

Alumni Notes

1940s

Marillyn (Shenberg) Teplow, B.A. '45

"Enjoying retirement, visiting children/grandchildren, attending opera/ballet/plays; keeping fit bike-riding and skiing."

Herbert Bauer, M.D., M.P.H. '48 "Recently elected to UC Davis Advisory Board."

1950s

Edith K. Canfield, M.P.H. '51 "Employed by County of San Diego Health Department. Retired in Oct. 1978. I am probably the last living member of the Class of '51 Health Education."

Washington Burns, M.D., B.S. '52, received a Jefferson Award from the American Institute for Public Service for making a difference in his community. Burns is executive director of the Prescott-Joseph Center for Community Enhancement, a nonprofit corporation offering free health, education, art, and social services in West Oakland. The organization evolved out of the conceptual scheme for the adaptive re-use of the former Saint Joseph's Convent (St. Patrick Convent) as a center for community services, education, culture, and development.

Robert Darter, M.D., B.S. '54, was named Napa Valley Distinguished Citizen 2005 by the Mt. Diablo Silverado Boy Scout Council at a November 2005 reception at the Napa Elks Lodge. His scouting career spans more than 48 years; he joined St. Helena, California's Troop 1 as an adult leader in 1962 and has been the troop treasurer and an assistant scoutmaster for 45 years. He also volunteers as the team physician for St. Helena High School and the Carpy Gang football team.

Louise B. Detwiler, B.S. '54 "There was a major in biostatistics 50+ years ago, which provided graduates with the tools to work in local health departments. I'm glad to see the major has been reinstated at the undergrad level; there is a need for quality data to make informed decisions about program direction and evaluation!"

Colin P. Hubbard, M.D., B.S. '54 "Retired from pediatric practice in 1996. Currently working part-time as a medical expert for the Office of

Hearings and Appeals in regard to childhood SSI cases. Son Dr. Alan E. Hubbard is adjunct professor of biostatistics at Cal. (Third generation!)"

Donald J. Ludwig, M.P.H. '54, writes in reference to an article about California Secretary of Business, Transportation, and Housing Sunne Wright McPeak, published in the Fall 2005 issue of *UC Berkeley Public Health*: "I knew Ms. McPeak while she was a supervisor at Contra Costa County, where I had worked for 24 years in the medical services. In the article she is quoted as saying, 'In 1979 I created the first HMO with licensure from the state.' I would like to put the record straight. I developed the HMO starting in 1969. Contra Costa was the first in the state to receive a contract. Subsequently a Medicare contract was granted, which was also the first in the nation."

Henry P. Anderson, M.P.H. '56 "Gave paper at UC Santa Barbara, 5/5/05, on bracero health survey conducted under UCB School of Public Health auspices, 1956–1959."

Chhaganbhai B. Bhakta, B.S. '58 "During 1959–64 I spent time in England with Leeds Hospital Board and Food Microbiology & Technology with Marsh & Baxter, Ltd. From 1965–95 I worked as P.H. microbiologist with L.A. County Health Department and retired on Nov. 6, 1995. Now enjoying—with family—granddaughters and traveling. In Sept. 2005 went to China with senior citizens for 10 days."

1960s

Patricia E. Taylor, Ph.D. '64 "Ph.D. (Bact.) 1964; Order of Canada 1981; Canadian Women's Club Woman of the Year, 1992; chair established at Victoria University (Toronto), Kenneth and Patricia Taylor Visiting Distinguished Professor in Political Science, 2004."

Mildred F. Patterson, M.P.H. '65 "I continue to enjoy living in a retirement home, seeing my family now and then, and quilting."

Neal Dockal, J.D., M.P.H. '66 "My wife (Judy Cook, M.D.) and I are retiring. We plan to travel, do volunteer work, get involved in health policy areas, and do some pro bono law work."

Betty Ivie Goldblatt, R.D., M.P.H. '69 "Sold my newsletter business, 'Environmental Nutrition,' after 27 years. Enjoying my freedom!"

Charles W. Maas, M.D., M.P.H. '69, B.S. '62 "Since 2000 I have been a faculty member of UC Davis Dept. of Psychiatry. It's an unusual position for a pediatrician. I deal with foster children and teens in the juvenile justice system. It is an enjoyable change of pace."

1970s

Anne Suguitan, M.P.H. '70 "Retired from the Arizona Dept. of Health as MCH nutritionist in 2001. Enjoy travel, our cabin in the White Mountains where I grew up, and all the theater, music, and dining that Phoenix now offers."

