

# **Presidential Greetings**

Valerie L. Havill, University of North Georgia



The 42nd Annual Conference of the Society for Cross-Cultural Research was held jointly with the Society for Anthropological Sciences in Mobile, Alabama on February 20-23, 2013. It was wonderful to see so many familiar and new faces there. I want to thank Brien Ashdown, program chair, and the program committee members for reviewing submissions and organizing sessions. Presenters from over eighteen countries presented insightful work on topics ranging from K-pops to global aging. Drs. Jenny Manders and Erwei Dong, both faculty members from the University of Southern Alabama, and Joceyln Finley-Harvey helped us to organize a successful conference in their home town. We also welcomed Dr. Paul Ngo as our president elect. He is

organizing the 2014 conference and will provide us with updates throughout the year.

Looking forward -- the SCCR executive committee proposes changing the bylaws in our constitution to include a vice-president (VP). The VP will attend executive meetings and actively participate in planning the annual conferences with the President. Please watch your e-mail accounts for the ballot regarding the proposed change in the bylaws. If approved, nominations will be requested for a vice-president.

My personal goal as president is to continue to increase the membership of this dynamic organization. So I am asking that you introduce a colleague to our organization. Bring a student to the next conference. Tell people in your network about the SCCR. Don't keep it a secret.

Valerie Havill President, SCCR

# **Editor's Note**



Dear SCCR Colleagues,

This issue of the SCCR Newsletter contains a brief summary of highlights from February's meeting.

As you know from the previous issue, we have been working to document the memories of the founders of the SCCR. You have already read the reminiscences of Carol Ember and Herbert Barry (<a href="http://www.sccr.org/newsletter/SCCRNEWSLETTERFALL2012.pdf">http://www.sccr.org/newsletter/SCCRNEWSLETTERFALL2012.pdf</a>).

It is my deep pleasure and honor to present the highlight of this Newsletter: an essay by Richard A. Shweder. When I asked Dr. Shweder if he would consider writing an article as one of SCCR's founders, for inclusion in the newsletter, he agreed and proceeded to send in his essay weeks ahead of the date we had agreed on. Coming as I do from India, with its lush folklore and practices of ritualized and spontaneous storytelling, the instant it hit my mailbox, I set to reading his richly raconteured contribution. I was not disappointed. You will not be either.

Essays like Dr. Shweder's bring us, in the words of Paul Ricoeur, into "the presence of the absent." Besides being wonderfully entertaining, these careful and spirited reconstructions connect dots for us and nimbly evoke other times and places. Sometimes they convey us into the company of scholars who inhabit different social and professional spaces than our own. At other times, they introduce us to legendary figures who have passed. Such remembrances are not mere nostalgia. Rather, generated as generous acts of professional and autobiographical remembering, these narratives are gifts that offer our organization, and the disciplines we represent, a gestalt of historical significance. They serve as a mode of learning, inviting us to dream big and to boldly initiate something enduring. They inspire us and call on us to continually reassess our organization so that we may collectively nurture it into greater relevance and vibrancy. May we rise to the challenge.

I hope that you enjoy reading this newsletter.

Sincerely,

Hema Ganapathy-Coleman

Editor, SCCR Newsletter

# **SCCR History Comments: Murdock v Whiting Redux**

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The fate of my suitcase may have played a causal role in the founding of the Society for Cross-Cultural Research (SCCR). In the winter of 1972, a long delay in retrieving my luggage at the Pittsburgh airport resulted in the rather late arrival of the Harvard delegation on the night before the decision was taken to actually establish a new scientific society, a decision which took place as I recall in that architecturally unique thirty-six floor academic building known as the Cathedral of Learning at the University of Pittsburgh. The fate of that bag turned out to be a necessary condition for the consequential dispute between George Peter Murdock and John Wesley Mayhew Whiting that unfolded at the founding of the Society and was described by Carol Ember in an earlier SCCR Newsletter (Fall 2012). Whiting had planned to contact Murdock upon arrival to hammer out the aims and agenda for the proceedings. Because of my suitcase, by the time John Whiting arrived at his campus hotel Murdock had gone home. There was no meeting of minds. The rest is history.

