As most of you know, I have been appointed Director of the Institute on Aging by Dean Virginia Hinshaw of the Graduate School and Dean Philip Farrell of the Medical School. I am delighted to accept this position. Having served as Interim Director for three years, I know the Institute well and am committed to, and enthusiastic about, its mission. Our affiliates number more than 100 researchers, educators, and clinicians (spanning 45 academic departments). Collectively, we face the challenge of preparing for the “aging society” we are becoming, i.e., a world in which 1 of every 4 or 5 persons is 65+. Several broad themes guide my vision for the Institute in the years ahead. First, I see aging as simultaneously about the problems and the potential of later life. Its dual faces include, on the one hand, the accumulation of illnesses, losses that accompany old age, and on the other, the vitality and resources of those in their 70s, 80s, and even 90s. These joint realities speak to the wide variability in the aging process itself. Second, aging is multifaceted — it is not just about the body, or the mind, but implicates basic social institutions (e.g., families, the workplace, communities) and macro-level social forces (demographic change, economic forces). Thus, diverse scientific disciplines are required to unravel the broad causes and consequences of age-related change. Third, aging is a process — factors influencing how individuals grow old are long-term and cumulative, and as such, best understood via longitudinal studies tracking multiple interacting systems over time.

Proudly, our talented cast of IOA affiliates are actively engaged across this broad terrain. We have world-class programs of study (in human and animal models) that address the biology of major later life diseases as well as the life-long impact of social inequalities. Other cutting-edge initiatives map the influence of nutrition and exercise in preventing or delaying health problems as well as the power of psychological and social factors in promoting later life resilience. Many of these investigations are, in fact, longitudinal. Further strengths are evident in our innovative programs of geriatric clinical care. This overall array of aging initiatives and the need for them has gained increased visibility — last year, the UW Medical School designated Aging and Geriatric Medicine a strategic priority for the future.

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The 11th Annual Colloquium on Aging will be held at the Pyle Center (formerly the Wisconsin Center) on April 22 and 23, 1999. Colloquium events include a dinner, lecture and award presentations on the 22nd, and a symposium and poster presentations on the 23rd.

April 22 Dinner Lecture

Linda George, Professor of Sociology and Psychiatry at Duke University, will deliver the April 22 dinner lecture titled “The Aging Self: Biopsychosocial Perspectives on Later Life Health.” A major leader in the field of aging, Dr. George was president of the Gerontological Society of America in 1994-1995 and served as Social Sciences Editor of the Journal of Gerontology. She is an Associate Director of the Duke University Center for the Study of Aging and Human Development. Dr. George’s research interests are broad, but she is best known for her work in social factors and chronic disease, psychiatric epidemiology, stress and coping, caregiving, quality of life, and institutionalization. She is director of a 12-year research program focused on the

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caregivers of demented older adults and is co-principal investigator of the Duke EPESE project, a large-scale epidemiologic study of physical illness in later life. Dr. George is the author of more than 200 publications. Individuals interested in attending this dinner lecture must preregister by April 15.

April 23 Symposium

The theme for the April 23 symposium is “The Health of Aging Women.” Speakers and topics include:

“Vision, Hearing & Smell: Sensory Impairments in Older Women” (9 a.m.), Karen Cruickshanks, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences and Preventive Medicine.

“The Experience of Wetting Urine: Women’s Voices” (9:40 a.m.), Thelma Wells, Ph.D., Helen Demne Schulte Professor, School of Nursing.

“Postmenopausal Bone Loss: The Glass is Half Full” (10:35 a.m.), Neil Binkley, M.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine-Geriatrics and Primate Research Center.

“Hot Flashes and Mood Swings: A History of Menopause in the United States” (11:15 a.m.), Judith Houck, Ph.D., Women’s Studies & History of Medicine.

Emeritus Luncheon Lecture:

“Women’s Health: Past, Present & Future” (12-noon), Gloria Sarto, Professor Emeritus, Obstetrics and Gynecology and Co-Director, National Center of Excellence in Women’s Health at UW-Madison.

