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### *The Gund Institute of Ecological Economics' approach attracts global interest*

By Kevin Foley

Article published Oct 12, 2005



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Masozera, who began pursuing his Ph.D. in natural resources in August, is one of many students and faculty who have traveled long distances to study or teach at the UVM Gund Institute for Ecological Economics. Two post-doctoral students from Mexico are already working at the institute, and six more graduate students will join them in the spring when a

USAID project starts. In fact, roughly half of the Gund's 38 affiliates were born in other countries, an unusually high ratio for almost any university program, and an almost unprecedented level for Vermont.

The wide range of backgrounds helps open doors for international projects ranging from work with AIDS orphans in Ethiopia, a collaboration with China on ecological complexity and ecosystem services and a plethora of modeling collaborations, some funded with non-U.S. grants. "And yes, we do have really good food at our pot lucks," says Anjanette Merino, a Gund administrator.

Merino and Professor Robert Costanza, the institute's director, work hard to recruit international students and faculty, attending far-flung conferences, taking late-night phone calls from far-flung area codes, thinking creatively about admissions and financial aid and providing another layer of support for students as they undergo the often arduous process of seeking a visa. "This doesn't happen by accident," says Merino.

While the institute's research is, true to its intellectual roots, active at many scales and locales (affiliates are working on "Burlington Bread," a local alternative currency, and Costanza spearheaded a local application of the Genuine Progress Indicators, a broad measure of economic and social well-being), Costanza says internationalism is an essential part of the institute's intellectual identity and one that is highly attractive to foreign students.

"I would like to think that the kinds of things we are doing and our general approach to problems appeals to that broader audience," he says. "We're not taking a conventional approach to economics, a Northern-centric and corporate-centric approach. We worry about problems of distribution and equity, and that's what people in the real world are really concerned about."

#### **New tools for a conservation leader**

Finding new ways to address issues that emerged in his professional work certainly motivated Masozera, who is 37 and already has a master's degree

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from the University of Florida. He has long been committed to pursuing creative policies for African conservation that account for the needs of both people and wildlife, and believes that his UVM studies will help him extend his efforts.

Masozera brings rich experience as a practitioner to his doctoral studies; he most recently worked as the Wildlife Conservation Society's country director for Rwanda. He began working for the organization in 1994 after he moved back to the country after spending most of his life as a war refugee in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. His work was centered in the mountainous Nyungwe Forest, one of the largest high-altitude rainforests remaining in Africa and home to 13 species of primate and about 270 species of bird. His work there was honored last year with a \$25,000 National Geographic Society/ Buffett Award for Leadership in African Conservation.

While with the Wildlife Conservation Society, Masozera led the first comprehensive biological survey of the forest. That work led to creating multiple zones within the reserve; some highly sensitive areas were heavily restricted, while other zones allowed area residents some use of natural resources. Masozera's efforts heavily contributed to government's creation of Nyungwe National Park in 2004, a huge commitment for a poor, densely populated nation.

Masozera is proud of his role in those accomplishments, but he came to Vermont to learn how to do more.

"(The Wildlife Conservation Society's) approach, one that many organizations are using, is biocentric, based on biodiversity. But there are more values to natural resources than just plants and animals," he says. "Looking in the context of my country, where the population is dense, we need new approaches to do conservation. When I was looking at what other people are doing in conservation, what other approaches are out there, I found that the Gund institute was following an integrated approach, combining social, economic and ecological systems to address conservation issues. I found that appealing, and that is why I decided to come back to school to learn more and find out how to apply that thinking in the context of my country or Africa in general."

Masozera, who only arrived on campus in late August, is just beginning his research program, and he's not sure of the course of his thesis. But he'd like to apply some of the general concerns he explored in his master's project (which concerned the socioeconomic impact of the Nyungwe reserve) using an ecological economics framework. He would like to use some of the Gund's modeling and theory toolkit to estimate the value of ecosystem services provided by protected areas in Africa. That emphasis, he says, comes from his experience wrangling with government officials and other stakeholders as a conservation professional.