Carol Ember's wonderful recollection of the conflict that surfaced the next day (Murdock v Whiting), which she described as a rivalry with psychological undercurrents, stimulated many memories of my own, including the role of that suitcase. Murdock v Whiting was the highlight of the meeting, as Carol noted. It was also personally significant for me because George Peter Murdock and John W.M. Whiting were both teachers of mine. At the time, John Whiting was my PhD thesis advisor at Harvard University. Six years earlier, when I was an undergraduate at the University of Pittsburgh, Pete Murdock had advised me to do graduate work at Harvard and to study with John Whiting, who was Murdock's former student. Six years later, Pete Murdock had put out a call for a tribal reunion to discuss the future of cross-cultural social science research. I flew back to the University of Pittsburgh (for my first and to this day only time) with John and Beatrice Whiting and the Harvard delegation.

I had not only been an undergraduate at the University of Pittsburgh, I had also spent countless hours on the 35th floor of the Cathedral of Learning, where the Department of Anthropology and the office of George Peter Murdock was located in those days. In that building, I had attended Murdock's graduate seminar on the history The seminar was designed as a gauntlet for recently admitted anthropology of anthropological thought. graduate students but he allowed me to register for the course as a college senior. The seminar might well have been entitled "The Ascent of Anthropological Thinking from Herodotus to Murdock," for the reading list started with the writings of the Ancient Greek and ended with the writings of Murdock himself. Throughout the semester, students presented detailed intellectual biographies about this great chain of beings (I recall making presentations on the work of Ibn Khuldun, who was next on the reading list after Herodotus, and Alfred Kroeber) while Murdock, quite formally dressed in tie and jacket, leaned back on his chair while smoking a cigarette, and evaluated the incoming class of anthropology prospects. He retained our interest in the course by happily passing on the lore of the tribe, gossiping away to our delight. My main memory of the seminar are his personal anecdotes - about Franz Boas (the master of all four fields of anthropology who dominated AAA meetings when Murdock was a graduate student), about William Sumner (who had died in 1910 but had founded the Department of Sociology at Yale out of which Yale anthropology had emerged and whose folkway files were somehow inherited by Murdock and became the foundation for the Human Relations Area Files), about Edward Sapir (in Murdock's estimation Sapir was the only true genius the discipline has ever had and, according to Murdock, Sapir was devastated when the famous psychoanalyst Franz Alexander declined to have him as his patient at the Chicago Psychoanalytic Institute on the grounds that Sapir's resistance would be too brilliant for Alexander to overcome), about Margaret Mead (we heard about the many husbands).

He even told the following story about himself. Murdock was a Harvard Law School dropout who, as a young man, did not know what he wanted to do with his life. So he took a year-long boat cruise around the world. He arrived back in New York City where he heard about this field called anthropology and this person called Franz Boas who had started a department of anthropology at Columbia University. So he made an appointment to see the famous Boas. Boas interviewed the young Murdock for fifteen minutes and then (as told by Murdock) said to him: "Mr. Murdock you are a dilettante. Get out of my office. I never want to see you again." Murdock then got on a train heading northeast and got off at New Haven, where he entered Yale University and stayed for most of his life.

In a sense that meeting in Pittsburgh in 1972 was a gathering of the Yale University William Graham Sumner lineage. The descent line ran from Sumner's spirit (and the legacy of his cross-cultural files) to Murdock and his many students at Yale (which included prominent anthropologists such as John Whiting) to their many students all over the country. Forty years ago a rather substantial number of eminent American anthropologists could trace their academic descent lines to a handful of eponymous ancestors – for example, Franz Boas at Columbia, Alfred Kroeber at Berkeley, Hallowell at Penn, Kluckhohn at Harvard, Radcliffe-Brown at the University of Chicago, Murdock (and through him the spirit of Sumner) at Yale.