Richard M. Mangion, M.P.H. '72, announced that he will be retiring next year from his position as president and CEO of Harrington Memorial Hospital in Southbridge, Massachusetts, after 29 years.

Alice L. Royal, M.P.H. '72, has been placed in the Congressional Record for her volunteer work for Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park.

Claude H. B. Brown, M.D., M.P.H. '73 "My wife (Satyra) and I try to cope with 'chronological maturity' by fly-fishing and enjoying the sights and weather of New Mexico."

Robert A. Chernow, M.P.H. '74, was appointed to the newly created position of vice provost for entrepreneurship at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Chernow said he took the position because of his interest in technology and innovation. He noted that while at many universities entrepreneurship is only taught within the business school, the aim of his position is to make it a focus across the Rensselaer campus.

Judith E. Heumann, M.P.H. '75, World Bank adviser on disability and development, was the featured speaker in February at the Thornburgh Family Lecture Series in Disability, Law, and Policy at the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. Heumann was the School of Public Health's 1981 Alumna of the Year and received the California Alumni Association's 1999 Excellence in Achievement Award.

Esther O. Quiroigico, M.D., M.P.H. '75, earned an E.M.B.A. in 1997 from the Peter F. Drucker Graduate School of Management at Claremont Graduate University.



Linda Blachman, M.P.H. '79, M.A., has authored *Another Morning: Voices of Truth and Hope from Mothers with Cancer*, a book that shows how mothers go on living and loving in the face of

mortality, and how they do so in a culture that denies illness, death, and the underside of motherhood. The book was published in February by Seal Press/The Avalon Group. More information is available at www.lindablachman.com.

Barbara Griffiths, M.D., Q.M.E., A.C.P.H., M.P.H. '79 "Awarded America's Top Physicians 2004–2005 in specialty of occupational, environmental, and preventive medicine. Married and retired in Roseville, California, from private medical-legal practice. Enjoying art, organic gardening, and volunteering as a physician in third world countries."

1980s

Jim Carpenter, M.D., M.P.H. '80 "I have been a hospitalist and child abuse pediatrician with Contra Costa Health Services for more than two decades. I recently returned to the SPH to lecture on perinatal substance abuse issues."

W. Frederick Shaw, Dr.P.H. '80, M.P.H. '76, is employing his model, "Developing Indigenous Resources," in Janta Colony, Nayagaon, India, to encourage people to take control over their own lives, starting with their health. He has assembled a team of 11 residents who spread this message and conduct door-to-door surveys on health indicators. Recently, villagers removed stagnant water from a clogged sewage pipe to prevent the spread of malaria. "People everywhere have the capacity to solve problems, only if they are made aware of these and are given the confidence that they have the power to solve them," says Shaw.

Douglas P. Fowler, Ph.D. '81, C.I.H., is a visiting lecturer in industrial hygiene, Dept. of Medicine, UCSF; visiting associate professor, Babes-Bolyai

University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania; and Distinguished Visiting Professor, University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Cluj-Napoca, Romania.

Sarah E. Samuels, Dr.P.H. '82, received the Catherine Cowell Award from the Food & Nutrition Section of the American Public Health Association in December 2005. The award recognizes excellence and achievement in administration, planning, mentoring, and team building in public health nutrition, including meeting the special needs of urban populations and young children. Samuels is president of Samuels & Associates, a public health evaluation, research and policy consulting firm.

Pamela Reitman, M.P.H. '83 "Industrial hygienist, C.I.H. (retired), full-time writer, publishing poetry, non-fiction, fiction."

Maria Sakovich, M.P.H. '84, has written a book for the Richmond Museum of History in Richmond, California, titled *La Nostra Storia: Italian Americans in Richmond—The Immigrant Generation as Recounted by their Children*. Based on a 2003 exhibition also compiled by Sakovich, the book looks at Italian immigrants' daily lives, social activities, hardships, and the self-sufficiency that marked the city's largest immigrant population prior to World War II. The book is available through the Richmond Museum of History.

Shoshanna Sofaer, Dr.P.H. '84, M.P.H. '77 "Larry Bergner, M.D., M.P.H. '59, and I got married in New York on May 8, 2005."

Jacob Eapen, M.D., M.P.H. '85, a pediatrician for Alameda County Health Services, was elected to the board of directors of the Association of California Healthcare Districts. He says he plans to focus on making health care more accessible during his term on the state board.

Robina Elaine Ingram-Rich, M.P.H. '86, M.S. '85 "On board of directors of Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon. Have been here 20 years already! On advisory board of Center for Health Disparities, School of Nursing, Oregon Health & Science University."