"When you talk to decision makers, sometimes you'll say, 'This forest is very important for biodiversity,'" Masozera says. "But they don't get it very quickly, because they don't see any direct benefit related to that. But when you say that the water that comes from this forest is used by a million people, they get the message very quickly."

Masozera hopes to return home in about two years to do fieldwork and write his thesis. In the meantime, he's enjoying conversation with his new colleagues — "I learn from them, they learn from me," he says — and adjusting to the different rhythms of Vermont social life. He's trying to embrace change: This winter, he plans to set aside his beloved soccer for a time and learn how to ski.

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## Polite Society

***Business student gather to hear etiquette expert address ties, thighs and tines***

By Jon Reidel

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Etiquette expert Ann Marie Sabath explains the finer points of dining as business major Catherine Doneghy observes. (Photo: Sally McCay)

She tells the students from UVM, St. Michael's and Champlain College to always leave a little food on their plate at the end a business-related lunch or dinner. "Huh?" says one student apparently upset he wouldn't be able to clean his plate during his first business lunch. "Always wear hosiery to a job interview," she urges the women, adding that hemlines should never be more than a few inches above your knees. As for skirt lengths: "More fabric than skin."

"Give your tie the 'one-finger' test," Sabath informs men, explaining that if you can't slide your index finger between your neck and tie it's too tight, or as she calls it, "guillotine time." Suits should be black, grey or navy blue and shoes should always look new whether they are or not. Men must wear a tie and dress watch, but have the option of passing on the third acceptable male accessory: a class ring or wedding band.

Sabath's blunt tutelage extends from fashion to speech. She tells attendees five words no one should use in an interview: yeah, think, but, just and is. "Why not think?" someone asks. "CEO's tell me it sounds weak," she shoots back. "It's a word without conviction. It has no backbone."

Sabath, author of numerous etiquette books, is funny and never comes across as snobbish. She admits that some of the customs seem silly and that many of them have no application at home, where second helpings of Aunt Marge's pumpkin pie might be mandatory rather than verboten. But to survive in a competitive corporate culture, knowing the rules is critical, she argues. "You can do whatever you want at home, but in a business setting you must play the game, because that's all it is – a game," she says.

### Age of etiquette?

Business schools across the country are starting to offer business etiquette courses. The recent addition of these classes is, in part, a response to the displeasure of the corporate world with the poor etiquette of new employees over the past decade.

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But Sabath, president of At Ease Inc., a firm specializing in domestic and international business etiquette, is just getting warmed up.

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Peter Post, director of the Burlington-based Emily Post Institute and co-author of the second edition of *The Etiquette Advantage in Business: Personal Skills for Professional Success*, told Forbes.com that people coming into the workplace have not been taught the social skills that were an integral part of their predecessors' education. To remedy this, he says families need to place renewed emphasis on teaching basic manners and that schools, colleges and graduate programs should include etiquette education in their curricula.

Rocki-Lee DeWitt, dean of the school of business administration, agrees about the importance of manners and says she'd like to make the seminar a requirement for all business majors. (At present, the event is optional and UVM and St. Michael's College have shared administrative duties over the past two years.) She says she likes Sabath's use of humor because it makes people feel comfortable enough to ask questions about what they really want to know. "I've got my own list of tips I picked up," she says. "So 20 years later you can still pick up some guidance."

Like Post, Sabath has seen an increase in requests from corporations and nonprofit organizations to conduct seminars about business social situations, communication skills, attire and appearance. She jokes about trying to train the "McManners" generation, but adds that although many students possess basic manners, they may not have been exposed to the rules of business etiquette while growing up. "Some individuals grew up with parents who worked in office settings, but some are first-generation college graduates," she says. "These are skills that anyone can learn."

