

## A Quick Word

### Welcome to the FALL 2007 issue of our newsletter!

The School of Social Sciences Research Office is in its second year of activity. We are currently offering a wide range of services to faculty who desire to engage in funded research and scholarships. The Research Office has continued to head in a positive direction. Housed within the Office are two "focused research institutes" (Community Development and Outreach Institute and Heritage Resource Management Education), designed to engage faculty in discussions of projects and collaborations, while focusing on research and student degree and career preparedness. Full-time UNC faculty from across the university serve as Institute Research Fellows and many part-time faculty or non-university professionals belong as Institute Research associates. We invite all interested UNC faculty to contact the Research Office for information on joining our Institute Fellows in research collaborations.

Upcoming Events on Healthcare Reform (sponsored by the schools of Social Science & Nursing & CDOI):-

- October 11th 2007- Colorado Legislatures Blue Ribbon Commission on Healthcare Reform. Event will be held in Lindou auditorium located in Michener Library basement from 5:30-8:30pm.
- October 16th 2007- Health Care Reform. Event will be held in Columbine B at the University Center from 3:00-5:00pm. Light refreshments. UNC Faculty and community professionals discuss Blue Ribbon Commission Colorado Health Care plans.

Troy DeVan Jr. is the new Research Office Graduate Assistant. He is seeking a master's degree in School Psychology. Stop by and introduce yourself to our newest research staff member.



## Institute Highlights



**CONGRATULATIONS!** Dr. Phil Klein, Associate Professor of Geography, is one of three geographers the National Science Foundation has funded in the amount of \$495,481. He will be working closely with American Association of Geographers and Texas State University on a project titled "Developing an Online Center for Global Geography Education."

### Current Projects Fund

**Total: \$1,097,972**

#### Pending Projects/Proposals Summary:

Number: 6

Aggregate Budget Totals: \$635271

Concept Development Projects:  
Number: 9

## Focus on Research: Current Projects

**Greeley Voices: HP equipment Grant (\$7,000)** UNC Directed Project | Karen Barton (Geography)

**Greeley Visions: UNC Directed Project (\$500)** Barb Hawthorne (Anthropology/Women's Studies)

**City of Greeley Community Indicators Project: (\$5,000)** City of Greeley Community Development Department | Katherine Johnson (Geography)

**Analysis of Greeley/Weld Economic Development (\$14,400+)** Upstate Colorado Economic Development | Rhonda Corman (Economics)

**Native American Interpretive Materials and Planning for Rocky Mountain National Park: (\$10,000)** National Park Service-CESU-RMNP Sally McBeth & Bob Brunswig (Anthropology)

**Developing an Online Center for Global Geography Education (Phase 2): NSF (\$495,481)** Phil Klein (Geography) and Co-PI's from the American Association of Geographers and Texas State University.

**North Park Cultural Landscapes Project (\$6,750)** Bureau of Land Management-Kremmling District Bob Brunswig (Anthropology)

**Schumpeter's Translation: (\$28,521)** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation Bruce McDaniel (Economics)

**Ethnographic Overview Phase I-RMNP: (\$60,000)** Department of Interior/CESU-NPS Sally McBeth (Anthropology)

**Forest Canyon Pass Cultural Landscape "Patch Ecology" Pilot Project-RMNP: (\$11,000)** Department of Interior-CESU/NPS Bob Brunswig (Anthropology) and Jim Doerner (Geography)

**Rebuilding a Statewide Network for Geography Educators-The Colorado Association for Geography Education (CAGE): (\$300,000)** National Geographic Society Phil Klein & James Dunn (Geography)

**Fire History and Climate Change in Rocky Mountain National Park: (\$12,432)** National Park Service Jim Doerner (Geography)

**Realizing Our Community (ROC): Colorado Trust Planning Grant (\$10,000) UNC and 22 Greeley Community Partners** *Note: a \$300,000 Implementation Plan Proposal is Pending)*

**Rocky Mountain National Park Sacred Sites Project: (\$33,988)** National Park Service Bob Brunswig (Anthropology)

## REALIZING OUR COMMUNITY (ROC)

The Realizing Our Community Project (ROC) is a collaboration designed by 22 UNC and Greeley government and non-government organization to facilitate the integration of immigrants and refugees into the Greeley community and promote their positive interaction with Greeley's established residents in working together for a stronger, healthier community. Funded by the Colorado Trust Foundation, ROC is expected to begin a 4-year implementation phase in spring of 2007. UNC's central contribution to the project is development of parallel, externally-funded supporting projects designed to enhance and contribute to the overall ROC effort as well as providing faculty and student contributions in service and professional expertise to the project's success. See the research office website at <http://www.unco.edu/socialsciencesinstitutes/> for a description of UNC's anticipated ROC supporting project areas and topics.

## Colleges Collaborate with International Professor

We would like to thank Alojzy (Alek) Nowak, Dean of the University of Warsaw faculty of Management, and Dr. Tim Jarres, Dean of Monfort College of Business (MCB), for the opportunity to collaborate in a joint MCB-School of Social Sciences research seminar on EU Economics. The school was ably represented by Drs. Marie Livingston (Economics) and Katherine Johnson (Geography) in the seminar. Professor Nowak also taught a three week course, "Economic Analysis of the European Union", to UNC students during his short stay. The School of Social Sciences would like to encourage current faculty and staff in assisting us on identifying international and domestic professionals to serve as visiting faculty or speakers at UNC in the future. We also ask non-school institute fellows to help us identify visiting faculty and speakers who can be sponsored through our institutes in collaboration with other programs, schools, & colleges.

## Get Involved Today!

We are looking for faculty who wish to become involved in the Quality Circle Review Process. If you are interested in being a participant in this process, please contact the School of Social Sciences Research Office. Send email to: [elizabeth.buller@unco.edu](mailto:elizabeth.buller@unco.edu)

## Quality Circle Review Process

Quality Circle Review Process will be administered by the research office. The process will improve your proposal and increase your chances of success. The following are descriptions of the roles in the Quality Circle Review. Rules for Conducting a Quality Circle Review: *(Excerpts from David Bauer Workshop)*

1. **Group Facilitator**
2. **Proposal Initiator(s) / Writer(s)**
3. **Quality Circle Participant**
4. **Proposal Review Sequence**

## Services We Offer

- **Grant and contract enabling resources** for institute related and individual projects (available in electronic and paper formats in the Research Office Library).
- **Grant & contract development assistance**, including coordination of pre-award proposal peer reviews.
- **Pre and post award administrative assistance** to PI's in meeting grant or contract reporting requirements, budget tracking, etc.
- **Facilitation** of project based paperwork, ordering, conference, workshop, and forum coordination
- **In-house printing and binding** of research reports, brochures, flyers...
- Please feel free to contact the Research Office staff with any needs you may have. email: [elizabeth.buller@unco.edu](mailto:elizabeth.buller@unco.edu) or call 970-351-2069



## Advisory Committee Members

### Community Development & Outreach Institute

Rhonda Corman (UNC Faculty)

Pat Graham (UNC faculty)

Marcelo Kopkow (Community, District Court Judge)

David Thomas (UNC Faculty)

Dick Bond (Community, former UNC President)

### HRMEI Advisory Committee Members:

Mark Anderson (UNC Faculty)

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**Website**-The Research Office would like to invite all students and staff to take a look at our website. The site offers a wide variety of services to assist faculty and promote student engagement. A small tutorial outlining the navigation of the site will be coming soon!