Gloria Sarto has had a long and prestigious academic career. In addition to performing groundbreaking genetic research, she has chaired two OB/GYN departments where she was committed to improving the training of physicians providing care to women across the life-span and to the career development of women, particularly women of color. She is involved in national efforts to advance research agendas in Women’s Health, as President of the Society of the Advancement of Women’s Health, of which she was a founding member. She is on the Board of Directors of the National Center for Genome Resources and chairs the Advisory Council of OB/GYN of the American College of Surgeons. She has served on the numerous national boards and panels, including the National Advisory Council on Child Health and Human Development.

Attendees who wish to receive a free box lunch must preregister by April 15. Those who do not wish to participate in the free lunch may attend without preregistering.

April 23 Poster Session

Posters by UW faculty and researchers on a wide variety of recent aging studies will be presented from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. A detailed list of topics will be posted on the Institute’s web site in April. http://www.ssc.wisc.edu/aging

Registration Information:

To obtain a registration form for the dinner lecture and emeritus luncheon, please contact the Institute on Aging, 2245 MSC, 1300 University Avenue, Madison, WI 53706-(608)262-1818.

All events will be held at the Pyle Center, 702 Langdon Street, Madison, WI 53706.

This event is sponsored by the Institute on Aging, UW-Madison, the UW National Center of Excellence in Women’s Health, and Merck & Co., Inc.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the University of Wisconsin-Madison will make every effort to honor requests for reasonable accommodations made by individuals with disabilities. Requests can be responded to more effectively if received by the institution as far in advance of the Colloquium as possible, preferably at least a week. Direct accommodation requests to Kay Smith, 608-263-6404.

NEW INVESTIGATOR AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED

The New Investigator Awards recognize outstanding achievement in biomedical and sociobehavioral research in aging by new investigators during their student years or periods of advanced training at the UW-Madison campus. The awards will be presented at the IOA dinner lecture on April 22.
The Institute on Aging will present its first annual teaching award to a UW faculty or staff member for excellence in teaching an existing course in aging, or for developing a new course in aging. The award will be presented at the IOA dinner lecture on April 22.

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It is on this solid foundation that we must build. My primary goal for the years ahead is to move the University of Wisconsin-Madison into the ranks of the top 3 or 4 universities in the country for aging research, training, and practice. Guided by an enlightened conception of health that spans the scientific disciplines (biological, psychological, social) and jointly focuses on illness (etiology, treatment) and wellness (prevention), the vision is to become a premier forum for "LATER LIFE HEALTH PROMOTION." Such stature is within our reach, but to achieve it we must: (1) **Recruit new faculty** — across the disciplines there is need for new talent to bolster existing strengths and build in new areas. This requires making the case (repeatedly) for faculty recruitment, as in the Aging Sesquicentennial Cluster Proposal submitted last fall. (2) **Attract top students** — this requires offering competitive scholarships and fellowships in aging as well as refining extant educational programs. We currently have NIA-funded training grants, a Ph.D. minor in aging studies, and a Specialist in Gerontology Certificate Program. Still, a comprehensive curriculum in geriatric medicine needs to be established, and age-related courses across academic departments need to be expanded. Both of the above directions intersect with activities of the Institute’s Advisory Board, which include fund-raising efforts for faculty positions (professorships, endowed chair) and student support (scholarships/fellowships).

What is the role of the Institute on Aging in pursuing this vision? One key task is to nurture creative initiatives that **bring the scientific disciplines together**. That is, studying aging at the “intersections of knowledge” (i.e., multidisciplinary inquiry) is a core feature of the Institute’s mission. In this realm, a concrete objective is to establish a program to support **multidisciplinary pilot projects** in aging, thereby facilitating efforts to obtain extramural research support. The Institute also serves a key **coordinating and integrative function** — bringing together campus leaders in aging, not only from academic departments, but from the VA Geriatric Research, Education, and Clinical Center (GRECC), the Geriatrics Section of the UW Department of Medicine, the Primate Center, the Center for Demography and Ecology, the Waisman Center, and the La Follette Institute of Public Affairs. Fostering linkages across these entities via the IOA Steering Committee, the IOA Annual Spring Colloquium, training programs, center grants, etc. is fundamental to the Institute’s purpose. Finally, **maximizing the exchange between aging researchers, educators, and practitioners** is another key function of the Institute, and one that speaks to the importance of translating knowledge to practice. To my mind this is about putting the Wisconsin Idea into action via innovative dissemination activities that extend beyond the boundaries of the campus. With guidance from the IOA Advisory Board, *Aging and the Wisconsin Idea* will be a targeted future direction.