The range of questions and contrasting facial expressions as Sabath explained the do's and don't's of corporate life, underscored the range of backgrounds at the Burlington event. But most of the students seemed to have a good grasp of the basics, though many said they picked up some important tips.

"I knew about half of it," says Heather Vance, a senior marketing major from Williston who hopes to start interviewing in the Boston area by spring. "I definitely learned a lot."

During the dining portion of the program, Sabath encourages the practice of eating "European style" — keeping the fork in the left hands at all times save breaks — which was a struggle for students not accustomed to balancing rice on the back of a fork. When the fork is down, Sabath said students should rest their utensils on the plate in an X pattern to let the waiter or waitress know they aren't done yet. One student commented that it might be tough to remember all these rules while trying to focus on an interviewer or boss.

For others, like Martin Klimes, who grew up in the Czech Republic and in Germany, this style of dining comes naturally, although some of the American business customs like walking with energy and always wearing a watch were new to him.

"The tips were the best," he says. "This was a great opportunity to learn something new about etiquette whether you're a business major or not. She was very insightful and interactive, but in a fun way. I picked up a lot."

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***Newt Gingrich adroitly fields questions from a mostly friendly crowd during campus appearance***

By Jon Reidel

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Newt Gingrich (left) posed with members of the UVM College Republicans club during his campus visit. (Photo courtesy of the UVM College Republicans.)

advancement than occurred during the last century. "This poses a far greater threat than any conventional war," he said. His solutions included paying local residents with backgrounds in science and math to teach once a week in schools, and offering incentives to students in the poorest neighborhoods to take more science and math.

*Time* magazine's 1995 "Man of the Year" and the architect of the "Contract with America" spent the second half of his 90-minute discussion on "Patriotic Stewardship: The Pursuit of Opportunity and Happiness" fielding questions ranging in subject matter from intelligent design to stem cell research to global warming. Gingrich was greeted with a standing ovation and received only a few jeers during the event, sponsored by the College Republicans, the UVM president's office, student life and political science.

Seemingly distancing himself from President George W. Bush, Gingrich, who is rumored to be interested in a presidential run in 2008, slammed the president for his handling of Hurricane Katrina, but said that pulling out of Iraq would be a mistake. In response to a question regarding how Bush could improve his currently low approval rating, Gingrich suggested three things: get Iraq under control and moving toward self-reliance; focus on the Katrina recovery effort; and get healthcare spending (26 percent of all federal spending) under control.

"What we saw during the five days after Katrina was an absolute failure of government — period," he said. "It was a failure on the local, state and federal levels. When 34 senior citizens die in a home alone, that's a failure; when 22,000 people are without water at the Superdome, that's a failure; and when an American body lies in the street for three days and never gets picked up, that's a failure."

Some broader themes included government's lack of efficiency; the ineffectiveness and cost of health care; and government using the same technology as companies like eBay, FedEx and Travelocity to improve performance. "Government should ask itself: are we as good as FedEx?" he said, adding that companies of this kind are held to their 99.9 percent delivery rate. As for prescription drugs, he said they would become cheaper if people

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The repercussions of this failure could produce catastrophic results if not reversed within the next 25 years, a period Gingrich said is expected to produce four times more scientific

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could order them online like they can airline tickets. He also emphasized his concern about the potential of the avian flu to become an epidemic, adding that every American's medical records should be electronic to help monitor and control the disease. "If we handle the avian flu like we did Katrina, it will be a nightmare," he said.

The former professor of history and environmental studies and author of nine books seemed at ease fielding questions from students. In response to a question about greenhouse gasses leading to global warming, Gingrich said that "there's no evidence to support global warming — none. It's essentially cultural anthropology." He drew loud applause for saying that although he supports conservation models that reduce U.S. dependency on foreign oil, the Kyoto Treaty was a "bad treaty for the United States."