Chris Jones, M.S.W., M.P.H. '85, and his partner Bill Prince, M.D., took a 12-month sabbatical, traveling through 11 European countries. They

have returned to the Northwest, where Chris is employed as a program manager at Public Health – Seattle & King County.

Anjali Morris, M.D., M.P.H. '86, worked in Cambodia, teaching physicians, and in India, helping in the HIV the orphan program and learning disability program and setting up an informal education program for sex workers.

Bruce Steir, M.D., M.P.H. '86, has worked as a volunteer at the Women's Option Center at San Francisco General Hospital for the past six years and represents San Francisco as a senior senator in the California Senior Legislature.

Barry L. Wainscott, M.D., M.P.H. '86, last year joined the faculty of the University of Louisville School of Public Health and Information Sciences as an assistant professor in the Department of Health Management and Systems Sciences. He has more than 25 years of community health experience in various local, state, and university settings in both Kentucky and California, including administrative and clinical involvement. He recently retired as Communicable Disease Branch manager with the Kentucky Department for Public Health and continues working with the department on special assignments.

Susan Desmond-Hellmann, M.D., M.P.H. '88, president, product development at Genentech, was named 2006 Woman of the Year by the Healthcare Businesswoman's Association (HBA). She was honored at the 17th annual HBA Woman of the Year luncheon in New York City in May. Criteria for Woman of the Year include success in the health care industry, strong leadership abilities, proven mentoring skills, and contributions to the community at large. Said HBA president Debra L. Newton, "Sue has made an amazing impact in her corporate role at Genentech, and at the same time, remains dedicated to patient care, a critical combination in today's health care environment."

Kirsten J. Black, Ph.D., M.P.H. '89 "I recently completed my Ph.D. in health and behavioral science at the University of Colorado and am now working for the medical school doing practice-based research in the area of diabetes.

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1990s

JoAnn Ten Brinke, Dr.P.H. '95, M.P.H. '92

"After completing the Dr.P.H., did postdoctoral work in Oxford, England, for three years. Worked at Health Effects Institute focusing on health effects of ambient air quality."

**Marian McDonald, Dr.P.H. '94, M.P.H. '89,**

chaired the second "International Conference on Women and Infectious Disease: Progress in

Science and Action" (ICWID), held in Atlanta March 16–18. The conference, sponsored by the CDC, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), the World Health Organization, the Pan American Health Organization, the American Society for Microbiology, and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, was aimed at enhancing prevention and control of infectious diseases among women globally. McDonald, who serves as associate director for minority and women's health for the National Center for Infectious Diseases at the CDC, spearheaded the first ICWID in 2004. For her efforts in minority health, McDonald received the CDC's highest minority health award in 2005, the CDC-ATSDR Health Equity Mentor/Champion Award. She was recently nominated for the Secretary's Award for Contributions to Minority Health, DHHS's highest minority health award. She was also honored in October 2005 for her outstanding commitment and service as elected cochair of the CDC-ATSDR Minority Initiatives Coordinating Committee from 2003 to 2005.

Melissa Stafford Jones, M.P.H. '95, has been appointed president and CEO of the California Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems. She has served as the organization's vice president and director of policy since 2000. Prior to that, she was regional vice president for the Hospital Council of Northern and Central California. She has also served as an analyst in the Nevada state legislature and worked in administration at Contra Costa Regional Medical Center.

Robert S. Brown, Jr., M.D., M.P.H. '96

"Enjoying life in New York running a liver transplant program and chasing after three kids (Jacqueline, 8, Dylan, 6, and Jake, 2,) and a sweet puppy."

Kay R. Wallis, M.P.H. '96, works for the Department of Medicine at UCSF and is involved in grassroots activism in Richmond, California.

John F. Hough, Dr.P.H. '97, M.P.H. '84, accepted a position as a statistician at the CDC National Center on Health Statistics in 2005. He serves in the NCHS Classifications and Public Health Data Standards Branch.

Harvey Kayman, M.D., M.P.H. '99, created a course, "Ethics and Public Health in an Age of Terrorism," first presented at the Arnold School of Public Health at the University of South Carolina in January 2005. In August of that year, he was the featured speaker at a 90-minute satellite broadcast on ethics and bioterrorism at the New York Center for Public Health Preparedness at the University at Albany (SUNY).

Andrew J. Lan, M.P.H. '99 "I moved to Almaty, Kazakhstan, last year to work as the deputy director of CDC's Central Asia regional office. It is a beautiful part of the world and an exciting time to be here."