By 1972, William Graham Sumner was long dead and possibly forgotten by most of those who showed up in Pittsburgh. Murdock himself was seventy-four years old when the SCCR was launched. He had been a former President of the American Anthropological Association and an influential figure in the profession. After retiring from Yale University, he had successfully engineered the vast 1960s expansion of the Department of Anthropology at the University of Pittsburgh and helped create a new academic journal, *Ethnology*. By the time

I became an undergraduate major in that department in 1964 the faculty included two former presidents of the AAA (Murdock himself and Alexander Spoehr), a former president of the Society for Applied Anthropology (John Gillin), and a host of brilliant younger scholars (Arthur Tuden, Harold Gould, Hugo Nutini, Leonard Plotnicov). It was Tuden who drew me into anthropology, Gould who introduced me to India, and Murdock who advised me to do graduate work in anthropology at Harvard.

Indeed, Murdock had encouraged me while I was a college senior to attend the 1965 meeting of the AAA in Denver. I first arrived at the convention hotel knowing almost no one. I walked into the bar. There was Pete Murdock sitting with A. Kimball Romney. I was introduced, sat down with the two of them, and Kim Romney (about to move to Harvard as a tenured Professor) immediately gave me a triads test and told me about anthropology at Harvard (apply to the Department of Social Relations he advised). From Murdock's perspective, the Whitings and Romney were the big draw. In any case, given the leadership roles that Murdock had played throughout his career and his stature as a respected elder in the eyes of those who conferred at the Pittsburgh meeting it is not surprising that in the winter of 1972 Murdock had in his pocket a plan to create and organize a new academic society, along with by-laws, elected officials, newsletters, and structured academic sessions.

John Wesley Mayhew Whiting was sixty-three years old at the time of the launch. In the 1930s, he had been a student of Murdock's at Yale University. He grew up on Martha's Vineyard where he returned every summer for several months and almost every other moment he could. He liked Yankee simplicity, and much preferred face to face oral communication over reading published work. Whiting was not a great fan of organizational hierarchies, institutionalized power, or vita building. Indeed he thought the world would have been a better place if the printing press had never come along. Consider the following measure of the man. The year after the founding of the SCCR, John Whiting was the "Distinguished Lecturer" at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association. On that honorific occasion, he was seated on a stage in a large auditorium in front of a very large number of professional colleagues. The proceedings began with a conspicuously inadequate introduction by the then president-elect of the association, an archeologist who had not done his homework and knew embarrassingly little about the corpus of work and the influence on psychological anthropology and the study of culture and ontogenetic development of the man he was introducing. In the middle of this pathetic performance – the president-elect of the association had even started to become apologetic about his lack of preparation for the grand academic event – John Whiting shouted out from his seat: "Just tell them I was captain of the Yale wrestling team and invented the first automatic clam digger. All the rest is just paper."

So John Whiting was not an organization man. He was an adventurous, lovable, inventive hypothesis generating grappler. His model for intellectual seriousness was the playfully combative and egalitarian atmosphere of data oriented lunch sessions held at Harvard's Palfrey House in the 1950s and early 1960s. Those lunch meetings were ancient history by the time I arrived at Harvard in 1966 but the legend lived on. Whiting believed that progress in comparative positive science research would best be served by just arranging from time to time for informal gatherings of curious minds willing to show up somewhere (perhaps in a hotel room, or a bar, or on Martha's Vineyard) to talk about their latest hypotheses or empirical findings and to argue things out. So John Whiting opposed Pete Murdock's plan in what I at least perceived as a show of mock combat. The outcome was nicely described by Carol Ember: the SCCR was formed with Beatrice Whiting strategically (but I also think sincerely) nominated by Murdock to become the first president of the new Society and then endorsed by acclamation. Murdock's desire to create a professional institution had prevailed.