When asked about teaching intelligent design in schools, Gingrich said it shouldn't be taught along with more scientific-based theories such as evolution. "I would teach science in science class," he said. "If a school board wants to teach it (intelligent design) in philosophy class, then fine." He supports stem cell research as long as the cells aren't a product of an abortion.

Gingrich touched on the current state of the Republican Party, which he said is at its largest intersection since 1980. He said the Republican Party will eventually be defeated if it doesn't come forward with some bold and dramatic changes. "I'm a strong Republican, but I believe in performance and delivery if you're going to be effective in the United States of America."

A few hours after his appearance at UVM, Gingrich was asked by co-host Sean Hannity on the Fox News show "Hannity & Colmes" about his appearance in Vermont and apparent "obsession with Iowa and New Hampshire." Gingrich wouldn't commit to a run for the presidency, saying only that he thinks "it's a good thing to be talking to the citizens of Vermont" and that he had "a great time tonight at the University of Vermont."

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Assistant professor Alice Fothergill had been waiting for this semester. She's on research leave and she had an exquisite vision of herself holed away with long-awaited books and postponed projects. But then Katrina came. Even as flood victims strive to find comfort and stability in the aftermath of the hurricane, Fothergill, a disaster sociologist, is turning her life upside down to join them.

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UVM has installed a small-scale wind turbine on its campus near the corner of Main Street and East Avenue to generate power and serve a variety of educational purposes both on- and off-campus.

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Sep 28, 2005

For John Crock, director of the UVM Consulting Archaeology Program, some of the details that helped trace the full extent of the loss he felt after anthropology Professor James Petersen's death were his ever-present red pen — and his widely dispersed photocopies.

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Myosins are motor proteins found in most cells in the body. Myosin V, the subject of this study, is prevalent in nerve cells and cells involved in pigmentation. Mutations or changes in myosin V, or in the proteins that link myosin to its cargo, cause altered pigmentation, as well as seizures and other neurological problems. These results have broad implications for other members of the myosin family and for how mutations in other myosins can lead to disease. In muscle myosins, for example, a single amino acid change in cardiac myosin leads to an undetectable condition called familial hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, which results in death by sudden cardiac arrest in otherwise healthy young adults.

Fashioned with a two-chained "tail" that diverges to form two "heads", myosin V serves as an intracellular ferry to deliver cargo needed in a specific place at a specific time. Its heads walk on the track in a hand-over-hand motion, similar to the way a child moves along the monkey bars in a playground. Unlike other proteins in the myosin family, myosin V is able to move for long distances along its track to ensure that cargo is successfully delivered from one cellular location to another.

"The unique biochemical features of this particular cargo-carrying myosin allowed us to see conformations of a motor protein that have never been visualized before," says Kathleen Trybus, professor of molecular physiology and biophysics. "We now have identified the structural features that ensure that cargo will be delivered to its destination without the motor falling off the track."

Gaining a more detailed structural understanding of how myosin interacts with its track provides an exciting new research template onto which scientists can design new sets of experiments to further refine the region of interaction.

Contributors to the project, which was supported by funding from the National Institutes of Health, included Trybus, Susan Lowey, professor of molecular physiology and biophysics, and Elena Kremenstova, researcher/analyst in the department of molecular physiology and biophysics at the University of Vermont; and Niels Volkmann, Dorit Hanein, Hong-Jun Liu, and Larnele Hazelwood from the Burnham Institute for Medical Research in La Jolla, Calif.

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Though his family lives in Quetta, far from the Himalayan quake zone, Malghani is haunted by the tens of thousands killed and the millions left homeless by the 7.6-magnitude earthquake. He is trying to help by writing to friends, neighbors and colleagues in order to raise funds that he will direct to a non-governmental charitable foundation in Pakistan that is providing emergency earthquake relief.

"According to the latest estimates, about 41,000 people have perished and hundreds of thousands of survivors need all kinds of material help. The quake devastated a large remote mountainous region in the country. The winter is about to set in and the nights are very cold. According to the information, which is filtering through, the survivors are spending the nights under the open sky. Reports coming from India and Pakistan put the number of people who have lost their homes at about 2.5 million," he writes in an open letter.

