricted to) the following:

- Psychological health and personality
- Physical health and mortality
- Marriage, family, and friendships
- Cognitive abilities
- Work and retirement
- Effects on spouses and children
- Methodological challenges (e.g., research design, sampling and selection, measurement)

Deadline: The deadline for submissions is September 15, 2004

Inquiries: Inquiries about this special issue may be directed to the guest editor, Richard A. Settersten, Jr., Department of Sociology, Case Western Reserve University, 10900 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44106-7124 (richard.settersten@case.edu).

Submissions: Submissions should be sent to: Angela M. O’Rand, Editor, Research on Aging, Department of Sociology, Duke University, Durham, NC 27708-9088. All submissions are subject to peer review.

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**University of Michigan’s Institute for Research on Women and Gender (IRWG)**

Please join the members of the Gender, Infertility, and Adoption Study Group of University of Michigan’s Institute for Research on Women and Gender (IRWG) for an international conference devoted to the theme of “Reproductive Disruptions: Childlessness, Adoption, and Other Reproductive Complexities” (May 19-22, 2005). This conference will be devoted to asking what happens when reproduction is, for one reason or another, problematized. What do reproductive falterings and failures, miscommunications and outright battles tell us about the subtleties of culture and power in everyday life? How is our understanding of so-called normal reproduction enhanced when we take reproductive disruptions, such as infertility, pregnancy loss, genetic disorders, and childhood disability, into account? Both individually submitted papers and organized panels are encouraged. Abstracts of no more than 300 words can be sent by email attachment to minhorn@umich.edu. Abstracts can also be sent by regular mail to Marcia C. Inhorn, Department of Health Behavior and Health Education, School of Public Health, University of Michigan, 1420 Washington Heights, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-2029. Deadline: **October 15, 2004**.

**The Minnesota Population Center** is pleased to announce the creation of an integrated series of European census microdata, IPUMS-Europe, supported by grants from the National Institutes of Health and the European Union Sixth Framework Program.

The National Institutes of Health have awarded the Minnesota Population Center (MPC) a major grant to undertake a five-year initiative to create integrated and fully documented samples of over fifty European censuses and micro-censuses from the 1960s to the present. The project will join the census microdata of Austria, Belarus, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Germany, Greece, Hungary, the Netherlands, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, and the United Kingdom to the IPUMS-International integrated data series, which currently includes data from France as well as China, Colombia, Kenya,
Mexico, the United States, and Vietnam. Samples from Belgium, Italy, Poland, Russia, and Turkey will also be incorporated pending written authorization from the national statistical agencies. These 19 countries represent over three-quarters of the population of Europe, and the resulting data series will offer excellent opportunities for research on a variety of topics, including analysis of population aging, economic transformation, demographic change, and international migration.

Preliminary releases may begin as early as 2006; the final integrated microdata series is scheduled for release in 2009. It will include between 50 and 60 datasets representing up to 70 million persons. A large number of housing, population, and economic variables are available for virtually every country, making the series particularly useful for a wide range of research projects.

The European Union Sixth Framework Program is offering additional support for coordination and dissemination. These funds will provide for an inaugural workshop, to be held in 2005, at which census experts will discuss harmonization strategies to integrate European census microdata across space and time. The Sixth Framework Program will also support a three-year project to build a European web-based data dissemination extract site, housed at the Centre d’Estudis Demogràfics at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, which will make the European microdata and metadata more widely available for scholarly and educational research.

MPC researchers look forward to working with European colleagues on the IPUMS-Europe initiative. The project will involve collaboration with researchers at the Centre d’Estudis Demogràfics, the Cathie Marsh Centre for Census and Survey Research at the University of Manchester, the Netherlands Institute for Scientific Information Services at the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Laboratoire d’Analyse Secondaire et de Méthodes Appliquées à la Sociologie in Paris, and the Population Activities Unit of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, as well as with experts from the national statistical agencies of each country involved with the project.

The principal investigator of the NIH grant is Robert McCaa; co-investigators are Steven Ruggles, Miriam King, Deborah Levison, and Matthew Sobek. The principal investigators of the EU grants are Anna Cabré, director of the Centre d’Estudis Demogràfics, and Albert Esteve, post-doctoral associate at the MPC. Information on the IPUMS-International project is available at www.ipums.org/international. The MPC is a research center in the College of Liberal Arts at the University of Minnesota.