Basia Tomczyk, Dr.P.H. '99, M.P.H. '94, M.S., R.N., has been with the CDC for the past six years. She works in the International Emergency and Refugee Health Branch of the CDC's National Center for Environmental Health and has been collaborating with the UN Department of Peacekeeping Operations in Liberia. "The UN asked us to help out with a survey they were doing on HIV knowledge and practices," she says. "We were brought in to give validity and reliability to the survey, to help them conduct it in a scientific way. I wrote the protocol.... We interviewed 667 peacekeepers in a systematic, random survey. We had to focus on their sexual activity during their missions. A lot of work went into the survey to make it appropriate for the mission. CDC was part of that—developing an appropriate tool—to work with the UN peacekeepers. It's the first time it's ever been done.... We have plans to go to Haiti next year to do a second assessment with the peacekeepers there."

2000s

Pam Ling, M.D., M.P.H. '00, writes, "While I was in the Interdisciplinary M.P.H. program, I was doing a postdoctoral fellowship in HIV prevention, focused on social marketing and media campaigns. My studies in social marketing led me to become more interested in commercial marketing. I worked with Dr. Stan



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Glantz at UCSF, analyzing tobacco industry marketing documents. We decided to focus on marketing to young adults, who are also the focus of many HIV prevention campaigns. Five years later, I have a full program of research devoted to tobacco industry marketing strategies that target young adults, using marketing principles to improve public health interventions in tobacco control." She continues to work at UCSF, where she joined the faculty in 2002. She conducts research, has a clinical internal medicine practice, teaches clinical medicine to residents, and directs the post-doctoral fellowship program at the Center for Tobacco Control Research and Education. Over the past few years she has mentored several School of Public Health students.

Susan J. Zahner, Dr.P.H. '00, assistant professor of nursing at the University of Wisconsin–Madison, received the Van Hise Outreach Award, one of the university's 2006 Distinguished Teaching Awards. Last year she received the Mary Adelaide Nutting Award for Academic/Practice Linkages from the Western Wisconsin Public Health Education Consortium. She has been on the UW-Madison nursing faculty for the past five years.

Janet Mohle-Boetani, M.D., M.P.H. '01, is chief of the Disease Investigations Section of the Infectious Diseases Branch of the California Department of Health Services.

Kevin Peterson, M.D., M.P.H. '01, runs The Gambia's MRC HIV/STI clinic. He writes, "We have approximately 1,400 HIV patients, among them several hundred with HIV-2. The MRC clinic has been handling HIV here since 1986. We have a very experienced core staff that has nearly doubled, and we can now provide more comprehensive care. On a typical day we see about 75 patients, half STI, half returning HIV. For our HIV patients we provide free medical care, free medications, and taxi fares."

Joseph F. O'Neill, M.D., M.P.H. '03, former director of the Office of National AIDS Policy, has joined the Immune Response Corporation as its new CEO and president. O'Neill led fed-

eral AIDS policy at the White House, the Office of the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services, and the Office of the Global AIDS Coordinator at the U.S. Department of State. He will leverage his extensive experience and relationships in public health initiatives to lead the corporation in the ongoing development of its products for HIV and multiple sclerosis. He will also serve on the company's board of directors.

Nitika Pai, M.D., M.P.H. '03, current Ph.D. student "UC Berkeley provides an intellectual forum to air liberal viewpoints. Tolerance is its religion, diversity its soul, and education and enlightenment through the path of knowledge its mission. I am fortunate to have passed through its portals of knowledge."

Deborah Edelman, Dr.P.H. '04, has had her fellowship extended at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, where she has initiated two original research projects involving youth radio and youth media. She is engaged to marry Joseph Davis.

Young Shin Kim, Ph.D. '05 "Assistant professor, child and adolescent psychiatry, Child Study Center, Yale University School of Medicine."

Katrina Kahl, M.P.H. '05, has joined Breast Cancer Action as a communications associate. She writes, "I am excited to be part of an organization dedicated to the fundamental principles of public health—prevention of disease, the precautionary principle, and access to quality care."

Corey Langenbach, M.P.H. '05, has published "Misoprostol in preventing postpartum hemorrhage: A meta-analysis," in the January 2006 issue of the *International Journal of Gynecology and Obstetrics*. According to the abstract, the study's objective is "to assess misoprostol's ability to prevent postpartum hemorrhage (PPH) where no alternatives exist. Comparison to oxytocics demonstrates how similarly misoprostol achieves a level of effectiveness—obtainable only in hospitals—in remote locations around the world."