As I recall (and as I try to interpret the recollected moment forty years later), as soon as Bea Whiting was elected President, Tom Landauer (a beloved member of the Whiting clan) tried to lighten things up. In the wake of the dispute that had just taken place over informality versus officialdom, Tom carried forward that theme with a hyperbolic suggestion for a linguistic compromise in which the new Society would avoid using bureaucratic titles. His suggestion (which was less a serious proposal than a spontaneous off-the-cuff quip) went something like this: Let's use kinship terms such as "Big Mama" for our officers so that we can all feel at home in this new organization. President Beatrice Whiting laughed but would have nothing of it.

On the flight back to Cambridge, I carried my suitcase on board and apologized to John for having made the mistake of checking it and sending it down on the way out. He smiled and said it was a good thing we had been delayed. Had we arrived at the hotel on time, he and Pete Murdock would have met the night before and reached some kind of agreement about how things should proceed. The meeting would have been a bore and who knows if it would have unfolded precisely the way it did. He seemed quite happy about the outcome.

# VALERIE L. HAVILL, PRESIDENT, SCCR BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

### By Hema Ganapathy-Coleman

It gives me great pleasure to present SCCR's President, Dr. Valerie L. Havill. Many of our members became acquainted with her during the meeting in Mobile, Alabama, which she organized. I met Valerie at a previous SCCR meeting; her disarmingly friendly manner, humility and sense of humor were immediately striking.

Valerie is the second of two girls and two boys. Her father was in the military and they moved around a good deal. When he retired from the military, Valerie's father joined Pan Am as a pilot. Valerie jests that she spent a great deal of time waiting in airports, on standby tickets. She travelled extensively, from Kenya to New Zealand. After finishing high school early, she backpacked through Europe. The high school years in Connecticut made Valerie determined to get away from cold temperatures. She earned a Bachelor's degree at Pitzer College in Claremont, California, studying psychology with Ruth Munroe and anthropology with Robert Lee Munroe. With them, she spent three months in a Kibbutz in Israel, conducting research on children. Valerie acknowledges a debt of gratitude to Ruth and Lee Munroe for inspiring her interest in the field. After earning her BA, Valerie travelled to Central and South America, spending three years in Mexico, Belize and Costa Rica. She is a fluent speaker of Spanish.

Upon her return to the states, she earned a Masters degree and a Doctorate in Life-Span Developmental Psychology from the University of Georgia. Although she was deeply interested in cross-cultural psychology, no courses that met that interest were offered at the University of Georgia. While finishing her doctorate, Valerie served as the director and manager of the Georgia Longitudinal Study. The Georgia Longitudinal Study focused on temperament, personality and a host of other variables in children. After assessing them at age 3, they were followed up at age 8 and then again at age 20-21. From 1995-2007, with Ruth and Lee Munroe, under the aegis of a NIMH grant, Valerie studied the developmental antecedents of adult personality by examining parents' descriptions and depictions of their children in an international study spanning seven countries.

Not surprisingly for someone who loves to travel, she followed the NIMH study up with a Fulbright at the University of Ljubljana, Slovenia before returning to the United States. In Slovenia, she conducted research and taught but Valerie also teamed up with students of psychology and social work to work with the Roma gypsies there, starting a school for the Roma. With Roma children and the volunteer students she worked with, she published a children's book, about friendships between Romas and non-Romas.

Valerie is an Associate Professor of Psychology at Gainesville State College, which is part of the University of North Georgia (UNG). There, she worked to develop the psychology program from a two-year to a four-year program, creating the first cross-cultural psychology course to be offered there. She teaches introductory cross-cultural psychology, human development and psychology, besides research methods, the psychology of aging, and a course on crisis and child intervention. Valerie often leads students from UNG on service learning trips to Mexico, Belize, and Nicaragua where they work on diverse projects.