For further information, contact Robert McCaa at (612) 624-3507 or rmccaa@umn.edu.

**Child Labor in Sub-Saharan Africa**

by Loretta E. Bass

Although both media and scholarly attention to the use of child labor has focused on Asia and Latin America, the highest incidence of the practice is found in Africa, where one in three children works. Loretta Bass presents a comprehensive, systematic study of child labor in sub-Saharan Africa. Bass offers a window on the lives of Africa’s children workers, a view informed by her analysis of the historical, economic, political, sociocultural, and legal factors framing child labor on the continent. Drawing on research from 18 countries, she discusses the political economy of child labor at the national, community, and household levels, the role of the education system, the differences between urban and rural child laborers, and the exploitation of children as soldiers, prostitutes, and slaves. Her concluding chapter confronts the benefits and costs of child labor and considers the prospects for policy aimed at creating positive social change. Loretta E. Bass is assistant professor of sociology at the University of Oklahoma.

**Child Trends, Inc.**

Childs Trends wishes to alert PAA members of its web sites that contain current research and timely data on children, youth, and families. Go to www.childtrends.org, or for specific data on current national trends and research on key indicators of child and youth well-being, go to Child Trends’ other site, www.childtrendsdbank.org.
New Publication in French
“Démographie 2000: une enquête internationale par Internet auprès des démographes”
Louvain-la-Neuve, Academia-Bruylant, 368 pgs.

Information on the world community of demographers is relatively scarce. To improve the availability of data, an international survey was launched at the end of the year 2000 with the objective to collect three types of information: on the demographic profiles and professional itineraries of persons involved in population sciences; on their perceptions of current problems faced by the discipline; and finally on their opinions on the future of demography.

The research has been conducted under the leadership of two members of the Institut national d’études démographiques (INED), J-C Chasteland and L Roussel and of one member of the Université catholique de Louvain-la-Neuve, M Loriaux. They were supported by an international team composed of: Alexander Avdeev (Universities of Moscow and of Strasbourg), Maire Ni Brhrolchain (University of Southampton), Giuseppe Micheli (Universita Catholica, Milano), Anatole Romaniuic (University of Alberta, Canada) and Tatiana Vichnevskai (Ined).

This survey is experimental to the extent that the data were collected through Internet, bypassing the traditional steps of interviews on a written questionnaire of a randomly selected sample of persons. More than 600 persons (637) from 70 countries volunteered to answer a detailed questionnaire which was accessible on several Internet sites or sent by e-mail to members of various professional associations.

It is also innovative to the extent that a new method of analysis of the networks of co-occurrences among answers was used (Analyse relationnelle Réseau-LU). As far as possible, the answers were examined in the context of the evolution of demography over time. The controversial question of the identity of the discipline in relation to its place among other social sciences or among natural sciences always close was also reviewed in the light of the answers given by the respondents.

Erratum

The article “Board Meets in Boston,” (PAA Affairs, Summer 2004) referenced the impending loss of Hewlett funds for PAA travel grants. This was an error. The Hewlett Foundation remains an active and important supporter of the PAA travel grants program.
Plan NOW to Attend!

PAA 2005
ANNUAL MEETING
MARCH 31 - APRIL 2

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www.popassoc.org for general meeting information
PAA is a nonprofit, scientific, professional organization established “to promote the improvement, advancement, and progress of the human race by means of research into problems connected with human population, in both its quantitative and qualitative aspects, and the dissemination and publication of the results of such research.” Members receive Demography and PAA Affairs. An annual meeting is held in the spring. Dues are: Regular Member, $95; Emeritus member, $65; Organizational member, $260; Joint husband-wife members, $140; Student member, $40. To join, contact: Population Association of America, 8630 Fenton Street, Suite 722, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3812, 301.565.6710.

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- **Spring:** January 15
- **Summer:** May 1
- **Fall:** August 1
- **Winter:** November 1

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2004 President of PAA: Sara McLanahan

Future PAA Meetings

- 2005 March 31-April 2 Philadelphia, PA; Philadelphia Marriott
- 2006 March 30-April 1 Los Angeles, CA; Westin Bonaventure
- 2007 March 28-31 New York, NY; Marriott Marquis
- 2008 April 17-19 New Orleans, LA; Sheraton New Orleans

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