Realization of the overall vision will require a collective effort. I hope you will all be a part of it, and I look forward to working with each of you as we transform notable strengths into formidable powers in the field of aging.

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**CAROL TOUSSAINT TO CHAIR INSTITUTE’S ADVISORY BOARD**

Director Carol Ryff is pleased to announce that Carol Toussaint has agreed to serve as Chair of the Institute on Aging Advisory Board. “Carol has been a superb member of the Board and will be a wonderful Chair. She brings to the task a remarkable record of professional achievement, community leadership, and courageous innovation.” Toussaint is a senior associate with Hayes Briscoe, a national consulting firm specializing in governance, planning and fund development for nonprofit organizations. She owns and operates Vantage Point, a lecture program for women and is the interim executive director of the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters. In addition to having served on numerous boards and foundations, she has volunteered on The President’s Advisory Council on the Arts, Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; Wisconsin History Foundation; the Nancy Denney Cooperative Residence for Single Parents; and Rotary International Foundation, Permanent Fund Committee. Her honors include recognition from the International Women’s Forum, YWCA Women of Distinction Award, Women in Communications Writer’s Cup, and the first Madison recipient of the ATHENA Award for her leadership on behalf of women. Toussaint was recently featured in *The Capital Times*, highlighting her career, life outlook, and dedication to the community, especially assisting women reach their full leadership potential.
INSTITUTE ON AGING STEERING COMMITTEE GROWS

The Institute on Aging Steering Committee serves as the Institute’s executive body, setting policy, planning new initiatives, and evaluating the effectiveness of ongoing programs tied to the mission of the Institute. The Steering Committee meets monthly during the academic year to discuss ongoing activities of the Institute (e.g. spring colloquium), nurture multidisciplinary research agendas, develop strategies for faculty recruitment, review needs for aging educational programs, evaluate requests for honorary appointments, and coordinate fund raising initiatives with the Advisory Board.

To broaden representation on these matters from across the wide array of the Institute’s biomedical and sociobehavioral affiliates, membership of the Steering Committee has been dramatically expanded. Eight new members, recommended by existing members and appointed by the IOA Director, have been added. They are:

**Gregory Cartee**, Associate Professor, Kinesiology
**Donn D’Alessio**, Associate Professor, Medicine (Infectious Disease)/Preventive Medicine
**Robert Hauser**, Professor, Sociology
**Karen Holden**, Professor, Consumer Science/La Follette Institute of Public Affairs
**Barbara Klein**, Professor, Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences/Preventive Medicine
**Daniel Muller**, Associate Professor, Medicine (Rheumatology)/Medical Microbiology & Immunology
**David Watts**, Associate Professor, Medicine (Geriatrics)
**Thelma Wells**, Professor, Nursing (Research and Academic Affairs)

Remaining members of the Steering Committee are:

**Robert Auerbach**, Professor, Zoology
**Steven Barczi**, Assistant Professor, Medicine (Geriatrics)/Acting Director, VA GRECC
**Neil Binkley**, Assistant Professor, Medicine (Geriatrics)/Primate Research Center
**Molly Carnes**, Professor, Medicine (Women’s Health, Geriatrics)/Psychiatry/VA GRECC
**Michael Hunt**, Professor, Environment, Textiles & Design

**Joseph Kennitz**, Senior Scientist and Interim Director, Primate Research Center
**Nadine Marks**, Assistant Professor, Child & Family Studies
**JoAnne Robbins**, Associate Professor, Medicine (Gastroenterology)/VA GRECC
**Carol Ryff**, Professor, Psychology/Director Institute on Aging
**Mark Sager**, Associate Professor, Medicine (Geriatrics)/Preventive Medicine/Director, Alzheimer’s Institute
**Marsha Seltzer**, Professor, Social Work/Waisman Center

SPOTLIGHT ON NEW INSTITUTE ON AGING AFFILIATES

**Susan Heidrich**, Associate Professor, School of Nursing

Dr. Heidrich received her Ph.D. in Psychology and Nursing from the UW-Madison. She was at the UW-Milwaukee School of Nursing for nine years. During that time, she was also a Clinical Associate Professor at the Medical College of Wisconsin and had a fellowship in Age Studies at the Center for Twentieth Century Studies, UW-Milwaukee.