Malghani plans to channel the donations he receives into the Edhi Foundation, a well-known social welfare organization in Pakistan. For more information about the group, see [Edhi Foundation](#) or contact the organization's New York office directly at (718) 639-5120.

"Due to the physical limitations donations in kind (food, blankets, medicine, etc.) will not be accepted. Any donation we make, large or small will go a long way in Pakistan," he writes.

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National Coming Out Day, which has been recognized at UVM since 1992, is Oct. 11. The campus will celebrate the day with a "speak out" from noon to 2 p.m. on the Royall Tyler Theatre steps and other activities and celebrations throughout the week and month.

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The next two speakers in the Burack President's Distinguished Lecture Series, one a MacArthur fellow, the other an endowed professor at Washington University, will read from recent fiction and discuss the public mission of university research.

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A record number of alumni, family and friends have pre-registered for Homecoming and Family Weekend on Oct. 7-9.

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## Pioneering Urban Sociologist to Give President's Lecture

By Corey Christman

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William Julius Wilson, Lewis P. and Linda L. Geyser University Professor at Harvard University, will discuss "The Roots of Racial Tensions: Urban Ethnic Neighborhoods," in a free, public lecture on Oct. 19 at 5 p.m. in Campus Center Theater, Billings.

The eminent sociologist will discuss the ethnographic study he and his graduate students undertook in four working/lower-middle class neighborhoods in Chicago from 1993-1995. Their purpose was to examine the way in which these neighborhoods functioned as self-governing microcosms and how each neighborhood related to other racial and ethnic groups in the city.

Wilson, whose book *When Work Disappears: The World of the New Urban Poor*, which was published in 1996 at the conclusion of the study, offers an approach to reducing the destructive forces that can shape inner city neighborhoods. "Wilson's solution: programs that fight poverty but also help the working and middle classes. Wilson is a proponent of work programs modeled after Depression-era projects that offered jobs to anyone who needed one," explains [an article about the book](#) published on PBS.org. He also argues that the creation of universal health care, a national child care system and national education standards as well as improvements and expansions of public transportation and job training would make the jobs created in a new global economy accessible to the inner city poor."

Wilson's campus appearance is part of the Dan and Carole Burack President's Distinguished Lecture Series. For more information about this and other speaking events on campus, visit [Speakers @ UVM](#).

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Fives-Taylor's more than 30 years of research has focused on the link between dental plaque and disease and in particular, two oral bacteria — streptococcus parasanguis and actinobacillus actinomycetemcomitans. A pioneer in the area of dental plaque adhesions, her laboratory was instrumental in the development of molecular tools that facilitated analysis of the genetic foundation of these organisms. Fives-Taylor is the recipient of the 2002 International Research in Oral Biology Award, the highest honor given by the International Association for Dental Research, and was inducted as a Fellow in the American Academy of Microbiology in 2004. She has been a member of the National Institutes of Dental Research National Advisory Council and the National Institutes of Health Oral Biology and Medicine Study Section. Her UVM awards include being named a University Scholar in 1989 and the prestigious Kidder Outstanding Faculty Award for Teaching Excellence in 1999. In 2002, she was named the first recipient of the University of Vermont Vogelman Award for Sustained Excellence in Research and Scholarship.

The symposium will take place in Stafford 101 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Oct. 14. A "Meet the Speakers" reception for participating faculty and friends of Fives-Taylor will take place following the symposium in the Health Science Research Facility Gallery. Information: Debbie Stern at 656-8258 or [dstern@uvm.edu](mailto:dstern@uvm.edu)

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Topics range from sound in the classroom to podcasting, blogging and more. The informal, roundtable conversations will take place at the CTL Commons, 303 Bailey/Howe Library. Organizers invite university affiliates to share experiences, learn, brainstorm and discuss the pedagogical value of new technologies that are affecting higher education across the nation. Tea, coffee, food and good company provided. See event listings below for more information on the teas and the center's workshop program and a link to the required online registration.