Her research interests focus on family, biological and cultural influences on personality development. Valerie is an editor of the 1998 book *Parental Descriptions of Child Personality: Developmental Antecedents of the Big Five?* Valerie has also authored and coauthored several articles, including "Personality structure as derived from parental ratings of free descriptions of children: The inventory of child individual differences" (*Journal of Personality*, 2003); and "Parents' use of Big Five categories in their natural language descriptions of children" (in the book, *The Developing Structure of Temperament and Personality*, 1994).

Valerie said that she has always loved the SCCR conference and would simply like to give back to a professional group that has played an instrumental role in her professional development. She wants to see SCCR grow and become a flourishing community of scholars.

Valerie enjoys reading, hiking, kayaking, and biking. She likes camping, which she considers to be an excellent, low-cost way to travel. She lives a mere three miles from her workplace in a home dating back to the 1920s. Her backyard is part of a nature preserve; a creek tumbles through it. Valerie takes pleasure in cooking, which she sees as a stress buster that can also be used to express love for family and friends.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SCCR/SASci MEETING, FEBRUARY 2013

The 42nd Annual Conference of the SCCR, jointly with SASci, took place from February 20-23 at The Battlehouse Renaissance Mobile Hotel and Spa in Mobile, Alabama. Our keynote speaker was Denise Lewis from the University of Georgia. Dr. Lewis's talk was entitled, "A Multicultural Tale: Down by the Bay where the Watermelon and Lemongrass Grow."

The Presidential Address by William Jankowiak (co-authored with Helen Gerth, University of Nevada) was entitled "Love More Than One Person At The Same Time? A Research Report." In his talk, Dr. Jankowiak interrogated the contemporary American model of love as a dyadic bond between two and only two individuals and discussed an alternative model that survives and that holds out the possibility of simultaneously loving two people at the same time. For those of you interested in learning more about this intriguing talk, the full text is posted under the "Member activities" link on SCCR's webpage at http://www.sccr.org/member\_activities.html or http://www.sccr.org/Jankowiak2013SCCRPresidentialAddress.pdf.

Presentations and symposia focused on a wide range of topics, such as migration and immigration, gender and labor, education across cultures, identity, foreign language curricula, cultural influences on beliefs, mental health, and mother-child narratives as well as a range of methodological issues. Program abstracts are available at https://web.gsc.edu/sccrc/program.htm.

### **CONFERENCE WINNERS**

2013 Leigh Minturn Award for Early Career Cross-Cultural Research

Carrie M. Brown, Agnes Scott College

2013 John & Beatrice Whiting Award for Outstanding Student in Cross-Cultural Studies

Xuan Li, Department of Psychology, University of Cambridge

#### **Best Student Poster**

Sung-Yeon Kim, Ji Young Lee, Minkyung Yim, So Yeon Kim, & Eunjoo Yang Suicidal Ideation of Lesbians and Gays in South Korea: Test of Interpersonal Psychological Model

### **Honorable Mentions for Student Poster**

Soohyun Kim

Intergenerational Relationships and the Influence of Adult Children's Divorce in Korean Families

Colin McDonald, Fabiola Roman, & Jill Brown

Examining Cognitive Categorization in the Dominican Republic: The Significance of Acculturation

### Thanks to the Program Committee Members of the SCCR/SASci 2013 meeting

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### **NEWS**

### **Judith Gibbons Receives Award (contributed by Brien Ashdown)**

Judith Gibbons, Professor of Psychology and International Studies, Saint Louis University, was the recent 2012 recipient of the Florence L. Denmark and Mary E. Reuder Award for Outstanding International Contributions to the Psychology of Women and Gender.