The broad focus of Dr. Heidrich’s research program has been on the question of how individuals manage to maintain high levels of psychological well-being when faced with the negative events of old age or poor health. Her work has centered on the role of the self in explanations of psychological well-being in old age and in illness. Most people experience changes in physical health and physical functioning as they age. There are age-related declines in physical functioning as well as increases in diseases and chronic illnesses. Although change in physical health may not be inevitable in old age, it is a common and stressful experience of old age. Particularly for older women, the diseases and illnesses of old age are accompanied by symptoms and disabilities that are distressing and interfere with performing day-to-day activities. These effects, in turn, spill into other domains of life. For instance, physical health problems may interfere with one’s abilities to carry out important roles or role-related activities, thereby changing one’s relationships with others, be it family or friends, and altering an individual’s view of self and the future. Because of the central importance of physical health to psychological functioning in old age, physical health is seen as a major factor that affects psychological well-being directly and indirectly through the self.

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Specific research questions Dr. Heidrich has examined are as follows: First, what is the role of the self in maintaining psychological well-being in old age and in relation to illness? Second, does the self change with age or with events (e.g., illness) or over time in predictable ways? Third, what is the relationship between physical health and psychological well-being, particularly in old age? And fourth, how does the self influence the relationship between physical health and psychological well-being (i.e., does it mediate and/or moderate these relationships)? These questions have been examined in a longitudinal study of older women with chronic illness, in comparisons of different chronic illnesses of elderly women, in adults with cancer, and in healthy adults from young adulthood to old age. Dr. Heidrich is currently examining these relationships in elderly women with breast cancer undergoing different treatment protocols and in elderly women with urinary incontinence.

Sara Karon, Associate Research Scientist
Center for Health Systems Research & Analysis

Sara Karon has been an Associate Scientist with the Center for Health Systems Research and Analysis (CHSRA) since 1992. She received her Ph.D. in Social Welfare Policy from Brandeis University, with an area of specialization in aging and health policy, and her M.S. in Health Policy and Management from the Harvard University School of Public Health.

Before coming to Madison, Dr. Karon was a research associate at Brandeis University, where she worked on a variety of projects related to the utilization and financing of long-term care services.

Dr. Karon’s current work is primarily in the area of nursing home quality. She has been involved, with other CHSRA researchers, in the development of a system of quality indicators (QIs) for use in nursing homes that are based solely on a nationally mandated, standardized resident assessment instrument, the Minimum Data Set (MDS). She recently completed a project that developed an index of nutritional care quality in nursing homes and a study, with Dr. Charlene Harrington at UCSF, which examined the effect of nursing home staffing on the quality of care.

Dr. Karon also studies issues of health care financing. She was the project director of a recently-completed study with Dr. Jim Robinson of CHSRA, which addressed issues of payment for the PACE Program (Program for All-Inclusive Care of the Elderly). In this project, she developed models to determine eligibility for the program. She is currently the Technical Director for a Master Contract with HCFA, and a Principal Investigator on two HCFA-funded projects. The first is an evaluation of a competitive bidding demonstration for DME (Durable Medical Equipment) in Polk County, Florida. The second is a project to develop and implement competitive bidding demonstration projects for other Medicare Part B services. Dr. Karon is also working with Dr. Robinson on a project to model nursing home reimbursement in Wisconsin. She will conduct special studies of various reimbursement options under consideration and their impacts on overall expenditures and on individual nursing home providers.

In addition to her work in quality and financing of health care, Dr. Karon has a strong interest in how social characteristics, such as race, gender, social class, and disability status, affect access to and experiences of health care.

Stephanie Robert, Assistant Professor
School of Social Work

Stephanie Robert received a joint Ph.D. in Social Work and Sociology from the University of Michigan in 1996, her M.S.W. from the University of Michigan School of Social Work in 1993, and her B.A. in Sociology from the University of Vermont in 1988. After completing her Ph.D., Dr. Robert spent two years at the University of California-Berkeley as a postdoctoral fellow with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholars in Health Policy Research Program. During part of her fellowship, Dr. Robert studied the impact of managed care on the health and mental health of older adults.

