

## eBulletin - March 2010

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### Upcoming Events

April 1 @ 12 noon:  
**Methods for Social Justice Panel**" Campus Center 904.  
Panel on the range of community-based research methods for social justice

April 2 @ 12:15 PM: **"Managing Business Commons: Information Infrastructures and Network Actors"** NCDG Seminar with M. Lynne Markus, Bentley University

April 5 @ 12 noon:  
**"Deinstitutionalization and Reinstitutionalization in the Virtual State"** Faculty Colloquium with Jane Fountain, CPPA and Political Science

April 6 @ 12 noon:  
**"The New Reality of Mexico-U.S. Migration: The Effects of America's War on Immigrants"** Grants Workshop speaker, Douglas Massey, Princeton University

April 13 @ 12 noon:  
**"Workplace Flexibility For Low-Wage Workers: Benefits For Employees and Employers"** Jennifer Swanberg, University of Kentucky

April 16 @ 12 noon:  
**"Beyond Relativism: Where is Political Power in Legal Pluralism?"** Grants Workshop speaker, Gad Barzilai, University of Washington

April 21 @ 12 noon:  
**"13 Bankers: The Wall Street Takeover and the Next Financial Meltdown"** Grants Workshop speaker, James

### News & Updates

#### **CPPA to Develop 5 Year BA/MPP Program**

The Center for Public Policy and Administration is in the process of developing a five-year, accelerated BA/MPP at the University of Massachusetts Amherst campus. [\[more\]](#)



Students take a break from classes to enjoy CPPA's Cupcake-fest.

#### **Registration open for Politics of Open Source Conference**

The Journal of Information Technology and Politics will hold its 2nd annual conference May 6-7, 2010 at UMass Amherst. The conference will explore the politics surrounding the Free/Libre and Open Source Software Movement [\[more\]](#)

### Students



#### **Drew named International Food Information Council Foundation Fellow**

The International Food Information Council Foundation in Washington DC has selected Christa Drew '11 for its 2010 Sylvia Rowe Fellowship. Christa is a student at the Center for Public Policy and Administration pursuing an MPPA with emphasis on food science policy. [\[more\]](#)



#### **Tomaskovic-Devey writes on nuclear arms in Cosmopolitan Review**

Anna Tomaskovic-Devey '10 has published an article in *The Cosmopolitan Review*. "A Step Closer to a World Without Nuclear Weapons" explores the current climate surrounding tactical nuclear weapons. [\[more\]](#)

### Faculty



#### **Harper receives NSF grant "Cultural Heritage in European Societies and Spaces"**

Krista Harper, CPPA and Anthropology, received funding from the National Science Foundation to provide international research experiences for undergraduate and graduate students. [\[more\]](#)



#### **Mednicoff participates in Migrant Labor Working Group**

David Medicoff, CPPA and legal studies, participated in a "Migrant Labor in the Gulf" working group at Georgetown University's Center for International and Regional Studies (CIRS). The working group relates to David's research project "Migrant Labor and Legal

Regulations in Doha and Dubai. [\[more\]](#)

Kwak, author *13 Bankers*

April 23 @ 12 noon:

"Who Reaps the Wealth of Open Networks? Exploring the Social -geography of ICT use in Public Libraries" NCDG brown bag with Martha Fuentes-Bautista, CPPA & Communication

All events are in Thompson 620 unless noted. Visit the [CPPA Events Calendar](#) for up-to-date information about all our events.



### **Fountain invited panelist at Dubai School of Government**

Jane Fountain, Professor of Political Science and Public Policy, was an invited panelist on "Governance and Information Technology: From Electronic Government to Information Government" at the Dubai School of Government. The panel coincided with an Arabic release of a book with the same name. [\[more\]](#)



### **Robinson Receives Whiting Fellowship**

Associate Professor of Political Science and CPPA faculty affiliate Dean Robinson received a 2010 Marion and Jasper Whiting Fellowship in support of his research on policies to address health disparities. [\[more\]](#)

## **Alumni**

### **WMass Alumni Event**

CPPA is hosting a local alumni reception on Thursday, April 8 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at Bistro Les Gras in Northampton, MA. [Email Kathy](#) if you plan to attend. [\[details\]](#)

### **News from Alums**

Ramil Maharramov '06 is working as a Consultant and Economist for the regional development bank in Arabia.

*Alumni: CPPA wants to hear from you!  
Update your information through our [Alumni Update Form](#) or drop us a line at [kcolon@pubpol.umass.edu](mailto:kcolon@pubpol.umass.edu)*



2008 & 2009 CPPA alums take a break from bowling to pose for a photo.

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