Here is the website: <a href="http://div52.org/awards/denmaark-reuder-award/">http://div52.org/awards/denmaark-reuder-award/</a>

### Professor Ralph Bolton Honored by Peruvian Anthropology Colleagues

Ralph Bolton, Professor of Anthropology at Pomona College and President of The Chijnaya Foundation, was honored by his Peruvian colleagues at the VI National Congress of Anthropological Investigations in Peru held at the National University of the Altiplano in Puno in October 2012. The citation on the Scroll of Honor for Distinction in Anthropology indicated that it was bestowed "in recognition of his brilliant performance as an investigator and teacher and for his contributions to the profession and service to society." In addition to the Scroll, Bolton was given a vara, or staff, the ancient symbol of authority in traditional Andean communities.

The Professional Guild of Peruvian Anthropologists (Colegio Profesional de Antropólogos del Perú) also recognized Bolton's career. He was elected Honorary Member of the Colegio, one of only three anthropologists to hold this distinction, and the only non-Peruvian so honored. The formal installation and Bolton's accompanying lecture are to be scheduled for early in 2013 in Lima.

Professor Bolton's writings on Andean cultures have been collected and published by Editorial Horizonte in Spanish in a series of volumes: Cuyes, camiones y cuentos en los Andes (2009), La vida familiar en comunidades andinas (2010), No somos iguales: agresión, autoridad y conflict en el altiplano peruano (2011), Alpacas y cuyes en la etnografía andina (2012), and Susto, coca, y los efectos de la altura en la cultura andina (2012). In addition, he co-edited a volume published in both English and Spanish in 2011 (Vicos and Beyond: A Half Century of Applying Anthropology in Peru, AltaMira Press; 50 años de antropología aplicada en el Perú: Vicos y otras experiencias, Instituto de Estudios Peruanos.

### **CUNY-in-Moldova Study-Abroad Program**

### Vadim Moldovan

The CUNY-in-Moldova Study-Abroad Program, founded by SCCR members Drs. Divale and Moldovan has entered its second year. The program builds on a very successful pilot project last summer when four CUNY social work students were joined by eight students from local universities in Moldova to take part in a monthlong summer session at the Free International University of Moldova. The session included classroom seminars, field practice in social and medical settings, and empirical research.

This year, a larger contingent of students from York and other colleges will travel to Chisinau, the capital of Moldova to participate in an expanded project with a wider range of field practice settings being offered to accommodate students taking independent study courses in social work, sociology, anthropology, education, history, and other disciplines. Three York College faculty members will be joined by colleagues from the University of St. Louis, Northern Kentucky University, and the University of Minnesota as well as their counterparts from Moldovan to teach classes, conduct research, and supervise field work.

This project is evolving into an important multidisciplinary international educational venture with far-reaching implications for the global education and research agenda. Students' active participation in this initiative is particularly commendable as their experience and creative input determine the scope and trajectory of the project. Please promote this undertaking among students by referring them to <a href="https://www.cunyinmoldova.org">www.cunyinmoldova.org</a>.



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### Participants sought for Study on Romantic Partnerships (from Laurie Sylla)

Dear Colleagues,

I am looking for assistance reaching people who are now or who have previously been in a romantic partnership with someone from another country. I am a freelance researcher/writer working on a book and am surveying people about their transnational relationships. My goal is help these couples increase their likelihood of long-term relationship success. I am in one of these relationships myself.

The survey is anonymous and those who take it will have the chance to enter a drawing for a \$100 Amazon gift card. You can help by:

- Taking the survey yourself if you are or have been in this kind of relationship
- Emailing this request to people you know who are/have been in this kind of relationship, or who might know others who have been in this kind of relationship
- · Emailing this request to your organizational memberships
- Participating in an in-depth phone interview if you want to share your relationship story
- Posting a link to my website: <a href="http://www.lovehasnoborders.org">http://www.lovehasnoborders.org</a> on your website or blog if you have one.
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For information about this project and about me, to find survey links, or to share your relationship experiences on-line, please go to <a href="http://www.lovehasnoborders.org">http://www.lovehasnoborders.org</a>

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Thank you for your time and your contribution to others. If you want any additional information, I can be reached at <a href="lovehasnoborders@live.com">lovehasnoborders@live.com</a>.

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### **SCCR FEES**

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