Dr. Robert began her position at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in the Fall of 1998 and is affiliated with the Institute on Aging, the Institute for Research on Poverty, and is part of the Population Health program faculty. Dr. Robert’s most recent work focuses on the effects of neighborhood socioeconomic characteristics on the health of residents over the life course. She examined whether and how living in richer or poorer neighborhoods affects the health of individual residents. She found that if there are two people with the same level of income, education, and assets, but one lives in a higher socioeconomic neighborhood while the other lives in a lower socioeconomic neighborhood, the one living in a lower socioeconomic neighborhood is more likely to have worse health than the one living in a higher socioeconomic neighborhood. Dr. Robert is now studying which aspects of the social, service, and/or physical characteristics of neighborhoods explain this finding and is examining whether these relationships vary by age.

In addition, Dr. Robert is interested in long-term care policy issues and will examine how the implementation of the Family Care pilot program in Wisconsin affects the health and well-being of individuals with long-term care needs and their families. Dr. Robert is particularly interested in how the emerging forms of service organization and delivery will affect access to and quality of services to all people with long-term care needs, but particularly for low income older adults.
IOA AFFILIATES RECOGNIZED

**Inge Bretherton**, Professor of Educational Psychology and Child and Family Studies, was appointed to the Audrey Rothermel Bascom Professorship in Human Ecology.

**Molly Carnes**, Professor of Medicine, was appointed to the Jean Manchester Biddick Professorship in Women’s Health Research. This professorship will promote women’s health research and stimulate the development of women’s health academic programs and research at UW-Madison.

**Robert Hauser**, Professor of Sociology, was elected to the National Academy of Education. This honor is limited to only 125 individuals whose accomplishments are judged outstanding in the field of education.

**Ze Huang**, Assistant Scientist at the Primate Research Center, was awarded an Academic Staff and Professional Development grant for 1998-1999.

**Colleen McHorney**, Associate Professor of Preventive Medicine, received a Paper of the Year Award. Her work titled “Generic Health Measurement: Past Accomplishments and a Measurement Paradigm for the 21st Century” was published in the Annals of Internal Medicine, 1997, 127:734-750. The award was presented at the Wisconsin Network for Health Policy Research and Population Health Faculty Research Seminar in December.

A team of staff from UW-Madison’s Trace Research and Development Center, Microsoft, and IBM was recently presented the Hammer Award in a ceremony in Washington D.C. The team was led by Gregg Vanderheiden, Professor of Engineering and Trace Center Director. The award was presented by the National Partnership for Reinventing Government for the team’s effort to produce comprehensive requirements for accessible software design.

IOA AFFILIATES FEATURED IN THE NEWS

*The Christian Science Monitor* highlighted the efforts of **Mary Brintnell-Peterson**, a family specialist at the UW Extension in Madison, who recently helped coordinate a national satellite video conference on “Grandparents Raising Grandchildren.”

**Richard Davidson**, Professor of Psychology and Psychiatry, is part of a team of researchers featured in an article in *Wisconsin Week* for their studies in the area of emotions and health. They have received three grants totaling more than $6 million over the next five years. This research is being conducted at the Wisconsin Center for Affective Science, which is directed by Davidson and the Health Emotions Research Institute, which is co-directed by Davidson and psychiatry professor Ned Kalin. Other key team members include psychology professor Hill Goldsmith and senior scientist **Marilyn Essex**.

**Omid Khorram**, Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, was featured in the *Capital Times* for his research on diagnosing endometriosis and the role of rhesus monkeys in learning more about genetic risk factors for the disease.

**Joy Perkins Newmann**, Professor of Social Work, is part of an interdisciplinary team of UW-Madison researchers that received a million dollar, two-year federal grant. According to *Wisconsin Week*, the researchers will work with community organizations in Dane County to identify the service needs of women with substance abuse and mental health problems who are victims of violence.

**Richard Weindruch**, Professor of Medicine, was featured on a segment of the CBS program “48 Hours” in November, 1998. His research on extending the maximum lifespan in mice and monkeys through caloric restriction was discussed.