### Colleague Tea Topics

- Oct. 13, 3:30 p.m. "New Uses of Sound as a Teaching Tool," with Joe Antonioli. Audio, both digital and live sound, is being used in a variety of creative and innovative ways in the classroom. Join us to share ideas, learn how others use sound, and discuss new ways it can enhance teaching and learning.
- Oct. 21, 3:30 p.m. "Googlization of the University," with Steve Cavrak. Google Search offers access to 8 billion web pages. How do you make sense of this vast resource of information? How do you know the information you find is accurate? We'll talk about tools such as Google Scholar, Google Maps, Google Library and Google News, among others.
- Oct. 28, 3:30 p.m. "Image Collections for Teaching and Learning," with Hope Greenberg. Digital image collections are being created across the university. Who is doing it? How are they using them? What's working? How might you build your own? Come share ideas, learn about how images can enhance your students' classroom experiences, and talk about new ways UVM can support use of this teaching resource.
- Nov. 4, 3:30 p.m. "Blogging," with Holly Parker and Justin Henry. We'll talk about how blogs are being used across the university and beyond. Why might you use a blog in your class? Come discuss your thoughts and ideas with CTL staff and colleagues who are using blogs.
- Nov. 4, 3:30 p.m. "Podcasting," with Paul Martin, English department. "Podcasting" has quickly become one of the hottest buzzwords on campuses across the country. We'll talk about how other institutions have started to use this means of content delivery and how we at UVM might begin to use podcasting in sustainable ways.

### Workshops

- Oct. 7 and 14, 3 p.m. "Using Endnotes in Your Scholarly Writing," with Hope Greenberg, humanities computing specialist. This session focuses on the basics of using the Endnotes bibliography program, available at no cost to UVM students, faculty and staff. EndNotes is a tool for creating and organizing bibliographies, and it allows you to enter references, sort, search and format them in a variety of journal styles. In this hands-on workshop, students will create bibliographies connecting to Voyager or other online scholarly databases. Due to high demand, this workshop will be held twice.
- Oct. 20, 4 p.m. "Responding to Conflict in the Higher Education Classroom," with Bruce Duncan, program coordinator of the Office of Student Conflict Resolution. This workshop acknowledges a "taboo subject" and an emerging trend in higher education: conflict in the higher education classroom. Based on conflict resolution and

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negotiation literature, this workshop offers practical steps for faculty to support students as well as information on university resources for dealing with challenging situations. We'll emphasize creating a positive classroom climate for students with challenging behaviors and support needs by sharing proactive communication and in-class behavior management strategies.

- Oct. 27, 2:30 p.m. "The Fleming Museum as a Teaching Resource," with Evelyn Hankins, curator of collections and exhibitions, and Margaret Tamulonis, manager of collections and exhibitions. Talk will explore how the Fleming Museum's art and anthropological collections can be integrated into teaching. Opportunities range from small seminars with objects from the collection to larger group tours of exhibitions and the permanent collection. Location: Fleming Museum lobby.

[Online registration](#) required for all events. Programs are held in the CTL Commons, 303 Bailey/Howe Library, unless otherwise noted.

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Colby's new book, *Unplugged: Reclaiming Our Right to Die in America*, will come out in the spring of 2006. His Burlington talk is titled "From Cruzan to Schiavo: What Have We Learned" and will cover legal and medical issues at the end of life.

Colby is the lawyer who represented the family of Nancy Cruzan in their pioneering right-to-die case. He is the author of *Long Goodbye: The Deaths of Nancy Cruzan*. Colby speaks across the country on end of life topics has written about the Schiavo case for *USA Today*. He has been involved in legislation in this area at the state and national level.