Krisztina Szabo, M.P.H. '05 "Behind the beautiful smiling faces of the children in favela Pau da Lima lies a story of tenuous access to elementary education, deep poverty, and entrenched social inequality. Left to roam communities blighted by open sewers, unstable infrastructure, rabid dogs, and a high prevalence of infectious diseases, many of these children are invisible to the government because they lack proper identification. Despite these odds, there is hope and energy in this community. A small school in the heart of the favela transforms the lives of nearly 70 children daily. The school, which collapsed during the rainy season, has been rebuilt, one brick at a time. In 2004 as a graduate student I was privileged to be able to help build community capacity by fostering already existing social networks among motivated community volunteers. With the efforts of many, \$3000 was raised in California during the spring of 2005, which built the foundation and walls of the school with community volunteers. With the help of Connie Chen, in early 2006 a fundraiser and film screening event in New York, "Favela Rising," raised \$2100, while \$1300 was raised by the Alameda County Public Health Department. We hope the school will serve as a point of maternal and child health education and mother's club, an asset to the community which will empower children through education. Our hope is to start a nonprofit organization to provide education and social support to children in hard to reach places. Please visit us at www.brazilreads.com to see our community's progress." 🍌

Mental Health Worker Recognized with Campus Award

Chia-Chia Chien, M.P.H. '74, M.S.W., received the 2005 Peter E. Haas Public Service Award from UC Berkeley on April 22. The award was presented by Chancellor Robert J. Birgeneau at a special "Cal Day" event, where Chien delivered a lecture titled, "Bridging the Gap: From Cal to the Community."


Chien is a social worker who is passionately committed to promoting mental health, particularly in the Asian American community. Her efforts—through numerous community services and community building programs—have helped reduce the cultural stigmas associated with mental illness and educate people about the importance of receiving professional help at an early stage.

Chien's outstanding dedication and leadership have touched the lives of many. As part of the White House Millennium "Save America's Treasures" project, she coordinated the Save Angel Island League to help promote intercultural understanding for this historical landmark.

In 2001, she successfully founded the Culture to Culture Foundation, which promotes peace and harmony among individuals with different cultures, languages, and ethnic backgrounds. The foundation's various programs include the Chinese American Mental Health Network, Chinese-American Mental Health Scholarship, Chinese Helpline, Chinese-American Senior Center, and Chinese-American Healthy Living Center. She also developed the Asian American Mental Health Directory, both in print and online, to connect local bilingual and bicultural mental health professionals.



The Peter E. Haas Public Service Award was established by Mrs. Peter E. Haas on the occasion of her husband's 80th birthday. Its purpose is to recognize alumni of the University of California, Berkeley who have made significant voluntary public contributions to the betterment of society, particularly at the community level, within the boundaries of the United States. One of the most prestigious honors conferred by the Berkeley campus, this award is a counterpart to the Elise and Walter A. Haas International Award, which recognizes work by distinguished Berkeley alumni overseas.

The Haas Public Service Award acknowledges outstanding contributions in four major areas: community service (including social service), health care, environmental work, and education. Special consideration is given to activity at the grassroots level, for such activity best illustrates the impact that an individual can have on society through creative social change. 

Harrison C. Spencer Chosen to Receive Berkeley Alumni Honor



Dean Stephen Shortell with Harrison Spencer.

The University of California, Berkeley, School of Public Health selected Association of Schools of Public Health (ASPH) president and CEO **Harrison C. Spencer, M.D., M.P.H. '72,** as Alumnus of the Year. Spencer was honored at the School's commencement ceremony on May 13.

Spencer was chosen for the award on the basis of his many accomplishments throughout his career, particularly for the leadership he has provided the 37 accredited graduate schools of public health as president of ASPH. Spencer became the first full-time president and CEO of ASPH in July 2000.

As ASPH president, Spencer has drawn on his experience serving as dean of the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, and his work prior to that as dean of the Tulane School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine in New Orleans. He has focused much of his career on communicable disease prevention and eradication. He served as an Epidemic Intelligence Service officer and at the field station in El Salvador for the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and founded and directed a CDC research station in Kenya. Spencer has also held important roles as the senior medical officer at the Malaria Action Program of the World Health Organization, and as chief of the Parasitic Diseases branch of the CDC.

Spencer received his M.P.H. from UC Berkeley in 1972. He also received an M.D. from Johns Hopkins University, a D.T.M.&H. from the University of London, and he is board certified in internal and preventative medicine. He was elected to the Institute of Medicine in 2003. 