NEW UW NATIONAL CENTER OF EXCELLENCE IN WOMEN’S HEALTH DIRECTED BY DR. MOLLY CARNES

The University of Wisconsin’s National Center of Excellence (CoE) in Women’s Health is an initiative of the U.S. Public Health Service’s Office on Women’s Health (PHS OWH). It is one of six programs funded in the third generation and one of eighteen nationwide. Molly Carnes, M.D. is the Center Director, and Gloria Sarto, M.D., Ph.D. is the Co-Director. In addition, CoE faculty represent six schools or colleges (Medical School, Nursing, Pharmacy, Veterinary Medicine, Business, and Letters and Sciences). Nine Medical School Departments are represented (Medicine, Pediatrics, Ob/Gyn, Family Medicine, Psychiatry, Radiology, Radiation Oncology, Preventive Medicine, and History of Medicine). These initiatives are four year contracts (not grants) with nine specific components, and a schedule of deliverables. These nine components are: 1) to develop and evaluate a national model including a multidisciplinary research agenda, coordination of clinical care, address barriers to women obtaining clinical care and participating in clinical trials, and an evaluation plan; 2) to develop educational materials for the general public on women’s health including development of new information resources, inventorying local and regional information resources, and disseminating these resources; 3) to develop and evaluate health care professional training in Women’s Health, including a Women’s Health curriculum in undergraduate, graduate, medical, nursing, and affiliated health schools, CME programs, and housestaff and residency programs; 4) to use new information technologies for educating the public and health care professionals, such as web sites and telemedicine; 5) to help determine the health status of American women by analyzing existing data sources; 6) to develop an effective mechanism for linking Women’s
JOINT CONFERENCE OF
WISCONSIN AGING NETWORK

"Current Issues in Elderly Nutrition: Applying Research to Benefit Older Adults" will be held September 10, 1999 at the Pyle Center, 702 Langdon Street.

Preregistration is required. Call toll free 1-888-391-4255 for further information. Details will be available on the conference web site: www.uwex.edu/ces/flp/conference.html

NUTRITION CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN SEPTEMBER

An Aging & Disabilities 1999: “Cultivating Individual & Community Growth” is the title of the Wisconsin Bureau of Aging & Long Term Care Resources joint aging, disabilities and long term support conference to be held at the Marriott Hotel, Madison, Wisconsin, April 27-29, 1999. The registration deadline is April 13, 1999.

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PRIMATE CENTER NEWS

Joseph Kemnitz, Senior Scientist and Interim Director of the Wisconsin Regional Primate Research Center, is a candidate for the Chair of the Biological Sciences Section of the Gerontological Society of America. Elections will be held later this spring.

NEWS ON GRANTS

Pending Proposals
Kelli Koltyn, Assistant Professor, Kinesiology, “The Influence of Isometric Exercise on Pain Perception,” NIH

Gayle Love, Assistant Researcher, Institute on Aging, “Dynamics of Self-Care: Pathways to Resilience,” NIH.

Jane Mahoney, Assistant Professor, Medicine, “A Multifactorial Intervention to Decrease Falls after Hospital Discharge,” American Federation for Aging Research, Paul Beeson Physician Faculty Scholars in Aging Research Program.

Richard Weindruch, Professor, Medicine, “Does Weight Loss Reduce Mortality Rate among Obese Rats?” Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, NIH.

Grants Received
Carol Ryff, Professor, Psychology, and Burt Singer (Princeton) have received the following grants: a one-year project in the amount of $71,998 titled “Life History Methodology for the Biodemography of Aging” (NIH), a one-year grant in the amount of $17,280 titled “Life Histories and Biomarkers of Health Status of the Elderly” (Duke University Center for Demographic Studies), and a one year award of $38,245 for the project “Linking Psychosocial Pathways to Biological and Health Outcomes: Toward Explaining SES/Health Association” (MacArthur Class and Health Network).

Carol Ryff was awarded $25,000 from the MacArthur Foundation for a one-year project “Blending Quantitative and Qualitative Data in the Study of Well-Being.”

Jane Mahoney, Assistant Professor, Medicine, was the first recipient of the Wisconsin Women’s Health Foundation research grant. The goal of this program is to improve the health of Wisconsin women by supporting new or existing research in women’s health. Dr. Mahoney received this $10,000 award due to her expertise in the area of geriatric medicine and her study on the prevention of falls in the elderly. Dr. Mahoney’s award was presented in a ceremony at the Milwaukee Women’s Center.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

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April 27 & 28, 2000
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Pyle Center (formerly the Wisconsin Center)
Colloquium: Friday, April 28,
Pyle Center (formerly the Wisconsin Center)

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