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This event is cosponsored by the New England Archivists, the Center for Research on Vermont and the Friends of Special Collections. Appetizers will be provided, and there will be a cash bar.

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Bhagwati, an advocate for globalization, has published more than three hundred articles and fifty volumes. Five volumes of his collected scientific essays have been published by MIT Press and his early books, *India: Planning for Industrialization* (with Padma Desai, 1970) and *India* (with T.N. Srinivasan, 1975) are acknowledged to have provided the basis for the economic reforms now underway in India. Bhagwati founded the *Journal of International Economics*, now a premier journal in the field, and *Economics & Politics*. He has been awarded many honorary degrees and was elected a member of the American Philosophical Society and of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He was also chosen to be a distinguished fellow of the American Economic Association and served as vice president for that association.

The lecture is free and open to the public, but you must RSVP online at [Aiken Registration](#) or by calling UVM Continuing Education at (800) 639-3210 or 656-2085, option 1.

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### Awards and Honors

**Craig Trumbo**, a research associate professor in the Office of Health Promotion Research, will be supported by a grant from the Decision Risk and Management Sciences program at the National Science Foundation to conduct a survey of Gulf Coast residents concerning their perception of future hurricane risk in the wake of hurricanes Katrina and Rita. The project, "Proximity to extreme events: The effect of Katrina-Rita on optimistic bias in Gulf Coast counties," is being funded under NSF's program for Katrina-related Small Grants for Exploratory Research. Trumbo investigates risk perception and communication in a variety of contexts, especially public health and the environment.

### Publications and Presentations

**Rebecca Gajda**, assistant professor in the College of Education and Social Services is the lead author of the book *Getting the Grant: How Educators Can Write Winning Proposals and Manage Successful Projects*. The book was published in August by the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, which is the most widely read publisher of professional development materials for K-12 educators in the nation. The book is for education and social service practitioners at all levels of experience with grant writing and project sustainability who want to find and secure project funding to collaboratively sustain their efforts long into the future.

**Jane Okech**, assistant professor of counselor education and counseling, will give two presentations at the Oct. 19-22 annual Association for Counselor Educators and Supervisors conference in Pittsburgh. She is co-presenting a paper titled "Mentoring qualitative researchers in counselor education: Creatively fostering the self as an instrument of research" and will be part of panel of tenure-track faculty from various universities in a session titled "Counselor educators' experiences on the road to tenure."

Dr. **Benjamin Suratt**, assistant professor of medicine, presented at the American Thoracic Society International Conference in San Diego in May and at a National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute-sponsored conference at UVM titled "Adult Stem Cells, Lung Biology and Lung Disease" in July. On Oct. 14, he will present at the VT/NH Respiratory Therapists Conference in Waterville Valley, N.H., and on Nov. 1, he'll present at the American College of Chest Physicians Conference in Montreal. Suratt's research focuses on the area of therapeutic uses of adult stem cells for lung disease.

### In Memoriam

**Bruce Fonda**, a lecturer in anatomy and neurobiology who taught gross anatomy for the past 25 years, died Oct. 6 at the Vermont Respite House. He had been diagnosed in March with glioblastoma multiforme, an aggressive, fast-growing brain cancer. Fonda was the recipient of a number of Teacher of the Year and Golden Apple awards. (This [2003 article](#) from *the view* offers a glance at Fonda's teaching style.) This past May, he was made an honorary member of the College of Medicine's Class of 2005. A resident of Williston, Fonda was born in Potsdam, N.Y., and received his undergraduate degree from St. Lawrence University and his Masters degree from UVM. He is survived by his wife Sandra Fonda and their two daughters, Jennifer and Maribeth. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Bruce's memory may be made to the Visiting Nurse Association, 1110 Prim Rd., Colchester, Vt. 05446, or to the Vermont Respite House, 99 Allen Brook Lane, Williston, Vt. 05495.

October 5, 2005